



Country Profile: Netherlands

The Netherlands is a highly developed, stable democracy. Tourist facilities are available throughout the Kingdom. Read the Department of State Background Notes on the Netherlands for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Netherlands
Continent:	Europe
Capital City:	Amsterdam
Boundary Countries:	Belgium, Germany
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	Rotterdam: Erasmus Medical Centre Antoniushove: Medisch Centrum Haaglanden Westeinde: Medisch Centrum Haaglanden
Main Cities:	Amsterdam, The Hague, Rotterdam, Maastricht, Haarlem, Utrecht
Country Size:	41,526 sq km
Population:	16,318,199

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	Dutch (official), Frisian (official)
Currency:	Euro (EUR)
Predominant Religions:	Roman Catholic 31%, Dutch Reformed 13%, Calvinist 7%, Muslim 5.5%, other 2.5%, none 41%
National Holidays:	Queen's Day (Birthday of Queen-Mother JULIANA in 1909 and accession to the throne of her oldest daughter BEATRIX in 1980), 30 April
Economic Status:	The Netherlands is a highly developed, stable democracy. The Netherlands has a prosperous and open economy, which depends heavily on foreign trade. The economy is noted for stable industrial relations, moderate unemployment and inflation, a sizable current account surplus, and an important role as a European transportation hub.
Security:	Royal Netherlands Army, Royal Netherlands Navy (including Naval Air Service and Marine Corps), Royal Netherlands Air Force (Koninklijke Luchtmacht, KLu), Royal Military Police, Defense Interservice Command (DICO)
US Presence:	U.S. Embassy The Hague John Adams Park 1 2244 BZ Wassenaar The Hague Phone: +31 70 310-2209 U.S. Consulate General Amsterdam Museumplein 19 1071 DJ Amsterdam The Netherlands

Major Airports:	Airports: 27, Airports w/paved runways: 20Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS/EHAM)Amsterdam Airport, Netherlands, PO Box 7501, NL-1118 ZG Schiphol, NETHERLANDSAmsterdam Airport, Netherlands, Evert van de Beekstraat 202, NL-1118 CP Schiphol-Centrum, NETHERLANDSTel: +31 (0)20 601 45 30Fax: +31 (0)20 601 29 36Website: www.schiphol.nl Customs, hours: 24 hoursTel: +31 (0)23 567 12 12Fax: +31 (0)23 562 14 94
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