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## Greenland - Kalaallit Nunaat

Indigenous people from the North American continent first settled in Greenland over 4,500 years ago whereas Scandinavian settlers arrived about 1,000 years ago.

Today the country is called Kalaallit Nunaat which means "the Country of the Greenlanders". Greenland is part of the Kinadom of Denmark which consists Oaanaag of Denmark. the Farne Islands, and Greenland, Greenland is National Park not, however, part of the EU in North and **Fast Greenland** as it withdrew from the union as of 1 February 1985 following a referendum in 1982. Upernavik Greenland has its own national flag, issues its own stamps and is part of Uummannag the Danish monetary Ittoggortoormiit and exchange union. Qegertarsuaq ( llulissat In 1979, Greenland Qasigiannguit Kangaatsiag • was granted home rule. In June 2009, a bill Sisimiut self-government was passed following Maniitsog Tasiilag a referendum on the Nuuk question on 25 November 2008. Self-government was established on 21 June Paamiut 2009, 30 years after the Kangilinnguit Grønnedal

> Narsaq Qagortog

> > Nanortalik \*\*

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# Key Figures

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Location	The world's largest non-continental island on the North American continent between the Arctic Ocean and the North Atlantic Ocean, north east of Canada. The northernmost point of Greenland, Cape Morris Jesup, is only 740 km from the North Pole. The southernmost point is Cape Farewell which is at about the same latitude as Oslo in Norway
Geographic coordinates	72 00 N, 40 00 W (the geographical centre of Greenland)
Area	2,166,086 km² (the 13th largest country in the world)
Ice-free area	410,449 km <sup>2</sup>
Coastline	44,087 km
Largest distances	North-South 2,670 km, East-West 1,050 km
Highest point	Gunnbjørn Fjeld 3,700 m in East Greenland
Terrain	The flat to gradually sloping icecap covers all but a narrow, mountainous, barren, rocky coast. The ice cap is up to 3 km thick and contains 10 per cent of the world's resources of fresh water
Climate	Arctic to subarctic; cool winters and cold summers in which the mean temperature does not normally exceed 10° C (the traditional definition of polar climate)
Mean temperature, January	Nuuk -3.7° C, Kangerlussuaq -12.5° C, Ilulissat -8.4° C (2010)
Mean temperature, July	Nuuk 7.6° C, Kangerlussuaq 11.2° C, Ilulissat 8.7° C (2010)
Natural resources	Zinc, lead, iron ore, coal, molybdenum, gold, platinum, uranium, fish, seals, whales, hydropower, and possibly oil and gas
Plant Life	Low-growing mountain and tundra plants, mosses, lichens, heather, crowberry, bog, whortleberry, and dwarf birch
Animal Life	Fish, seals, walruses, whales, polar bears, arctic foxes, arctic wolves, reindeer, musk oxen, collard lemmings, snow hares, and a rich bird life which comprises some 50 breeding species
National parks	The national park of Greenland comprises aproximately 972,000 km² in the north eastern part of the country
Conservations	Approximately 20,000 km² at Melville Bay plus a protected area at Sarfartooq (The Paradise Valley) in the district of Maniitsoq. Ilulissat icefjord is a UNESCO world heritage site
Environment issues	Protection of the arctic environment; preservation of the traditional Inuit lifestyle, including whaling and seal hunting
Geography - note	Greenland dominates the North Atlantic between North America and Europe; the population lives in small settlements along the coast but close to one quarter of the population lives in the capital, Nuuk

#### Population

Population	56,749 (Jan. 2012)
Density	0.14 per km² of ice-free area (Jan. 2012)
Population in the capital	Nuuk: 16,181 (Jan. 2012)
Population in towns	48,232 (Jan. 2012)
Population in settlements	8,517 (Jan. 2012)
Population growth rate	0.24 percent (2012)
Death rate, total	8.3 deaths per 1,000 inhabitants (2011)
Net migration	-159 (2011)
Infant mortality rate, total	9.6 deaths per 1,000 live births (2008)
Life expectancy	Female 71.6 years, men 66.6 years (2008)
Total fertility rate	2.26 per woman aged 15-49 years (2010)
Nationality	Noun: Greenlander(s). Adjective: Greenlandic
Ethnic groups	Born in Greenland: 88.7 per cent.
	Born outside Greenland: 11.3 (Jan. 2012)
Religions	Evangelical Lutheran
Languages	Greenlandic (Kalaallisut), Danish

#### Government

Government type	Parliamentary democracy within a constitutional monarchy
Dependency status	Part of the Kingdom of Denmark; self-governing overseas administrative division of Denmark since 1979
Capital	Nuuk
National holiday	21 June (the longest day of the year)
Legal system	Danish
Suffrage	18 years of age; universal
Membership of the EU	From 1 January 1973 until 1 February 1985
Head of state	HMS Queen Margrethe II of Denmark
Head of government	Premier Kuupik Kleist (Inuit Ataqatigiit)
Legislative branch	Landstinget (the parliament with 31 seats)
Judicial branch	High Court or Landsret
The Greenlandic flag	Two equal horizontal bands of white (top) and red (bottom) with a large disk slightly to the hoist side of centre; the top half of the disk is red, the bottom half is white
Symbol of the flag	The sun descending over the horizon and the ice cap which makes the distinct red and white colours of the Greenlandic flag

#### Economy

Economy	
GDP	11.3 DKK billion (provisional figure for 2010 in 2005 prices)
GDP - real growth rate	1.2 per cent from 2009 to 2010 (provisional figure)
Gross income per household	1st decile: DKK 48,076. 10th decile: DKK 1,117,569 DKK. Average: DKK 376,624 (2009)
Inflation rate (consumer prices)	1.7 percent (Jan. 2010 - Jan. 2011)
Labour force	40,156 persons of 15-64 years of age (Jan. 2012)
Unemployment rate	2,794 persons affected by unemployment on average per month (2011). Affected by unemployment is a figure expressing the number of persons registered as job seekers at least once during a given month
Budget	Income 9.6 DKK billion. Expenditures 9.4 DKK billion including capital expenditures of 0.8 DKK billion (2010)
Industries	Fish processing (mainly prawns and Greenland halibut), handicrafts, hides and skins, small shipyards, mining
Electricity - production	376 GWh (2009)
Electricity - consumption	213 GWh (2009)
Agriculture - products	Forage crops, garden and greenhouse vegetables; sheep, reindeer; fish
Exports	2,144.5 DKK million (2010)
Exports - commodities	Provisions and livestock 89.8 per cent
Exports - partners	Denmark, Canada, Iceland
Imports	4,531.8 DKK million
Imports - commodities	Machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods, food, petroleum products
Imports - partners	EU (primarily Denmark and Sweden), Canada, and USA
Economic aid	3,513 DKK million in subsidies from Denmark (2010)
Currency	Danish Kroner (DKK)
Exchange rates	100 US \$ = 562.5 DKK, 100 EUR = 743.6 DKK (March 2012)
Fiscal year	Calendar year

