Country Information Guide

Estonia

A guide to information sources on the Republic of Estonia, with hyperlinks to information within European Sources Online and on external websites

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General information

- Estonia: Government portal
- Estonia: Official gateway to Estonia
- Estonia: Estonica: Encyclopaedia about Estonia
- European Union: European Countries: Estonia
- Wikipedia: Estonia
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Estonia
- United States: CIA World Factbook: Estonia
- United States: Department of State: Estonia
- BBC News: Country Profile: Estonia
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: Estonia
- UCL School of Slavonic and East European Studies Library: Internet resources on Estonia
- Find websites on Estonia through Google
- The Guardian: World news: Estonia
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: Estonia

Agricultural information

- Estonia: Ministry of Agriculture (Põllumajandusministeerium)
- Estonia: Agricultural Board (Põllumajandusamet)
- Estonia: Estonian Agricultural Registers and Information Board (Põllumajanduse Registrite ja Informatsiooni Amet)
- FAO: Country profile and Mapping information system: Estonia
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: Estonia
- European Commission: DG Agriculture: Agriculture and Rural Development
  - Rural Development Plans 2007-2013: Estonia
  - Rural Development Plans 2007-2013: Estonia
- Organic Europe: Organic farming in European countries: Estonia

Competition policy information

- Estonia: Estonian Competition Authority (Konkurentsiamet)
- OECD: Competition: Estonia

Culture and language information

- Estonia: Ministry of Culture (Kultuuriministeerium)
- Estonia: Governmental portal: Culture and Leisure Time
- European Commission: Languages: Euromosaic: The Euromosaic study [Select Country]
- European Commission: EU Languages and Language policy
- SIL International: Ethnologue: Languages of Estonia
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: Estonia

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Defence and security information

- Estonia: Ministry of Defence (Kaitseministeerium)
- Estonia: Estonian Internal Security Service (Kaitsepolitseiamet)
- Estonia: Estonian Defence Forces (Eesti Kaitsevägi)
- Estonia: Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Estonia and NATO
- NATO: Permanent Delegation of Estonia to NATO

Economic information

- ESO: Estonia: Economic situation
- Estonia: Ministry of Finance (Rahandusministeerium)
- Estonia: Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications (Majandus- ja Kommunikatsiooniministeerium)
- Estonia: Bank of Estonia (Eesti Pank)
  - Annual Reports and other publications
  - Statistics
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: Taxes in Europe Database [Select Country]
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development: Estonia
- International Monetary Fund: Estonia and the IMF
- OECD: Country List: Estonia
- UNCTAD/WTO: International Trade Centre: Estonia
- WTO: Estonia and the WTO

Education information

- Estonia: Ministry of Education and Research (Haridus- ja Teadusministeerium)
- Estonia: Estonian Research Council (Eesti Teadusagentuur)
- Estonia: Governmental portal: Education and Science
- Estonia: Study in Estonia
- European Commission: Education & training: Study in Europe: Higher Education in Estonia
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: Youth Policy in Estonia
- Council of Europe: Country Sheet on Youth Policy: Estonia
- Eurydice: Eurypedia - The European Encyclopedia on National Education Systems: Estonia
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Education [select topic then country]
- World Bank: EdStats: Country Profile: Estonia [select country]
- OECD: Education: Estonia
- Council of Europe / UNESCO/European Commission: ENIC: Country Profiles: Estonia [offers links to national education authorities and information sites]
- UNESCO Institute for Statistics: Education in Estonia
- Nation Master: Education in Estonia: Statistics
Wikipedia: Education in Estonia

Employment information

- Estonia: Ministry of Social Affairs (Sotsiaalministeerium)
- Estonia: Governmental portal: Work and Employment Relations
- OECD: Key Employment Statistics: Estonia
- European Commission: European Employment Observatory [Select Country and Year]
- European Industrial Relations Observatory online: Estonia
- Federation of European Employers: Industrial Relations across Europe [Select Country]
- European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations: Estonia
- International Labour Organization: NATLEX: Estonia

Energy information

- Estonia: Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications (Majandus- ja Kommunikatsooniministeerium): Energy
- International Energy Agency: Estonia
  - Statistics and Balances: Estonia
- United States: Energy Information Administration: Estonia

