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Nordic co-operation

Nordic co-operation is one of the world's most extensive forms of regional collaboration, involving Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Åland.

Nordic co-operation 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 co-operation seeks to safeguard Nordic and regional interests and principles in the global community. Shared Nordic values help the region solidify its position as one of the world's most innovative and competitive.

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The graphs and tables are based on figures from the Nordic Statistics database, which comprises a broad range of comparable Nordic statistics compiled from sources such as national statistical agencies and international organisations.

The Nordic Statistics database can be found at www.norden.org/en/statistics

Preface

This pocket edition of *Nordic Statistics 2018* offers a glimpse into the statistics that help describe our Nordic societies.

Although small individually, the Nordic countries collectively are significant. To help put the Nordic Region into an international perspective, in this booklet we have supplemented figures for the Nordic countries and region with international figures. Did you know, for example, that the value of the Nordic export of goods is the same as two-thirds of Japan's total exports? Or that the Nordic Region is geographically bigger than India, making it the seventh largest region in the world?

The themes in this pocket edition reflect the cross-sectoral work of the Nordic cooperation, such as children and young people, gender equality and sustainability. The Nordic countries are similar in many respects, but there are big differences between the individual countries.

If you want to examine the Nordic statistics in more detail, please visit www.norden.org. On the website, you will find the Nordic Statistics database and more figures that open the door to many interesting analyses.

Happy reading!

Denmark	DK
Faroe Islands	FO
Greenland	GL
Finland	FI
Åland	AX
Iceland	IS
Norway	NO
Sweden	SE
Nordic Region	NR
The European Union	EU

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The Nordics



Denmark

Area km ²	42,926
Population	5,781,190
Form of govt.	Constitutional monarchy
Head of state	Queen Margrethe II
Capital	Copenhagen



Faroe Islands

Area km ²	1,396
Population	50,498
Form of govt.	Autonomous area in the Kingdom of Denmark
Head of state	Queen Margrethe II
Capital	Tórshavn



Greenland

Area km ²	2,166,086
Population	55,877
Form of govt.	Autonomous area in the Kingdom of Denmark
Head of state	Queen Margrethe II
Capital	Nuuk



Sweden

Area km ²	447,435
Population	10,120,242
Form of govt.	Constitutional monarchy
Head of state	King Carl XVI Gustav
Capital	Stockholm



Finland

Area km ²	338,430
Population	5,513,130
Form of govt.	Republic
Head of state	President Sauli Niinistö
Capital	Helsinki



Åland

Area km ²	1,583
Population	29,489
Form of govt.	Autonomous area in the Republic of Finland
Head of state	President Sauli Niinistö
Capital	Mariehamn



Norway

Area km ²	323,808
Population	5,295,619
Form of govt.	Constitutional monarchy
Head of state	King Harald V
Capital	Oslo



Iceland

Area km ²	103,492
Population	348,450
Form of govt.	Republic
Head of state	President Guðni Jóhannesson
Capital	Reykjavik

Population

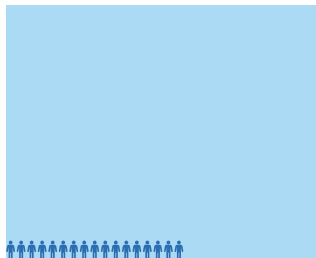
million (2017)



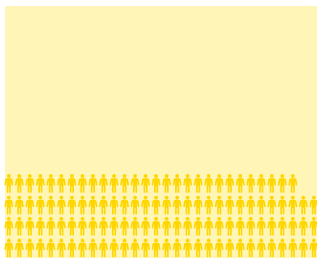
Density

inhabitants/km² (2017)

