

Greenland in Figures

2016



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Greenland · Kalaallit Nunaat

Indigenous people from the North American continent settled in Greenland over 4,500 years ago. Since then Greenland has been inhabited by several indigenous peoples. Around 1,000 years ago Greenlandic ancestors (the Thule Culture) settled in northern Greenland, whereas Scandinavian Viking settlers arrived in the southern Greenland around the same time.

Today the country is called Kalaallit Nunaat, which means “the Country of the Greenlanders”.

Greenland is part of the Kingdom of Denmark that consists of Denmark, the Faroe Islands and Greenland. However, Greenland is not part of the EU as it withdrew from the union as February 1 1985 following a referendum in 1982.

Greenland has its own national flag, issues its own stamps, and is part of the Danish monetary and exchange union.

In 1979, Greenland was granted home rule. In June 2009, a bill on self-government was passed following a referendum on the question on November 25 2008. Self-government was established on June 21 2009, 30 years after the introduction of the home rule.







Key Figures

Geography

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
Geography	Greenland dominates the North Atlantic between North America and Europe; the population lives in towns and small settlements along the coast but close to one third of the population lives in the capital, Nuuk
Geographical coordinates	72 00 N, 40 00 W (the geographical center of Greenland)
Area	2,166,086 km ² (the largest island in the world) 2,166,086 km ² (the 12th largest island in the world)
Ice-free area	410,449 km ²
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 -10.3° C, Kangerlussuaq -22.3° C, Ilulissat -15.2° C, Tasiilaq (Kulusuk) -5.1° C (2015)
Mean temperature, July	Nuuk 8.0° C, Kangerlussuaq 11.9° C, Ilulissat 9.6° C, Tasiilaq (Kulusuk) 7.0° C (2015)
Natural resources	Zinc, lead, iron ore, coal, molybdenum, gold, platinum, uranium, hydropower, copper, nickel, rare earth metals and possibly oil & 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. Livestock in South Greenland are following, sheep, tame reindeer, cows, horses, dogs and fowls. In North Greenland sled dogs are used for hunting and fishing purposes.

National parks	The national park of Greenland comprises approximately 972,000 km ² in the north eastern part of the country
Conservations	Approximately 20,000 km ² at Melville Bay and a protected area at Sarfartoq (The Paradise Valley) in the district of Maniitsoq. The Ilulissat icefjord is a UNESCO world heritage site

Population

Population	55,847 (Jan. 2016)
Density	0.14 per km ² of ice-free area (Jan. 2015)
Population in the capital	Nuuk: 17,316 (Jan. 2016)
Population in towns	48,140 (Jan. 2016)
Population in settlements	7,435 (Jan. 2016)
Population growth rate	-0.2 per cent (2016)
Death rate, total	8.3 deaths per 1,000 inhabitants (2014)
Net migration	-525 (2015)
Infant mortality rate, total	8.5 deaths per 1,000 live births (2013)
Life expectancy	Women 73.7, men 69.1 (2010/2014)
Total fertility rate	1.99 per woman aged 15-49 years (2014)
Demonym	Noun: Greenlander(s). Adjective: Greenlandic
Ethnic groups	Born in Greenland: 89.2 per cent Born outside Greenland: 10.8 per cent (Jan. 2016)
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 January 1 1973 to February 1 1985
Head of state	HMS Queen Margrethe II of Denmark
Head of government	Prime Minister Kim Kielsen (Siumut)
Legislative branch	Inatsisartut (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 center; 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

Economy

GDP	DKK 11,060 million (provisional figure for 2013 in 2005 prices)
GDP - real growth rate	-1.6 per cent from 2013 to 2014 (provisional figure)
Average gross income per household	1st decile: DKK 45,191. 10th decile: DKK 1,240,208 and Average: DKK 412,432 (2014)
Inflation rate (consumer prices)	1.4 per cent (July 2014 - July 2015)
Labour force	26,764 permanent residents, aged 18-64 (monthly average 2014)
Unemployment rate	10.3 per cent on average per month of permanent residents aged 18-64 (2014)
Budget	Income DKK 10.5 billion. Expenditure DKK 10.1 billion including capital expenditure of DKK 0.6 billion (2014)
Industries	Fish processing (mainly prawns and Greenland halibut), handicrafts, hides and skins, small shipyards, mining
Electricity - consumption	331 GWh (2014)
Agriculture - products	Sheep, cows, reindeer, fish
Exports	3,028.8 DKK million (2014 provisional figure)
Exports - commodities	Provisions and livestock
Exports - partners	Denmark, Iceland
Imports	4,313.6 DKK million (2014 provisional figure)
Imports - commodities	Machinery and transport equipment, manufactured goods, provisions and livestock petroleum products
Imports - partners	EU (primarily Denmark and Sweden)
Block grant	3,642 DKK (2014) and 3,679 DKK (2015) million in subsidies from Denmark

Currency	Danish Kroner (DKK)
Exchange rates	USD 100 = DKK 687.26 • EUR 100 = DKK 746.40 (January 1, 2016)
Fiscal year	Calendar year

Communications

Telephones - landlines	13,736 (2014)
Telephones - mobiles	62,005 (2014)
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	11,918 (2014)

Transportation

Railways	0 km
Ports and harbours	Ports in 16 towns and harbours in 60 settlements
Airports	14 airports, 7 heliports and 37 helistops

Sources: CIA World Factbook, Greenland Airports, TELE Greenland and Statistics Greenland

Symbols

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- All economic figures are in Danish kroner (DKK).*

Population

Population by Gender

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total	56,462	56,194	56,452	56,615	56,749	56,370	56,282	55,984	55,847
Women	26,577	26,385	26,516	26,673	26,708	26,532	26,552	26,428	26,304
Men	29,885	29,809	29,936	29,942	30,041	29,838	29,730	29,556	29,543

