



to the country's problem: barring<sup>22</sup> capital from leaving the country and prohibiting<sup>23</sup> Icelanders from purchasing<sup>24</sup> any foreign stocks<sup>25</sup> or currency. This prompted<sup>26</sup> people to invest in local businesses, which led to a fall in the exchange rate<sup>27</sup> for the krona, reduced prices and, most crucially<sup>28</sup>, brought a boom in tourism, which subsequently<sup>29</sup> overtook<sup>30</sup> fishing and aluminium as Iceland's leading industry. In fact, despite<sup>31</sup> the eruption of the Eyjafjallajökull volcano, the number of tourists visiting Iceland quadrupled<sup>32</sup> between 2010 and 2017.



### Fishing – Iceland's Iconic Industry

Fishing has long been one of Iceland's key industries. According to<sup>33</sup> the Icelandic Times, the fishing industry directly employs<sup>34</sup> approx.<sup>35</sup> 7,500 people, which accounts for 3.9 percent of the country's entire workforce. Figures published on Wikipedia – based on data provided by the World Bank as well as the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations – indicate<sup>36</sup> that Iceland ranks twenty third in terms of<sup>37</sup> fish capture and seafood production.

### Top Seafood<sup>38</sup> Companies

Among the largest companies in the Icelandic fishing industry is Samherji Ltd.

<sup>22</sup> to bar sth tə bɑ:(r) 'sɑmθɪŋ zakazać czegoś

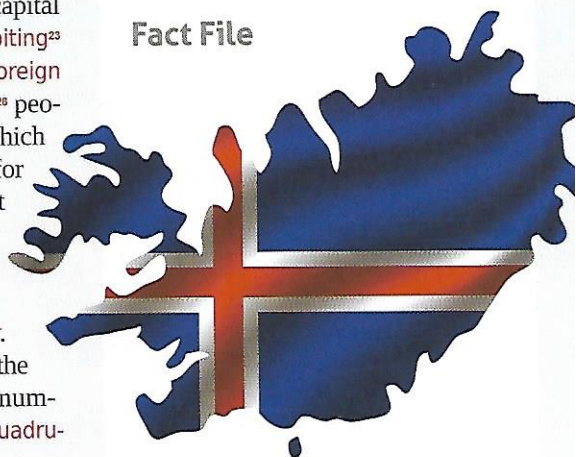
<sup>23</sup> to prohibit sth tə prə'hɪbɪt 'sɑmθɪŋ zakazać czegoś

<sup>24</sup> to purchase sth - za/kupić coś, nabyć coś

<sup>25</sup> foreign stocks 'fɒrən stɒks zagraniczne zasoby

<sup>26</sup> to prompt sb tə prɒmpt 'sɑmbədɪ skłonić

### Fact File



The World Population Review states that the population of Iceland is approx. 373,000 inhabitants<sup>1</sup>, with approx. 135,400 residing in Reykjavik, so there are more people living in Szczecin alone (approx. 399,500) than in the whole of Iceland, while Iceland's capital has less residents than the Warsaw District of Wola (approx. 141,000).

<sup>1</sup> inhabitant ɪn'hæbɪtənt mieszkaniec

### INFOBOX

kogoś

<sup>27</sup> exchange rate ɪks'tʃeɪndʒ reɪt kurs wymiany walut

<sup>28</sup> crucially 'kru:ʃəli decydująco

<sup>29</sup> subsequently 'sʌbsɪkwəntli następnie, później

<sup>30</sup> to overtake sth tu ˌəʊvə'teɪk 'sɑmθɪŋ ogarnąć coś

<sup>31</sup> despite sth dɪ'spaɪt 'sɑmθɪŋ po/mimo czegoś

<sup>32</sup> to quadruple tə 'kwɒdrʊpl czterokrotnie wzrosnąć

<sup>33</sup> according to sth ə'kɔ:dɪŋ tə 'sɑmθɪŋ według czegoś

<sup>34</sup> to employ sb tu ɪm'plɔɪ 'sɑmbədɪ zatrudniać kogoś

<sup>35</sup> approx. ə'prɒks około, w przybliżeniu

<sup>36</sup> to indicate sth tu ɪndɪkeɪt 'sɑmθɪŋ wskazywać coś

<sup>37</sup> in terms of sth ɪn tɜ:mz əv 'sɑmθɪŋ pod względem czegoś

<sup>38</sup> seafood 'si:fʊd owoce morza