

Socio-economic aspects

Greenland's economy is based on fishing and fish products. In addition, Greenland receives a block grant of some DKK 3.45 billion (2012) from Denmark, which is equivalent to approx. 40 % of the public revenue.

The private sector in Greenland primarily consists of small enterprises such as retailers, builders, fishermen, hotel and catering, as well as repair services, apart from a few large national enterprises that are owned by the Home Rule Government. These national companies employ most of the workforce, whereas the small companies employ only a minor share of the total (Skatte- og velfærds kommission, 2010).

The number of underemployed was on average 2,045 persons per month, equivalent to 7.0 % of the potential workforce in the first quarter of 2010. In the first quarter of 2009 this number was 5.6 %.



Health care

All health care treatment is free, including medication and dental treatment financed through the tax system (www.nanoq.gl).