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEST1>

Population by Municipality, Town and Settlement

	2006		2016	
	Towns	Settlements	Towns	Settlements
Total	47,058	9,269	48,140	7,435
Kommune Kujalleq	6,407	1,257	5,845	826
Nanortalik	1,456	793	1,264	510
Qaqortoq	3,208	226	3,089	129
Narsaq	1,723	238	1,492	187
Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	18,745	1,716	21,144	1,329
Paamiut	1,802	142	1,429	98
Nuuk	14,583	341	17,316	272
Tasiilaq	1,821	1,220	2,018	959
Ittoqqortoormiit	539	-	381	-
Qeqqata Kommunia	8,246	1,494	8,106	1,317
Maniitsoq	2,847	714	2,567	620
Sisimiut	5,399	780	5,539	697
Qaasuitsup Kommunia	13,660	4,802	13,045	3,963
Kangaatsiaq	656	815	536	638
Aasiaat	3,086	208	3,134	141
Qasigiannguit	1,291	80	1,115	78
Ilulissat	4,511	474	4,442	361
Qeqertarsuaq	1,001	53	847	19
Uummannaq	1,322	1,163	1,242	954
Upernavik	1,133	1,804	1,099	1,641
Qaanaaq	660	205	630	131
Outside municipalities	-	226	-	125

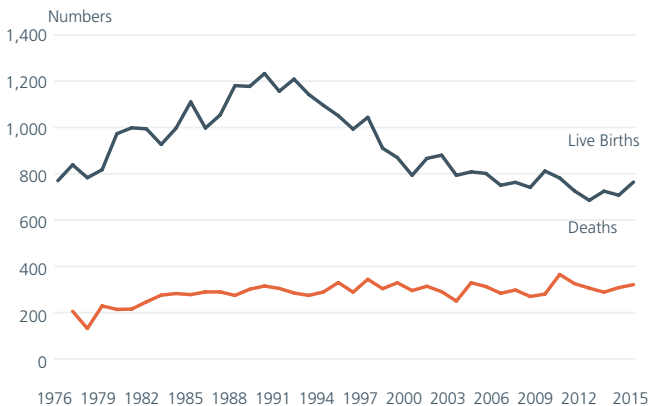
Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEST3>

Population by Gender and Age. 1 January 2016

	Total	Women	Men
Total	55,847	26,304	29,543
0-6 years	5,508	2,627	2,881
7-14 years	6,274	3,077	3,197
15-17 years	2,131	1,065	1,066
18-24 years	6,072	2,969	3,103
25-59 years	28,624	13,296	15,328
60-66 years	3,619	1,557	2,062
67 years and older	3,619	1,713	1,906

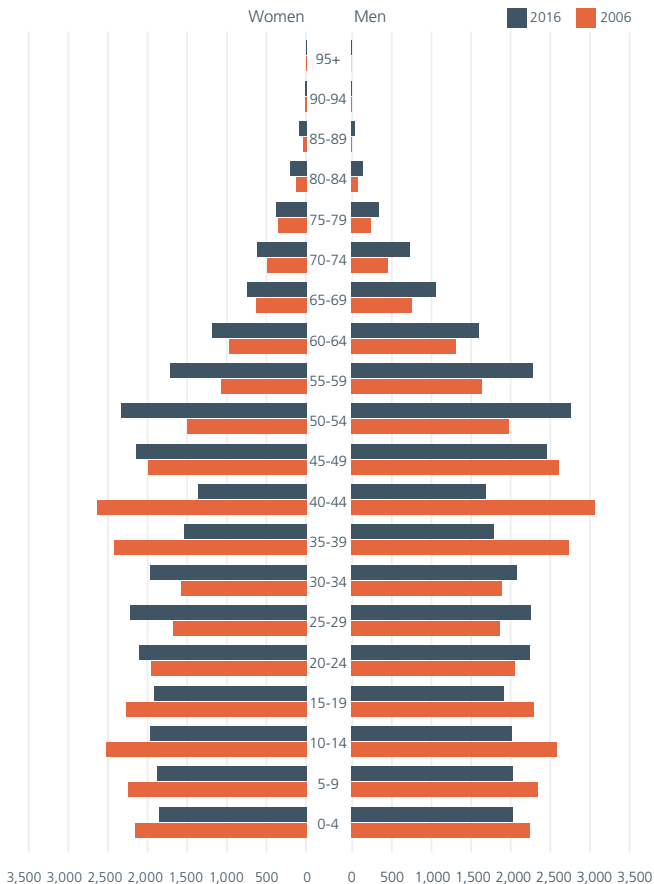
Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEST5>

Live Births and Deaths



Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBL0> and <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBDM1>

Population by Age Group



Source: <http://bank.stat.gj/BEEST5>

Migration

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Net immigration	-291	-310	-612	-340	-490	-525
Immigrations, total	2,491	2,283	2,191	2,066	2,148	2,186
Persons born in Greenland	1,061	917	871	975	1,055	1,019
Persons born outside Greenland	1,387	1,364	1,317	1,088	1,091	1,158
Emigration, total	2,651	2,442	2,900	2,513	2,733	2,691
Persons born in Greenland	1,337	1,220	1,486	1,311	1,504	1,544
Persons born outside Greenland	1,270	1,214	1,414	1,200	1,225	1,144

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBBIU2>

Internal Migration

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Within the same town	13,755	13,200	13,129	14,000	14,322	13,791
Within the same settlement	1,215	1,316	1,191	1,219	1,119	1,232
Between towns	4,553	4,507	4,440	4,672	4,695	4,875
Between settlements	346	370	418	332	345	363
From settlement to town	1,325	1,392	1,359	1,272	1,403	1,306
From town to settlement	1,070	1,124	1,079	1,150	1,201	1,242
Other	49	32	82	56	25	22

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEBAF2B>

Population by Citizenship

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total	56,615	56,749	56,370	56,281	55,983	55,846
Denmark	55,804	55,829	55,392	55,295	55,009	54,789
Iceland	93	141	180	177	172	204
Thailand	149	143	152	166	166	175
Philippines	78	102	119	130	157	162
Sweden	95	103	99	100	79	98
Norway	65	64	70	72	64	62
Germany	58	60	60	62	53	50
USA	32	42	43	39	36	41
Other	241	265	255	240	247	265

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/BEEST6>

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 Greenlandic halibut is regulated by quota and license regulations decided by the government. These decisions are based on biological advice to ensure a sustainable use of the natural resources of the country.