NORDIC REGION **17**



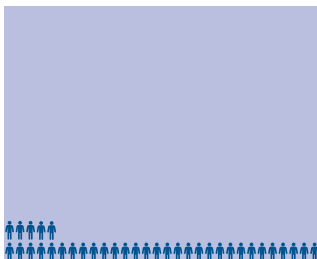
EU **118**



JAPAN **348**

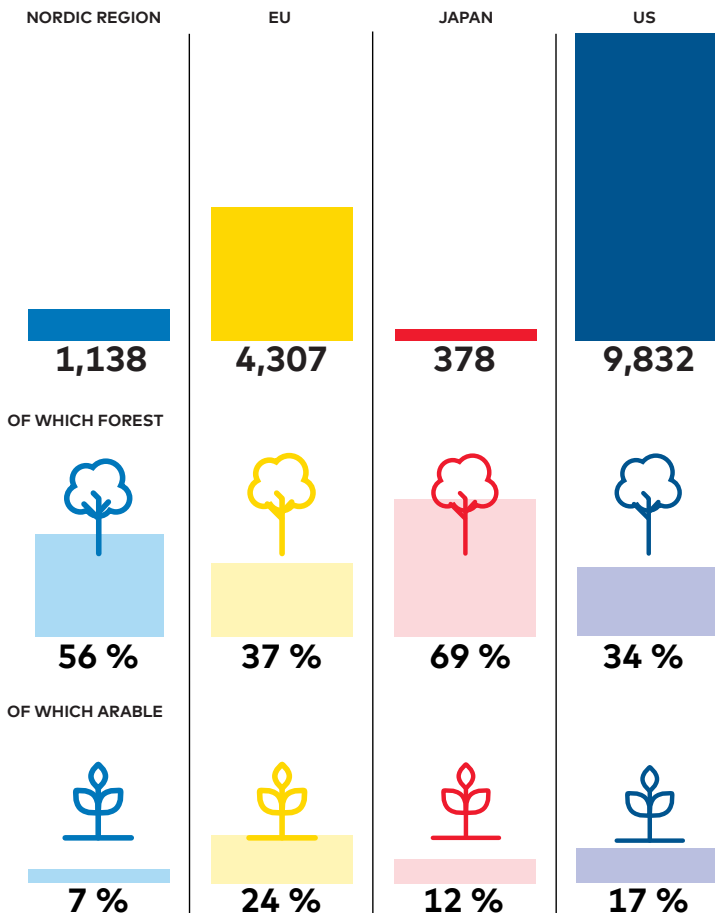


UNITED STATES **35**



Total land area

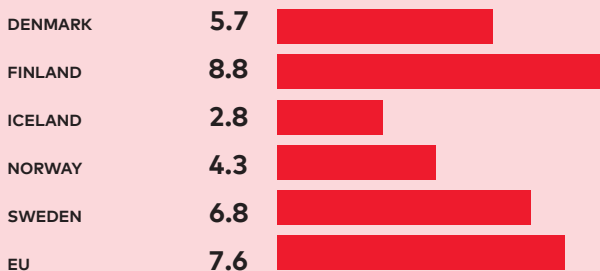
1,000 km² (2017)



Economy

Unemployment

% of age group 15-64 years (2017)





Economic growth

% (2017)

2.3

2.8

3.6

2.0

2.3

Balance of payments surplus

% of GDP (2017)

7.6

0.7

3.4

5.5

3.3

Interest rate

% (2017)

0.5

0.5

2.2

1.6

0.7

Public sector surplus

% of GDP (2017)

1.0

-0.6

1.5

4.4

1.3

Inflation

% (2017)

1.1

0.8

-1.7

1.9

1.9

GDP

billion PPP, USD (2017)