#### Communications

Telephones - main lines in use	22,818 (2008)
Telephones - mobile cellular	55,816 (2008)
Country calling code	299
Television broadcast stations	Kalaallit Nunaata Radioa (national television) and some local television stations
Newspapers	Atuagagdliutit/Grønlandsposten (AG) and Sermitsiaq
Internet country code	.gl
Internet suppliers	1
Internet connections	11,695 (2008)

#### Transportation

Railways	0 km
Ports and harbours	Ports in 16 towns and harbours in 60 settlements
Airports	13 airports, six heliports, and 41 helistops

# **Population**

## **Population by Gender**

BEEST1

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total	56,676	56,863	56,972	56,901	56,648	56,462	56,194	56,452	56,615	56,749
Men			30,322							
Women	26,427	26,528	26,650	26,719	26,643	26,577	26,385	26,516	26,673	26,708

#### Population by Municipality, Town and Settlement

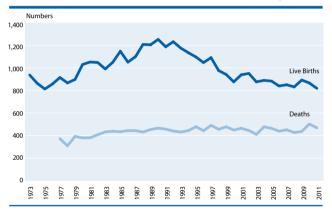
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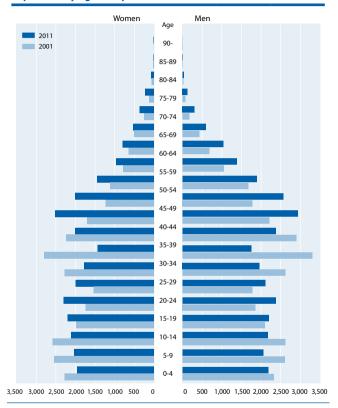
	2002		2012	
	Towns Settlements		Towns	Settlements
Total	46,321	10,224	48,232	8,517
Kommune Kujalleq	6,324	1,611	6,282	1,135
Nanortalik	1,544	970	1,404	630
Qaqortoq	3,087	281	3,297	193
Narsaq	1,693	360	1,581	312
Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	18,063	1,904	20,217	1,596
lvittuut	0	153	0	144
Paamiut	1,834	180	1,568	128
Nuuk	13,889	383	16,181	278
Ammassalik	1,816	1,163	2,004	1,040
Illoqqortoormiut	524	25	464	6
Qeqqata Kommunia	8,127	1,536	8,286	1,352
Maniitsoq	2,905	798	2,715	623
Sisimiut	5,222	738	5,571	729
Qaasuitsup Kommunia	13,807	4,907	13,447	4,240
Kangaatsiaq	673	832	572	705
Aasiaat	3,179	225	3,146	170
Qasigiannguit	1,368	94	1,187	83
llulissat	4,285	496	4,621	416
Qeqertarsuaq	1,011	56	858	35
Uummannaq	1,464	1,274	1,280	987
Upernavik	1,185	1,718	1,134	1,697
Qaanaaq	642	212	649	147
Outside municipalities	0	266	0	194

	Total	Men	Women
Total	56,749	30,041	26,708
0-6 years	5,757	2,981	2,776
7-14 years	6,741	3,427	3,314
15-17 years	2,487	1,238	1,249
18-24 years	6,578	3,335	3,243
25-64 years	31,091	16,957	14,134
67 years and over	4,095	2,103	1,992

#### Live Births and Deaths

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Migration BEEBBIU2

	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011
Net immigration	-345	-448	-566	-189	-159
Immigrations, total	2,388	2,514	2,417	2,551	2,283
Persons born in Greenland	826	870	886	1,076	905
Persons born outside Greenland	1,562	1,644	1,531	1,475	1,378
Emigration, total	2,733	2,962	2,983	2,740	2,442
Persons born in Greenland	1,141	1,252	1,393	1,354	1,215
Persons born outside Greenland	1,592	1,710	1,590	1,386	1,227

## **Internal Migration**

	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011
Within the same town	10,781	12,250	13,130	12,644	13,200
Within the same settlement	1,185	1,294	1,299	1,112	1,316
Between towns	3,882	4,361	4,561	4,548	4,507
Between settlements	306	279	312	337	370
From settlement to town	1,099	1,115	1,367	1,266	1,392
From town to settlement	878	1,047	1,041	1,096	1,124
Others	101	67	56	63	32

#### **Population by Citizenship**

	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012
Total	56,863	56,901	56,462	56,452	56,749
Denmark	56,301	56,414	55,881	55,716	55,829
Thailand	71	72	91	131	143
Sweden	116	51	53	94	141
Iceland	88	71	78	92	103
Philippines	7	10	26	51	102
Norway	63	63	58	61	64
Germany	37	51	55	61	60
Poland	21	20	29	29	42
Other	159	149	191	217	265

# Fishing and Hunting

Fishing is the primary industry of the country. Greenland has the legislative power with regard to the fisheries sector. Fishing for prawns and Greenland halibut is regulated by quotas and by license regulations decided on by the government. These decisions are based on biological advice to ensure a sustainable use of the natural resources of the country.