Total Landings of Fish and Shellfish

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*	2015*
	1,000 tonnes					
Shellfish, total	55.7	57.0	58.1	46.9	43.5	35.9
Snow crab	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.9
Northern prawn	54.1	55.2	56.2	44.9	41.8	34.0
Fish, total	42.2	47.5	47.4	55.7	61.0	70.1
Chars	-	0.1	0.1	-	-	-
Greenland cod	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	-	-
Wolffish	1.1	0.8	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.3
Greenland halibut	23.0	23.4	23.6	25.3	30.3	28.1
Trash fish, unspec	-	0.6	-	-	-	-
Capelin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3
Redfish	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2
R. Grenadier	-	-	-	-	0.1	-
Lumpfish	8.4	11.1	11.8	14.2	8.1	7.1
Atlantic cod	9.0	11.1	10.6	14.7	21.0	34.1

* Provisional figures

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/FIE001> and Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

Hunting Licenses

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of persons					
Total	6,970	7,631	7,037	5,304	5,867	5,851
Hunters	1,712	2,083	2,060	1,758	1,998	2,061
Sportsmen	5,258	5,548	4,977	3,546	3,869	3,790

Source: Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

Seal Hunting

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*
	Number of animals					
Total	142,594	156,322	140,203	124,435	149,546	88,938
Ringed seal	65,734	61,643	62,279	60,659	64,845	43,735
Harp seal under 4 years	50,196	68,747	51,967	44,160	63,065	30,673
Harp seal over 4 years	23,258	22,249	22,410	16,695	18,881	11,764
Hooded seal	1,987	2,144	2,069	1,707	1,514	1,588
Bearded seal	1,259	1,406	1,302	1,100	1,111	1,033
Harbour seal	33	26	79	-	10	18
Walrus	127	107	97	114	120	127

* Provisional figures

Source: Statistics Greenland and Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

Whaling

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*
	Number of animals					
Total	3,061	3,148	3,777	3,597	3,829	3,297
Beluga whale	228	222	139	208	294	290
Fin whale	10	6	5	5	9	12
Killer whale	14	15	39	44	38	8
Minke whale	168	196	189	152	181	157
Narwhale	371	266	294	361	340	415
Pilot whale	238	338	274	432	316	228
Porpoise whale	2,029	2,093	2,828	2,385	2,643	2,180
Greenland whale	3	3	1	-	-	-
Humpback	.	9	8	10	8	7

* Provisional figures

Source: Statistics Greenland and Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

Hunting of Land Mammals

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*
	Number of animals					
Total	16,659	15,328	14,984	13,693	13,665	13,354
Reindeer	13,866	12,721	12,093	11,421	11,296	11,107
Musk ox	2,675	2,485	2,760	2,134	2,243	2,104
Polar bear	118	122	131	138	126	143

* Provisional figures

Source: Statistics Greenland and Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

Hunting of Birds

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014*
	Number of animals					
Total	158,982	171,274	171,402	151,090	145,509	62,097
Guillemot	62,847	64,468	68,291	66,262	67,158	17,941
Eider	26,478	27,647	30,858	31,572	25,928	10,231
King eider	4,460	6,369	4,362	4,109	4,510	2,568
Theist	13,307	16,394	16,492	14,784	13,796	3,688
Little auk	22,093	28,984	26,474	12,739	14,787	15,336
Black-legged Kitti	7,705	8,117	7,656	7,799	7,660	3,884
Goose	3	10	8	27	11	34
Grouse	22,089	19,285	17,261	13,798	11,659	8,415

* Provisional figures

Source: Statistics Greenland and Ministry of Fisheries, Hunting and Agriculture

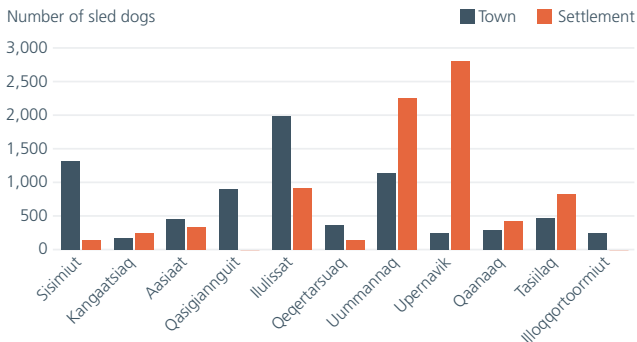
Livestock

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of animals					
Sheep	20,439	20,729	20,232	20,107	19,994	18,738
Tame reindeer	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Cows	56	65	79	98	125	143
Horses	186	164	161	147	132	123
Fowls	182	241	215	212	191	174
Beehives	...	...	4	4	4	4

The figures are partly estimates

Source: Agricultural Consulting Services

Sled dogs in 2013



Source: Statistics Greenland

Labour Market



Employment by Trade

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of main employed persons in average per month				
Total	25,583	25,489	25,501	25,461	25,167
Fishing, hunting and agriculture	3,531	3,415	3,532	3,548	3,640
Mining and quarrying	119	137	143	128	110
Manufacturing	251	242	233	235	225
Electricity and water supply	423	410	390	392	382
Construction	1,958	1,872	1,952	1,872	1,720
Wholesale	3,016	3,009	3,086	3,045	2,918
Hotels and restaurants	769	785	756	806	742
Transportation	2,623	2,616	2,629	2,583	2,499
Business activities	1,298	1,344	1,426	1,500	1,422
Public administration and service	10,044	10,052	9,804	9,895	9,826
Other industries	807	817	844	865	890
Activity not stated	744	789	705	591	792