Environmental information

- Estonia: Ministry of Environment (Keskkonnaministeerium)
- Estonia: Governmental portal: Environment
- Estonia: Environment Information Centre
- FAO: Specialised Country Profiles: Estonia
  - Food Security and Safety: Country Profiles: Estonia
  - Forestry Sector: Country Information: Estonia
  - Water Management: Country Information: Estonia
- European Environment Information and Observation Network: Estonia
- OECD: Environment: Estonia
- European Network of the Heads of Environment Protection Agencies: Estonia
- Friends of the Earth International: Estonia
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: Estonia
- Regional Environmental Center for Central and Eastern Europe: REC Estonia

European policies and relations with the European Union

- Estonia: Permanent Representation to the European Union
• Estonia: Bank of Estonia (Eesti Pank)
  o The euro
  o SEPA: Single Euro Payments Area
  o European System of Central Banks
  o Publications

• European Union: Member Countries: Estonia
• European Union: Europe Direct: Estonia
• European Parliament: Parliament information office in Estonia [in Estonian]
• European Commission: Representation in Estonia [in Estonian]
• European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: Estonia [select country]
• European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs: Estonia
  o Estonia and the Euro
• European Commission: DG Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural Development Policy 2007-2013: Estonia
• Estonian Ministry of Agriculture: Estonian Rural Development Plan (ERDP) for 2014-2020
• European Investment Bank: Finance contracts signed in: Estonia
• Council of Europe: Member States: Estonia
• Estonia: Permanent Representation to the OECD
• OECD: Estonia

Geographic information and maps

• European Union: DG Press and Communication: Estonia
• FAO: Country Profiles and Mapping Information System: Country Maps
• Maps of the World: Estonia
• Lonely Planet: Map of Estonia
• United Nations: UN Map Library: Estonia
• University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library Map Collection: Estonia Maps

Health information

• Estonia: Ministry of Social Affairs (Sotsiaalministeerium)
• Estonia: Governmental portal: Health Care and Protection
• European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in Estonia
• European Commission: DG Health & Consumers: Public health: Healthcare: Trustworthy websites on "Healthcare" [select country]
• World Health Organization: Estonia
• World Health Organization: Regional Office for Europe: Estonia
• World Health Organisation: European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: Health System Reviews: Estonia
• European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):
  o Drug treatment profiles: Estonia
  o Legal Profile: [Select Country]
  o Country Overview: Estonia
  o National drugs strategies: Estonia
  o Legal Topics Overview:[Select Topic and Country]
• OECD: Health: Estonia

Human rights information

• Estonia: Chancellor of Justice (Õiguskanstler)
• Estonia: Human Rights Centre
- Estonia: Legal Information Centre for Human Rights
- Estonia: Estonian Institute for Human Rights
- Estonia: Gender Equality and Equal Treatment Commissioner (Soolise võrdõiguslikkuse ja võrdse kohtlemise volinik – [in Estonian])
- Council of Europe: European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance: Report on Estonia
- Council of Europe: Venice Commission: Estonia
- Amnesty International: Country Report: Estonia
- Committee for Refugees: Europe
- Estonian Refugee Council: About us
- Reporters Without Borders: Estonia
- The Carter Center: Carter Center Activities in: Estonia
- The UN refugee Agency: Country Information Collection: Estonia
- Council of Europe: European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: Estonia
- European Court of Human Rights: Country Profiles: Estonia
- European Court of Human Rights: Violation by Article and by State 1959-2013 [Select Country]
- European Court of Human Rights: Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010 [Select Country]

**Intellectual property information**
- Estonia: Patent Office (Patendiamet)
- IPmenu: Estonia

**Investment information**
- Estonia: Enterprise Estonia (Ettevõtluse Arendamise Sihtasutus)
- Estonia: Estonian Investment and Trade Agency
- United States Commercial Service: Doing Business in Estonia
- United Kingdom: UK Trade & Investment: Country Profile: Estonia
- World Bank: Economy Profile: Estonia
- OECD: Investment: Estonia
- OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: Estonia

**Justice and home affairs information**
- Estonia: Ministry of Justice (Justiitsministeerium)
- Estonia: Ministry of the Interior (Siseministeerium)
- Estonia: Supreme Court (Riigikohus)
- Council of Europe: European Commission for Democracy through Law / Venice Commission: Documents on Estonia
- Council of Europe: Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): Evaluation and Compliance Reports: [Select country]
Living and working information

- Estonia: Governmental portal: Work and Employment Relations
  - Benefits and Social Assistance
  - Housing
- European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working conditions: Estonia
- European Commission: DG Communication: Your Europe [Find factsheets with specific information on individual Member States]
- European Working Conditions Observatory (EWCO): National Surveys: Estonia

