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## Nordic cooperation

*Nordic cooperation* is one of the world's most extensive forms of regional collaboration, involving Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, and three autonomous areas: the Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Åland. *Nordic cooperation* has firm traditions in politics, the economy, and culture. It plays an important role in European and international collaboration, and aims at creating a strong Nordic community in a strong Europe. *Nordic cooperation* seeks to safeguard Nordic and regional interests and principles in the global community. Common Nordic values help the region solidify its position as one of the world's most innovative and competitive.

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Throughout the booklet the following symbols and country codes are used:

| Symbols            |    | Country codes     |             |
|--------------------|----|-------------------|-------------|
| Nil                | -  | DK: Denmark       | AX: Åland   |
| Less than half     | 0  | FO: Faroe Islands | IS: Iceland |
| Not applicable     | .  | GL: Greenland     | NO: Norway  |
| Data not available | .. | FI: Finland       | SE: Sweden  |

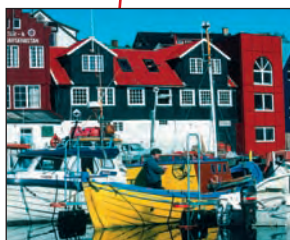
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|                |                                                                                     |            |                                                                                     |          |                                                                                     |         |                                                                                     |
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| Denmark:       |  | Greenland: |  | Åland:   |  | Norway: |  |
| Faroe Islands: |  | Finland:   |  | Iceland: |  | Sweden: |  |

# The Nordic countries



**Greenland**  
 Area: 2 166 086 sq km  
 Population: 56 901  
 Status/Form of government:  
 Home rule – within the  
 Kingdom of Denmark  
 Head of state:  
 Queen Margrethe II  
 Capital:  
 Nuuk – pop.  
 14 931



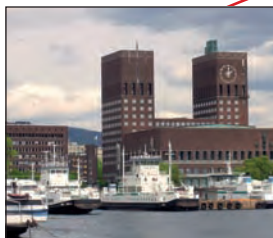
**Faroe Islands**  
 Area: 1 393 sq km  
 Population: 48 219  
 Status/Form of  
 government:  
 Home rule – within the  
 Kingdom of Denmark  
 Head of state:  
 Queen Margrethe II  
 Capital:  
 Tórshavn –  
 pop. 18 018



**Iceland**  
 Area: 103 300 sq km  
 Population: 299 891  
 Status/Form of government:  
 Republic  
 Head of state: President  
 Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson  
 Capital area:  
 Reykjavík – pop. 187 426



**Norway**  
 Area: 323 802 sq km  
 Population: 4 640 219  
 Status/Form of  
 government:  
 Constitutional monarchy  
 Head of state:  
 King Harald V  
 Capital area:  
 Oslo – pop. 1 039 536



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# The Nordic countries



## Finland

**Area:** 338 145 sq km  
**Population:** 5 255 580  
**Status/Form of government:** Republic  
**Head of state:** President Tarja Halonen  
**Capital area:** Helsinki – pop. 988 347



## Åland

**Area:** 1 552 sq km  
**Population:** 26 766  
**Status/Form of government:** Home rule - within the republic of Finland  
**Head of state:** Tarja Halonen  
**Capital:** Mariehamn – pop. 10 780



## Denmark

**Area:** 43 376 sq km  
**Population:** 5 427 459  
**Status/Form of government:** Constitutional monarchy  
**Head of state:** Queen Margrethe II  
**Capital area:** Copenhagen – pop. 1 831 751



## Sweden

**Area:** 450 295 sq km  
**Population:** 9 047 752  
**Status/Form of government:** Constitutional monarchy  
**Head of state:** King Carl XVI Gustaf  
**Capital area:** Stockholm – pop. 1 889 945

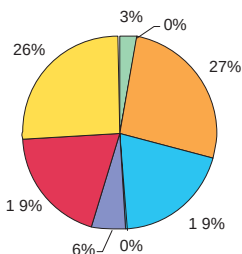
## Key figures

### The Nordic countries in an international context – key figures

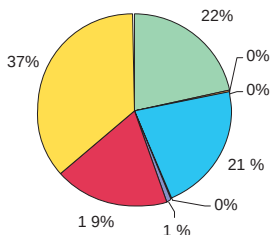
|                                                   | Norden | Euro-12 | USA    | Japan  |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Total area, 1 000 sq km                           | 3 427  | 2 569   | 9 631  | 378    |
| Icefree land area,<br>1 000 sq km                 | 1 566  | 2 537   | 9 162  | 375    |
| Population, million                               | 24.8   | 312.7   | 298.4  | 127.5  |
| Inhabitants per sq. km                            | 16     | 123     | 33     | 340    |
| Fertility rate, births per women                  | 1.7    | 1.5     | 2.1    | 1.4    |
| Age:                                              |        |         |        |        |
| 0-14 years, % of population                       | 18.3   | 15.6    | 20.9   | 14.1   |
| +65 years, % of population                        | 15.9   | 17.5    | 12.3   | 19.2   |
| Life expectancy: Men, years                       | 77     | 75      | 75     | 78     |
| Women, years                                      | 82     | 82      | 81     | 85     |
| GDP, billion euro (2005)                          | 904    | 7 999   | 10 012 | 3 672  |
| GDP per capita,<br>PPP-euro (2005)                | 29 300 | 24 800  | 34 800 | 25 400 |
| General government debt,<br>end of 2005, % of GDP | 44.1   | 70.8    | 64.1   | 172.0  |
| General government surplus<br>(2005), % of GDP    | 5.7    | -2.4    | -4.1   | -5.8   |
| Tax burden: taxes as % of GDP                     | 47.9   | 40.5    | 25.4   | 25.3   |
| Labour force participation: %                     |        |         |        |        |
| Men                                               | 80.5   | 77.5    | 81.7   | 85.0   |
| Women                                             | 74.9   | 60.4    | 70.1   | 60.4   |
| Average hours worked<br>per week (1995-1999)      | 35-38  | 32-40   | 41     | 47     |
| Unemployment rate,<br>% (2005)                    | 6.6    | 8.6     | 5.1    | 4.4    |

Norden: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and the three autonomous areas of the Faroe Islands, Greenland and Åland. Euro-12: The 12 European countries with the euro as their currency.