Source: <http://bank.stat.gj/AREBFB1>

Labour Force

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Labour force in average per month				
Total	26,482	26,820	26,994	27,021	26,764
18-19 years of age	861	885	836	744	651
20-24 years of age	2,731	2,860	2,863	2,836	2,714
25-29 years of age	2,740	2,755	2,781	2,892	2,942
30-34 years of age	2,631	2,790	2,880	2,902	2,931
35-39 years of age	2,569	2,540	2,514	2,500	2,537
40-44 years of age	3,839	3,454	3,149	2,810	2,579
45-49 years of age	4,241	4,293	4,369	4,340	4,021
50-54 years of age	3,305	3,462	3,597	3,705	3,848
55-59 years of age	2,193	2,353	2,478	2,654	2,784
60-64 years of age	1,373	1,428	1,527	1,638	1,760

Source: <http://bank.stat.gj/ARESTK1>

Income and Prices

Average Personal Gross Income

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Change 2013-2014
	DKK					Per cent
Greenland	201,817	207,349	213,126	217,299	218,491	0.5
Town	211,496	216,593	222,246	226,486	226,892	0.2
Settlement	134,260	141,029	147,829	151,899	157,958	4.0
Kommune Kujalleq	164,616	170,157	173,179	177,617	176,163	-8.0
Town	169,170	174,249	178,008	183,138	180,317	-1.5
Settlement	142,176	148,918	147,227	148,679	153,916	3.5
Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	249,889	254,280	258,997	264,517	261,535	-1.1
Town	257,381	261,366	266,427	271,841	268,855	-1.1
Settlement	124,337	133,634	134,793	142,825	137,934	-3.4
Qeqqata Kommunia	193,751	200,464	207,257	208,790	214,861	2.9
Town	194,713	201,414	208,444	209,947	215,594	2.7
Settlement	188,154	194,653	200,122	202,133	210,462	4.1
Qaasuitsup Kommunia	161,540	167,248	173,439	176,135	180,704	2.6
Town	175,293	180,487	185,172	187,365	190,512	1.7
Settlement	117,189	123,972	134,305	137,699	146,938	6.1

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/INEP1>



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

	Jan. 2012	Jul. 2012	Jan. 2013	Jul. 2013	Jan. 2014	Jul. 2014	Jan. 2015	Jul. 2015
Consumer price index, total	112.0	113.3	113.8	114.3	115.3	115.9	117.0	117.6
Food and beverages	119.7	119.8	121.5	121.9	123.5	125.3	126.5	127.8
Alcohol and tobacco	108.5	109.1	109.8	109.9	112.5	113.1	113.3	114.7
Clothing and footwear	99.9	99.5	100.3	99.3	100.1	98.1	97.3	96.3
Gross rent (dwelling)	124.4	127.7	127.6	128.7	130.6	130.3	132.8	132.3
Furniture, household equipment etc.	113.9	115.7	116.0	119.2	119.5	121.0	122.2	122.0
Medical care and health expenses	121.5	121.8	121.8	122.3	121.0	121.5	124.5	123.7
Transport	109.7	112.1	112.7	114.8	116.0	117.1	117.4	119.3
Communication	95.2	95.5	95.5	88.6	88.8	88.1	87.3	87.6
Recreation, entertainment etc.	95.2	98.1	95.3	96.7	94.4	95.7	95.5	97.1
Restaurants and hotels	110.2	112.6	112.6	113.6	114.4	115.2	115.6	116.0
Miscellaneous goods and services	103.2	103.3	106.1	106.2	105.9	106.1	108.5	108.4

Source: <http://bank.stat.gi/PREPRISV>



Economy

GDP (2005 Prices)

	2009	2010	2011	2012*	2013*	2014*
	DKK billion					
GDP	10.9	11.2	11.5	11.4	11.2	11.1
Imports of goods and services	7.3	10.0	11.4	8.1	7.2	5.9
Total	18.2	21.2	22.9	19.5	18.4	16.9
Private consumption	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.2
Public expenditure	6.2	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.1
Gross investments	3.4	6.0	7.7	4.6	3.5	2.0
Exports of goods and services	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6
Total	18.2	21.2	22.9	19.5	18.5	16.9
	Growth in per cent					
GDP	-0.7	2.5	2.2	-0.5	-1.3	-1.6
Imports of goods and services	-14.6	37.6	14.2	-29.3	-10.2	-19.2
Total	-6.7	16.5	7.9	-14.9	-5.0	-8.5
Private consumption	-0.7	1.7	2.7	-1.8	-0.3	-1.7
Public expenditure	3.7	-1.4	-1.1	-0.5	2.3	0.6
Gross investments	-23.7	75.2	27.4	-40.6	-22.8	-44.0
Exports of goods and services	-11.3	12.5	-1.7	-3.9	-1.5	0.9
Total	-6.7	16.5	7.9	-14.9	-5.0	-8.5

* Provisional figures

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/NRE11>

Expenditure of General Government Sector

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	DKK million					
Total	9,383	9,413	9,347	9,746	10,056	10,140
General public services	1,116	1,157	1,124	1,134	1,147	1,176
Defence	113	98	93	117	99	115
Public order and safety	508	524	600	611	698	687
Economic affairs	1,068	1,014	980	1,048	1,024	1,025
Environmental protection	149	149	128	104	209	200
Housing and community amenities	488	376	302	407	359	291
Health	1,267	1,294	1,323	1,403	1,380	1,398
Recreation, culture and religion	343	332	352	361	388	408
Education	1,847	1,929	1,865	1,887	1,952	1,991
Social welfare	2,486	2,540	2,579	2,674	2,801	2,849

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/OFFEFUNK>

Foreign Trade



Exports by SITC Division

	2010	2011	2012	2013*	2014*
	DKK million				
Exports, total	2,194.5	2,636.3	2,782.6	2,872.1	3,028.8
Provisions and livestock	1,925.8	2,381.6	2,520.9	2,471.2	2,758.1
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Raw materials, inedible	19.4	7.8	7.2	3.6	15.8
Mineral fuels and lubricants etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	-	-	-	-	-
Chemicals and chemical products	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.1
Manufactured products, mainly semi-manufactured	6.0	11.7	7.1	14.5	7.3
Machinery and transport equipment	130.7	84.3	23.9	157.1	7.9
Manufactured products	20.7	11.5	9.5	11.0	10.3
Miscellaneous articles and transactions	91.6	139.3	213.6	214.1	229.3

