

Isle of Man



Location Irish Sea
The island is 130 km north-west of Liverpool (England); Northern Ireland is to the west
Land Area 588 km² = 227 mi²
Climate Temperate
Weather at Douglas, 87 m altitude
Temperature: hottest month Aug 12–17 °C, coldest Feb 2–7 °C
Rainfall (av monthly): driest month April 63 mm, wettest Dec 128 mm

Time GMT (summer time, 1 hour ahead of GMT)
Measures UK (imperial) system, converting to the metric system
Monetary unit UK pound and Isle of Man pound (IoM £) = 100 new pence. The Isle of Man pound is equal to the UK pound
Rate of exchange (1976 av): free \$ 1.806 = IoM £ 1

Summary

Political Independent state for a thousand years; the millennium is in 1979. Attached to the Crown of England, the United Kingdom is responsible for defence and external relations. Member of sterling area and within EEC via relationship with United Kingdom, but with some special exemptions

Economic A mixed economy, with tourism, finance and manufacturing important; industry is being further encouraged by investment grants, and finance by tax advantages. Exports, mainly livestock, meat and fish, are small

People, resources and equipment

Population 1960 47 380*, 1970 55 410*, 1976 60 496
Growth: 1960–70 1.6 % pa, 1970–76 1.5* % pa
Density (1976): 103 people per km²
Vital statistics (rate per 1 000 people, 1977): births 11.1, deaths 16.7
Towns (population in 000, 1976) Douglas (capital) 20, Onchan 6, Ramsey 5, Peel 3
Race Celtic; Manx-born (1976) 32 000* (53 %)
Language English; also Manx. Manx-speaking (1978): 284
Religion Christian, mainly Church of England
Education (1975/76) Pupils 12 060, teachers 500**
Labour force (1976) 23 278; in tourism 4 724 (20 %)
Personnel (1974) Physicians: 70, 1 per 840 people
National income per person (1976)
IoM £ 1 570* = \$ 2 830* = £ 1 570*
Telephones (1976) 15 381, 254 per 1 000 people
Livestock (000, 1977) Cattle 39, sheep 99, pigs 4, poultry 108
Hospital beds (1977) 727, 1 per 83 people
Roads (1976) 800* km = 500* mi, density 1.4* km per km²
Railways (1977) 56 km = 35 mi, density 0.095 km per km²
Ports Douglas, Ramsey, Port St Mary, Peel
Airport Ronaldsway (Ballasalla)
Durable equipment 000 no per (Dec 1976) 1 000 people
Radio sets 22.0* 360* no per
Television sets 20.5* 338* km of road
Motor vehicles 26.0* 430* 32*

Production, finance and trade

Gross domestic product
1976/77 (year ending March 31st): IoM £ 107 mn = \$ 186 mn = £ 107 mn
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Structure of gross domestic product (1976/77) By origin Agriculture 4** %, manufacturing 13 %, tourism 12 %, finance 26 %, other 45 %
Main products (000 t, 1976) Barley 8*, oats 4*, wheat 2*, potatoes 15*, milk 18, beef and veal 1*, mutton and lamb 1*, fish (landings) 10
Transport traffic Passenger (departures and arrivals, 000) Air (1976) 366, sea (1975/76) 857 Cargo Goods (000 tonnes, 1975/76) loaded 39, unloaded 300
Tourism (1977) Number of visitors 451 300, gross receipts \$ 20** mn
Budget (1976/77; year ending March 31st)
Revenue: IoM £ 31.8 mn = \$ 55.2 mn = £ 31.8 mn
Expenditure: IoM £ 30.8 mn = \$ 53.4 mn = £ 30.8 mn
External trade (1976)*
Imports: IoM £ 40*** mn = \$ 70*** mn = £ 40*** mn
Exports: beef and lamb IoM £ 0.8*** mn, fish IoM £ 0.3*** mn
*Included within the United Kingdom area for external trade purposes