Media information

- Estonia: Public Broadcasting Council (Eesti Rahvusringhäälingu Nõukogu)
- European Journalism Centre: Media Landscape: Estonia
- European Newspaper Publishers Association: Estonia
- European Broadcasting Union (EBU): Broadcasting Organisations [Select Country]
- Newslink: European newspapers: Estonia
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and Newsmedia: Estonia

Political information (including elections)

- ESO: Estonia: Political situation
- Estonia: Government portal
- Estonia: Constitution
- Estonia: Government System
- Estonia: Parliament of Estonia (Riigikogu)
- Estonia: President
- Estonia: Prime Minister
- Estonia: Estonian National Electoral Committee
- Wikipedia: Politics of Estonia
- Wikipedia: Elections in Estonia
- ESO: Estonia: Political situation: Elections
- Parties and Elections in Europe: Estonia
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: Estonia
- OECD: Public governance: Estonia
- OECD: Regulatory reform: Estonia
- Political resources on the web: Estonia

Public management information

- Estonia: Estonian Public Service
- Estonia: State Information System (Riigi Infosüsteemid)
• Estonia: **Estonian Information System’s Authority** (Riigi Infosüsteemidearenduskeskus)
• ePractice: eGovernment Factsheet: **Estonia** [Select Country]
• OECD: Public governance: **Estonia**
• PSI Navigator (Directory and search engine for the public sector information of Europe): National reports: **Estonia**

### R&D information

• Estonia: **Ministry of Education and Research** (Haridus- ja Teadusministeerium)
• Estonia: **Research and Development Council** (Teadus- ja Arendusnõukogu)
• European Commission: DG Enterprise: Community Research and Development Information Service: **Estonia**
• European Commission: DG Research and Innovation: Research under FP7: **Estonia**
• European Commission: Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2011 [click on map to select country]
• OECD: Innovation: **Estonia**
• OECD: Science and technology: **Estonia**
• OECD: Sustainable development: **Estonia**

### Regional and local information

• Estonia: Ministry of the Interior: **Local Government in Estonia**
• Estonia: **Association of Estonian Cities** (Eesti Linnade Liit)
• Estonia: **Association of Municipalities of Estonia** (Eesti Maaomavalitsuste Liit)
• European Commission: Eurostat: **Eurostat Regional Yearbook 2014**
• Committee of the Regions: Regions of Estonia: Europe in my Region: **Estonia**
• OECD: Regional rural and urban development: **Estonia**

### Social information

• Estonia: **Ministry of Social Affairs** (Sotsiaalministeerium)
• European Commission: DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: Your rights in **Estonia** [2014] [select country]
• European Commission: MISSOC Secretariat: **Organisation of Social Protection**
• European Commission: MISSOC Secretariat: **Social Protection of the Self-Employed**
• OECD: Documentation on **Estonia**
• OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: **Estonia**
• World Bank: **Gender Statistics**
• United States: Social Security Online: Research and program description about **Estonia**
• United States: Social Security Online: Social Security Programs Throughout the World: **Estonia** [2012]
• UNICEF: **Estonia**

### Statistical information

• Estonia: **Statistics Office** (Statistikaamet)
  o **Main indicators**
  o **Economic and financial data**
Eurostat: Country Profiles: Estonia [Select Country]
OECD: Country Statistical Profile: Estonia
World Bank: Data: Estonia
UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Estonia
Nation Master: Statistics on Estonia

Tourism information

Estonia: Estonian Tourist Board: Visit Estonia
Estonia: Estonian Tourism Portal
Guardian Newspaper Ltd.: Guardian Unlimited Travel: Estonia
Lonely Planet: Introducing Estonia
Rough Guides: Estonia
Tripadvisor.co.uk: Estonia
The Telegraph: Estonia

Transport information

Estonia: Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications (Majandus- ja Kommunikatsiooniministeerium): Transport
Estonia: Estonian Road Administration (Maanteeamet)
Estonia: Estonian Air
Estonia: Estonian Railways
European Commission: DG Mobility & Transport: Road Safety Vademecum [2010-2013]
NationMaster.com: Transportation: Country Profile: Estonia
Wikipedia: Transport in Estonia

Weather information

Estonia: Estonian Weather Service (Riigi Ilmateenistus)
BBC: Weather Centre: Estonia
BBC Weather Centre: Climate Guide and Five Day Weather Forecast: Estonia

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