

GREENLAND

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Capital: Nuuk (Godthab) **Time:** GMT - 1 to - 4

Background: The world's largest island, about 84% ice-capped, Greenland was granted self-government in 1978 by the Danish parliament. The law went into effect the following year.

Location: Northern North America, island between the Arctic Ocean and the North Atlantic Ocean, northeast of Canada

Map References: Arctic Region

Area: total: 2,175,600 sq km land: 2,175,600 sq km (341,700 sq km ice-free, 1,833,900 sq km ice-covered) (est.)

Climate: arctic to subarctic; cool summers, cold winters

Terrain: flat to gradually sloping icecap covers all but a narrow, mountainous, barren, rocky coast

Natural Resources: zinc, lead, iron ore, coal, molybdenum, gold, platinum, uranium, fish, seals, whales

Population: 56,309 (July 2000 est.)

Nationality: noun: Greenlander(s) adjective: Greenlandic

Ethnic Groups: Greenlander 87% (Inuit and Greenland-born whites), Danish and others 13%

Religions: Evangelical Lutheran

Languages: Greenlandic (East Inuit), Danish, English

Economy: Greenland suffered negative economic growth in the early 1990s, but since 1993 the economy has improved. The Greenland Home Rule Government (GHRG) has pursued a tight fiscal policy since the late 1980s which has helped create surpluses in the public budget and low inflation. Since 1990, Greenland has registered a foreign trade deficit following the closure of the last remaining lead and zinc mine in 1990. Greenland today is critically dependent on fishing and fish exports; the shrimp fishery is by far the largest income earner. Despite resumption of several interesting hydrocarbon and minerals exploration activities, it will take several years before production can materialize. Tourism is the only sector offering any near-term potential and even this is limited due to a short season and high costs. The public sector, including publicly owned enterprises and the municipalities, plays the dominant role in Greenland's economy. About half the government revenues come from grants from the Danish Government, an important supplement of GDP.

Industries: fish processing (mainly shrimp), handicrafts, furs, small shipyards

Currency: 1 Danish krone (DKr) = 100 oere

Railways: 0 km

Highways: total: 150 km paved: 60 km unpaved: 90 km

Ports and Harbors: Kangerluarsorseq, Kangerlussuaq, Nanortalik, Narsarsuaq, Nuuk (Godthab), Sisimiut

Airports: 14 (1999 est.) Airports - with paved runways: total: 10 over 3,047 m: 1 2,438 to 3,047 m: 1 1,524 to 2,437 m: 1 914 to 1,523 m: 2 under 914 m: 5 (1999 est.) Airports - with unpaved runways: total: 4 1,524 to 2,437 m: 1 914 to 1,523 m: 2 under 914 m: 1 (1999 est.)

Visa: visa regulations are the same as Denmark.

Duty Free: goods permitted: 200 cigarettes or 250g of tobacco, 1 litre of spirits or 2 litres of fortified wine and 2 litres of ordinary wine, 50g perfume and 20g toilet water, goods up to a value of Dkr700 (or €Euro equivalent), 2 kg chocolate, 5kg meat.

Health: no specific precautions.

HOTELS/MOTELS/INNS

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HOTEL KANGERLUSSUAQ, Kangerlussuaq, Greenland, Tel: 299 84 11 80, Fax: 299 84 12 84, kangbook@qlv.gl, <http://www.hotelkangerlussuaq.gl>

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TASIILAQ

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RESTAURANTS & BARS

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RESTAURANT MAMARTUT, Ilulissat, Greenland, Tel: 299 94 51 00, Cuisines: Spanish Contemporary, mamartut@greenet.gl, <http://mamartut.dk>

RESTAURANT ULO, Ilulissat, Greenland, Tel: 299 94 41 53, Cuisines: European Scandinavian, info@hotel-arctic.gl, <http://www.hotel-arctic.com>

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A HEREFORD BEEFSTOUW, NUUK, GREENLAND, Hotel Hans Egede, Cuisines: Steakhouse, Tel: 299 32 42 22, <http://beefstouw.com>

CAFÉ CHILI, 3900 Nuuk, Tel: 34 80 60, Fax: 34 80 65, Cuisines: Steakhouse Thai, info@cafechili.gl, <http://cafechili.gl>

CAFE ESMERALDA, Nuuk 3900, Greenland, Tel: 299 32 90 95, mwinberg@greenet.gl, Cuisines: International Diner, <http://www.cafeesmeralda.gl>

CAFE MANNA, Nuuk 3900, Greenland, Tel: 299 32 14 50, Cuisines: Cafe Sandwiches Delicatessen Soups, h53@hotmail.com

GODTHAAB BRYGHUS, 3900 Nuuk, Tel: 299 34 80 60, Fax: 299 34 80 65, Cuisines: European British Danish, info@nuukcafe.gl, <http://bryggeriet.gl>

QOOQUT NUAN, Tel: 299 48 25 55, <https://www.facebook.com/QooqutNuan#>

SARFALIK, 3900 Nuuk, Tel: 299 32 42 22, fax: 299 32 20 40, Cuisines: International, info@HHE.gl, <http://uk.hhe.gl/restaurant-sarfalik>

SUSHI HUSET, H.J. Rinksvej 25, Nuuk, Greenland, Tel: 299 32 19 90, Cuisines: Asian Japanese Sushi, <http://www.sushihuset.gl>

THAI GOURMET, 3900 Nuuk, Tel: 299 34 80 60, Fax: 299 34 80 65, info@charoenporn.gl, <http://charoenporn.gl>

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