Italy

Italian Republic
Repubblica Italiana



Location Southern Europe
The Italian peninsula projects into the Mediterranean Sea, with the Adriatic Sea to the east, Ionian Sea to the south-east, and Tyrrhenian Sea to the south-west; in the northern part, France is to the west, Switzerland and Austria to the north, and Yugoslavia to the east. Territory includes a number of islands, the main ones being Sicily and Sardinia
Land Area 301 225 km² = 116 304 mi²

Usage (1975): agricultural 175 170 km² (58 %), of which, arable 93 300 km² (31 %), cropland 29 830 km² (10 %), pastures 52 040 km² (17 %); forests 63 060 km² (21 %)

Climate Mediterranean (hot summers and mild winters)
Weather at Rome, 17 m altitude
Temperature: hottest month July 20–30 °C, coldest Jan 4–11 °C
Rainfall (av monthly): driest month July 15 mm, wettest Nov 129 mm
Time 1 hour ahead of GMT (summer time, 2 hours ahead)
Measures Metric system
Monetary unit Lira (L) = 100 centesimi
Rate of exchange: free 1976 av: L 832.3 = \$ 1, L 1 503 = £ 1
1977 av: L 882.39 = \$ 1, L 1 540 = £ 1

Summary

Political Republic from 1946; a peace treaty concerning the second world war was signed in 1947, and an agreement concerning the division of territory east of Trieste was made with Yugoslavia in 1975. Member of UN, OECD, Council of Europe, Nato, EEC and WEU

Economic An industrial economy, with manufacturing and mining providing about one-third of gross domestic product and absorbing about one-third of the labour force; 15 % of the labour force are in agriculture, but provide only 8 % of gross domestic product. Exports are mainly industrial, notably electrical and other machinery, motor vehicles, chemicals, textiles and clothing and iron and steel. Crude oil accounted for about one-fifth of imports in 1976, a large part being refined for export. Growth has slackened in the 1970s, and the south is still comparatively underdeveloped industrially. State-owned industry is important, and tourism is a useful earner of foreign exchange

People

Population 1960 49.64 mn, 1970 53.66 mn, 1976 56.17 mn
Growth: 1960–70 0.8 % pa, 1970–76 0.8 % pa
Density (1976): 186 people per km²
Vital statistics (rate per 1 000 people, 1976): births 14.0, deaths 9.7
Regions (population in 000, Dec 31, 1976; total of 56.32 mn)

Abruzzi	1 221	Liguria	1 865	Sicilia	4 902
Basilicata	617	Lombardia	8 866	Toscana	3 579
Calabria	2 049	Marche	1 397	Trentino-	
Campania	5 335	Molise	331	Alto Adige	869
Emilia-Romagna	3 947	Piemonte	4 543	Umbria	799
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	1 244	Puglia	3 819	Valle d'Aosta	114
Lazio	4 959	Sardegna	1 568	Veneto	4 301

Cities (population in 000, Dec 31, 1976)

Roma ^a (capital)	2 884	Cagliari	240	Rimini	126
Milano ^b	1 705	Brescia	215	La Spezia	121
Napoli ^c	1 224	Modena	179	Monza	121
Torino ^d	1 191	Parma	178	Siracusa ^j	121
Genova ^e	801	Reggio di Calabria	178	Vicenza	119
Palermo	673	Livorno ⁱ	178	Sassari	116
Bologna	486	Salerno	162	Terni	113
Firenze ^f	465	Ferrara	155	Forli	110
Catania	400	Prato	154	Piacenza	109
Bari	384	Foggia	153	Ancona	108
Venezia ^g	362	Ravenna	138	Bolzano	107
Verona	271	Perugia	137	Udine	104
Trieste	268	Pescara	135	Pisa	103
Messina	265	Reggio		Alessandria	103
Taranto	244	nell'Emilia	130	Cosenza	102
Padova ^h	242	Bergamo	128	Novara	102

^aRome ^bMilan ^cNaples ^dTurin ^eGenoa ^fFlorence ^gVenice ^hPadua
ⁱLeghorn ^jSyracuse