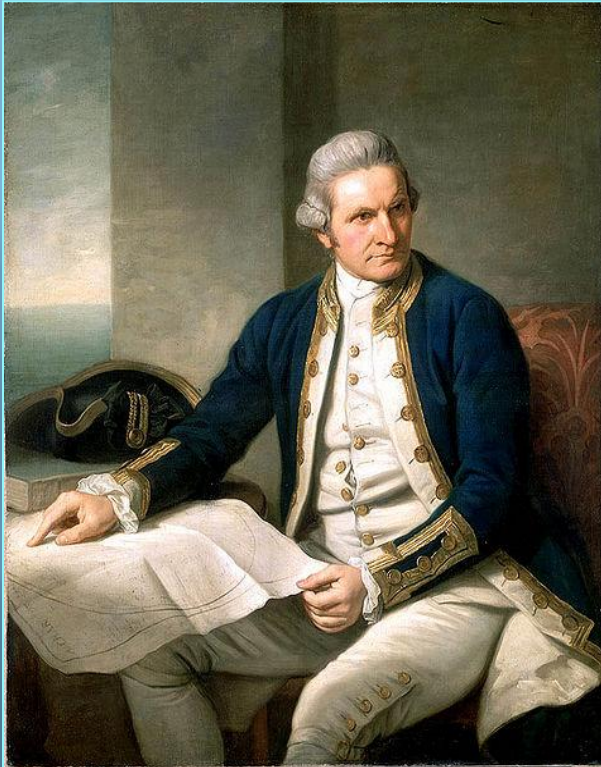


The **Hawaiian Islands** are an archipelago [ˌɑːkɪˈpeɪləɡəʊ] of eight major islands, several atolls [ˈætɒl], numerous smaller islets [ˈaɪlət], and undersea seamounts in the .North Pacific Ocean

Hawaiian Islands were discovered by Captain James Cook .in 1778





The largest island of the archipelago [ˌɑːkɪˈpeɪləgəʊ] is Hawaii. [həˈwaɪː], [hɑːˈwaɪː] The most popular islands with tourists are: Oahu [əuˈɑːhuː], Hawaii, Maui [ˈmaʊi], Kauai [kaːˈwaɪː], Lanai [lɑːˈnaɪ, ləˈnaɪ] and Molokai [ˌmɒləʊˈkaɪ].



The population of the Hawaiian Islands is 1.3 million people.
The majority of the population belongs to the Catholic
[ˈkæθ(ə)lɪk] and Protestant [ˈprɒtɪst(ə)nt] churches.
The national capital is Honolulu. [ˌhɒn(ə)ˈluːluː]

Political system of Hawaii



Government in Hawaii is similar to other U.S. states but has several differences. The state constitution was modeled from the constitution of the Kingdom of Hawaii, modified to not conflict with the U.S. Constitution.

English and Hawaiian are official languages, though in practice, it's not required that all official documents be printed in each language, or that government officials be fluent Hawaiian speakers. Admission Day (День официального вхождения штата или территории в состав Соединенных Штатов Америки) is a state holiday in Hawaii, observed on the third Friday in August.

Pearl Harbor, named for the pearl oysters (устрица) once harvested (проводить массовые охоты) there, is the largest natural harbor (гавань) in Hawaii, on the island of Oahu. It is the only naval (военно-морской) base in the United States to be designated a National Historical Landmark. The devastating ['devəsteɪtɪŋ] (опустошительный) aerial attack on Pearl Harbor on the morning of December 7, 1941 by the Imperial Japanese Navy (военно-морские силы) resulted in more than 2,000 dead and hundreds wounded, and drove the United States into World War II.