Total Fishing in Greenlandic Waters by Greenlandic Vessels FIE001

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
		1,0	000 tonnes –		
Shellfish, total	66.1	64.8	69.3	65.7	57.0
Northern prawn	60.1	62.6	67.2	62.6	54.2
Snow crab	6.0	2.2	2.2	3.1	2.8
Fish, total	45.1	53.5	40.0	36.7	42.7
Cusk (tusk)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Chars	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Greenland cod	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.3
Greenland cod, roe	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wolffish	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.2
Greenland halibut	24.5	21.6	19.2	20.6	22.9
Atlantic halibut	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Trash fish, unspec	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Capelin	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
Polar/Arctic cod	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Redfish	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
R. grenadier	0.0	9.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Lumpfish	10.0	8.8	6.4	6.6	8.6
Atlantic cod	8,3	11,7	12,3	7,8	9,4

#### **Seal Hunting**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010*
		Nu	mber of seals		
Total	187,578	160,620	156,950	142,449	107,601
Ringed seal	85,604	71,269	70,536	65,624	44,661
Harp seal under 4 years	64,003	57,404	56,033	50,180	45,859
Harp seal over 4 years	31,165	26,865	26,154	23,251	14,161
Hooded seal	4,801	3,294	2,606	1,983	1,717
Bearded seal	1,783	1,568	1,437	1,251	1,075
Harbour seal	77	87	81	33	21
Walrus	145	133	103	127	107

#### Whaling

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010*
		— Nu	mber of anima	ls ———	
Total	3,707	4,009	2,791	3,055	2,435
Beluga whale	137	147	191	174	110
Fin whale	10	12	14	10	5
Killer whale	0	3	26	14	8
Minke whale	182	167	152	165	187
Narwhale	411	482	467	425	236
Pilot whale	46	288	182	238	216
Porpoise whale	2,921	2,910	1,759	2,029	1,673

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures

#### **Hunting of Land Mammals**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010*			
	Number of animals							
Total	17,594	17,768	19,215	16,654	12,257			
Musk ox	2,396	2,546	2,833	2,675	2,195			
Polar bear	141	130	139	124	127			
Reindeer	15,057	15,092	16,243	13,855	9,935			

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures

#### **Hunting of Birds**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010*			
Total	184,165	183,896	168,443	159,515	84,387			
Guillemot	88,474	84,422	64,660	62,847	19,445			
Eider	25,074	25,539	27,139	26,478	11,701			
King eider	4,635	6,183	5,429	4,460	2,148			
Theist	16,724	14,799	13,449	13,247	4,205			
Little auk	23,865	25,665	24,292	22,093	27,106			
Black-legged								
Kitti	8,199	8,487	6,506	7,707	5,382			
Goose	358	430	608	606	577			
Grouse	16,836	18,371	26,360	22,077	13,823			

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures

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#### **Active Fishing Vessels by the End of 2007**

	Greenland total	Kommune Kujalleq	Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	Qeqqata Kommunia	Qaasuitsup Kommunia
			Number of vessels	s ———	
Fishing vessels, total	757	99	163	110	385
0-10 BRT	491	69	76	68	278
11-20 BRT	148	15	33	27	73
21-50 BRT	32	5	10	3	14
51-80 BRT	22	6	6	5	5
81-120 BRT	17	2	9	2	4
121BRT and more	47	2	29	5	11

## **Hunting Licenses**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010					
		Number of persons								
Total	8,165	8,180	7,237	6,968	7,631					
Hunters	2,482	2,373	2,127	1,711	2,081					
Sportsmen	5,683	5,807	5,110	5,257	5,550					

#### Livestock

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010			
		— Number of animals —						
Sheep, lambs, and rams	20,963	21,704	20,494	20,439	20,729			
Horses	202	216	203	186	164			
Beehives	13	10	10	-	-			
Fowls	147	152	148	182	1,241			
Cows	20	42	49	56	65			
Tame reindeer	3,100	2,441	2,500	3,000	3,000			

# Labour Market

## **Employment by Trade**<sup>1)</sup>

AREBV1

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	27,554	28,333	28,478	28,386
Agriculture, fishing, hunting, etc.	13	11	7	11
Inshore fishing	338	328	338	332
Offshore fisheries	376	369	371	365
Fishing, other	755	812	679	679
Extraction of raw materials	117	108	38	263
Food, beverage, tobacco products industry	790	795	755	664
Textile, clothing, leather industry	38	36	33	31
Wood, paper and graphic industry	112	121	114	93
Stone, clay and glass industry	10	10	12	13
Industry, other	98	100	80	78
Supply of electricity and water	421	429	435	440
Construction business	2,142	2,360	2,340	2,189
Auto trade, service, filling station	236	243	251	238
Wholesale trade, except motor vehicles	2,947	3,452	3,030	2,880
Retail and repair, except motor vehicles	1,919	1,916	1,901	1,832
Hotels and restaurants	930	957	955	950
Land transport, transport via pipelines	382	380	436	449
Shipping	434	507	541	554
Air transport	604	618	627	600
Support activities for transportation	651	686	781	815
Post and telecommunications	572	580	577	571
Finance and insurance	345	304	193	178
Real estate and renting	352	756	719	728
Business	1,340	992	1,014	1,075
Public administration	10,663	10,617	11,398	11,500
Education	80	100	122	121
Healthcare	6	5	6	13
Social institutions	109	129	124	137
Refuse, association, culture, other	535	573	567	567
Unknown	244	42	34	21

<sup>1</sup> Average number of persons (primary employment)

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# **Income and Prices**

### Average Gross Income

INEP1

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Change 2008 - 2009
			– DKK –			— Per cent —
Greenland, total	172,607	179,623	186,005	193,522	198,510	2.6
Town	181,150	188,713	195,628	202,738	207,672	2.4
Settlement	117,978	120,996	123,798	133,893	133,629	-0.2
Kommune						
Kujalleq	148,327	155,096	160,052	164,444	163,804	-0.4
Town	152,698	158,476	165,059	167,550	168,329	0.5
Settlement	130,051	143,178	139,497	155,195	138,098	-11.0
Kommunegarfik						
Sermersooq	208,363	219,789	227,873	234,638	244,064	4.0
Town	216,093	227,382	235,918	243,035	251,866	3.6
Settlement	102,725	106,645	110,715	119,425	119,566	0.1
Qeqqata						
Kommunia	170,564	177,515	183,535	194,181	193,017	-0.6
Town	171,022	179,567	184,753	195,112	194,389	-0.4
Settlement	168,007	166,294	176,734	188,947	185,078	-2.0
Qaasuitsup						
Kommunia	141,440	143,153	146,732	155,080	159,453	2.8
Town	154,064	155,900	159,959	168,066	171,900	2.3
Settlement	103,303	104,373	105,352	114,380	119,303	4.3