* Provisional figures

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/IEE2SITC>

Imports by SITC Division

	2010	2011	2012	2013*	2014*
	DKK million				
Imports, total	4,794.7	5,350.7	4,995.8	5,058.3	4,313.5
Provisions and livestock	767.0	823.6	812.0	828.5	826.4
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	139.8	142.9	146.9	130.2	133.6
Raw materials, inedible	59.0	53.4	64.6	56.7	53.8
Mineral fuels and lubricants etc.	982.4	1,209.1	1,257.2	1,095.7	885.7
Animal or vegetable fats and oils	3.8	4.3	6.0	3.8	4.2
Chemicals and chemical products	278.6	286.2	305.8	298.5	303.7
Manufactured products, mainly semi-manufactured	581.8	652.1	699.9	633.5	539.1
Machinery and transport equipment	2,491.6	1,527.3	2,398.5	825.0	867.4
Manufactured products	539.0	520.0	585.3	555.6	484.9
Miscellaneous articles and transactions	870.2	130.9	917.2	567.6	153.6

* Provisional figures

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/IEE1SITC>

Business

Turnover

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	DKK million					
Fishing	951.1	858.7	995.3	1,092.2	1,273.2	1,217.3
Mining	353.3	295.5	24.1	55.2	89.3	95.0
Industry	700.2	629.3	687.4	709.8	589.5	580.9
Construction	2,117.4	2,015.5	2,146.4	2,018.3	2,323.7	1,897.5
Wholesale, retail trade, and repair work	7,300.8	7,463.4	7,473.1	8,349.6	8,597.7	8,575.7
Hotels and restaurants	332.8	336.7	328.5	350.8	338.4	306.0
Transport	2,793.2	2,763.7	2,837.8	3,257.4	3,198.3	3,067.7
Finance and insurance	309.6	337.1	336.5	391.5	511.9	503.8
Real estate and business services	1,095.5	1,041.0	1,023.5	1,059.7	983.5	1,049.6

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/ESERES>

Profit or Loss before Tax

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
	DKK million					
Fishing	14.2	-1.1	81.1	179.1	265.8	157.3
Mining	-214.8	-232.1	-77.9	120.7	-146.7	-80.3
Industry	38.3	45.7	54.5	67.7	80.9	36.8
Construction	159.5	117.3	112.2	76.1	21.1	58.3
Wholesale, retail trade, and repair work	49.3	-94.6	229.2	407.1	415.2	380.0
Hotels and restaurants	27.1	10.3	24.4	18.6	15.4	4.9
Transport	229.3	141.5	196.9	281.7	226.3	141.1
Finance and insurance	90.5	148.8	114.3	82.0	158.6	131.9
Real estate and business services	78.4	121.7	58.9	60.8	24.8	74.9

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/ESERES>



Transportation



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 airplane and helicopter traffic is distributed to the towns of Greenland.

Passenger Traffic by Air

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of passengers					
Passengers, total	417,396	423,059	429,161	414,446	397,856	396,420
Domestic by plane	208,362	216,367	214,902	200,634	194,350	193,618
International traffic by plane	155,515	154,918	161,946	159,665	159,432	158,191
Helicopter traffic	53,519	51,774	52,313	54,147	44,074	44,611

Source: Greenland Airports

Sea Cargo

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	1,000 m ³					
Cargo, total	822	814	834	811	725	723
To Greenland	401	386	423	389	353	349
From Greenland	291	310	300	295	269	267
Internally in Greenland	130	118	111	127	103	107

Source: Royal Arctic Line

Motor Vehicles

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Motor vehicles, total	5,855	5,386	5,928	5,857	6,680	7,534
Passenger cars	3,842	3,621	3,941	3,931	3,958	4,033
Taxis	214	177	243	205	193	184
Busses	83	83	89	83	76	74
Fire-engines	112	122	134	145	154	161
Commercial vehicles and trucks	1,503	1,264	1,391	1,358	1,339	1,309
Motor cycles	-	-	-	3	2	2
Other vehicles	101	119	130	132	155	202

Source: The Police and <http://bank.stat.gj/ENEMO1HI>



Energy



Gross Energy Consumption

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
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Gross Energy consumption, total	8,996	10,273	11,033	9,144	8,979	8,481
Gas oil	6,479	7,510	7,991	6,208	5,942	5,110
Gasoline	559	582	571	576	569	577
Kerosene	750	839	1,010	807	727	660
Diesel fuel arctic (DFA)	228	210	173	161	193	183
Aviation gas	2	3	1	6	5	2
Fuel oil	...	50	82	55	133	461
Waste oil	9	9	9	9	9	9
Liquid gas (LPG)	4	4	4	4	3	3
Hydro power	916	1,012	1,138	1,215	1,278	1,384
Waste	80	90	91	103	117	92

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/ENE2FBR>

Cost Rates for Electricity, Water and Heat

	1. jan 2011	1. feb 2011	1. jan 2012	1. jan 2013	1. mar 2014	1. feb 2015
	DKK					
Electricity, minimum price per kWh	1.61	1.65	1.60	1.60	1.46	1.56
Electricity, maximum price per kWh	3.02	3.33	3.24	3.24	3.29	3.17
Water, minimum price per m ³	14.62	14.60	15.23	15.23	15.46	20.03
Water, maximum price per m ³	36.68	35.91	34.97	34.97	35.49	33.03
Fixed electric heating, price per kWh	0.62	0.64	0.78	0.82	0.81	0.85
Interruptible electric heating, price per kWh	0.55	0.58	0.72	0.75	0.75	0.78
Central heating, price per kWh	0.62	0.64	0.78	0.82	0.81	0.85

