Country Profile: Faeroe Islands

The population of the Fahroe Islands is largely descended from Viking settlers who arrived n the 9th century. The islands have been connected politically to DenMArk since the 14th century. a high degree of self government was attained in 1948.

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COUNTRY OVERVIEW	
Country Name:	Faero Islands
Continent:	Europe
Capital City:	Torshavn
Boundary Countries:	No Land Boundaries
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	The Faroese Hospital (Torshavn), Svduroy Hospital (Tveroyrl)
Main Cities:	Torshvan, Klaksvik, Vestmanna, Fuglafjorohur
Country Size:	1,399 sq km
Population:	47,511

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	Faroese (derived from old Norse), Danish	
Currency:	Danish krone(DDK)	
Predominant Religions:	Evangelitical Lutheran	
National Holidays:	Olaifest (OLavasoka), 29 July	
Economic Status:	The Faroese economy is dependent on fishing, which makes the economy vulnerable to price swings. Aided by a substantial annual subsidy (about 15% of GDP) from Denmark, the Faroese have a standard of living not far below the Danes and other Scandinavians	
Security:	Defence is the responsibility of Denmark.	
US Presence:	None (self- governing overseas administrative division of Denmark.	
Major Airports:	Airports: 1, Airports w/paved runways: 1 Vagar Airport (FAE/EKVG) Vagar Airport, Faroe Islands, FO-380 Sorvágur, FAROE ISLANDS Tel: +298 354400 Fax: +298 354401 E-mail: webmaster@gloghavn.fo Website: www.floghavn.fo Customs, hours: 09:00-18:00 Tel: +298 311908 Fax: +298 357711	

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