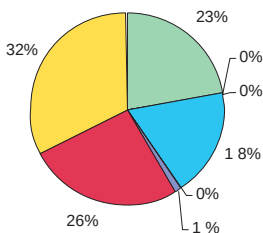
## Area (ice-free)



## Population



## Gross national income

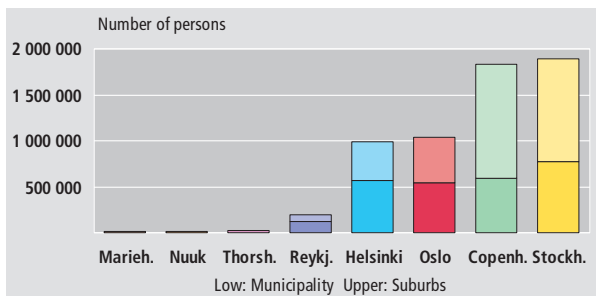


## Energy and population

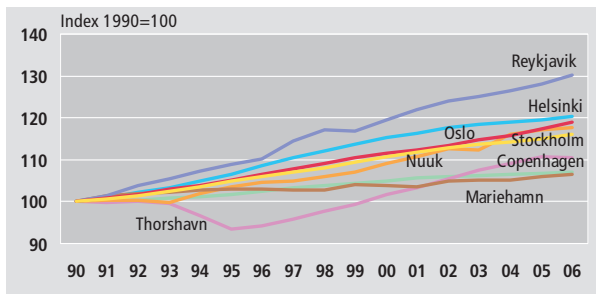
### Indigenous energy production, mill. tonnes oil equivalents

|         | 1985 | 1990  | 1995  | 2000  | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  | 2004  |
|---------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Denmark | 4.8  | 10.0  | 15.5  | 27.6  | 27.0  | 28.4  | 28.3  | 30.9  |
| Finland | 11.2 | 11.7  | 13.2  | 14.8  | 15.1  | 15.7  | 15.6  | 15.5  |
| Iceland | 1.4  | 1.4   | 1.4   | 2.3   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 2.5   | 2.5   |
| Norway  | 72.6 | 120.1 | 181.6 | 224.5 | 228.4 | 233.1 | 235.5 | 238.0 |
| Sweden  | 26.7 | 29.7  | 31.5  | 30.1  | 33.7  | 31.8  | 31.2  | 34.5  |

### Population in the Nordic capitals. January 2006



### Population development in capital areas

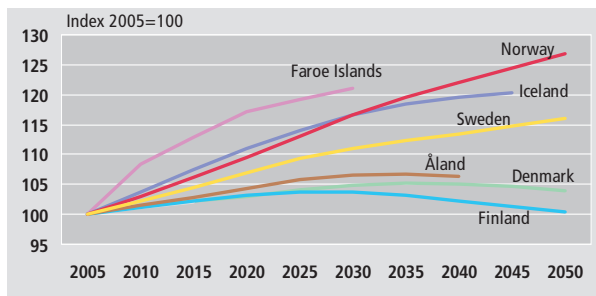


## Population in the Nordic countries. 1 January 2006

|                     | Total             | Men               | Women             |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Denmark             | 5 427 459         | 2 685 846         | 2 741 613         |
| Faroe Islands       | 48 219            | 25 056            | 23 163            |
| Greenland           | 56 901            | 30 182            | 26 719            |
| Finland             | 5 255 580         | 2 572 350         | 2 683 230         |
| Åland               | 26 766            | 13 245            | 13 521            |
| Iceland             | 299 891           | 151 202           | 148 689           |
| Norway              | 4 640 219         | 2 301 981         | 2 338 238         |
| Sweden              | 9 047 752         | 4 486 550         | 4 561 202         |
| <b>Nordic total</b> | <b>24 776 021</b> | <b>12 253 167</b> | <b>12 522 854</b> |

The population of Finland includes the population of Åland.

