

## Country Profile: Turks and Caicos Islands

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## Country Resources

### Thematic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
The World 1:30,000,000 Scale Topographic Map Series 1145 (NGA)	DMA	1:30,000,000		2

## Global Census Archive: GIS Census Data

East View Geospatial has an ongoing effort to add GIS census data to our Global Census Archive program. Please contact us for the status and availability of Turks and Caicos Islands census resources.

## Global Resources

### Topographic

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military City Plans	VTU GSh	Varies	1944 - 2003	3,020
Soviet Military 1:100,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:100,000	1947 - 1999	24,897
Soviet Military 1:200,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:200,000	1949 - 2009	17,799
Soviet Military 1:500,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:500,000	1953 - 1998	3,093

### Nautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
NGA Nautical Charts POD Certified (All Scales)	NGA	Varies	1943 - 2013	4,517

### Aeronautical

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Joint Operations Graphic (JOG 1501A) 1:250,000 - Aeronautical	DMA	1:250,000	1958 - 2007	4,204
Tactical Pilotage Chart (TPC) 1:500,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:500,000	1967 - 2006	598
Operational Navigation Chart (ONC) 1:1,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:1,000,000	1969 - 2001	243
Jet Navigation Chart (JNC) 1:2,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:2,000,000	1971 - 1999	117
Global Navigation and Planning Chart (GNC) 1:5,000,000 Scale - Aeronautical	DMA	1:5,000,000	1981 - 1999	27

### Geoscientific

Series	Publisher	Scale	Years	Sheets
Soviet Military 1:1,000,000 Scale Topographic Maps	VTU GSh	1:1,000,000	1948 - 1994	1,089

**Note:** East View Geospatial is continuously sourcing new resources that may not yet be listed in Global Explorer. Please contact us if you have geodata needs beyond what is listed above and we will be happy to discuss available off-the-shelf and custom solutions.

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## Topographic

The Turks and Caicos Islands, a British Crown Colony, comprise more than 40 islands, of which eight are inhabited. They were mapped by the British **Directorate of Overseas Surveys (DOS)** (now **Ordnance Survey International (OSI)**) in the late 1960s in two parallel contoured series at 1:10,000 scale (DOS 209) and 1:25,000 (DOS 309). Mapping was based on air photography flown by the USAAF in 1943 and by **Hunting Surveys Ltd** in 1961. The first edition 1:25,000 series was a four-color map on the Transverse Mercator projection (Clarke 1866 ellipsoid) with UTM grid and contours at 25 ft intervals. This series has been superseded by a colorful new edition using photomap techniques (DOS 309P) and based on air photography flown in 1980-1 by **Clyde Surveys**. Some of the original monochrome sheets of the 1:10,000 scale series were revised in the early 1980s and were issued in full color editions. These sheets have 10 ft interval contours and the offshore coral reefs are also shown by a photomapping technique.

1:2,500 scale maps of the capital Cockburn Town on Grand Turk and Cockburn Harbour on South Caicos were published in 1970-72 (DOS 009).

The **Department of Land Surveys**, Grand Turk is responsible for the management of Crown Lands and for executing, managing and coordinating all surveying and mapping information in the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Soviet military topographic mapping of Turks and Caicos Islands exist at the following scales: 1:1,000,000 (2 sheets, complete coverage, published 1963-1991); 1:500,000 (3 sheets, complete coverage, published in 1983) and 1:200,000 (4 sheets, complete coverage, published in 1983). These products are available in print, digital raster and digital vector GIS formats from **East View Geospatial**.

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## Tourist/Reference

The most recent general map of the two island groups on a single sheet is the 1:200,000 scale *Tourist map of Turks and Caicos Islands* (DOS 609) published in 1984. It includes an inset map of Cockburn Town, and some tourist information.

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