NORDIC REGION

EU

JAPAN

US



1,375



21,104



5,488

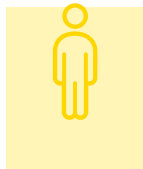


19,485

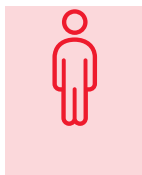
GDP PER CAPITA,
PPP, USD



51,599



41,174



43,355



59,744

GDP GROWTH
%



2.3



2.4



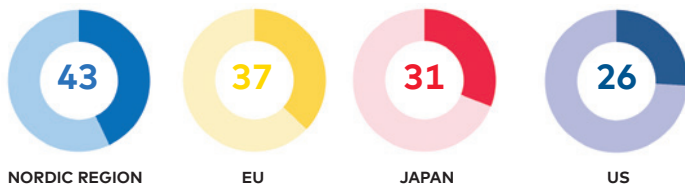
1.7



2.2

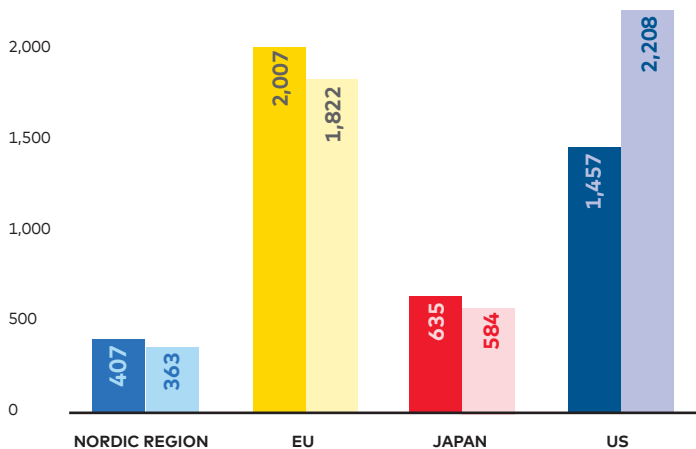
Taxes

% of GDP (2016)



Exports/imports

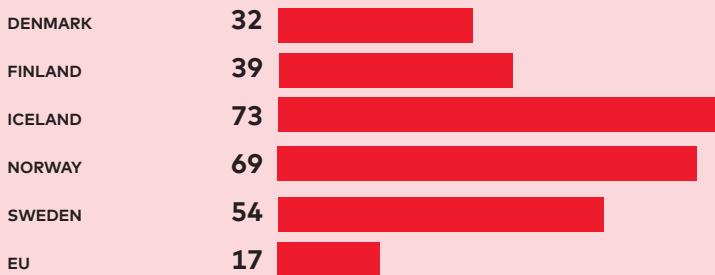
billion USD (2017)



Nordic green

Renewable energy

% of gross final energy consumption (2016)





Environmental taxes

% of total taxes (2016)

8.4

7.0

3.2

6.2

5.0

Energy intensity

total terajoule per million GDP (2016)

2.8

7.6

19.0

3.3

4.9

Production of renewable energy

% of total energy production (2016)

23.4

59.9

100

6.5

50.3

Greenhouse gas emissions

tonnes CO² per capita (2015)

9.3

10.2

13.8

10.4

5.5

Recycling of municipal waste

% of waste that is recycled (2016)

28.6

29.2

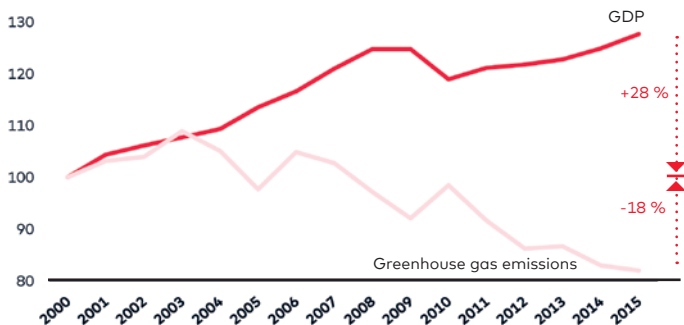
25.5

28.0

32.6

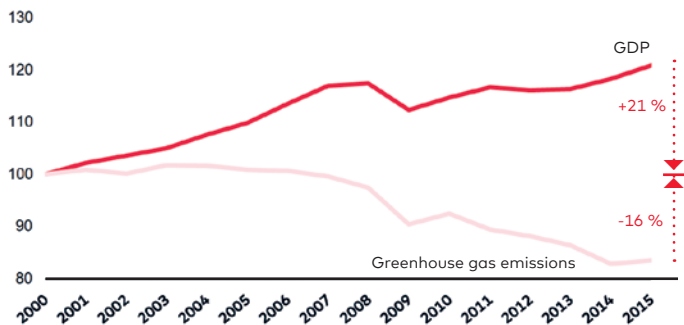
Decoupling of environmental impact from economic growth, the Nordic Region