## Latest population projections



## Asylum requests

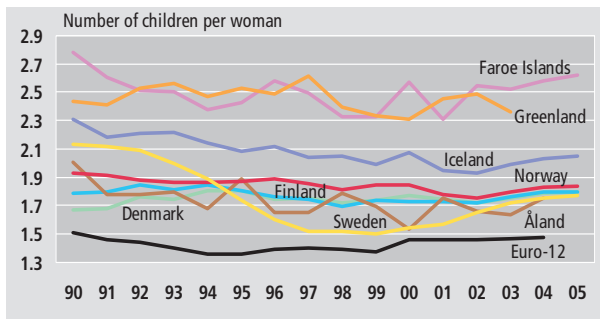
|      | Denmark | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden | Nordic total |
|------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------------|
| 2000 | 10 347  | 3 170   | 25      | 10 843 | 16 303 | 40 688       |
| 2001 | 8 385   | 1 651   | 53      | 14 782 | 23 515 | 48 386       |
| 2002 | 6 660   | 3 443   | 117     | 17 480 | 33 016 | 60 716       |
| 2003 | 2 767   | 3 221   | 80      | 15 613 | 31 355 | 53 036       |
| 2004 | 1 633   | 3 861   | 76      | 7 950  | 23 161 | 36 681       |
| 2005 | 1 283   | 3 574   | 87      | 5 402  | 17 530 | 27 876       |

## Asylum requests by citizenship. 2005

|                | Denmark | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden | Nordic total |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Total          | 1 283   | 3 574   | 87      | 5 402  | 17 530 | 27 876       |
| EEA            | 12      | 18      | 3       | 30     | 62     | 125          |
| Bulgaria       | 13      | 570     | 5       | 22     | 751    | 1 361        |
| Romania        | 4       | 56      | 22      | 16     | 108    | 206          |
| Russia         | 57      | 233     | 9       | 545    | 1 057  | 1 901        |
| Belarus        | 3       | 57      | -       | 32     | 372    | 464          |
| Ukraine        | 4       | 14      | 3       | 20     | 93     | 134          |
| Turkey         | 15      | 97      | -       | 111    | 423    | 646          |
| Other Europe   | 379     | 822     | 9       | 659    | 3 917  | 5 786        |
| America, total | 2       | 8       | 1       | 28     | 539    | 578          |
| Somalia        | 54      | 321     | -       | 667    | 422    | 1 464        |
| Other Africa   | 188     | 343     | 15      | 957    | 2 415  | 3 918        |
| Afghanistan    | 138     | 237     | 6       | 466    | 435    | 1 282        |
| Iraq           | 96      | 289     | -       | 671    | 2 330  | 3 386        |
| Iran           | 67      | 79      | 4       | 279    | 582    | 1 011        |
| Other Asia     | 171     | 374     | 9       | 690    | 3 158  | 4 402        |
| Oceania        | -       | -       | -       | -      | 2      | 2            |
| Stateless      | 80      | 55      | 1       | 209    | 864    | 1 209        |

EEA: European Economic Area. Consists of 25 EU-countries + Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein.

## Total fertility rate



Euro-12: The 12 European countries with the euro as their common currency: Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Greece, the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Austria, Ireland and Finland.

## Life expectancy at birth, number of years

|              | DK   | FO   | GL   | FI   | AX   | IS   | NO   | SE   |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| <b>Men</b>   |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 1990         | 72.0 | 72.3 | 60.7 | 70.9 | 74.7 | 75.0 | 73.4 | 74.8 |
| 1995         | 72.6 | 73.5 | 62.3 | 72.8 | 75.1 | 76.5 | 74.8 | 76.2 |
| 2000         | 74.3 | 75.1 | 62.8 | 74.1 | 78.5 | 77.6 | 76.0 | 77.4 |
| 2005         | 75.6 | 76.9 | ..   | 75.5 | ..   | 79.2 | 77.7 | 78.4 |
| <b>Women</b> |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| 1990         | 77.7 | 79.4 | 68.4 | 78.9 | 82.8 | 80.1 | 79.8 | 80.4 |
| 1995         | 77.8 | 80.5 | 68.3 | 80.2 | 81.1 | 80.6 | 80.8 | 81.5 |
| 2000         | 79.0 | 81.4 | 68.0 | 81.0 | 81.5 | 81.4 | 81.4 | 82.0 |
| 2005         | 80.2 | 81.4 | ..   | 82.3 | ..   | 83.1 | 82.5 | 82.8 |

## Population

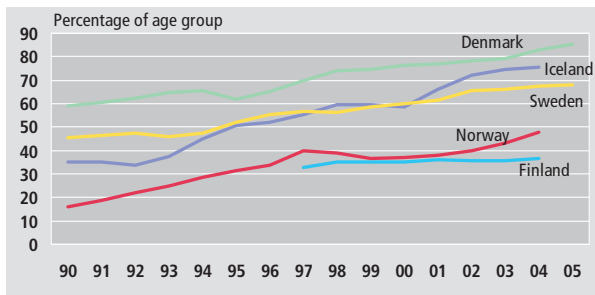
### Children in day-care by age group. 2005

|                       | Denmark | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| Number                |         |         |         |        |        |
| 0 years               | 9 821   | 683     | 318     | 1 461  | 30     |
| 1 years               | 53 263  | 16 070  | 2 450   | 21 260 | 46 975 |
| 2 years               | 57 139  | 25 223  | 3 792   | 33 299 | 89 180 |
| 3 years               | 61 661  | 35 174  | 3 890   | 47 823 | 90 307 |
| 4 years               | 64 031  | 39 143  | 4 130   | 53 592 | 90 230 |
| 5 years               | 63 741  | 42 248  | 3 882   | 55 116 | 90 612 |
| Per cent of age group |         |         |         |        |        |
| 0 years               | 15.2    | 1.2     | 7.5     | 2.6    | 0.0    |
| 1 years               | 81.8    | 28.3    | 58.3    | 37.0   | 46.1   |
| 2 years               | 88.4    | 45.2    | 92.4    | 58.8   | 88.6   |
| 3 years               | 93.6    | 62.4    | 94.5    | 82.8   | 92.3   |
| 4 years               | 94.5    | 68.6    | 95.4    | 88.9   | 96.2   |
| 5 years               | 95.1    | 73.0    | 93.2    | 91.1   | 97.2   |

Children in fully or partly publicly funded private day-care.