#### Consumer Price Index and Sub-Indices (Jan 2008 = 100)

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Consumer price index, total         103.5         103.9         2010         2010         2011         2011         2011           Consumer price index, total         103.5         103.9         105.0         106.3         106.8         108.6           Food and beverages         106.0         108.9         111.0         112.0         113.4         116.9           Alcohol and tobacco         104.2         105.0         105.6         106.1         106.1         107.5           Clothing and footwear         103.1         100.2         101.8         100.7         99.9         99.9           Gross rent (dwelling)         104.9         105.1         105.9         108.2         109.4         113.5           Furniture, household equipment, etc.         102.1         114.3         111.5         109.7         110.6         113.2           Medical care and health expenses         102.0         104.4         106.2         115.2         115.3         116.6           Transport         103.7         103.8         104.9         104.8         105.4         105.4           Communication         94.8         95.0         95.0         95.1         95.1         95.2							
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Alcohol and tobacco     104.2     105.0     105.6     106.1     106.1     107.5       Clothing and footwear     103.1     100.2     101.8     100.7     99.9     99.9       Gross rent (dwelling)     104.9     105.1     105.9     108.2     109.4     113.5       Furniture, household equipment, etc.     102.0     114.3     111.5     109.7     110.6     113.2       Medical care and health expenses     102.0     104.4     106.2     115.2     115.3     116.6       Transport     103.8     104.9     104.8     105.4     105.4       Communication     94.8     95.0     95.1     95.1     95.1     95.2       Recreation, entertainment, etc.     101.5     99.0     99.3     99.3     98.2     96.0       Restaurant and hotels     100.5     100.6     101.1     106.3     108.9     109.5	Consumer price index, total	103.5	103.9	105.0	106.3	106.8	108.6
Clothing and footwear         103.1         100.2         101.8         100.7         99.9         99.9           Gross rent (dwelling)         104.9         105.1         105.9         108.2         109.4         113.5           Furniture, household equipment, etc.         102.1         114.3         111.5         109.7         110.6         113.2           Medical care and health expenses         102.0         104.4         106.2         115.2         115.3         116.6           Transport         103.7         103.8         104.9         104.8         105.4         105.4           Communication         94.8         95.0         95.0         95.1         95.1         95.1         95.2           Recreation, entertainment, etc.         101.5         99.0         99.3         99.3         98.2         96.0           Restaurant and hotels         100.5         100.6         101.1         106.3         108.9         109.5	Food and beverages	106.0	108.9	111.0	112.0	113.4	116.9
Gross rent (dwelling)     104.9     105.1     105.9     108.2     109.4     113.5       Furniture, household equipment, etc.     102.1     114.3     111.5     109.7     110.6     113.2       Medical care and health expenses     102.0     104.4     106.2     115.2     115.3     116.6       Transport     103.7     103.8     104.9     104.8     105.4     105.4     105.4     105.4     105.4     105.4     105.9     99.3     99.1     99.2     95.0     95.1     95.1     95.1     96.0       Recreation, entertainment, etc.     101.5     99.0     99.3     99.3     99.2     96.0       Restaurant and hotels     100.5     100.6     101.1     106.3     108.9     109.5	Alcohol and tobacco	104.2	105.0	105.6	106.1	106.1	107.5
Furniture, household equipment, etc.       102.1       114.3       111.5       109.7       110.6       113.2         Medical care and health expenses       102.0       104.4       106.2       115.2       115.3       116.6         Transport       103.7       103.8       104.9       104.8       105.4       105.4         Communication       94.8       95.0       95.0       95.1       95.1       95.2         Recreation, entertainment, etc.       101.5       99.0       99.3       99.3       98.2       96.0         Restaurant and hotels       100.5       100.6       101.1       106.3       108.9       109.5	Clothing and footwear	103.1	100.2	101.8	100.7	99.9	99.9
Medical care and health expenses     102.0     104.4     106.2     115.2     115.3     116.6       Transport     103.7     103.8     104.9     104.8     105.4     105.4       Communication     94.8     95.0     95.0     95.1     95.1     95.2       Recreation, entertainment, etc.     101.5     99.0     99.3     99.3     98.2     96.0       Restaurant and hotels     100.5     100.6     101.1     106.3     108.9     109.5	Gross rent (dwelling)	104.9	105.1	105.9	108.2	109.4	113.5
Transport         103.7         103.8         104.9         104.8         105.4         105.4           Communication         94.8         95.0         95.0         95.1         95.1         95.2           Recreation, entertainment, etc.         101.5         99.0         99.3         99.3         98.2         96.0           Restaurant and hotels         100.5         100.6         101.1         106.3         108.9         109.5	Furniture, household equipment, etc.	102.1	114.3	111.5	109.7	110.6	113.2
Communication         94.8         95.0         95.1         95.1         95.1         95.2           Recreation, entertainment, etc.         101.5         99.0         99.3         99.3         98.2         96.0           Restaurant and hotels         100.5         100.6         101.1         106.3         108.9         109.5	Medical care and health expenses	102.0	104.4	106.2	115.2	115.3	116.6
Recreation, entertainment, etc.         101.5         99.0         99.3         99.3         98.2         96.0           Restaurant and hotels         100.5         100.6         101.1         106.3         108.9         109.5	Transport	103.7	103.8	104.9	104.8	105.4	105.4
Restaurant and hotels 100.5 100.6 101.1 106.3 108.9 109.5	Communication	94.8	95.0	95.0	95.1	95.1	95.2
	Recreation, entertainment, etc.	101.5	99.0	99.3	99.3	98.2	96.0
Miscellaneous goods and services 105.0 96.2 98.4 101.3 99.7 100.3	Restaurant and hotels	100.5	100.6	101.1	106.3	108.9	109.5
	Miscellaneous goods and services	105.0	96.2	98.4	101.3	99.7	100.3



