

# FINLAND









#### GOVERNMENT

#### **Chief of State**

President Sauli NIINISTO

#### **Head of Government**

Prime Minister Juha SIPILA

#### **Government Type**

parliamentary republic

#### Capital

Helsinki

# Legislature

unicameral Parliament or Eduskunta (200 seats)

#### **Judiciary**

Supreme Court or Korkein Oikeus (consists of the court president and 18 judges); Supreme Administrative Court (consists of 21 judges, including the court president and organized into 3 chambers)

## Ambassador to US

Ambassador Kirsti KAUPPI

#### **US Ambassador**

Ambassador Robert "Bob" Frank PENCE

#### **GEOGRAPHY**

#### Area

Total: 338,145 sq km Land: 303,815 sq km Water: 34,330 sq km

#### Climate

cold temperate; potentially subarctic but comparatively mild because of moderating influence of the North Atlantic Current, Baltic Sea, and more than 60,000 lakes

#### **Natural Resources**

timber, iron ore, copper, lead, zinc, chromite, nickel, gold, silver, limestone

#### **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

Finland has a highly industrialized, largely free-market economy with per capita GDP almost as high as that of Austria and the Netherlands and slightly above Germany and Belgium; exports account for over one-third of GDP, particularly in the wood, metals, engineering, telecommunications, and electronics industries.

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$244.9 billion (2017 est.)

# GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$44,500 (2017 est.)

# **Exports**

\$67.73 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 14.2%, Sweden 10.1%, US 7%, Netherlands

6.8%, China 5.7%, Russia 5.7%, UK 4.5% (2017)

#### **Imports**

\$65.26 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 17.7%, Sweden 15.8%, Russia 13.1%,

Netherlands 8.7% (2017)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

## **Population**

5.5 million (July 2018 est.)

#### **Population Growth**

0.33% (2018 est.)

#### **Ethnicity**

Finn, Swede, Russian, Estonian, Romani, Sami

# Language

Finnish (official) 87.9%, Swedish (official) 5.2%, Russian 1.4%, other 5.5% (2017 est.)

#### Religion

Lutheran 70.9%, Greek Orthodox 1.1%, other 1.7%, unspecified 26.3% (2017 est.)

# Urbanization

urban population: 85.4% of total population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 0.42% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