Denmark includes after-school arrangements. Finland, Iceland and Norway 2004 data.

### 1-2-year-old children in day-care



Children in fully or partly publicly funded private day-care.

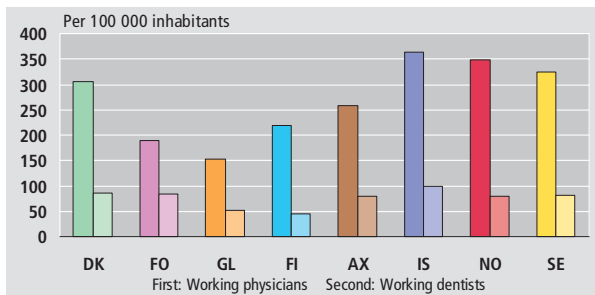
## Confirmed new cancer cases per million inhabitants. 2003

|               | DK    | FO    | GL    | FI    | IS    | NO    | SE    |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Men:</b>   |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total         | 6 127 | 3 060 | 2 839 | 4 885 | 4 151 | 5 486 | 5 999 |
| Testicular    | 103   | 107   | 99    | 40    | 56    | 108   | 68    |
| Prostate      | 893   | 329   | 33    | 1 658 | 1 237 | 1 477 | 2 217 |
| Stomach       | 120   | 99    | 165   | 166   | 159   | 163   | 133   |
| Colon         | 709   | 387   | 429   | 451   | 467   | 731   | 661   |
| Pancreas      | 134   | 132   | 99    | 145   | 97    | 132   | 101   |
| Lung          | 750   | 345   | 594   | 607   | 440   | 621   | 399   |
| Skin cancer   | 200   | 8     | -     | 140   | 121   | 209   | 210   |
| Other types   | 3 218 | 1 653 | 1 420 | ..    | 1 574 | ..    | ..    |
| <b>Women:</b> |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total         | 6 317 | 3 869 | 3 400 | 4 504 | 4 140 | 4 916 | 5 143 |
| Mammarian     | 1 469 | 956   | 453   | 1 421 | 1 176 | 1 183 | 1 526 |
| Cervical      | 150   | 44    | 189   | 61    | 109   | 129   | 96    |
| Stomach       | 68    | 89    | 38    | 129   | 101   | 103   | 88    |
| Colon         | 621   | 363   | 680   | 439   | 383   | 750   | 600   |
| Pancreas      | 126   | 204   | 151   | 175   | 78    | 131   | 105   |
| Lung          | 583   | 230   | 604   | 198   | 429   | 383   | 310   |
| Skin cancer   | 253   | 18    | -     | 132   | 221   | 237   | 223   |
| Other types   | 3 047 | 1 965 | 1 285 | ..    | 1 643 | ..    | ..    |

Age standardized rates. Sweden 2004 data.

## Health and causes of death

### Physicians and dentists per 100 000 inhabitants. 2004



### Sale of alcohol, litres of pure alcohol equivalent per person

|               | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Denmark       | 11.6 | 12.1 | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.3 | 11.5 | 11.0 |
| Faroe Islands | 6.7  | 6.3  | 6.8  | 6.9  | 7.0  | 6.9  | 6.7  |
| Greenland     | 15.5 | 12.6 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 12.3 | 12.7 | 11.7 |
| Finland       | 9.5  | 8.3  | 8.6  | 9.0  | 9.2  | 9.3  | 9.9  |
| Åland         | 7.2  | 5.8  | 6.1  | 6.3  | 6.4  | 6.4  | 6.6  |
| Iceland       | 5.2  | 4.8  | 6.1  | 6.3  | 6.5  | 6.5  | 6.7  |
| Norway        | 4.9  | 4.8  | 5.6  | 5.5  | 5.9  | 6.0  | 6.2  |
| Sweden        | 6.4  | 6.1  | 6.2  | 6.5  | 6.9  | 7.0  | 6.5  |

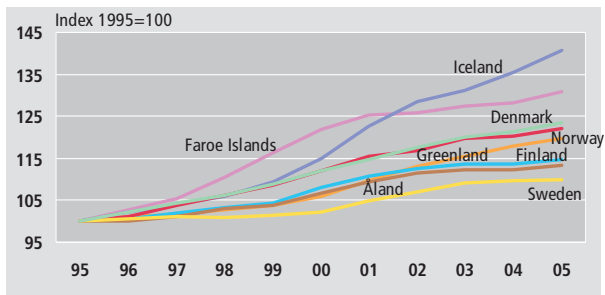
Includes only the sale of alcohol in each individual country. Consequently, the consumption of alcohol bought in another country is not included.

