



Country Profile: Lithuania

Lithuania is a stable democracy undergoing rapid economic growth. Tourist facilities in Vilnius, the capital, and to a lesser extent in Kaunas and Klaipeda, are similar to those available in other European cities. In other parts of the country, however, some of the goods and services taken for granted in other countries may not be available. Read the Department of State [Background Notes](#) on Lithuania for additional information.

COUNTRY OVERVIEW



Country Name:	Lithuania
Continent:	Europe
Capital City:	Vilnius
Boundary Countries:	Belarus, Latvia, Poland, Russia
Recommended Hospitals in Capital:	
Main Cities:	Vilnius, Utena, Kaunas, Jonava, Butlinge, Alytus
Country Size:	65,200 sq km
Population:	3,585,906

COUNTRY GENERAL INFORMATION

Language:	Lithuanian (official) 82%, Russian 8%, Polish 5.6%, other and unspecified 4.4%
Currency:	Lithuanian Litas (LTL)
Predominant Religions:	Roman Catholic 79%, Russian Orthodox 4.1%, Protestant (including Lutheran and Evangelical Christian Baptist) 1.9%, other or unspecified 5.5%, none 9.5%
National Holidays:	11 March 1990 (independence declared from Soviet Union); 6 September 1991 (Soviet Union recognizes Lithuania's independence)
Economic Status:	Lithuania is a stable democracy undergoing rapid economic growth. Lithuania, the Baltic state that has conducted the most trade with Russia, has slowly rebounded from the 1998 Russian financial crisis. Unemployment dropped from 11% in 2003 to 4.5% in 2006.
Security:	Ground Forces, Naval Force, Lithuanian Military Air Forces, National Defense Volunteer Forces
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Major Airports:	Airports: 91, Airports w/paved runways: 34 Vilnius International Airport (VNO/EYVI) Vilnius Airport, Lithuania, Rodunios Kelias Street 10A, LT-02189 Vilnius, LITHUANIA Tel: +370 5 273 9318 Fax: +370 5 232 9122 E-mail: airport@vno.lt Website: www.vilnius-airport.lt Customs, hours: 24 hours Tel: +370 5 213 6622 Fax: +370 5 233 0317

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