

NUMBER OF COMPANIES

In 2023, there were

1,992

companies in the life science industry in Denmark.



EMPLOYMENT

As of December 2025, the life science industry in Denmark employed

83,168

full-time equivalents.

This is an increase of 87 pct. since 2013.

VALUE ADDED

The life science industry in Denmark had an added value of

€24bn

in 2023.

This is an increase of 35 pct. since 2022 and 169 pct since 2013.



PRODUCTIVITY

The productivity of the life science industry in Denmark was

€0.34m

per full-time equivalent in 2023.

This is twice as high as the level of productivity in the Danish industry in general.

EXPORTS DIRECTLY FROM DENMARK

The export of life science goods directly from Denmark totaled

€28bn

in 2025.

This corresponded to 22 pct. of the total export of goods from Denmark in 2025.

EXPORTS FROM ABROAD

The export of pharmaceutical goods from Danish companies abroad is estimated to have totaled

€22bn

in 2024.



MANUFACTURING

Pharmaceutical manufacturing averaged an increase of

136 pct.

in 2025 relative to manufacturing levels in 2021.



INVESTMENTS

The stock of foreign direct investment in the life science industry in Denmark totaled

€13.6bn

at the end of 2025.

This is an increase of €765 million compared to the end of 2024.

CLINICAL TRIALS

Denmark ranks

No. 1

in Europe in terms of the number of newly initiated clinical trials per million inhabitants in 2025.



PUBLICATIONS

Denmark ranks

No. 3

in Europe in terms of the number of life science publications per 1,000 inhabitants in 2025.



VIABLE COMPANIES

Denmark ranks

No. 2

in Europe in terms of the number of viable life science companies per million inhabitants during the period 2018-2023.

VALUABLE COMPANIES

As of June 2026, there were

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Danish pharmaceutical companies among the top 100 most valuable pharmaceutical companies worldwide.