## Consumption of food, kg per person. 2005

|                | Denmark | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| Rice           | 6.3     | 5.2     | 5.2     | 6.2    | 5.8    |
| Potatoes       | 55.0    | 62.0    | 57.8    | 71.3   | 83.6   |
| Vegetables     | ..      | 68.4    | 58.9    | 63.4   | 73.5   |
| Fruit          | ..      | 90.4    | 81.7    | 82.4   | 103.0  |
| Cheese         | ..      | 17.2    | 15.5    | 17.5   | 17.9   |
| Butter         | 1.9     | 2.8     | 2.3     | 2.9    | 1.5    |
| Eggs           | 17.0    | 9.3     | 9.6     | 10.7   | 12.4   |
| Beef and veal  | 26.1    | 18.6    | 12.9    | 20.0   | 25.2   |
| Pork           | 38.4    | 33.5    | 17.9    | 24.3   | 36.1   |
| Sheep and lamb | 1.3     | 0.4     | 25.7    | 5.6    | 1.0    |
| Poultry        | 23.3    | 16.1    | 20.6    | 12.4   | 14.9   |
| Other meat     | 0.8     | 3.1     | 2.7     | 5.8    | 2.2    |

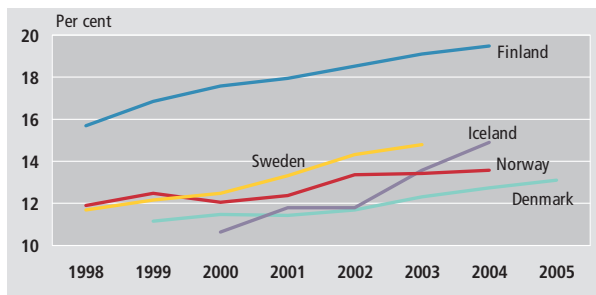
Sweden: 2004 data.

## Consumer price increase, 1995-2005



## Education

### Students at university level, % of all 20-39-year-olds



### Nordic students abroad by country of destination. 2004/05

| Students from: |                        | Denmark                   | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden |
|----------------|------------------------|---------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
|                |                        | Number of students abroad |         |         |        |        |
|                | Total                  | 3 351                     | 4 373   | 2 399   | 13 157 | 20 589 |
|                | Other Nordic countries | 739                       | 1 207   | 1 315   | 2 753  | 2 357  |
|                | Great Britain          | 1 308                     | 1 532   | 296     | 2 742  | 4 568  |
|                | USA and Canada         | 342                       | 301     | 368     | 1 077  | 3 330  |
|                | Australia and NZ       | 112                       | 93      | 28      | 2 897  | 2 236  |
|                | Other                  | 850                       | 1 240   | 392     | 3 688  | 8 098  |

## Books: Titles published

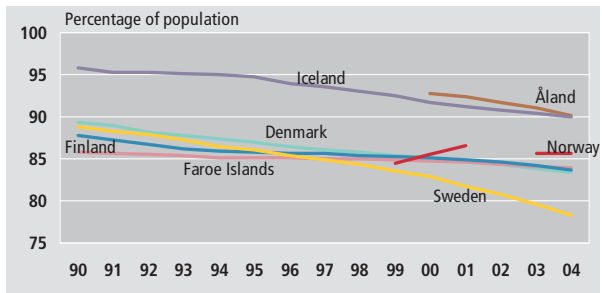
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|--------------------------------------------------|--------|------|------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|
|                                                  | 2004   | 2005 | 2005 | 2004   | 2005 | 2000  | 2004  | 2004   |
| Total                                            | 14 829 | 111  | 114  | 12 977 | 59   | 1 967 | 5 531 | 17 683 |
| Number of published titles per 1 000 inhabitants |        |      |      |        |      |       |       |        |
| Total                                            | 2.8    | 2.3  | 2.0  | 2.5    | 2.2  | 7.0   | 1.2   | 2.0    |

## Cinemas. 2005

|                             | Denmark | Finland | Iceland | Norway | Sweden  |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Cinemas                     | 165     | 219     | 22      | 241    | 804     |
| Screens                     | 389     | 332     | 46      | 435    | 1 174   |
| Seats                       | 58 860  | 57 029  | 8 826   | 86 146 | 195 364 |
| Seats per screen            | 151     | 172     | 192     | 198    | 166     |
| Seats per 1 000 inhabitants | 11      | 11      | 30      | 19     | 22      |

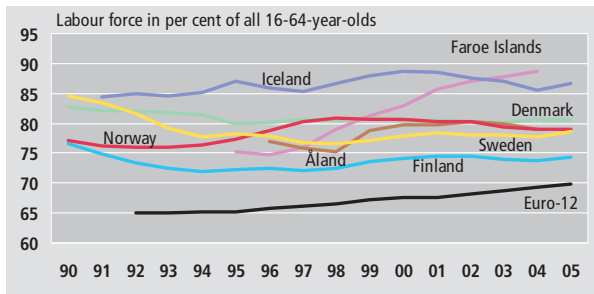
Iceland: 2004 data.

## Lutherans' proportion of total population



Norway: Only data from few years

## Activity rates



Euro-12: The 12 countries that have adopted the euro.

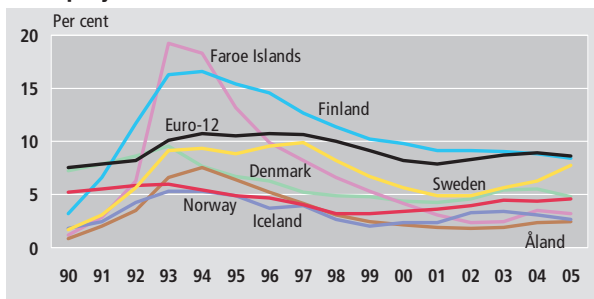
## Unemployed as per cent of labour force

|               | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Denmark       | 6.7  | 4.3  | 4.5  | 4.6  | 5.4  | 5.5  | 4.8  |
| Faroe Islands | 13.2 | 4.2  | 3.1  | 2.3  | 2.5  | 3.6  | 3.2  |
| Finland       | 15.4 | 9.8  | 9.1  | 9.1  | 9.0  | 8.8  | 8.4  |
| Åland         | 6.4  | 2.1  | 1.9  | 1.8  | 1.9  | 2.3  | 2.3  |
| Iceland       | 4.9  | 2.3  | 2.3  | 3.3  | 3.4  | 3.1  | 2.6  |
| Norway        | 4.9  | 3.4  | 3.5  | 3.9  | 4.5  | 4.4  | 4.6  |
| Sweden        | 8.8  | 5.6  | 4.9  | 4.9  | 5.6  | 6.3  | 7.8  |
| Euro-12       | 10.5 | 8.5  | 8.0  | 8.4  | 8.7  | 8.9  | 8.6  |

