

New Caledonia, 2025

Overseas Territory of France



Quickworld Factoid

Name : New Caledonia
Status : Overseas Territory of France
High Commissioner : Louis Le Franc
President of the Government : Louis Mapou
Active : 24 Sept. 1853 - Present
Capital : Nouméa
Official Language : French
Population : 326,541 - Permanent Population (France Official Estimate - 2021)
Land Area : 18,820 sq km - 7,270 sq mi
Density : 17.4/sq km - 44.9/sq mi
World Region : Melanesia
Coordinates : 21°14'S 165°30'E

Conflicts and Disputes

Territorial Disputes (1)

Matthew and Hunter Islands
Dispute

Territories under Foreign Claim (2)

Hunter Island	Matthew Island
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Dependent Territories

Outlying Territories (4)

Chesterfield Islands	Hunter Island	Matthew Island
Walpole Island		

Administrative Subdivisions

Territories (2)

Grande-Terre	Loyalty Islands
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Provinces (3)

Loyalty Islands	North	South
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Names

Name :
New Caledonia
Nouvelle-Calédonie (*French*)

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Demonym :
New Caledonian
Néo-Calédonien (*French*)
ISO 3166-1 alpha-2 : NC
ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 : NCL
ISO 3166-1 numerical : 540
ISO 3166-2 : FR-NC
INSEE Code : 988
FIPS Code : NC00

Physical Geography

World Region : Melanesia
Primary Lands : New Caledonia

Area

Land : 18,790 sq km - 7,255 sq mi
Flooded Areas : 30.1 sq km - 11.6 sq mi
Freshwater : 48.1 sq km - 18.6 sq mi
Total Land : 18,820 sq km - 7,270 sq mi
Total Inland Waters : 48.1 sq km - 18.6 sq mi