# Economy

#### GDP (2005 Prices)

	2006*	2007*	2008*	2009*	2010*			
	— DKK billion —							
GDP	10.5	10.8	11.1	11.2	11.3			
Imports of goods and services	6.3	6.9	8.7	7.8	9.6			
Total	16.9	17.7	19.7	19.0	20.9			
Private consumption	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.5			
Public expenditure	5.5	5.6	5.9	5.8	5.8			
Gross investments	2.4	3.3	4.8	4.6	6.1			
Exports of goods and services	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.3	3.6			
Total	16.9	17.7	19.7	19.0	20.9			
		— Grow	th in per c	ent —				
GDP	6.6	2.4	2.3	1.4	1.2			
Imports of goods and services	-3.5	8.7	26.8	-10.6	23.3			
Total	2.6	4.7	11.8	-3.9	10.2			
Private consumption	3.1	-1.1	-1.1	0.3	4.4			
Public expenditure	6.6	1.0	5.4	-1.5	-0.3			
Gross investments	2.0	35.1	45.1	-4.2	33.2			
Exports of goods and services	6.6	1.0	5.4	-1.5	-0.3			
Total	2.6	4.7	11.8	-3.9	10.2			

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures

#### **Expenditure of General Government Sector by Function** OFEFUNK

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010				
-	DKK million —								
Total	7,983	8,304	8,798	9,358	9,386				
General public services	946	1,009	1,049	1,108	1,130				
Defence	71	60	98	113	98				
Public order and safety	448	452	480	507	524				
Economic affairs	1,054	1,036	1,081	1,067	1,014				
Environmental protection	151	163	154	148	149				
Housing and community amenities	346	383	432	485	376				
Health	1,005	1,078	1,171	1,267	1,294				
Recreation, culture and religion	313	325	345	343	332				
Education	1,470	1,541	1,665	1,845	1,929				
Social welfare	2,179	2,258	2,323	2,473	2,540				

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# Foreign Trade

#### **Exports by SITC Division**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010		
	— DKK million —						
Exports, total	2,343.9	2,326.8	2,471.7	1,919.2	2,144.5		
Provisions and livestock	2,042.4	1,905.3	2,106.4	1,691.5	1,925.8		
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0		
Raw materials, inedible	178.4	274.7	227.8	111.1	19.4		
Mineral fuels and lubricants etc.	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Chemicals and chemical products	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2		
Manufactured products							
mainly semi-manufactured	37.4	11.9	7.2	4.4	6.0		
Machinery and transport equipment	20.7	22.2	18.6	14.4	80.7		
Manufactured products	28.6	19.6	17.0	8.8	20.7		
Miscellaneous articles and transactions	36.0	92.7	94.5	88.7	91.6		

#### **Imports by SITC Division**

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	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010				
	— DKK million —								
Imports, total	3,902.2	4,070.8	4,572.5	3,887.1	4,531.8				
Provisions and livestock	632.8	681.2	726.3	763.4	759.9				
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	118.2	129.6	126.5	135.4	138.4				
Raw materials, inedible	42.8	57.0	62.4	47.0	58.3				
Mineral fuels and lubricants etc.	836.3	890.0	1,193.4	651.3	973.1				
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	2.6	2.5	4.3	2.9	3.8				
Chemicals and chemical products	199.8	212.6	219.4	256.0	268.8				
Manufactured products									
mainly semi-manufactured	601.0	511.5	589.9	519.9	576.2				
Machinery and transport equipment	907.4	996.6	1,083.6	994.5	1,098.4				
Manufactured products	548.2	581.9	552.8	506.8	535.1				
Miscellaneous articles and transactions	13.2	7.8	13.9	9.8	120.0				

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures

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# **Business**

Turnover					RSERES
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
		D	KK millior	· —	
Fishing	859.9	937.6	780.7	951.1	858.7
Mining	185.2	149.1	293.7	353.3	295.5
Industry	566.6	715.8	733.1	700.2	629.3
Construction	1,686.3	1,759.6	2,022.6	2,117.4	2,015.5
Wholesale, retail trade and repair work	6,680.5	7,049.1	7,108.4	7,300.8	7,420.8
Hotels and restaurants	315.8	307.2	317.8	332.8	379.3
Transport	2,638.3	2,681.1	2,656.4	2,793.2	2,763.7
Finance and insurance	229.8	266.3	283.5	309.6	337.1
Real estate and business services	655.5	802.2	875.1	1,095.5	1,041.0

## Profit or loss before tax

RSERES

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009			
	——— DKK million —							
Fishing	-20.8	2.5	9.8	14.2	-1.1			
Mining	-69.2	-223.8	-126.3	-214.8	-232.1			
Industry	40.6	12.3	40.4	38.3	45.7			
Construction	58.2	109.0	94.4	159.5	117.3			
Wholesale, retail trade and repair work	264.1	-84.7	165.5	49.3	-95.8			
Hotels and restaurants	23.6	23.1	34.9	27.1	11.4			
Transport	142.1	139.5	225.0	229.3	141.5			
Finance and insurance	102.2	93.1	111.4	90.5	148.8			
Real estate and business services	30.8	83.5	155.1	78.4	121.7			

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# **Transportation**

The towns and settlements of the country are not connected by roads. Passengers and supplies of goods are transported by sea or by air. The main gateway to Greenland is the former American military base at Kangerlussuaq, now an international airport. From here aeroplane and helicopter traffic is distributed to the towns of Greenland.

#### **Passenger Traffic by Air**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009				
	— Number of passengers — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —								
Passengers, total	340,794	392,226	412,112	432,067	417,396				
Domestic by plane	237,488	232,995	246,276	266,617	259,738				
International traffic by plane	59,371	66,132	74,237	76,068	69,677				
Helicopter traffic	43,935	93,099	91,599	89,382	87,981				

#### Passenger Traffic and Cargo Freight by Sea

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009				
	— Number of passengers —								
Passengers, total	91,230	43,448	21,649	25,899	26,109				
From town to town	58,310	41,536	18,745	21,684	19,825				
From town to settlement /									
settlement to town in:	32,920	1,912	2,904	4,215	6,284				
- Region South	14,077	798	59	71	347				
- Region Central	2,565	791	2,270	3,136	5,260				
- Region North	15,248	323	15	11	9				
- District Tasiilaq	1,030		560	997	668				
			1,000 m <sup>3</sup> —						
Cargo freight, total	840	877	879	890	821				
From Denmark to Greenland	418	404	426	445	401				
From Greenland to Denmark	307	329	314	308	291				
Internally in Greenland	115	144	139	137	129				

