

Areas of France's maritime spaces of sovereignty and jurisdiction		updated 26/01/2023
Territory	Maritime space	Area (square km)
Mainland France	Internal waters	16 750
	Continental part	15 478
	Corsica	1 272
	Territorial sea	57 223
	North Sea - Channel - Atlantic Ocean coast	35 773
	Mediterranean coast	11 055
	Corsica	10 395
	Exclusive economic zone	297 123
	North Sea	536
	Channel - Atlantic Ocean coast	210 375
Mediterranean	86 212	
	Total for mainland France	371 096
Saint-Pierre-and-Miquelon	Internal waters	180
	Territorial sea	3 473
	Exclusive economic zone	8 734
	Total for Saint-Pierre and Miquelon	12 387
French Antilles	International waters	3 469
	Guadeloupe	2 881
	Martinique	463
	Saint-Barthélemy	84
	Saint-Martin	41
	Territorial sea	14 025
	Guadeloupe	6 653
	Martinique	4 960
	Saint-Barthélemy / Saint-Martin	2 412
	Exclusive economic zone	126 148
Guadeloupe / Martinique	123 483	
Saint-Barthélemy / Saint-Martin	2 665	
Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles	7 434	
	Total for French Antilles	151 076

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French Guiana	Internal waters	2 950
	Territorial sea	6 810
	Exclusive economic zone	121 746
	Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles	69 955
	Total for French Guiana	201 461
La Réunion Mayotte Scattered Islands	Internal waters	1 208
	Reunion Island	28
	Mayotte	1 120
	Bassas da India	60
	Territorial sea	21 716
	Reunion Island	5 902
	Mayotte	4 942
	Tromelin Island	1 641
	Glorioso Islands	2 425
	Juan de Nova Island	2 253
	Bassas da India	2 411
	Europa Island	2 142
	Exclusive economic zone	998 523
Reunion island	311 426	
Tromelin Island	273 762	
Mayotte	63 176	
Glorioso Islands	43 648	
Juan de Nova / Bassas da India / Europa islands	306 511	
Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles	58 121	
Total for Reunion, Mayotte, and Scattered Islands	1 079 568	

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French Southern and Antarctic Territories (TAAF) not including Scattered Islands and Adelia Land	Internal waters	5 495
	Crozet Islands	65
	Kerguelen Islands	5 427
	Saint-Paul and Amsterdam islands	3
	Mer territoriale	30 682
	Crozet Islands	9 107
	Kerguelen Islands	17 567
	Saint-Paul and Amsterdam Islands	4 008
	Zone économique exclusive	1 613 164
	Crozet Islands	563 747
Kerguelen Islands	542 729	
Saint-Paul and Amsterdam islands	506 688	
Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles	514 217	
	Total TAAF	2 163 558
New-Caledonia	Internal waters	42 627
	Grande Terre	28 766
	Loyauté	7 146
	Autres dépendances	6 715
	Territorial sea	81 363
	Grande Terre	37 269
	Loyauté	13 872
	Autres dépendances	30 222
	Exclusive economic zone	1 240 601
	Continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles	75 570
	Total for new Caledonia	1 440 161
Wallis-and-Futuna	Internal waters	189
	Territorial sea	5 632
	Exclusive economic zone	256 742
		Total for Wallis-and-Futuna

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French Polynesia	Internal waters	14 890
	Marquesas Islands	211
	Society Islands	903
	Tuamotu Islands	13 178
	Austral Islands	173
	Gambier Islands	425
	Territorial sea	237 526
	Marquesas Islands	23 580
	Society Islands	29 708
	Tuamotu Islands	164 288
Austral Islands	14 631	
Gambier Islands	5 319	
	Exclusive economic zone	4 541 204
	Total for French Polynesia	4 793 620
Clipperton Island	Territorial sea	1 812
	Exclusive economic zone	434 619
	Total for Clipperton Islands	436 431
	Total for French Maritime Spaces with the continental shelf extensions	10 911 921 km²
	Total for French Maritime Spaces Not including the continental shelf extensions	10 186 624 km²

Explanatory notes

- **Calculations** performed on the basis of current knowledge of French maritime boundaries on January 25th 2021. These figures are subject to change, depending on the boundary agreements signed and updating of outer limits of the maritime space resulting from Shom calculations.
- **The areas** given for internal waters correspond to their maritime part which extends from the baselines to the coastline and up to the transversal limit of the sea in the case of rivers, streams and canals.
- **The encroachment** of the territorial sea used to estimate the area for the Scattered Islands is taken from the GMBD database and not Shom calculations. The figures provided for these territories are therefore provisional and will be updated with the boundary calculations by Shom
- **As the Treaty** of Washington of 1 December 1959 froze all claims on the Antarctic continent, "claimant" States, such as France, cannot have any sovereignty or jurisdiction over waters beyond the Antarctic territory they claim. Submissions for continental shelf extensions are also adjourned. Maritime spaces related to Terre Adélie are therefore not taken into account in France's current maritime spaces.

Definitions

Internal waters

Waters on the landward side of the baseline. The State has sovereignty over this maritime space. Its sovereignty extends to the surface of the waters, to the underlying water column, its bed and subsoil and air space.

Territorial sea

The territorial sea extends from the baselines to a maximum distance of 12 nautical miles, calculated from the baselines. The State has full sovereignty over the bed and subsoil, surface and underlying water column and air space. Sovereignty shall not, however, hinder the right of innocent passage for all ships as recognized by the UNCLOS.

Exclusive economic zone

The exclusive economic zone is adjacent to the territorial sea and extends to a maximum distance of 200 nautical miles calculated from the baselines. Plateau continental au-delà des 200 milles

Continental shelf

The UNCLOS introduced a new definition of the continental shelf which can extend «to the outer edge of the continental margin, or to a distance of 200 nautical miles from the baselines from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured where the outer edge of the continental margin does not extend up to that distance.