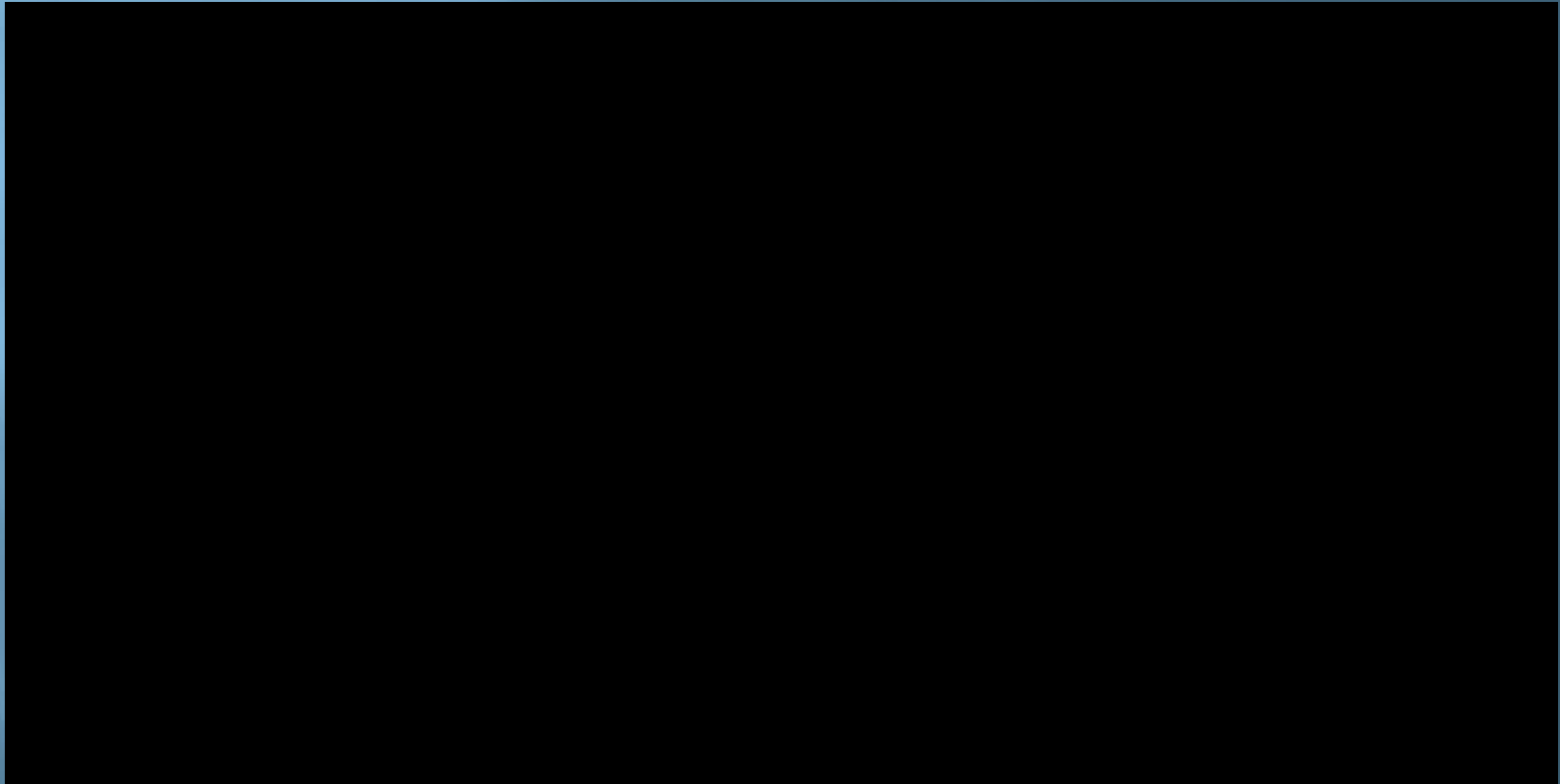
The Chief industries of the state are tourism, defense, sugar and pineapples.

Chief manufacturing goods of the state are processed sugar, canned pineapple, clothing, foods, printing & publishing.