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Motor Vehicles GEEMO

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Motor vehicles, total	4,977	5,255	5,349	5,675	5,770
Passenger cars and vans	4,229	4,550	4,687	5,036	5,106
Taxis	169	143	132	89	112
Busses	63	75	74	80	78
Fire-engines, ambulances etc.	136	103	98	109	109
Commercial vehicles and trucks	371	373	349	355	360
Motor cycles	9	11	9	6	5
Other vehicles	-	-	-	-	=



# Energy

#### **Gross Energy Consumption**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
			— ТJ —		
Gross energy consumption, total	9,726	9,640	9,968	8,987	10,264
Petrol	527	531	544	559	582
Jet fuel	3	5	5	2	3
Kerosene	835	833	876	750	839
DFA	227	215	210	227	209
Gasoline	7,344	7,230	7,513	6,449	7,475
Fuel oil	0	0	0	0	50
Botted gas	6	5	5	4	4
Hydro power	706	734	727	916	1,012
Waste	78	88	87	80	90

### Cost Rates for Electricity, Water and Heat as of 1 January

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
			– DKK –		
Electricity, minimum price per kWh	1.37	1.44	1.48	1.56	1.61
Electricity, maximum price per kWh	3.15	3.68	2.82	2.98	3.02
Water, minimum price per m3	10.73	11.68	11.83	12.69	14.62
Water, maximum price per m3	27.91	31.97	34.42	35.79	36.68
Fixed electric heating, price per kWh	0.56	0.55	0.62	0.62	0.64
Interruptible electric heating, price per kWh	0.50	0.48	0.55	0.55	0.58
Central heating, price per kWh	0.56	0.55	0.62	0.62	0.64

# CO<sub>2</sub> Emission From Energy Consumption

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010		
		1,0	000 tonne	S			
Total	659.5	650.3	675.0	589.2	675.9		
Petrol	38.5	38.8	39.7	40.8	42.5		
Jet fuel	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2		
Kerosene	60.1	59.9	63.1	54.0	60.4		
DFA	16.8	15.9	15.5	16.8	15.5		
Gasoline	543.5	535.0	556.0	477.2	553.1		
Fuel oil	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9		
Bottled gas	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3		
		— Tonnes —					
CO <sub>2</sub> emission per capita	11.6	11.5	12.0	10.5	12.0		

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# **Education and Culture**

#### **Education in Greenland**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010			
		Number of persons						
Totals								
Starters	1,106	1,119	1,212	1,232	1,463			
Drop-outs	506	531	534	575	626			
Completions	402	466	471	521	521			
Vocational education								
Starters	716	724	788	807	948			
Drop-outs	322	322	328	393	425			
Completions	265	295	309	332	321			
Mid-range training								
Starters	253	232	281	226	305			
Drop-outs	129	121	128	108	114			
Completions	86	110	117	115	123			
Higher education								
Starters	136	162	140	194	205			
Drop-outs	53	88	78	71	87			
Completions	50	60	45	73	76			
Other vocational courses								
Starters	1	1	3	5	5			
Drop-outs	2	0	0	3	0			
Completions	1	1	0	1	1			

#### **Higher Education**

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010			
Number of graduates							
13	19	12	21	13			
16	14	17	19	27			
2	3	1	3	4			
1	3	1	8	3			
3	3	2	6	9			
1	3	3	3	4			
14	15	9	13	16			
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#### **Expenditure on Education**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		DI	KK million		
Total expenditure	545.7	539.2	625.7	661.6	624.3
Construction expenses	75.6	33.6	69.2	67.3	31.3
Operating expenses, total	470.2	505.5	556.5	594.4	593.0
Vocational schools	150.5	154.6	166.4	184.2	181.5
Continuing education	25.0	26.3	27.7	27.7	28.8
Higher education	90.3	100.2	111.9	124.1	123.0
Student housing	13.2	14.4	14.1	17.2	18.3
Educational grants	191.1	210.0	236.4	241.2	241.4

#### **Broadcasts by Greenlandic Radio/TV (KNR)**

	2000	2002	2004*	2006	2007
		—— Hou	rs per year		
Radio, total	5,812	6,160	6,000	8,511	8,660
Spoken broadcasts in Greenlandic	2,728	2,920	3,000	2,455	3,373
In Danish etc.	1,019	1,080	324	654	260
Musical broadcasts	2,065	2,160	2,676	5,402	5,027
TV, total	3,739	3,827	4,000	4,385	4,586
In Greenlandic	693	659	363	265	512
In other languages	3,046	3,168	3,637	4,120	4,074

<sup>\*</sup> The figures for 2004 are estimated

#### **Books Published**

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	
	————Number of titles —					
Total	123	114	142	120	126	
Non-fiction	6	4	9	15	15	
Fiction	7	17	14	12	11	
Books for children	-	10	11	16	26	
Educational books	110	79	106	75	70	
Other books	-	4	2	2	4	

# Tourism

## Nights Spent at Hotels by Guest's Country of Origin

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	2003	2005	2007	2009	2011			
	Number of nights —							
Numbers of nights spent, total	192,774	215,916	234,604	224,801	213,656			
Greenland	100,574	106,712	119,970	120,870	115,322			
Denmark	62,966	67,876	78,788	67,218	56,350			
Sweden	1,224	2,892	2,219	1,875	1,755			
Norway	1,556	1,419	1,851	2,110	1,899			
Iceland	1,352	6,881	1,359	1,780	1,558			
Germany	4,313	3,726	4,459	5,091	6,263			
France	1,280	1,422	1,858	1,354	1,842			
Italy	1,989	431	738	717	701			
Netherlands	750	474	1,117	696	732			
United Kingdom	1,949	2,611	2,260	2,362	4,448			
Rest of Europe	3,502	3,034	4,255	5,587	4,678			
USA	6,679	6,756	8,744	9,428	6,236			
Japan	1,223	765	727	919	596			
Canada	1,717	1,520	1,878	2,336	4,700			
Other countries	1,700	2,281	4,052	2,458	6,576			
Unknown	-	7,116	329	-	0			