2000 = 100



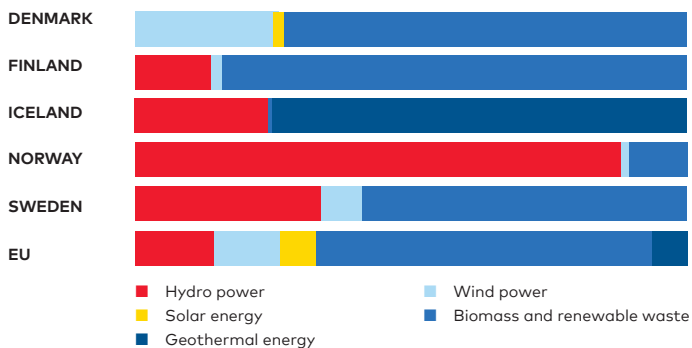
Decoupling of environmental impact from economic growth, EU

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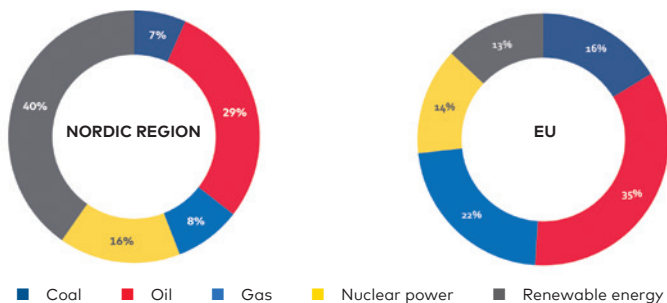
Renewable energy consumption

(2015)



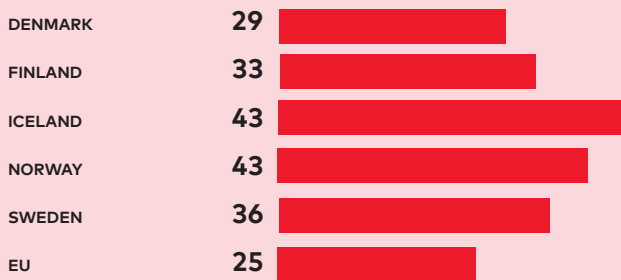
Domestic energy consumption

(2015)



Gender, business and work

Board members in large listed companies women, % (2017)





Part-time employment, women

% of age group 15-64 years (2017)

35

20

36

37

34

Part-time employment, men

% of age group 15-64 years (2017)

16

10

12

15

13

Employers, women

% of people in work who are employers (2016)

1.8

1.9

2.1

0.9

1.6

Employers, men

% of people in work who are employers (2016)

4.6

5.8

5.4

2.6

5.2

Women elected to the national parliaments

% (2016)

37

42

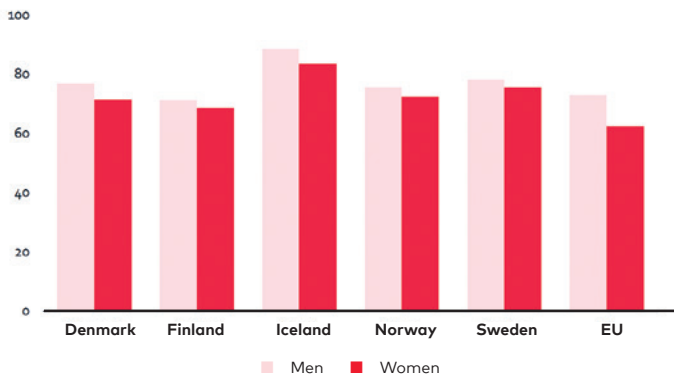
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41