Source: *Nukissioffiit*

CO₂ Emission from Energy Consumption

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	1,000 tonnes of CO ₂ -equivalents					
Total	592	680	726	578	560	522
Gas oil	475	551	586	455	436	375
Gasoline	39	41	40	41	40	41
Kerosene	54	61	73	58	52	48
Diesel fuel arctic (DFA)	17	15	13	12	14	13
Aviation gas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel oil	-	4	6	4	10	36
Waste oil	1	1	1	1	1	1
Liquid gas (LPG)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Waste	7	7	7	7	7	8
	Tonnes of CO ₂ -equivalents					
Emission of Greenhouse Gases per Capita	11	12	13	10	10	9

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/ENE2CO2e>

Education and Culture

Education in Greenland

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of persons					
Totals						
Starters	1,621	1,742	1,938	1,890	1,816	2,012
Drop-outs	743	793	726	865	872	891
Completions	679	697	826	886	865	928
Vocational education						
Starters	805	869	939	864	818	832
Drop-outs	408	452	378	473	393	362
Completions	341	311	373	402	387	403
Mid-range training						
Starters	580	571	620	653	657	780
Drop-outs	228	234	229	247	313	358
Completions	225	260	298	314	333	370
Higher education						
Starters	203	264	317	321	271	332
Drop-outs	92	100	98	131	140	135
Completions	85	102	127	130	115	117

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/UEISC11A>, <http://bank.stat.gl/UEISC11C> and <http://bank.stat.gl/UEISC11D>

Higher Education

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of graduates					
Total	169	189	179	210	201	196
Arts and Humanities	24	10	17	16	19	15
Business, administration and law	28	43	29	39	24	35
Agriculture, forestry, fisheries & veterinary	-	-	-	1	-	-
Engineering, manufacturing & construction	19	19	8	15	13	15
Natural science, mathematics & statistics	2	5	1	4	3	2
Other	96	112	124	135	142	129

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/UEISC11D>



Broadcasts by KNR (Greenlandic Radio/TV)

	2007	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Hours per year					
Radio, total	8,660	7,042	6,660	6,295	...	...
Spoken broadcasts in Greenlandic	3,373	6,250	5,491	5,956	2,086	2,327
Spoken broadcasts in Danish	260	792	1,169	339	...	...
Musical broadcasts	5,027	...	...	...	...	...
TV, total	4,586	4,538	5,062	5,295	...	...
In Greenlandic	512	424	527	288	258	650
In Danish etc.	4,074	4,114	4,535	3,239	...	...

Source: KNR

Visits to the National Museum of Greenland

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of visits					
Total	16,318	17,260	15,271	12,869	11,556	11,697
Children	2,675	2,959	3,348	2,075	1,891	2,630
Adults	13,643	14,301	11,923	10,794	9,665	9,067

Source: Greenland National Museum

Expenditure on Culture

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	DKK million					
Total expenditure	165	169	174	169	179	184
Construction expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Operating expenses, total	165	169	174	169	179	184
Greenlandic Broadcasting Corporation	60	62	63	73	68	68
Broadcasting radio and TV	26	25	25	2	2	2
National Library of Greenland	14	13	13	16	16	16
Museums	8	8	8	12	12	12
Folk high schools	12	11	12	12	12	12
Art school	1	1	1	1	1	1
Katuaq (arts centre)	5	5	5	5	5	5
Grants to cultural purposes	39	38	38	38	56	60
National Theatre of Greenland	.	6	9	10	7	7

Source: Accounts of the Exchequer and Budgets for 2014 and 2015

Tourism

Nights Spent at Hotels by Guest's Nationality

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015*
	Number of overnight stays					
Total	216,141	213,656	209,896	214,012	209,560	177,477
Greenland	119,422	115,322	110,457	115,724	114,218	91,741
Denmark	54,381	56,350	53,468	55,072	51,262	44,599
Sweden	4,480	1,755	3,791	3,010	3,013	4,237
Norway	2,015	1,899	2,029	2,141	2,485	1,729
Iceland	2,586	1,558	2,350	2,849	2,777	1,943
Germany	4,830	6,263	6,754	5,681	6,483	6,677
France	1,767	1,842	2,022	1,763	1,371	1,179
Italy	600	701	650	431	649	894
Holland	703	732	892	628	610	542
England	3,790	4,448	3,026	2,506	2,173	3,260
Rest of Europa	4,814	4,678	5,901	3,962	6,244	4,027
USA	8,602	6,236	9,083	10,107	8,141	6,494
Japan	310	596	883	627	789	903
Canada	4,462	4,700	1,850	1,895	1,396	1,069
Other countries	3,087	6,576	6,740	6,886	6,354	7,181
Unknown	292	-	-	730	1,595	1,002

*Provisional figures (the figures include the overnight stays from January to September 2015)

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/TUEHOT>



Health



Import of Alcoholic Beverages

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	1,000 litres					
Total	7,888	7,890	7,488	7,475	6,673	6,694
Beer	6,999	7,077	6,711	6,675	5,910	6,002
Wine	774	700	673	702	672	608
Spirits	115	113	104	98	91	84
Average per person over 14 years of age	Litres of 100 per cent alcohol					
Beer	7.4	7.5	7.0	6.9	6.1	6.2
Wine	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.7
Spirits	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/ALEALK>

Import of Cigarettes

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Millions of cigarettes					
Total consumption *	67.5	72.1	65.2	68.3	44.4	47.9
Averages	Number of cigarettes per day					
Per person, aged 14 or older	4.3	4.5	4.0	4.3	2.8	3.0
Per person	3.3	3.5	3.2	3.3	2.2	2.3

