Country Profile: Finland

Finland is a highly developed democracy with a modern economy. It is a member of the European Union. Tourist facilities are widely available. Read the Department of State <u>Background Notes</u> on Finland for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW

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Country Name:	Finland
Continent:	Europe
Capital City:	Helsinki
Boundary Countries:	Norway, Sweden, Russia
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	Central Finland Central Hospital, Haukkala Hospital, Helsinki University Central Hospital, Hospital Mehilainen -Hameenlinna, Hospital Mehilainen -Tampere, Hospital Mehilainen -Turku, Hospital Mehilainen - Vaasa, Hospital Mehilainen – Helsinki, Hospital Mehilainen – Jyvaskyla, Hospital Mehilainen – Kuopio, Jorvi Hospital, Juurikkaniemi Hospital, Kuopio University Hospital, Oulu Hospital, Sadesairaala Hospital, Sisa-Suomi Hospital, Tampere University Hospital, Turku University Hospital
Main Cities:	Vaasa, Helsinki, Espoo, Oulu
Country Size:	338,145 sq km
Population:	5,214,512 (July 2004 est.)

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	Finnish 93.4% Swedish
Currency:	Euro (EU)
Predominant Religions:	Lutheran National Church 84.2%, Greek Orthodox in Finland 1.1%, other Chritian 0.1%, none 13.5%
National Holidays:	Independance Day, 6 December (1917)
Economic Status:	Finland is highly developed democracy with a modern economy.
Security:	Finnish Defense Forces: Army, NAvy, (includes coastal defense forces), Air Force.
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