45

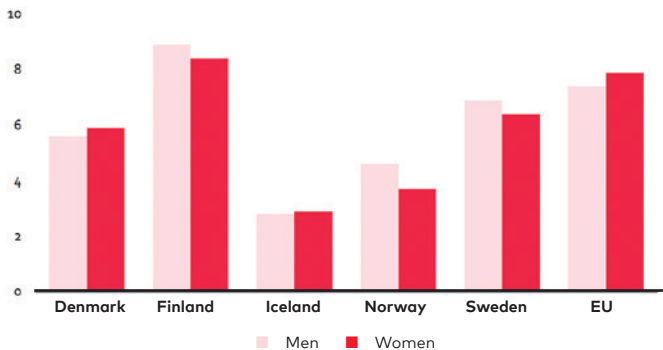
Employment rate

% of age group 15-64 years (2017)



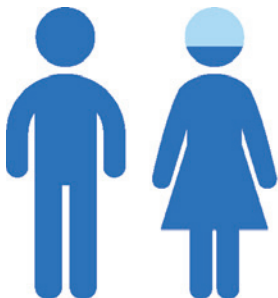
Unemployment rate

% of age group 15-64 years (2017)



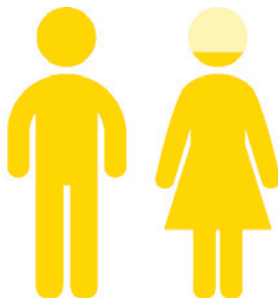
Gender pay gap

% (2016)



14.9

NORDIC REGION



16.2

EU

Share of parental leave taken by fathers

% (2016)



11

DENMARK



11

FINLAND



29

ICELAND



19

NORWAY



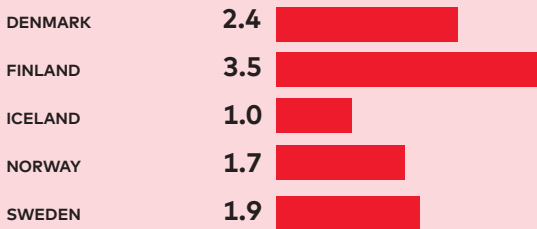
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SWEDEN

Welfare

Recipients of income support

% of population aged 18+ (2016)





Risk of poverty

% of households, single parents with dependent children (2016)

19.3

21.2

24.9

34.2

32.3

Total fertility rate

number of children per woman (2016)

1.8

1.6

1.7

1.7

1.9

Number of deaths caused by cancer, women

per 100,000 (2015)

255

186

179

192

218

Number of deaths caused by cancer, men

per 100,000 (2015)

288

241

206

223

239

Healthcare expenditure

% of GDP (2016)

10.4

9.5

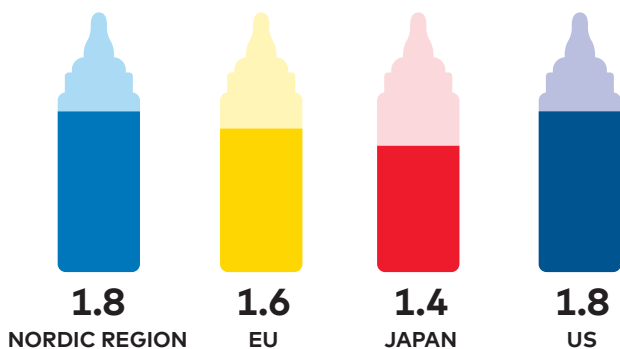
8.3

10.5

10.9

Total fertility rate

(2017)