Source: Tax Agency and <http://bank.stat.gl/ALETOB2>

Legal Abortions

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Numbers					
Number of abortions	799	858	743	784	875	865
Abortions by age of woman	Per cent					
12 - 15 years	3.1	3.1	5.0	3.7	3.3	3.7
16 - 17 years	8.9	10.8	8.3	9.6	9.3	8.8
18 - 19 years	16.9	12.2	14.5	11.2	11.5	11.7
20 - 24 years	33.5	35.0	35.9	33.9	30.9	31.2
25 - 29 years	20.4	21.0	18.4	22.3	25.1	22.5
30 - 34 years	9.6	9.2	10.4	11.9	12.3	13.5
35 - 39 years	5.1	6.3	5.0	4.8	5.1	6.0
40 - 44 years	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.4
45 - 49 years	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1

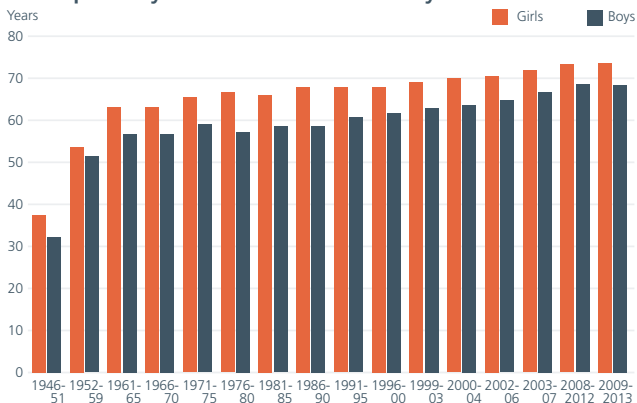
Source: National Board of Health and Statistics Greenland

Reported Infectious Diseases

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of persons					
Meningitis	12	10	10	7	8	...
Hepatitis	...	...	2	2	9	...
Tuberculosis	63	116	112	89	93	96
HIV positive	4	3	1	2	3	2
AIDS	-	-	...	...	1	...
Syphilis	-	-	3	10	25	52
Gonorrhoea	1,103	1,237	1,355	1,432	1,273	1,550
Chlamydia	2,843	3,002	3,225	3,601	3,253	3,456

Source: National Board of Health and Statistics Greenland

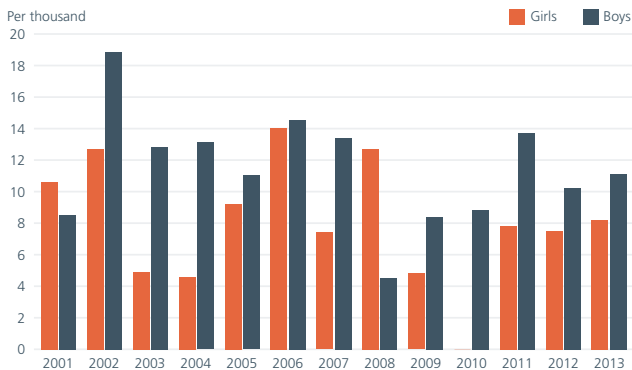
Life Expectancy for Newborn Girls and Boys



Source: Statistics Greenland



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



Source: Statistics Greenland and National Board of Health

Social Welfare



Recipients of Social Benefits

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	Number of persons					
Population aged 15 or older as per 1 January	43,188	43,625	43,925	44,251	44,234	44,238
Recipients of social benefits	16,710	17,105	17,446	17,389	17,572	17,287
Social welfare benefit	7,748	8,302	8,596	8,653	8,686	8,606
Unemployment	3,777	3,521	3,632	3,374	3,317	3,254
Maternity leave benefit	1,126	1,155	1,079	1,023	1,308	1,030
Early retirement benefit	2,801	2,925	3,073	2,990	2,912	2,809
Retirement pension	3,984	3,838	3,898	3,943	3,949	3,980

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/SOE002>

Social Benefits by Total Amount

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	DKK 1,000					
Total	760,575	788,675	820,710	825,891	868,639	880,089
Social welfare benefit	106,915	120,656	131,543	143,939	156,199	166,837
Unemployment benefit	42,351	39,804	46,741	41,999	40,496	42,667
Maternity leave benefit	34,623	34,471	33,649	31,740	32,276	33,238
Early retirement benefit	222,591	243,958	256,187	250,792	259,454	254,099
Retirement pension	354,095	349,786	352,590	357,420	380,214	383,248

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/SOE002>





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, the licensee must pay a fixed amount 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

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Prospecting permits (active)	17	23	27	25	27	18	20
Exploration permits (granted)	11	13	20	20	20	22	23
Exploration costs in USD million	115.5	102.0	501.7	823.9	219.8	106.4	...

Source: Statistics Greenland

Mineral Exploration

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Prospecting permits (active)	14	11	21	25	25	22	17
Exploration permits (granted)	67	71	73	77	79	76	67
Exploitation permits (granted)	3	4	4	4	4	5	6
Exploration costs in DKK million	497.0	300.0	522.3	711.3	518.9	305.7	...

Source: Statistics Greenland

Climate



Mean Temperatures in 2015, Selected Towns

	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Tasiilaq (Kulusuk)
	Degrees Celsius				
January	-4.9	-10.3	-22.3	-15.2	-5.1
February	-4.8	-11.3	-25.8	-19.7	-8.9
March	-5.4	-11.3	-19.1	-15.1	-3.7
April	-0.8	-4.9	-11.4	-10.1	-2.7
May	2.0	-0.8	1.6	-0.5	0.8
June	4.2	4.2	9.4	5.1	4.7
July	5.9	8.0	11.9	9.6	7.0
August	6.4	6.7	8.1	6.2	6.5
September	5.4	3.5	3.1	2.0	4.9
October	2.0	-1.3	-6.2	-4.0	0.5
November	-1.9	-6.4	-18.0	-10.2	-3.2
December	-3.6	-9.6	-21.7	-13.0	-4.9

