

Population

Population	56,749 (Jan. 2012)
Density	0.14 per km ² 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