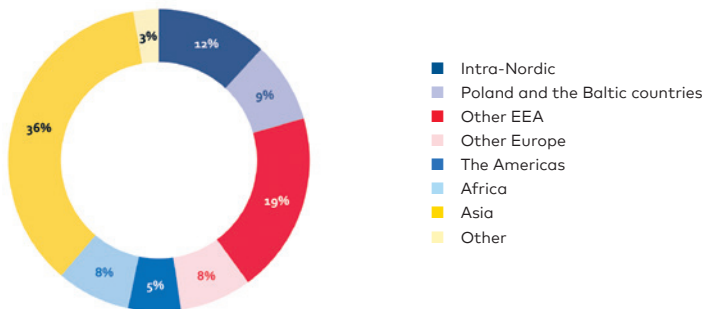
Life expectancy at birth

years (2016)

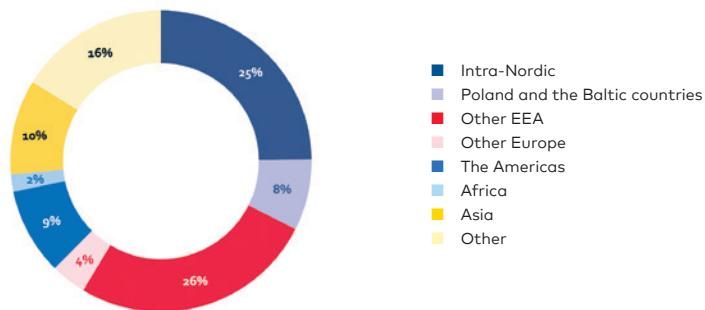
Women



Immigration to the Nordic Region (2016)

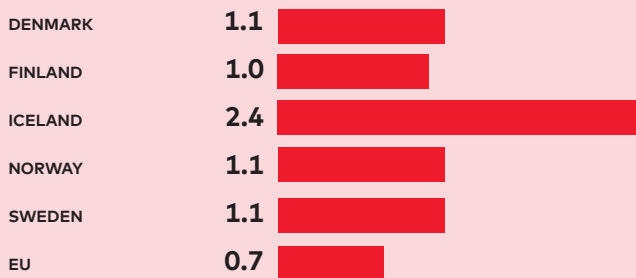


Emigration from the Nordic Region (2016)



Culture and innovation

Public expenditure on culture, recreational and sporting activities % of GDP (2016)





Total public expenditure on R&D

% of GDP (2016)

2.9

2.8

2.1

2.0

3.3

Granted patents

per million inhabitants (2017)

187

224

65

69

290

Graduates at doctoral or equivalent level

per million inhabitants (2016)

385

366

217

262

359

Domestic film premieres

% of all film premieres (2017; Iceland 2014)

15

19

5

14

18

Visits to museums

average number of visits per 100 inhabitants
(2017; Iceland and Sweden 2016)

268

128

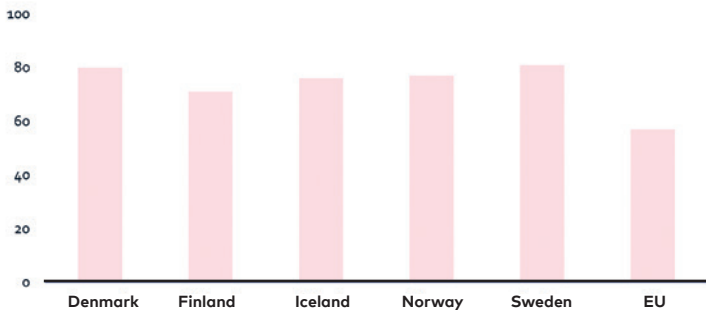
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212

281

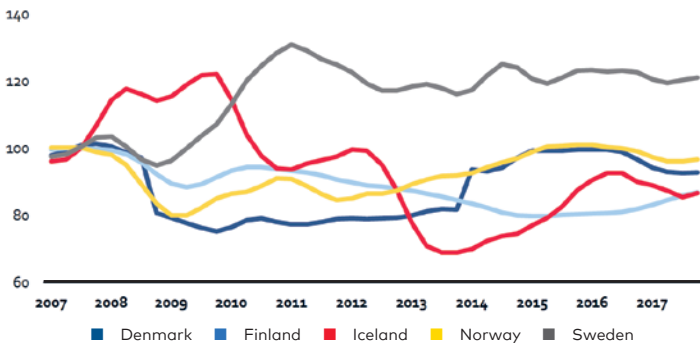
Online shopping

% of population (2017)



