



MILITARY CAPABILITIES STUDY (MCS)

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Description and Background:

The Military Capabilities Study (MCS) is a Department of Defense program designed to provide a compendium of intelligence data on the military, economic, political and environmental resources of a country. The Appendix A – Physical Environment provides country-scale information on the physical environment. These studies are intended to serve as a ready reference document for national, operational, and tactical planners. The Joint-service program is administered by the National Military Intelligence Production Center at the Defense Intelligence Agency.

Key Capabilities:

The Appendix A – Physical Environment provides information on climate, terrain, geology, soils, vegetation, hydrology, terrain conditions effecting cross-country movement, coastal terrain and limiting factors of terrain for a given country or region.

Supporting Technology:

The Military Capabilities Study (MCS) has not been recently updated and is released as a pdf file.

Benefits:

The user can apply the MCS data to their specific needs. The MCS intended to provide data at the country level to assist the warfighter in planning military operations, such as military construction and cross country movement.

Current Status:

New studies are not currently in the latest production program and have not been produced since 2001, but they can be requested IAW AR 115-11 through the Army GS. All existing studies remain available on AGC's PKI, SPRNET, and JWICS sites under the "Products and Services" section.

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NOTE: These studies, produced between 1994 and 2001, are no longer in standard production by AGC. Requests to produce these products need to be approved/validated by the Army G2. Contact them at the following email: jim.huisenga@us.army.mil

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