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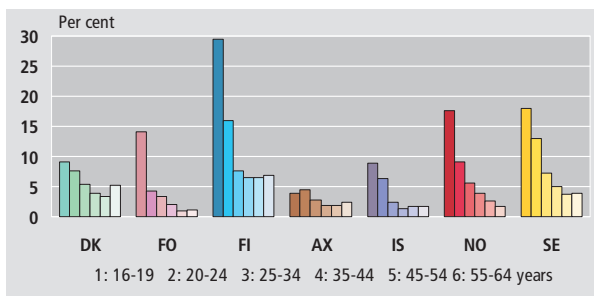
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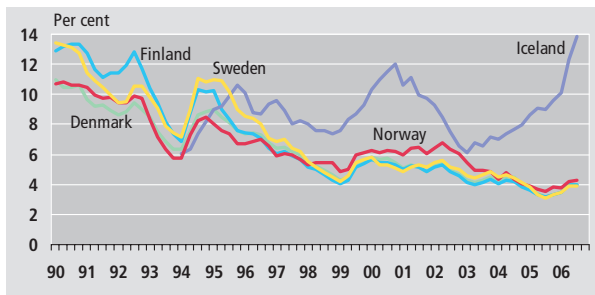


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## Unemployment rates by age group. 2005



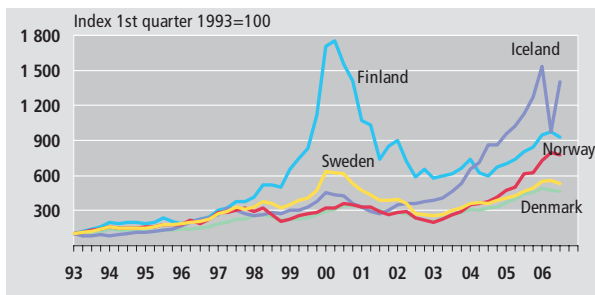
## Long-term interest rate



## Exchange rates, annual average

|               | Value of 1 US dollar |       |       | Value of 1 euro |       |       |
|---------------|----------------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|               | 2003                 | 2004  | 2005  | 2003            | 2004  | 2005  |
| Danish kr.    | 6.59                 | 5.99  | 6.00  | 7.43            | 7.44  | 7.45  |
| Finish euro   | 1.13                 | 1.24  | 1.24  | 1.00            | 1.00  | 1.00  |
| Icelandic kr. | 76.76                | 70.12 | 62.86 | 86.72           | 87.15 | 78.14 |
| Norwegian kr. | 7.08                 | 6.74  | 6.45  | 8.00            | 8.37  | 8.01  |
| Swedish kr.   | 8.09                 | 7.35  | 7.48  | 9.13            | 9.13  | 9.28  |

## Share prices



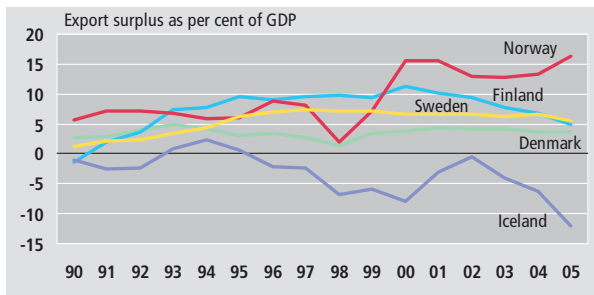
## Foreign trade

### Selected export commodities as % of total exports. 2005

|                           | DK         | FO          | GL          | FI          | IS          | NO          | SE          |
|---------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                           | Per cent   |             |             |             |             |             |             |
| Meat                      | <b>5.7</b> | 0.0         | 0.1         | 0.2         | 0.3         | 0.0         | 0.2         |
| Dairy products            | <b>2.4</b> | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.6         | 0.0         | 0.1         | 0.2         |
| Other food                | <b>3.9</b> | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.8         | 0.3         | 0.2         | 1.5         |
| Fish, etc.                | 3.2        | <b>83.4</b> | <b>86.9</b> | 0.0         | <b>52.0</b> | 4.7         | 0.9         |
| Petroleum                 | <b>8.7</b> | 0.0         | 0.0         | 4.3         | 1.4         | <b>49.6</b> | 4.7         |
| Gas                       | 1.2        | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | 0.0         | <b>17.5</b> | 0.2         |
| Pharmaceuticals           | <b>7.7</b> | 0.0         | 0.0         | 1.2         | 3.0         | 0.5         | <b>5.6</b>  |
| Paper                     | 1.0        | 0.0         | 0.0         | <b>13.9</b> | 0.1         | 1.3         | <b>7.2</b>  |
| Aluminium                 | 0.6        | 0.0         | 0.0         | 3.0         | <b>18.6</b> | 5.5         | 1.6         |
| Telecomm.                 | 4.9        | 0.0         | 0.1         | <b>18.8</b> | 0.0         | 0.9         | <b>9.6</b>  |
| Road vehicles             | 2.6        | 0.0         | 0.0         | 4.1         | 0.6         | 0.8         | <b>13.9</b> |
| Other transport equipment | 1.7        | <b>5.4</b>  | 0.1         | 1.1         | <b>5.0</b>  | 1.8         | 0.8         |
| All other goods           | 56.4       | 11.2        | 12.8        | 52.0        | 18.7        | 17.1        | 53.6        |
| Total exports             | 100.0      | 100.0       | 100.0       | 100.0       | 100.0       | 100.0       | 100.0       |

Each country's dominant export commodities are written in red bold.  
Aluminium also includes other non-ferrous metals.

