

## Population 2012

### The population continues to increase

January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 there lived 56 749 persons in Greenland. Thus, the population increased by 134 persons during 2011.

**Summary table 1. Population January 1<sup>st</sup> 2003-2012**

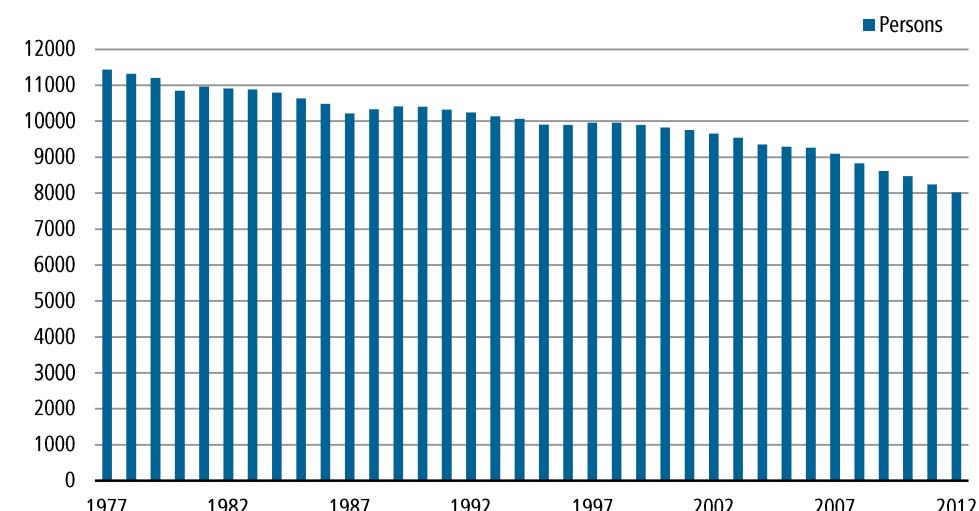
|        | 2003   | 2004   | 2005   | 2006   | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | 2010   | 2011   | 2012   |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total  | 56.676 | 56.863 | 56.972 | 56.901 | 56.648 | 56.462 | 56.194 | 56.452 | 56.615 | 56.749 |
| Male   | 30.249 | 30.335 | 30.322 | 30.182 | 30.005 | 29.885 | 29.809 | 29.936 | 29.942 | 30.041 |
| Female | 26.427 | 26.528 | 26.650 | 26.719 | 26.643 | 26.577 | 26.385 | 26.516 | 26.673 | 26.708 |

Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beest1>

Of the country's 4 municipalities Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq were the only one to have a rising population in 2011. In the other municipalities, the population declined slightly, as shown in Summary table 2

Especially growing is the population in towns, while the population in the country's settlements decreases. Figure 1 shows that just over the last 5-6 years the total population in settlements declined from 9,000 to 8,000 people.

**Figure 1. Population in settlements 1977-2012**



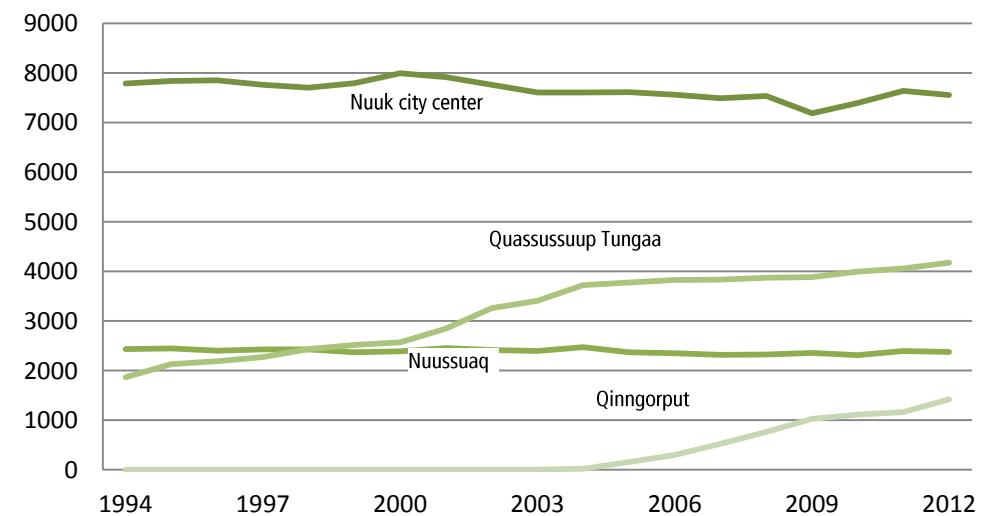
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## Summary table 2 Population in municipalities 2012