#### **Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
			1,000	liters —		
Total	8,269	8,124	8,347	7,970	7,889	7,890
Beer	7,219	7,146	7,280	7,196	6,999	7,077
Wine	897	844	901	672	774	700
Spirits	153	135	166	102	115	113
Average consumption of alcohol*		— Liters	of 100 p	er cent al	cohol -	
Beer	7.9	7.8	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.5
Wine	2.5	2.3	2.6	1.9	2.2	2.0
Spirits	1.7	1.6	1.5	0.9	1.0	1.0

<sup>\*</sup> Per person over 14 years of age per year

## **Consumption of Cigarettes**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
		—— M	illions of	cigarette	s ——	
Total consumption*	93.6	94.4	72.8	67.5	72.1	65.2
Average consumption		— Numb	er of ciga	arettes pe	r day —	
Per person	4.5	4.6	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.2
Per person older than 14 years	6.0	6.0	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1

<sup>\*</sup>The number of cigarettes imported as reported by the Tax Agency.

#### **Legal Abortions**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
			Numbers —		
Number of abortions	867	887	894	799	860
Abortions by age of woman			Per cent —		
12 - 15 years	5.2	5.6	4.9	3.1	3.1
16 - 17 years	10.6	10.3	10.4	8.9	10.8
18 - 19 years	13.0	13.2	16.4	16.9	12.2
20 - 24 years	31.5	30.6	31.5	33.5	35.0
25 - 29 years	18.9	21.1	19.0	20.4	21.0
30 - 34 years	9.2	10.9	10.6	9.6	9.2
35 - 39 years	8.5	5.6	4.9	5.1	6.3
40 - 44 years	2.7	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.2
45 - 49 years	0.3	0.2	=	0.3	0.1

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## **Reported Infectious Diseases**

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
		— Numl	oer of pers	ons ——		
16	28	14	16		12	10
1	8	6	-			
69	99	73	60	62	63	116
6	6	5	3	1	4	3
2	3	2	-			
1	1	-	2		-	-
657	769	808	747	927	1,105	1,239
1,853	2,713	2,579	2,369	2,504	2,864	3,007
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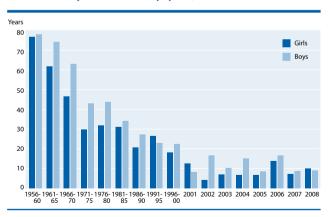
### Life Expectancy for Newborn Girls and Boys



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#### Infant Mortality for Girls and Boys per 1,000 Live Births



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# Social Welfare

#### **Recipients of Social Benefits**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
_		— Num	ber of perso	ns —	
Population over 15 as per 1					
January	42,805	42,888	43,054	43,188	43,625
Recipients of social benefits	17,073	16,811	16,483	16,743	17,116
Social welfare benefit	8,793	7,909	7,485	7,817	8,325
Unemployment benefit	3,286	3,485	3,377	3,777	3,521
Maternity leave benefit	915	1,039	1,232	1,126	1,155
Early retirement benefit	2,939	2,913	2,884	2,801	2,925
Retirement pension	3,828	4,046	4,135	3,984	3,838

## **Social Benefits by Total Amount**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
			DKK 1,000		
Total	636,558	685,665	714,712	761,746	789,205
Social welfare benefit	101,986	97,459	91,632	108,086	121,189
Unemployment benefit	29,542	33,744	30,217	42,351	39,804
Maternity leave benefit	19,449	30,699	29,585	34,623	34,471
Early retirement benefit	221,300	221,426	221,042	222,591	243,956
Retirement pension	264,281	302,337	342,236	354,095	349,785

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## **Raw Materials**

The Government of Greenland may grant authorizations for prospecting, exploration, and exploitation of raw materials to companies having the expertise and financial background for these activities. When a permit is issued, an amount is fixed whaich the licensee must pay to the Government of Greenland; the amount can be defined as an area, production, or profits tax.

An authorization may also include obligations to use Greenlandic labour or subcontractors and provisions that exploited raw materials are processed in Greenland. Prior to exploitation, a plan must be submitted to and approved by the Government of Greenland.

#### **Oil Exploration**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Prospecting permits (active)	11	17	23	27	25
Exploration permits (granted)	6	11	13	20	20
Exploration costs in USD million	9.5	115.5	102.0	501.7	

#### **Mineral Exploration**

2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
14	14	11	21	16
63	67	71	73	75
2	3	4	4	4
471.0	497.0	300.0	524.0	-
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# Climate

## Mean Temperatures in 2010, Selected Towns

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	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Ammassalik	
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January	0.1	-3.7	-12.5	-8.4	-2.1	
February	1.1	-1.2	-10.3	-6.3	-5.1	
March	-1.0	-4.2	-13.3	-9.2	-5.8	
April	0.9	-0.9	-3.4	-4.1		
May	6.2	5.0	7.7	3.0		
June	6.0	6.4	10.6	6.9	6.5	
July	6.2	7.6	11.2	8.7	7.9	
August	8.8	9.2	10.2	8.8	8.9	
September	6.8	6.7	5.6	5.3		
October	5.3	2.7	-2.9	-1.0	1.9	
November	3.7	1.3	-5.0	-1.8	-3.5	
December	3.0	0.1	-5.6	-3.3	-1.5	



#### Average Maximum Temperatures \* in 2010, Selected Towns MIE1MID

	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Ammassalik
			Degrees Celsius —		
January	9.9	6.9	10.5	9.2	6.9
February	10.3	9.5	10.4	8.3	5.4
March	9.3	6.3	6.0	4.4	5.0
April	12.0	7.9	10.7	5.9	
May	16.1	18.0	22.4	17.2	
June	17.0	17.3	21.9	18.3	18.2
July	15.3	15.3	21.4	17.2	15.6
August	19.6	18.5	21.1	18.2	16.8
September	15.0	22.6	21.4	15.3	
October	14.7	19.1	17.3	19.7	13.5
November	13.1	15.8	15.3	11.8	5.9
December	14.8	8.6	7.7	6.5	12.6