Source: Statistics Greenland and ASIAQ



Average Maximum Temperatures in 2015, Selected Towns

	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Tasiilaq (Kulusuk)
Degrees Celsius					
January	4.2	3.4	2.8	1.0	1.4
February	11.3	4.1	8.7	6.6	0.3
March	7.8	3.7	4.3	3.1	3.3
April	5.6	2.6	3.2	-0.7	4.0
May	8.9	7.6	16.3	12.1	9.5
June	14.8	15.2	21.6	18.4	13.5
July	16.2	18.4	22.4	17.7	16.9
August	18.2	16.0	17.1	13.8	13.9
September	17.4	9.8	12.3	10.0	10.4
October	10.8	9.9	7.8	7.3	7.4
November	7.0	2.2	6.1	4.2	12.9
December	5.8	2.3	2.4	1.2	3.3

Source: Statistics Greenland and ASIAQ

Average Minimum Temperatures in 2015, Selected Towns

	Nanortalik	Nuuk	Kangerlussuaq	Ilulissat	Tasiilaq (Kulusuk)
Degrees Celsius					
January	-11.1	-17.1	-37.3	-27.0	-13.0
February	-12.3	-18.9	-39.6	-30.1	-18.8
March	-13.9	-19.7	-34.9	-27.9	-12.1
April	-7.2	-11.8	-25.1	-21.6	-12.2
May	-3.3	-8.6	-17.7	-18.2	-6.8
June	-1.0	-1.9	-1.0	-1.6	-2.8
July	-0.3	2.3	1.8	2.0	0.6
August	-0.1	1.1	-1.2	-1.8	-
September	-0.9	-	-7.4	-7.0	0.1
October	-5.0	-8.1	-20.6	-14.7	-7.7
November	-9.4	-13.7	-34.9	-20.6	-10.8
December	-11.5	-17.1	-37.6	-24.3	-13.1

Source: Statistics Greenland and ASIAQ





Political Parties in Greenland

Siumut (Forward)

Siumut is a Social Democratic party, founded in 1977. 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 1978. It works for independence and recognition as a people.

Demokraatit (Democrats)

Demokraatit is a social liberal party, founded in 2002. 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 works for self-government within the Kingdom of Denmark.

Partii Naleraq

The party was founded in 2014 and promotes local fishing, hunting and agriculture and the interests of settlements and isolated regions.

Election to the Greenlandic Parliament. November 28th, 2014 by Districts

	Electorate	Votes cast	Valid votes	Poll
Greenland	40,424	29,489	29,201	72.9
Nanortalik	1,336	957	952	71.6
Qaqortoq	2,490	1,804	1,784	72.4
Narsaq	1,337	1,006	995	75.2
Paamiut	1,167	908	891	77.8
Nuuk	12,597	9,269	9,174	73.6
Maniitsoq	2,344	1,625	1,611	69.3
Sisimiut	4,484	3,244	3,209	72.3
Kangaatsiaq	820	639	635	77.9
Aasiaat	2,478	1,802	1,757	72.7
Qasigiannuguit	866	656	651	75.8
Ilulissat	3,499	2,542	2,533	72.6
Qeqertarsuaq	708	499	497	70.5
Uummannaq	1,607	1,215	1,211	75.6
Upernavik	1,935	1,415	1,412	73.1
Qaanaaq	541	439	437	81.1
Tasiilaq	1,932	1,264	1,253	65.4
Illoqqortoormiut	283	205	199	72.4

Please note: Preliminary results for election to the Greenlandic Parliament 2014

Source: *The Election Board, Government of Greenland*

Election to the Greenlandic Parliament. November 28th, 2014 by Party

	Votes	Per cent	Mandates	Elected women
Total	29,201	100.0	31	14
Atassut	1,919	6.5	2	-
Demokraatit	3,469	11.8	4	2
Inuit Ataqatigiit	9,783	33.2	11	8
Siumut	10,108	34.3	11	4
Partii Inuit	477	1.6	-	-
Partii Naleraq	3,423	11.6	3	-
Outside parties	22	0.1	-	-

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/SAELANST>



Elections to the Municipal Councils. April 2, 2013

	Greenland, total	Qaasuitsup Kommunia	Qeqqata Kommunia	Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq	Kommune Kujalleq
Eligible Votes	40,909	12,609	7,006	16,013	5,281
Tallied Votes	23,834	7,830	4,038	8,432	3,534
Valid votes in all	23,548	7,746	3,991	8,331	3,480
Poll	58.3	62.1	57.6	52.7	66.9
Distribution of votes	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Atassut	13.0	13.6	23.0	8.5	11.2
Demokraatit	6.5	2.3	5.5	11.2	5.5
Inuit Ataqatigiit	29.8	22.6	16.9	42.4	30.0
Siumut	48.1	55.9	53.7	36.1	53.2
Kattusseqatigiit Partiiat	1.1	3.2	0.3	0.1	-
Partii Inuit	1.3	2.0	0.7	1.5	-
Outside parties	0.2	0.3	-	0.2	-

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/SAEKOMST>

Elections to the Danish Parliament Since 2001

	Atassut	Siumut	Inuit Ataqatigiit	Demokraatit	Partii Naleraq	Outside parties	Poll
November 20, 2001	5,137	6,029	7,172	-	-	4,917	61.6
February 8, 2005	3,781	7,775	5,785	4,924	-	843	59.6
November 13, 2007	4,097	8,075	8,347	4,586	-	.	64.4
September 15, 2011	1,706	8,374	9,587	2,831	-	-	57.5
June 18, 2015*	1,526	1,216	1,147	141	90	.	50.0

*Provisional figures

Source: <http://bank.stat.gl/SAEFOLK>

Self-Government Referendum. November 25, 2008

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

Source: http://www.stm.dk/_p_10536.html

EU Referendum. February 23, 1982

	Poll	For	Against
	— Percentage of votes —		
Are you for or against Greenlandic EU membership?	74.9	47.0	53.0

Source: www.euo.dk



More Information about Greenland

The statistical yearbook at <http://www.stat.gl/SAE201001/o1> offers comprehensive information on a number of statistical areas:

- Political and administrative matters
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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 km. Of this area, 81 per cent is covered with ice, while the rest is ice-free. The further to the 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:	Gunnbjørn Fjeld:	3,700 m

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