New enterprises

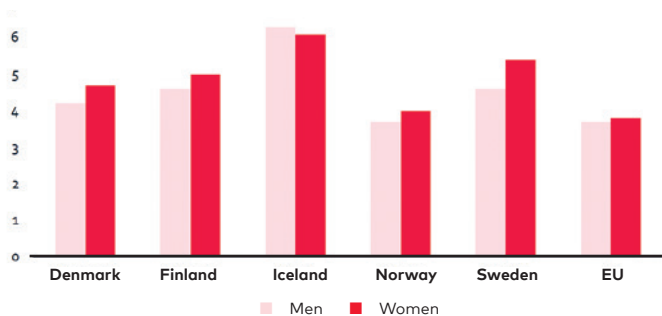
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Cinema visits per inhabitant (2016)



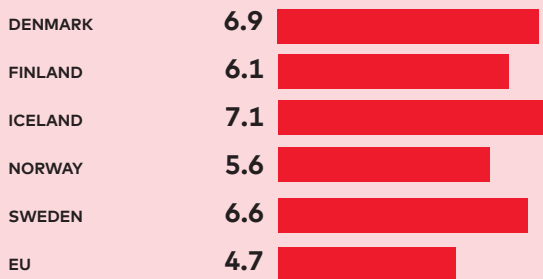
Employment in the culture sector % of total employment (2016)



Children and young people

Public expenditure on education

% of GDP (2016)





Youth unemployment

% of age group 15-24 years (2017)

11

20

8

11

18

Children and young people placed outside home

Per 1,000 of age group 0-17 years (2015)

10

14

4

13

10

Early leavers from education

% of age group 18-24 years (2016)

7

11

20

7

8

Students enrolled in higher education

% of age group 20-39 years (2015)

18

18

17

16

15

PISA

student performance in science (2015)

502

531

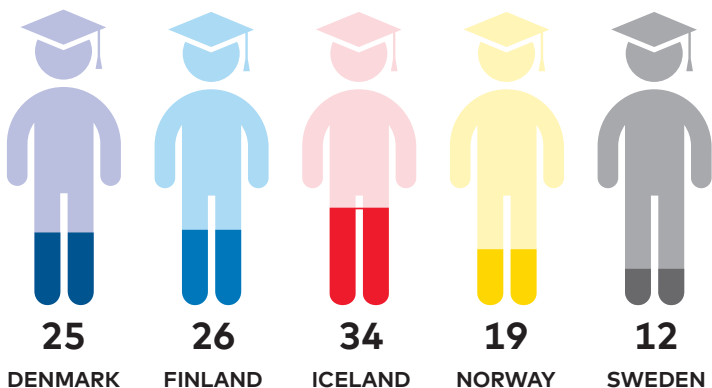
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493

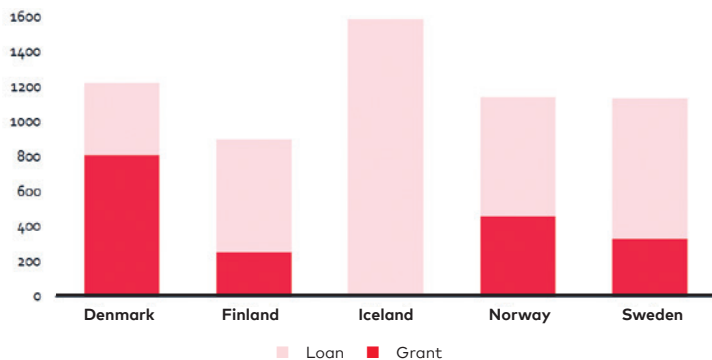
Students abroad

% of students abroad studying in a Nordic country (2015/2016)



Financial support for students

euro per month (2017)



Most popular names for children born in 2017





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