Major crops (с/х культуры) of the state are sugar, pineapples, macadamia nuts, fruits, coffee, vegetables and floriculture

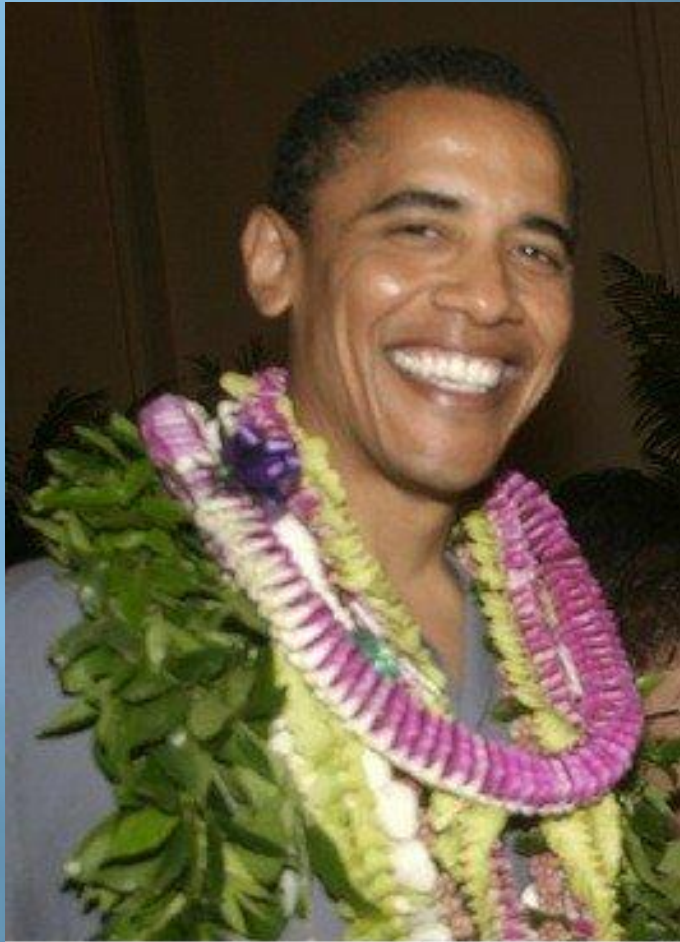


On the Hawaiian island there are two most active volcano on earth – Mauna Loa / ˌmaʊnə ˈloʊ.ə/ and Kilauea [ˌki:lɑ:u:ˈeɪə]. Mauna Loa is the highest active volcano in the world. Mauna Loa is in eruption (извержение) once every 4.5 years.



The most famous people from Hawaii are





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Haleakala [ˌhɑːliː ˌɑːkɑːˈlɑː] National Park

A scenic ['siːnɪk]
(живописный) national
park known as the
“house of the sun” on
the island of Maui and
home to Maui's highest
peak (пик).



