

GREAT BRITAIN-NIUE

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**Country Dialing Code (Tel/Fax): ++ 683**

Niue Tourism Office: PO Box 42, Alofi, Niue Island Tel: 4224 or 4394 or 4381 (information and booking centre), Fax: 4225

Capital: Alofi **Time:** GMT - 11

Background: Niue's remoteness, as well as cultural and linguistic differences between its Polynesian inhabitants and those of the rest of the Cook Islands, have caused it to be separately administered. The population of the island continues to drop (from a peak of 5,200 in 1966 to 2,100 in 2000) with substantial emigration to New Zealand.

Location: Oceania, island in the South Pacific Ocean, east of Tonga

Map References: Oceania

Area: total: 260 sq km land: 260 sq km water: 0 sq km

Climate: tropical; modified by southeast trade winds

Terrain: steep limestone cliffs along coast, central plateau

Natural Resources: fish, arable land

Population: 2,113 (July 2000 est.)

Nationality: noun: Niuean(s) adjective: Niuean

Ethnic Groups: Polynesian (with some 200 Europeans, Samoans, and Tongans)

Languages: Polynesian closely related to Tongan and Samoan, English

Economy: The economy is heavily dependent on aid and remittances from New Zealand. Government expenditures regularly exceed revenues, and the shortfall is made up by grants from New Zealand which are used to pay wages to public employees. Niue has cut government expenditures by reducing the public service by almost half. The agricultural sector consists mainly of subsistence gardening, although some cash crops are grown for export. Industry consists primarily of small factories to process passion fruit, lime oil, honey, and coconut cream. The sale of postage stamps to foreign collectors is an important source of revenue. The island in recent years has suffered a serious loss of population because of migration of Niueans to New Zealand. Efforts to increase GDP include the promotion of tourism and a financial services industry.

Industries: tourism, handicrafts, food processing

Currency: 1 New Zealand dollar (NZ\$) = 100 cents

Railways: 0 km

Highways: total: 234 km paved: 0 km unpaved: 234 km

Waterways: none

Ports and Harbors: none; offshore anchorage only

Visa: Not required by bona fide tourists staying less than 30 days with return or onward tickets and sufficient funds for length of stay. However an Entry Permit is required by all nationals, which is granted on arrival (except to nationals of New Zealand and Australia who only require a passport).

Duty Free: The following items can be imported into Niue by persons of 18 years of age or older without incurring customs duty: 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 227g of tobacco; 1 bottle of spirits; 1 bottle of wine.

Health: A yellow fever certificate is required from all travelers over one year of age arriving from infected areas. Drinking water is from natural spring and rainwater and is considered safe to drink.

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