

Abbreviations for Names of Geopolitical Entities and Other Selected Areas of the World

Because of restricted space, the use of abbreviations for country and other area names is often a requirement. The US Board on Geographic Names recommended the following list of abbreviations as guidelines for use in cartographic and other documents.

Afghanistan: Afg.
Albania: Alb.
Algeria: Alg.
American Samoa: Am. Sam.
Andorra: And.
Angola: Ang.
Anguilla: Angu.
Antarctica: Ant.
Antigua and Barbuda: Anti. & Barb.
Argentina: Arg.
Armenia: Arm.
Aruba: ---
Ashmore and Cartier Islands: Ash. & Cart. Is.
Australia: Austl.
Austria: Aus.
Azerbaijan: Azer.
Bahamas, The: Bah.
Bahrain: Bahr.
Baker Island: Bak. I.
Bangladesh: Bangl.
Barbados: Barb.
Bassas da India: Bas. da Ind.
Belarus: Bela.
Belgium: Bel.
Belize: Belz.
Benin: ---
Bermuda: Berm.
Bhutan: Bhu.
Bolivia: Bol.
Bosnia and Herzegovina: Bos. & Her.
Botswana: Bots.
Bouvet Island: Bouv. I.
Brazil: Braz.
British Indian Ocean Territory:
Br. Ind. Oc. Terr. / B.I.O.T.
British Virgin Islands: Br. Vir. Is.
Brunei: Bru.
Bulgaria: Bulg.
Burkina Faso: Burk.
Burma: ---
Burundi: Buru.
Cabo Verde: C. Ver.
Cambodia: Camb.
Cameroon: Camer.
Canada: Can.
Cayman Islands: Cay. Is.
Central African Republic: Cen. Afr. Rep./C.A.R.
Chad: ---
Chile: ---
China: ---
Christmas Island: Christ. I.
Clipperton Island: Clip. I.
Cocos (Keeling) Islands: Cocos Is.
Colombia: Col.
Comoros: Como.

Congo, Democratic Republic of the:
Dem. Rep. of the Congo / D.R.C.
Congo, Republic of the: Rep. of the Congo
Cook Islands: Cook Is.
Coral Sea Islands: Coral Sea Is.
Costa Rica: C.R.
Cote d'Ivoire: C. d'Iv.
Croatia: Cro.
Cuba: ---
Curacao: Cur.
Cyprus: Cyp.
Czechia: Czech.
Denmark: Den.
Djibouti: Dj.
Dominica: Dom.
Dominican Republic: Dom. Rep.
Ecuador: Ecu.
Egypt: ---
El Salvador: El Sal.
Equatorial Guinea: Equa. Gui.
Eritrea: Erit.
Estonia: Est.
Eswatini: Esw.
Ethiopia: Eth.
Europa Island: Eur. I.
Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas): Falk. Is.
Faroe Islands: Faroe Is.
Fiji: ---
Finland: Fin.
France: Fr.
French Guiana: Fr. Gui.
French Polynesia: Fr. Poly.
French Southern and Antarctic Lands:
Fr. S. & Ant. Lands
Gabon: ---
Gambia, The: Gam.
Gaza Strip: Gaz. Str.
Georgia: Geo.
Germany: Ger.
Ghana: ---
Gibraltar: Gibr.
Glorioso Islands: Glor. Is.
Greece: Gr.
Greenland: Grnld.
Grenada: Gren.
Guadeloupe: Guad.
Guam: ---
Guatemala: Guat.
Guernsey: Guern.
Guinea: Gui.
Guinea-Bissau: Gui.-Bis.
Guyana: Guy.
Haiti: ---
Heard Island and McDonald Islands:
He. I. & McD. Is.

Honduras: Hond.
Hong Kong: H.K.
Howland Island: How. I.
Hungary: Hung.
Iceland: Ice.
India: ---
Indonesia: Indo.
Iran: ---
Iraq: ---
Ireland: Ire.
Isle of Man: I. of Man
Israel: Isr.
Italy: ---
Jamaica: Jam.
Jan Mayen: J. May.
Japan: ---
Jarvis Island: Jar. I.
Jersey: Jer.
Johnston Atoll: John. A.
Jordan: Jor.
Juan de Nova Island: Ju. de No. I.
Kazakhstan: Kaz.
Kenya: ---
Kingman Reef: King. R.
Kiribati: Kiri.
Kosovo: Kos.
Kuwait: Kuw.
Kyrgyzstan: Kyr.
Laos: ---
Latvia: Lat.
Lebanon: Leb.
Lesotho: Leso.
Liberia: Liber.
Libya: ---
Liechtenstein: Liech.
Lithuania: Lith.
Luxembourg: Lux.
Macau: ---
Madagascar: Madag.
Malawi: Mal.
Malaysia: Malay.
Maldives: Mald.
Mali: ---
Malta: ---
Marshall Islands: Marsh. Is.
Martinique: Mart.
Mauritania: Maur.
Mauritius: Mauris.
Mayotte: May.
Mexico: Mex.
Micronesia, Federated States of: Micro.
Midway Islands: Mid. Is.
Moldova: Mol.
Monaco: Mon.