#### Average Minimum Temperatures \* in 2010, Selected Towns MIE1MID

	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Ammassalik
			Degrees Celsius		
January	-5.6	-13.2	-32.0	-20.3	-10.6
February	-5.6	-13.7	-25.6	-18.7	-17.6
March	-10.4	-15.9	-31.1	-20.2	-14.9
April	-3.3	-5.8	-18.0	-16.6	
May	-2.4	-3.2	-5.6	-8.1	
June	-0.1	-1.2	-0.6	0.2	-1.4
July	-0.3	1.5	1.5	0.6	1.4
August	2.7	3.2	0.4	0.2	3.7
September	1.8	1.3	-6.2	-1.6	
October	-2.9	-8.1	-21.0	-17.5	-5.7
November	-3.1	-5.8	-27.7	-16.1	-11.4
December	-4.5	-6.6	-24.7	-14.6	8.2

<sup>\*</sup>The monthly mean of the minimum daily temperature

## Political Parties in Greenland

#### Siumut (Forward)

Siumut is a Social Democratic party, founded in 1977. It holds 12 seats in the Greenlandic parliament, Inatsisartut. The party aims to create a homogenous and active society with equal opportunities for all. Loyal to the Danish Crown and government, this party works for independence and self-government in Greenland.

#### Inuit Ataqatigiit (Unified Inuit)

Inuit Ataqatigiit is a left wing party, founded in 1976. It holds 12 seats in the parliament. It works for independence and recognition as a people.

#### Kattussegatigiit Partiiat (Alliance of Candidates)

Formerly represented by individual candidates, Kattusseqatigiit Partiiat was founded as a party in 2005. The party holds one seat in the parliament.

#### **Demokraatit** (Democrats)

Demokraatit is a social liberal party, founded in 2002. The party holds four seats in the parliament. Demokraatit aims for a self-governing society with respect for the traditional culture of the country as well as modern approaches to securing welfare in the future.

#### Atassut (Unity)

This party was founded in 1978. The party has two seats in the parliament. The party works for self-government within the Kingdom of Denmark

# EElection to the Greenlandic Parliament, 2 June 2009 by Municipality

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	Electorate	Votes cast	Valid votes	Poll
Total	39,990	28,510	28,275	71,3
Nanortalik	1,498	1,077	1,072	71,9
Qaqortoq	2,599	1,965	1,932	75,6
Narsaq	1,403	1,086	1,076	77,4
lvittuut	140	62	59	44,3
Paamiut	1,319	919	910	69,7
Nuuk	11,579	8,069	7,988	69,7
Maniitsoq	2,494	1,740	1,727	69,8
Sisimiut	4,435	3,092	3,073	69,7
Kangaatsiaq	862	621	616	72,0
Aasiaat	2,313	1,604	1,594	69,3
Qasigiannguit	907	682	679	75,2
Ilulissat	3,539	2,674	2,657	75,6
Qeqertarsuaq	683	501	499	73,4
Uummannaq	1,632	1,253	1,247	76,8
Upernavik	1,874	1,340	1,334	71,5
Qaanaaq	534	392	391	73,4
Ammassalik	1,858	1,199	1,187	64,5
Illoqqortoormiut	321	234	234	72,9

## Election to the Greenlandic Parliament, 2 June 2009 by Party VAELANST

	Votes	Per cent	Mandates	Elected women
Total	28,275	100,0	31	12
Atassut	3,094	10,9	3	-
Demokraatit	3,620	12,8	4	1
Inuit Ataqatigiit	12,457	44,1	14	8
Siumut	7,567	26,8	9	3
Kattusseqatigiit Partiat	1,084	3,8	1	-
Sorlaat Partiia	383	1,4	-	-
Outside Parties	70	0,2	-	-

#### Election to the Municipal Councils. 8 April 2008

#### VAEKOMST

	Greenland	Kommune Kujalleq	Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	Qeqqata Kommunia	Qaasuitsup Kommunia
Electorate	39,665	5,528	14,854	6,801	12,482
Votes cast	24,626	4,086	8,461	4,088	7,991
Valid votes	24,277	3,987	8,350	4,031	7,909
Poll	62.1	73.9	57.0	60.1	64.0
Distribution of votes	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Atassut	15.5	10.3	11.5	19.1	20.6
Demokraatit	13.5	9.9	24.0	11.3	5.5
Inuit Ataqatigiit	27.1	30.7	30.4	24.4	23.3
Siumut	38.1	49.1	30.1	44.3	37.9
Kattusseqatigiit Partiiat no1	4.7	-	1.4	0.9	12.4
Kattusseqatigiit Partiiat no2	0.3	-	0.9	-	-
Sorlaat Partiia	0.5	-	1.5	-	-
Single Candidates	0.1	-	0.2	-	0.2

#### Elections to the Danish Parliament Since 2001

#### VAEFOLK

	Atassut	Siumut	Inuit Ataqatigiit	Demo- kraatit	Other	Poll
20 November 2001	5.138	6.033	7.172	-	4.917	61,5
8 February 2005	3.781	7.775	5.785	4.924	843	59,6
13 November 2007	4.094	8.068	8.343	4.584	-	64,5

#### Self-Govenment Referendum, 25 November 2008

		Percentage of valid votes		
	Poll	For	Against	
Are you for or against Greenlandic self-government?	72.0	75.5	23.6	



## More Information on Greenland

The statistics database of Statistics Greenland at http://bank.stat.gl/contains many of the statistics in this leaflet. The code in the upper left-hand corner of the tables can be used with a web address to access the tables of the data bank, e.g.:

## http://bank.stat.gl/BEEST1

where BEEST1 is the code for one of the population statistics tables.
The web site of Statistics Greenland, www.stat.gl, also offers comprehensive information on a number of statistical areas:

- · Criminal statistics
- Education
- · Flections
- · Environment and energy
- · Fishing
- · Foreign trade
- · General subjects
- · Health
- · Housing
- Income
- · Labour market
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# The Largest Island of the World

Geographically speaking, Greenland is part of the North American continent but geopolitically a part of Europe. Greenland is a mountainous country and the largest island of the world with a total area of 2,166,086 km2. Of this area, 85 per cent is covered with ice, while the rest is ice-free. The further north, the colder, drier, and less windy it is. July is the warmest month while February and March are the coldest.

#### **Largest distances**

North to south: 2,670 km. • East to west: 1,050 km.

Coastline: 44,087 km • Highest point: Gunnbjørns Fjeld 3,700 m