DENMARK

GOVERNMENT

Chief of State
Queen Margrethe II
Head of Government
Prime Minister Lars LOKKE RASMUSSEN
Government Type
parliamentary constitutional monarchy
Capital
Copenhagen

Legislature
unicameral People’s Assembly or Folketing (179 seats)
Judiciary
Supreme Court (consists of the court president and 18 judges)
Ambassador to US
Ambassador Lars Gert LOSE
US Ambassador
Ambassador Carla SANDS

GEOGRAPHY

Area
Total: 43,094 sq km
Land: 42,434 sq km
Water: 660 sq km
Climate
temperate; humid and overcast; mild, windy winters and cool summers
Natural Resources
petroleum, natural gas, fish, arable land, salt, limestone, chalk, stone, gravel and sand

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population
5.6 million (July 2017 est.)
Population Growth
0.22% (2017 est.)
Ethnicity
Danish (includes Greenlandic (who are predominantly Inuit) and Faroese) 86.7%, Turkish 1.1%, other 12.2% (largest groups are Polish, Syrian, German, Iraqi, and Romanian)
note: data represent population by ancestry (2017 est.)
Language
Danish, Faroese, Greenlandic (an Inuit dialect), German (small minority)
note: English is the predominant second language
Religion
Evangelical Lutheran (official) 76%, Muslim 4%, other (denominations of less than 1% each, includes Roman Catholic, Jehovah’s Witness, Serbian Orthodox Christian, Jewish, Baptist, and Buddhist) 20% (2017 est.)
Urbanization
urban population: 87.9% of total population (2018)
rate of urbanization: 0.51% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

ECONOMY

Economic Overview
this thoroughly modern market economy features advanced industry with world-leading firms in pharmaceuticals, maritime shipping, and renewable energy, a high-tech agricultural sector, a high standard of living, extensive government welfare measures, and an equitable distribution of income
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)
$285.5 billion (2017 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)
$49,600 (2017 est.)
Exports
$113.2 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 21.3%, Sweden 11.9%, UK 8.2%, US 7.5%, Norway 6%, China 4.4%, Netherlands 4.4% (2017)
Imports
$94.61 billion (2017 est.)
partners: Germany 21.3%, Sweden 11.9%, Netherlands 7.8%, China 7.1%, Norway 6.3%, Poland 4% (2017)

as of July 2018