Mongolia: Mong.
Montenegro: Mont.
Montserrat: Monts.
Morocco: Mor.
Mozambique: Moz.
Namibia: Nam.
Nauru: ---
Navassa Island: Nav. I.
Nepal: ---
Netherlands: Neth.
New Caledonia: N. Cal.
New Zealand: N.Z.
Nicaragua: Nic.
Niger: ---
Nigeria: Nig.
Niue: ---
Norfolk Island: Norf. I.
Northern Mariana Islands: N. Mar. Is.
North Korea: N. Kor.
North Macedonia: N. Mace.
Norway: Nor.
Oman: ---
Pakistan: Pak.
Palau: ---
Palmyra Atoll: Palm. A.
Panama: Pan.
Papua New Guinea: Pap. N. Gui.
Paracel Islands: Parc. Is.
Paraguay: Para.
Peru: ---
Philippines: Phil.
Pitcairn Islands: Pit. Is.
Poland: Pol.
Portugal: Port.
Puerto Rico: P.R.
Qatar: ---
Reunion: Reu.
Romania: Rom.
Russia: Rus.
Rwanda: Rw.
Saint Barthelemy: St. Barth.
Saint Helena, Ascension, and Tristan da Cunha:
St. Hel.
Saint Kitts and Nevis: St. Kitts & Nev.
Saint Lucia: St. Luc.
Saint Martin: St. Mar.
Saint Pierre and Miquelon: St. Pier. & Miq.
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines:
St. Vin. & Gren.
Samoa: ---
San Marino: S. Mar.
Sao Tome and Principe: S. To. & Prin.
Saudi Arabia: Sau. Ar.
Senegal: Sen.
Serbia: Ser.
Seychelles: Sey.
Sierra Leone: S. Leo.

Singapore: Sing.
Sint Maarten: St. Maar.
Slovakia: Slov.
Slovenia: Slo.
Solomon Islands: Sol. Is.
Somalia: Som.
South Africa: S. Afr.
South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands:
S. Ga. & S. Sdwch. Is.
South Korea: S. Kor.
South Sudan: S. Sudan
Spain: Sp.
Spratly Islands: Spr. Is.
Sri Lanka: Sri Lan.
Sudan: ---
Suriname: Sur.
Svalbard: Sval.
Sweden: Swe.
Switzerland: Switz.
Syria: Syr.
Taiwan: Tai.
Tajikistan: Taj.
Tanzania: Tanz.
Thailand: Thai.
Timor-Leste: Tim.-Les.
Togo: ---
Tokelau: Tok.
Tonga: ---
Trinidad and Tobago: Trin. & Tob.
Tromelin Island: Trom. I.
Tunisia: Tun.
Turkey: Turk.
Turkmenistan: Turkm.
Turks and Caicos Islands: Tur. & Cai. Is.
Tuvalu: Tuv.
Uganda: Ug.
Ukraine: Ukr.
United Arab Emirates: U.A.E.
United Kingdom: U.K.
United States: U.S.
Uruguay: Uru.
Uzbekistan: Uzb.
Vanuatu: Vanu.
Vatican City: Vat. C.
Venezuela: Ven.
Vietnam: Viet.
Virgin Islands: Vir. Is.
Wake Island: Wake. I.
Wallis and Futuna: Wal. & Fut.
West Bank: W. Bank
Western Sahara: W. Sah.
Yemen: Yem.
Zambia: Zam.
Zimbabwe: Zimb.

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US STATES

Alabama: Ala.
Alaska: ---
Arizona: Ariz.
Arkansas: Ark.
California: Calif.
Colorado: Colo.
Connecticut: Conn.
Delaware: Del.
District of Columbia: D.C.
Florida: Fla.
Georgia: Ga.
Hawaii: ---
Idaho: ---
Illinois: Ill.
Indiana: Ind.
Iowa: ---
Kansas: Kans.
Kentucky: Ky.
Louisiana: La.
Maine: ---
Maryland: Md.
Massachusetts: Mass.
Michigan: Mich.
Minnesota: Minn.
Mississippi: Miss.
Missouri: Mo.
Montana: Mont.
Nebraska: Nebr.
Nevada: Nev.
New Hampshire: N.H.
New Jersey: N.J.
New Mexico: N.M.
New York: N.Y.
North Carolina: N.C.
North Dakota: N.D.
Ohio: ---
Oklahoma: Okla.
Oregon: Ore.
Pennsylvania: Pa.
Rhode Island: R.I.
South Carolina: S.C.
South Dakota: S.D.
Tennessee: Tenn.
Texas: Tex.
Utah: ---
Vermont: Vt.
Virginia: Va.
Washington: Wash.
West Virginia: W. Va.
Wisconsin: Wis.
Wyoming: Wyo.