### Trade balance of goods (Exports – imports)



## Foreign trade

### Exports. Million euro. 2005

|                           | DK     | GL  | FI     | IS    | NO     | SE      |
|---------------------------|--------|-----|--------|-------|--------|---------|
| <b>Total</b>              | 67 508 | 327 | 52 453 | 2 487 | 83 514 | 103 093 |
| Denmark                   | .      | 283 | 1 242  | 103   | 2 965  | 6 814   |
| Faroes Isl.               | 250    | 0   | 1      | 27    | 105    | 21      |
| Greenland                 | 357    | .   | 2      | 6     | 12     | 103     |
| Finland                   | 1 891  | 0   | .      | 10    | 1 058  | 6 014   |
| Iceland                   | 343    | 5   | 45     | .     | 258    | 365     |
| Norway                    | 3 590  | 0   | 1 323  | 67    | .      | 9 089   |
| Sweden                    | 9 007  | 0   | 5 658  | 27    | 5 441  | .       |
| Belgium and<br>Luxembourg | 1 076  | 0   | 1 292  | 53    | 2 084  | 4 550   |
| France                    | 3 502  | 0   | 1 800  | 93    | 7 762  | 5 107   |
| Germany                   | 11 582 | 5   | 5 573  | 394   | 10 530 | 10 672  |
| Italy                     | 2 237  | 0   | 1 616  | 24    | 2 380  | 3 589   |
| Netherlands               | 3 504  | 1   | 2 532  | 311   | 8 295  | 4 671   |
| United<br>Kingdom         | 5 958  | 3   | 3 518  | 443   | 20 911 | 7 655   |
| Other EU                  | 7 834  | 19  | 6 513  | 396   | 5 981  | 10 099  |
| Switzerland               | 654    | 0   | 476    | 31    | 226    | 992     |
| Russian Fed.              | 999    | 0   | 5 744  | 36    | 664    | 1 715   |
| Other<br>Europe           | 935    | 0   | 1 164  | 16    | 607    | 2 163   |
| USA                       | 4 438  | 4   | 3 059  | 209   | 5 500  | 11 059  |
| Canada                    | 583    | 0   | 547    | 25    | 3 153  | 1 134   |
| Other<br>America          | 844    | 0   | 1 139  | 41    | 1 030  | 2 201   |
| China                     | 866    | 1   | 1 556  | 22    | 731    | 2 030   |
| Japan                     | 1 563  | 2   | 877    | 80    | 819    | 1 597   |
| DAE                       | 1 768  | 2   | 1 416  | 18    | 1 672  | 2 552   |
| Other Asia                | 1 962  | 0   | 3 638  | 3     | 613    | 4 628   |
| Africa                    | 631    | 0   | 1 161  | 46    | 509    | 2 412   |
| Oceania                   | 705    | 0   | 520    | 4     | 208    | 1 362   |
| Unknown                   | 429    | 0   | 41     | 0     | 0      | 500     |

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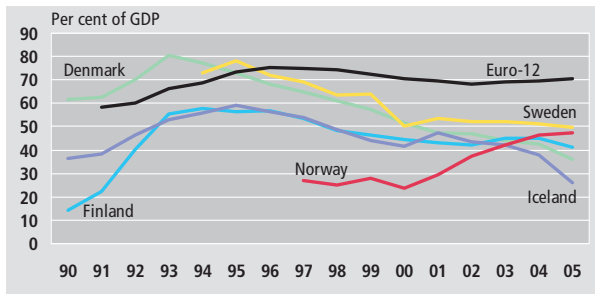
## Imports. Million euro. 2005