Surfing

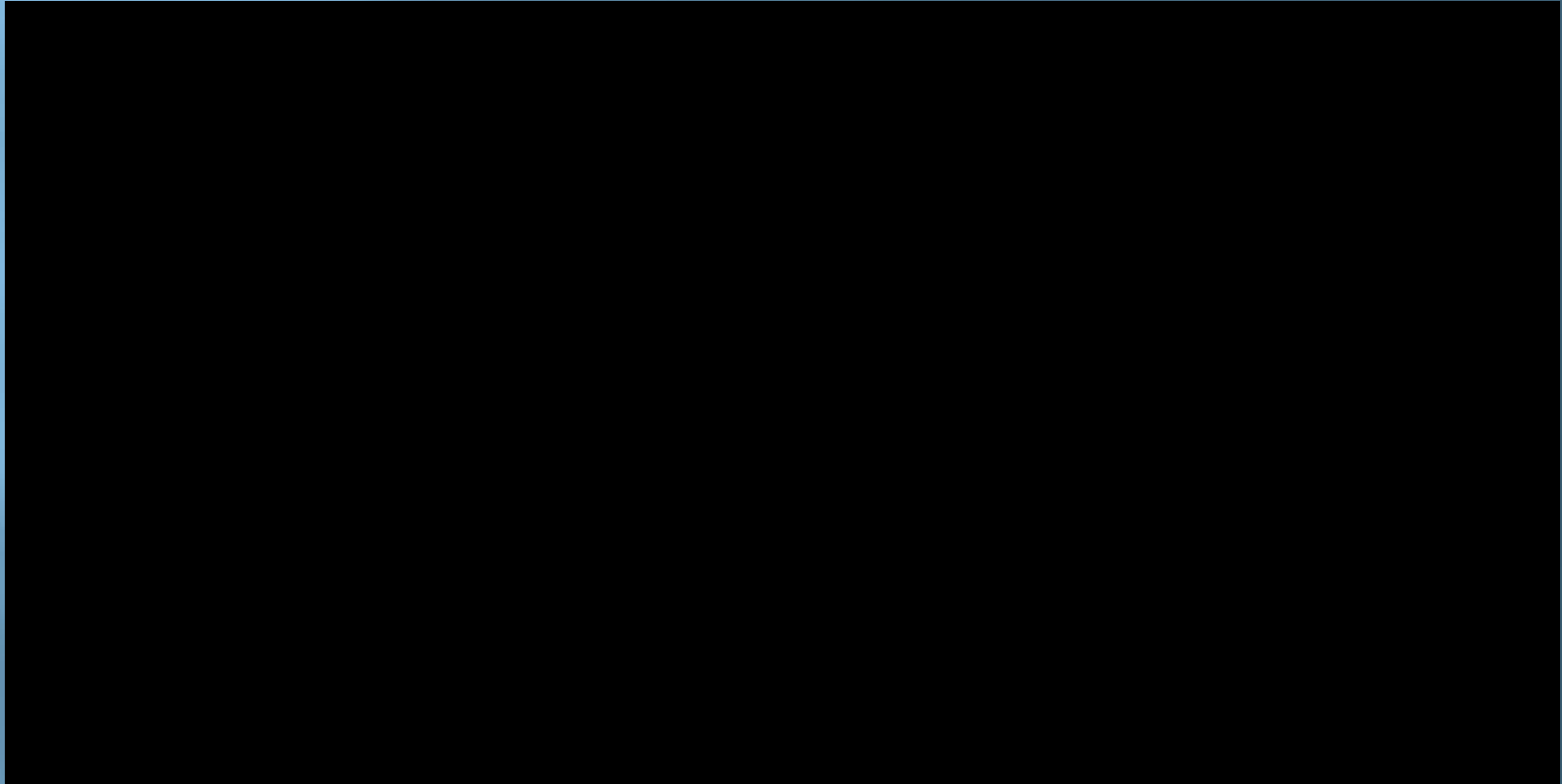


Surfing is believed to have originated long ago in ancient Polynesia [ˌpɒlɪˈniːzə], later thriving [θraɪv] (процветать) in Hawaii. It was once a sport only reserved for Hawaiian royalty, which is why surfing is often called the “sport of kings”. Hawaii is considered as the birthplace of modern surfing and big wave surfing and continues to be a surfing mecca for the world.





