DENMARK

INTRODUCTION
Once the seat of Viking raiders and later a major north European power, Denmark has evolved into a modern, prosperous nation that is participating in the general political and economic integration of Europe.

GOVERNMENT
Chief of State
Queen Margrethe II
Head of Government
Prime Minister Mette FREDERIKSEN
Government Type
parliamentary constitutional monarchy
Capital
Copenhagen
Legislature
unicameral People’s Assembly or Folketing (179 seats)

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

ECONOMY
Economic Overview
longstanding EU leader; global environmental regulatory innovator; diversified trade-based economy, dominated by its services sector; increased government spending but retaining budget surpluses; increasing taxes and innovating emissions tax incentives
GDP (Purchasing Power Parity) $326.2 billion (2020 est.)
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity) $55,900 (2020 est.)
Industries - wind turbines, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, shipbuilding, iron, steel, nonferrous metals, chemicals, food processing, machinery and transportation equipment
Agricultural products - milk, wheat, barley, potatoes, sugar beets, pork, rye, rapeseed, oats, poultry
Exports $191.5 billion (2020 est.)
packaged medicines, electric generators, pork, refined petroleum, medical cultures/vaccines (2019)
partners: Germany 14%, US 11%, Sweden 10%, UK 7%, Norway 6%, Netherlands 5%, China 5% (2019)
Imports $170.3 billion (2020 est.)
cars, refined petroleum, packaged medicines, crude petroleum, broadcasting equipment (2019)
partners: Germany 21%, Sweden 11%, Netherlands 8%, China 7% (2019)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY
Population
5.9 million (July 2021 est.)
Population Growth
0.44% (2021 est.)
Ethnicity
Danish (includes Greenlandic (who are predominantly Inuit) and Faroese) 86.3%, Turkish 1.1%, other 12.6% (largest groups are Polish, Syrian, German, Iraqi, and Romanian) (2018 est.)
Language
Danish, Faroese, Greenlandic (an Inuit dialect), and German
Religion
Evangelical Lutheran (official) 74.7%, Muslim 5.5%, other 19.8% (2019 est.)
as of October 2021