



## Utanríkisráðuneytið: Basic Statistics, July 1965

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REYKJAVÍK

July 1965

ICELAND

Basic Statistics, end 1964.

<u>Area</u> (in 1000 km <sup>2</sup> )	
Cultivated .	1
Grazings ..	<u>24</u> 25
Glaciers ..	12
Lakes.....	3
Lava.....	6
Sands.....	4
Other wastes	<u>53</u> 78
<u>Total area</u> 103	

<u>Population</u> , Dec. 1, 1964:	190,000 (1.8 per km <sup>2</sup> )
( Reykjavík - - -	78,000 )
Net increase 1959-63, annual average 1.9%	<u>Average life</u> (1951-60)
Born alive ... 2.7%	Men      70.7 years
Died ..... .7%	Women    75.0 -
Net migration -0.1%	Marriages (1959-63) 7.6 o/oo
	Divorces ..... 0.9 -

Occupations

Farming.....	13.5 %
Fisheries.....	10.0 -
Fish processing.....	10.0 -
Other manufacturing.....	13.0 -
Construction.....	10.0 -
Commerce, communications....	21.5 -
Other services.....	14.5 -
Pensions, publ. relief etc. ....	<u>7.5 -</u>
	100.0 %

Farming ( c. 5250 farms )

Cattle.....	56 000
Horses.....	30 000
Sheep.....	777 000
Poultry.....	107 000
Pigs.....	1 000



Number of dairies	15.
Milk processed in dairies	100 000 000 l.
Total milk production ...	120 000 000 l.
Mutton production .....	12 000 000 kg.

Fisheries ( 850 craft, totalling 80 000 G.R.T. )

1963 total catch .....	774 000 tons
( of which herring	395 000 - )
1964 Herring .....	542 000 tons
Cod, haddock and flat fish .....	425 000 -
Capelin .....	9 000 -
Crustacea .....	3 000 -
Total	979 000 tons

Export, imports, balance of payments.

Imports 1964 ....	5650 mill. kr. c.i.f.
Exports - ....	4776 - - f.o.b.
Adverse balance	974 million kr.

The net balance of payments for 1964 ( including invisible payments ) is not yet available. In 1963 it was adverse by 220 million kr. and will probably be similar 1964.

Fish and fishery products	92% of the exports
Agricultural products	6% - - -

Principal trading partners 1964

	Exports	Imports
United Kingdom .....	17.5%	13.3%
United States .....	16.1-	11.9-
Soviet Union .....	9.1-	8.4-
Western Germany ....	8.6-	10.3-
Sweden .....	7.3-	5.4-
Denmark .....	3.6-	7.0-
Norway .....	6.3-	10.8-
Nigeria .....	4.8-	-

Principal exports:

Frozen fish .....	24.0 %
Herring meal .....	12.5 -
Salted herring .....	11.0 -
Salted fish .....	9.0 -
Herring oil .....	9.0 -
Iced fish ( incl. herring) .....	7.0 -
Dried fish .....	7.0 -



Passenger transports (overseas) : 1964 (1963)

	Foreigners:	Icelanders:	Total:
By sea	3157 ( 2 800 )	3635 ( 3 212 )	6792 ( 6 012 )
By air	19812 ( 14 775 )	13111 ( 9 912 )	32923 ( 24 687 )
	<u>22969 ( 17 575 )</u>	<u>16746 ( 13 124 )</u>	<u>39715 ( 30 699 )</u>

Living Standards

Calories per day 3240  
 Minimum hourly daytime wages, March 1965 Kr. 37.63  
 Average yearly income of married workers and seamen, 1963 Kr. 125 000

According to income tax returns 1963  
 75% of married male taxpayers, ages 25-66 years lived in own houses.

Per 1000 inhabitants:

Passenger cars	135
Radio sets	460
Telephones	254

Energy consumption per head, coal equivalent metr. tons 4.4  
 Milk consumption per day per person 0.66 ltr.

The School System (1964-1965)

( Compulsory Education 7-15 years age )

<u>Schools:</u>	<u>Pupils:</u>	<u>Teachers:</u>
Primary ( 217 )	25 000	1067
Secondary ( 91 )	10 840	896
Technical and special ( 85 )	9 146	742
Colleges ( 3 )	1 475	109
University ( 1 )	950	111
( 397 )	<u>47.411</u>	<u>2925</u>

Elections to the Althing, seats (%)

	<u>1959 ( autumn )</u>	<u>1963</u>
Independence Party	24 ( 39.7 )	24 ( 41.4 )
Progressive -	17 ( 25.7 )	19 ( 28.2 )
People's Union	10 ( 16.0 )	9 ( 16.0 )
Labour Party	9 ( 15.2 )	8 ( 14.2 )
others	( 3.4 )	( .2 )
	<u>60 ( 100% )</u>	<u>60 ( 100% )</u>



<u>Electricity generated</u>		1964 ( 1963 )	
Water power	653	( 629 )	million kWh.
Thermal -	13	( 12 )	- -
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Total	666	( 641 )	million kWh.

<u>Installed capacity</u>	
Water power	122.7 ( 121.7 ) kW
Thermal -	26.6 ( 24.9 ) -
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	149.3 ( 146.6 ) kW

<u>Power consumption in %</u>	
Nitrog. fertilizer plant ..	24.2
Home consumption .....	22.1
- heating .....	15.7
Big machinery .....	14.6
Keflavik Airport .....	6.9
Lightning ( houses ) .....	5.5
Small machines .....	2.6
Cement factory (1) .....	2.3
Street and harbour lightning .....	1.7
Other .....	4.4
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	100.0

Shipping

End 1964 65 vessels, 69 000 G.R.T.

Aircraft ( in overseas operation )

1965 ( june ) 11 aircraft ( 1081 seats )

Icelandair	4 ( 281 )
Loftleidir	7 ( 800 )