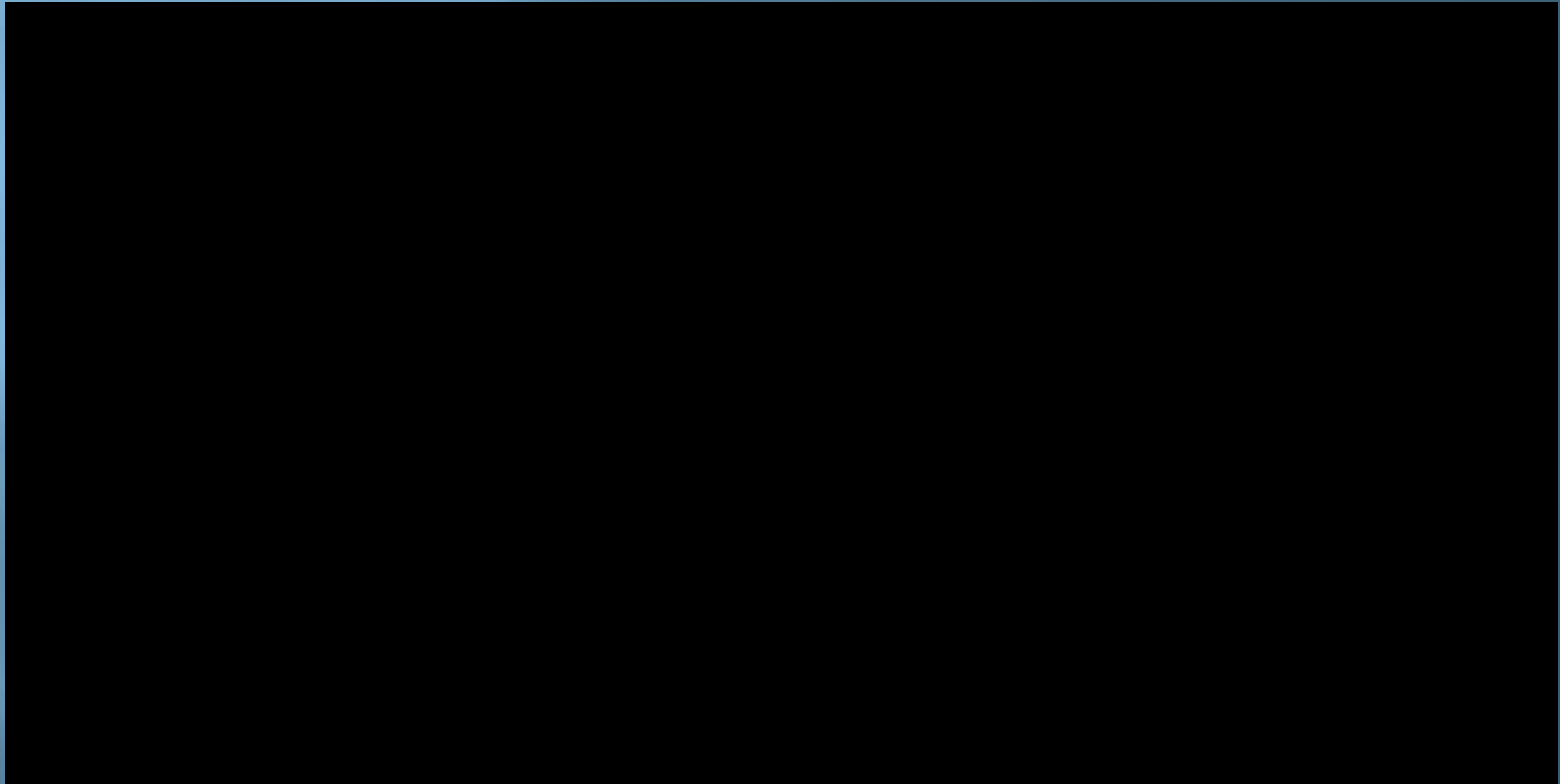
Hawaii has year round warm waters and has been a popular dive location for years offering some of the best dive sites in the world. The islands of Hawaii each have their own personalities and characteristics and due to Hawaii's geographical isolation they each offer unique and exciting dive sites, and an abundance of marine mō'ri:n life





You might have denounced extravagance, the craving for vivid colors and unusual prints. But within two centuries a modest workman's shirt grew into the trademark wear of Hawaii.

In the late 1920's and early 1930's tourists, always looking for exotic souvenirs, fell for a fad (прихоть) of the young islander. Artists and tailors spotted a serious business. The name "aloha shirt", registered ['redʒɪstəd] in 1936, soon labeled a flourishing ['flʌrɪʃɪŋ] industry.



Lei is a Hawaiian word for a garland or wreath [ri:θ] (венок). A lei is any series of objects strung together with the intent to be worn. The most popular concept of a *lei* in Hawaiian culture is a wreath of flowers draped around the neck presented upon arriving or leaving as a symbol of affection





Hula dancing is the traditional art of movement, smooth bodily gestures and vocals. You may notice that Hula Dancing seems to have an incredibly smooth "flow" and the movements are extremely fluid. These movements are said to actually tell a story or represent movements of nature such as trees blowing in the wind or fish swimming smoothly in the ocean.

