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!!! NEW !! RELEASES OF STATISTICAL DATA

Guam Consumer Price Index, Volume XXXIX, No. 1 (1st Quarter 2013); Business and Economic Statistics Program, Bureau of Statistics and Plans; Quarterly. Several tables present current information and historical comparisons of the consumer price index.

Guam Import Data (February 2013); Business and Economic Statistics Program, Bureau of Statistics and Plans; Quarterly. This pamphlet presents tables on the value of Guam’s imported goods by commodity group.

Agriculture and Fisheries

Impact Report, Western Pacific Tropical Research Center (WPTRC), and Applied Sciences; University of Guam; Annually. An annual report of research and activities conducted by the WPTRC - UOG research faculty. This annual report covers key projects that demonstrate usefulness of research activities to the community which targets important issues in agriculture, aquaculture and invasive species challenges.

Native Plants of Guam; Guam Department of Agriculture, funded in part through the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, administered by Office of Ocean and Coastal resources management, National Oceanic and Administration, and by the Guam Coastal Management Program, Government of Guam, through Grant No. NA09NOS4190175. Not dated but approximately around 2012. A two-sided informational guide on eight native plants and ten invasive plants of Guam.

Economic

Impact of the Compacts of Free Association on Guam (FY2004-FY2012); Bureau of Statistics and Plans; Annually. The Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-239) authorized unrestricted immigration into the United States, its territories and possessions, enabling citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) and the Republic of Palau to enter into, lawfully engage in occupations, and establish residence as non-immigrants aliens. This report presents statistics on the cost of services provided to citizens of the Freely Associated States living on Guam for the period FY2004 to FY2012.

Social Security: The Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP); Christine Scott, Congressional research Service, for Members and Committees of Congress; January 8, 2013. This report describes Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) which involves the reduction of Social Security benefits of workers who also have pension benefits from employment not covered by Social Security.
Guam: U.S. Defense Deployments (October 25, 2012); Shirley A. Kan, Specialist in Asian Security Affairs, for Members and Communities of Congress; Periodically. This report presents an update of the U.S. Military build-up forward-deployed forces on the U.S. Territory of Guam to increase deterrence and power protection for possible response to crisis and disasters, counter-terrorism, and contingencies in support of South Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Taiwan, or elsewhere in Asia.

Guam Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Annual Report, (2007-2010); Department of Public Health and Social Services. This report provides data results from the 2007-2010 Guam Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System survey on behaviors and conditions that are associated with chronic diseases and other leading causes of death such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, cancer, and other health issues. Designed to assess and document health trends and issues among Guam’s adult population. The data collected is used as a tool to support policies and programs that promote health and prevent disease such as the Tobacco Free Guam Program and the Diabetes Prevention and Control Program, develop prevention activities and programs, measure effectiveness, and provide the basis for future funding.

Guam Fire Department Blueprint 2020; Guam Fire Department; Not dated but approximately late 2012. This plan briefly summarizes Guam Fire’s programs, resources and services.

Guam Public Safety Final Evaluation Report; Office of Inspector General, United States Department of Interior; November 12, 2012. This report presents the results of Guam’s Public Safety evaluation. Summarizes the findings, challenges and recommendations of Government of Guam’s public safety program.

Population

Guam Medical Association Membership Directory, 2013; Guam Medical Association; Annually. Provides listing and profile of Guam’s medical doctors and health professionals.

Community Health Assessment Plan; Aleena M. Hernandez, MPH, Christina Ore de Boehm, MPH, and Theresa M. Carino, MEd, Red Star Innovations, for the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services; October 22, 2012. The Community Health Assessment (CHA) is a critical public health function and a national strategic priority for territorial, tribal, states and local health departments. It provides a set of standards and measurements by which health departments can systematically strengthen their health system and raise the level and quality of services it provides to the community. The Community Health Assessment can be used to identify and collect information on the population’s health status, community needs and assets, epidemiologic information, and other aspects of health and wellness.

Medicaid Financing and Expenditures; Alison Mitchell, Congressional Research Service; July 30, 2012. This report provides an overview of Medicaid’s financing structure, including both federal and state financing issues. Discusses economic factors affecting Medicaid, state variability in spending, and projected program spending. Also examines congressional proposals to turn Medicaid into a block grant program, federal deficit reduction proposals affecting Medicaid and state fiscal conditions affecting Medicaid financing and services.

Asia-Pacific Development Journal (December 2012); Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Publication, Bangkok, Thailand, Biannual. A journal published twice a year containing articles on development issues and problems relevant to the Asia-Pacific region. Articles provides a medium for the international exchange of knowledge, experience, technical information and data on population related issues as a basis for policy-making and program development.

Transportation

Guam Highway Safety Plan (Fiscal Year 2013); Office of Highway Safety, Department of Public Works; Annually. An annual plan which summarizes Highway Safety Program costs and evaluates highway safety projects. This plan also include traffic-related data for each year.