|                                 | -16           | 17-64         | 65+          | Male          | Female        | Total 2011    | Total 2012    | Change from 2011 to 2012 |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>13.359</b> | <b>39.295</b> | <b>4.095</b> | <b>30.041</b> | <b>26.708</b> | <b>56.615</b> | <b>56.749</b> | <b>134</b>               |
| Towns                           | 11.140        | 33.621        | 3.471        | 25.341        | 22.891        | 47.857        | 48.232        | 375                      |
| Settlements                     | 2.146         | 5.264         | 607          | 4.366         | 3.651         | 8.239         | 8.017         | -222                     |
| Stations                        | 23            | 257           | 4            | 203           | 81            | 325           | 284           | -41                      |
| Farms                           | 50            | 108           | 12           | 97            | 73            | 172           | 170           | -2                       |
| Unknown                         | -             | 45            | 1            | 34            | 12            | 22            | 46            | 24                       |
| <b>Kommune Kujalleq</b>         | <b>1.693</b>  | <b>4.978</b>  | <b>746</b>   | <b>3.933</b>  | <b>3.484</b>  | <b>7.441</b>  | <b>7.417</b>  | <b>-24</b>               |
| Towns                           | 1.431         | 4.244         | 607          | 3.291         | 2.991         | 6.273         | 6.282         | 9                        |
| Settlements                     | 214           | 628           | 127          | 549           | 420           | 996           | 969           | -27                      |
| Station                         | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| Farms                           | 48            | 102           | 11           | 92            | 69            | 167           | 161           | -6                       |
| Unknown                         | -             | 4             | 1            | 1             | 4             | 5             | 5             | -                        |
| <b>Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq</b> | <b>5.098</b>  | <b>15.549</b> | <b>1.166</b> | <b>11.517</b> | <b>10.296</b> | <b>21.559</b> | <b>21.813</b> | <b>254</b>               |
| Towns                           | 4.638         | 14.522        | 1.057        | 10.632        | 9.585         | 19.919        | 20.217        | 298                      |
| Settlements                     | 435           | 913           | 108          | 790           | 666           | 1.482         | 1.456         | -26                      |
| Station                         | 23            | 102           | -            | 84            | 41            | 153           | 125           | -28                      |
| Farms                           | 2             | 6             | 1            | 5             | 4             | 5             | 9             | 4                        |
| Unknown                         | -             | 6             | -            | 6             | -             | -             | 6             | 6                        |
| <b>Qeqqata Kommunia</b>         | <b>2.258</b>  | <b>6.661</b>  | <b>719</b>   | <b>5.124</b>  | <b>4.514</b>  | <b>9.684</b>  | <b>9.638</b>  | <b>-46</b>               |
| Towns                           | 1.954         | 5.684         | 648          | 4.348         | 3.938         | 8.245         | 8.286         | 41                       |
| Settlements                     | 304           | 977           | 71           | 776           | 576           | 1.439         | 1.352         | -87                      |
| Station                         | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| Farms                           | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| Unknown                         | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| <b>Qaasuitsup Kommunia</b>      | <b>4.310</b>  | <b>11.917</b> | <b>1.460</b> | <b>9.321</b>  | <b>8.366</b>  | <b>17.742</b> | <b>17.687</b> | <b>-55</b>               |
| Towns                           | 3.117         | 9.171         | 1.159        | 7.070         | 6.377         | 13.420        | 13.447        | 27                       |
| Settlements                     | 1.193         | 2.746         | 301          | 2.251         | 1.989         | 4.322         | 4.240         | -82                      |
| Station                         | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| Farms                           | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| Unknown                         | -             | -             | -            | -             | -             | -             | -             | -                        |
| <b>Outside municipals</b>       | <b>-</b>      | <b>190</b>    | <b>4</b>     | <b>146</b>    | <b>48</b>     | <b>189</b>    | <b>194</b>    | <b>5</b>                 |

Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beest2>

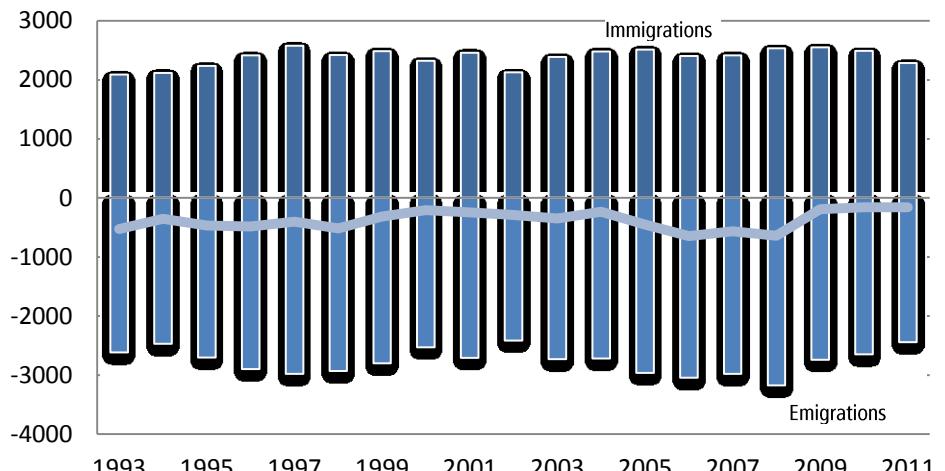
Figure 2. Neighborhoods in Nuuk 1994 - 2012



Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beestnuk>

The figure below shows the development of migration in the period 1993-2011. Every year throughout the period, more people moved from Greenland than to. In 2011 a total of 2,283 people immigrated while 2,442 people emigrated. Net emigration in 2011 of 159 persons was unchanged from 2010, but significantly lower than in previous years, actually the lowest number since 1988.

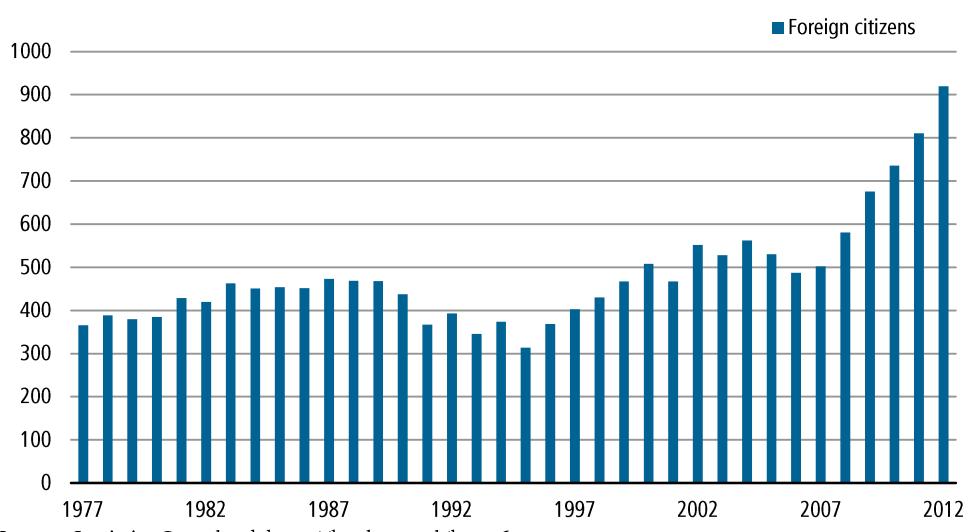
**Figure 3. Migrations 1993 - 2011**



Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beebbiu2>

The low net emigration the past few years is partly due to immigration of foreign citizens.

**Figure 4. Foreign citizens 1977-2012**



Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beest6>

Overall, over the past 6 years the number of foreign citizens increased by 481 persons from 502 in 2007 to 920 at January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.