|                           | DK     | GL  | FI     | IS    | NO     | SE     |
|---------------------------|--------|-----|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| <b>Total</b>              | 60 055 | 481 | 47 027 | 4 017 | 44 663 | 87 383 |
| Denmark                   | .      | 384 | 1 486  | 286   | 3 266  | 8 011  |
| Faroes Isl.               | 136    | 1   | 2      | 7     | 30     | 2      |
| Greenland                 | 284    | .   | 0      | 7     | 4      | 0      |
| Finland                   | 1 321  | 0   | .      | 53    | 1 405  | 5 280  |
| Iceland                   | 101    | 2   | 10     | .     | 67     | 25     |
| Norway                    | 2 704  |     | 1 047  | 280   | .      | 7 298  |
| Sweden                    | 8 324  | 83  | 4 967  | 339   | 6 438  | .      |
| Belgium and<br>Luxembourg | 2 333  | 0   | 1 074  | 73    | 1 184  | 3 888  |
| France                    | 2 558  | 1   | 1 697  | 137   | 1 772  | 4 465  |
| Germany                   | 12 491 | 0   | 7 027  | 556   | 5 998  | 15 763 |
| Italy                     | 2 482  | 0   | 1 672  | 145   | 1 467  | 2 779  |
| Netherlands               | 4 000  | 0   | 1 878  | 193   | 1 764  | 5 839  |
| United<br>Kingdom         | 3 659  | 0   | 2 099  | 231   | 3 220  | 5 978  |
| Other EU                  | 5 958  | 0   | 5 690  | 463   | 4 355  | 9 659  |
| Switzerland               | 745    | 0   | 457    | 67    | 460    | 918    |
| Russian Fed.              | 1 029  | 0   | 6 557  | 19    | 1 061  | 2 653  |
| Other<br>Europe           | 861    | 0   | 457    | 65    | 638    | 1 044  |
| USA                       | 1 735  | 2   | 1 966  | 375   | 2 298  | 3 024  |
| Canada                    | 239    | 7   | 233    | 61    | 1 135  | 314    |
| Other<br>America          | 980    | 0   | 1 024  | 71    | 1 186  | 1 216  |
| China                     | 2 913  | 0   | 2 820  | 205   | 2 505  | 2 422  |
| Japan                     | 607    | 0   | 1 541  | 211   | 1 414  | 1 876  |
| DAE                       | 2 170  | 0   | 1 837  | 105   | 1 577  | 2 748  |
| Other Asia                | 1 752  | 0   | 783    | 33    | 691    | 1 328  |
| Africa                    | 361    | 0   | 351    | 18    | 644    | 533    |
| Oceania                   | 313    | 0   | 352    | 6     | 85     | 323    |
| Unknown                   | 2      | 0   | 0      | 0     | 0      | 0      |

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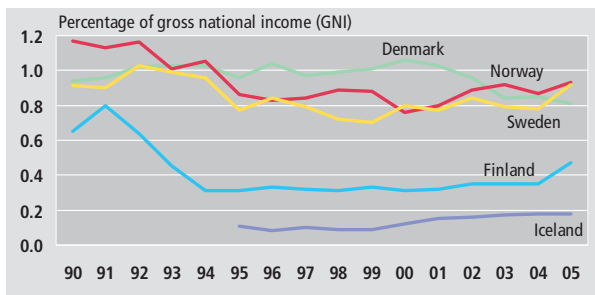
## Public finances

### General government gross debt



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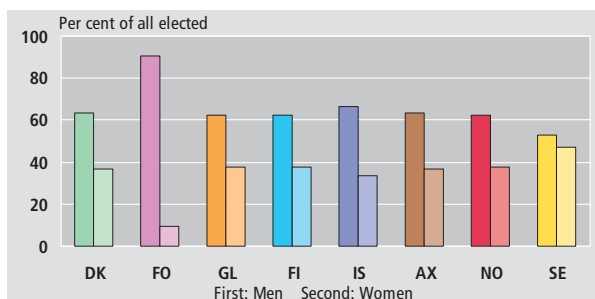
### Government aid to developing countries



## Electorate and turnout at the latest general election

| National parliament | Latest election        | Electorate | Turnout |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------|---------|
| Denmark             | Folketinget 08-02-2005 | 4 003 616  | 84.5%   |
| Faroe Islands       | Lagtinget 20-01-2004   | 34 400     | 92.3%   |
| Greenland           | Landstinget 15-11-2005 | 38 924     | 74.9%   |
| Finland             | Riksdagen 16-03-2003   | 4 221 000  | 66.1%   |
| Åland               | Lagtinget 19-10-2003   | 18 969     | 67.6%   |
| Iceland             | Alltinget 10-05-2003   | 201 373    | 86.7%   |
| Norway              | Stortinget 12-09-2005  | 3 421 741  | 77.4%   |
| Sweden              | Riksdagen 17-09-2006   | 6 892 009  | 82.0%   |

## Candidates elected to national parliaments by sex



## National accounts

### Economic key figures. Nordic countries and the Euro zone

|                                        | DK     | FI     | IS     | NO     | SE     | EU-12  |
|----------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Population, millions                   | 5.4    | 5.2    | 0.3    | 4.6    | 9.0    | 312.7  |
| GDP 2005,<br>billion euro (PPP)        | 156    | 139    | 9      | 166    | 250    | 7 778  |
| GDP per person,<br>2005 in euro (PPP)  | 28 800 | 26 600 | 29 900 | 36 000 | 27 700 | 24 800 |
| Per cent                               |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Real growth in GDP<br>1995-2005        | 23.1   | 40.8   | 52.6   | 32.2   | 31.0   | 22.5   |
| Unemployment, 2005                     | 4.8    | 8.4    | 2.6    | 4.6    | 7.8    | 8.6    |
| Inflation, 2003-2005                   | 1.8    | 0.8    | 4.0    | 1.5    | 0.5    | 2.2    |
| Interest rate, 2005                    | 3.4    | 3.4    | 9.0    | 3.8    | 3.4    | 3.4    |
| Per cent of GDP                        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| Export surplus, 2005                   | 3.2    | 2.7    | -16.5  | 16.8   | 6.1    | -0.2   |
| Foreign assets (net)<br>as of 1/1 2006 | 2.3    | -13.0  | -81.0  | 38.0   | -19.0  | ..     |
| Public surplus,<br>2005                | 4.9    | 2.6    | 3.2    | 15.8   | 2.9    | -2.4   |
| Public debt,<br>as of 1/1 2006         | 35.8   | 41.1   | 27.0   | 47.2   | 49.8   | 70.8   |

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