**Summary table 3. Foreign citizens 2007-2012**

|                         | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Grand total</b>      | 502  | 581  | 676  | 736  | 811  | 920  |
| Europe og North America |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Total                   | 371  | 424  | 505  | 510  | 529  | 619  |
| Male                    | 251  | 294  | 360  | 364  | 360  | 439  |
| Female                  | 120  | 130  | 145  | 146  | 169  | 180  |
| Other                   |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| Total                   | 131  | 157  | 171  | 226  | 282  | 301  |
| Male                    | 47   | 58   | 69   | 87   | 117  | 122  |
| Female                  | 84   | 99   | 102  | 139  | 165  | 179  |

Source: Statistics Greenland, <http://bank.stat.gl/beest6>

Based on a preliminary calculation of the number live births and deaths in 2011 the main figures of population trends in 2011 is listed in summary table 4

#### Summary table 4. Population trends 2011

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Population January 1st 2011        | 56.615 |
| + number of liveborn (provisional) | 821    |
| - number of death (provisional)    | 470    |
| + immigrants                       | 2.283  |
| - emigrants                        | 2.442  |
| - Corrections                      | -58    |
| Population Januar 1st 2012         | 56.749 |

Detailed tables can be found in our Statbank (<http://bank.stat.gl>)

#### Updated tables in our Statbank

| Links to Statbank   | Population in Greenland   |
|---|---|
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST1">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST1</a>           | Population January 1st by residence, gender, age and place of birth 1977-2012   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST2">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST2</a>           | Population in <b>municipalities</b> January 1.st by municipality, residence, age, gender and place of birth 1977-2012 |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST3">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST3</a>           | Population in <b>districts</b> January 1.st by district, residence, age, gender and place of birth 1977-2012          |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST4">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST4</a>           | Population in towns and settlements January 1.st by <b>locality</b> , age, gender and place of birth 1977-2012        |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST5">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST5</a>           | Population January 1st by residence, gender, age, place of birth and <b>marital status</b> 1977-2012                  |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEST6">http://bank.stat.gl/BEST6</a>           | Population January 1st by reporting country, time, <b>citizenship</b> , age and gender 1977-2012                      |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BESAT1">http://bank.stat.gl/BESAT1</a>         | Population and population growth 1901-2012 by time, type and place of birth   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BESAT2">http://bank.stat.gl/BESAT2</a>         | Vital statistics 1950-2011  |
| Births  |   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBL0">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBL0</a>       | (Revised)Livebirth by residence, mothers place of birth, mothers age, gender and month of birth 1973-2011             |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBL3ULT">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBL3ULT</a> | Live birth by district, mothers place of birth, <b>mothers ultimo age</b> and gender 1973-2011                        |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM1">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM1</a>     | Live birth and mean population by residence, mothers place of birth and age 1977-2011                                 |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM2">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM2</a>     | Live birth and mean population by <b>municipality</b> , residence, mothers place of birth and age 1977-2011           |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM3">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM3</a>     | Live birth and mean population by <b>district</b> , mothers place of birth and age 1977-2011                          |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM4">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBLM4</a>     | Live birth and mean population by <b>locality</b> , mothers place of birth and age 1977-2011                          |
| Deaths  |   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM1">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM1</a>     | Deaths by residence, place of birth, age and gender 1977-2011   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM2">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM2</a>     | Deaths by <b>municipality</b> , residence, place of birth, age and gender 1977-2011                                   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM3">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM3</a>     | Deaths by <b>district</b> , residence, place of birth, age and gender 1977-2011                                       |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM4">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM4</a>     | Deaths by <b>locality</b> , place of birth, age and gender 1977-2011  |
| Migration   |   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBIU2">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBIU2</a>     | Migrations to and from Greenland by <b>municipality</b> , age, gender and place of birth 1993-2011                    |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBIU3">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBIU3</a>     | Migrations to and from Greenland by <b>district</b> , age, gender and place of birth 1993-2011                        |
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| Internal Migration  |   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF2B">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF2B</a>     | Migrations by <b>municipalities</b> , type, gender, place of birth and age 1993-2011                                  |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF3B">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF3B</a>     | Migrations by <b>districts</b> , gender, place of birth and age 1993-2011   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF4B">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF4B</a>     | Migrations by <b>locality</b> , gender and place of birth 1993-2011   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF2">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF2</a>       | Netmigrations by <b>municipalities</b> , gender, place of birth and age 1993-2011                                     |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF3">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF3</a>       | Netmigrations by <b>districts</b> , gender, place of birth and age 1993-2011  |
| Households  |   |
| <a href="http://bank.stat.gl/BEEHUS1">http://bank.stat.gl/BEEHUS1</a>       | Households in <b>municipalities</b> by residence and size 1994-2012   |

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