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Long term challenges and current reforms in Sweden

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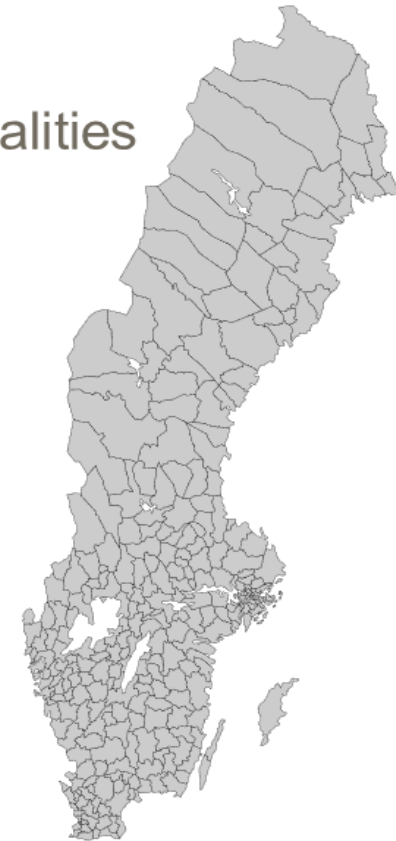


Local governments in Sweden

- Unitary state with strong tradition of local self-government and decentralisation
- Power to levy tax
- The Parliament decides on municipalities' obligations
- Financial equalisation system

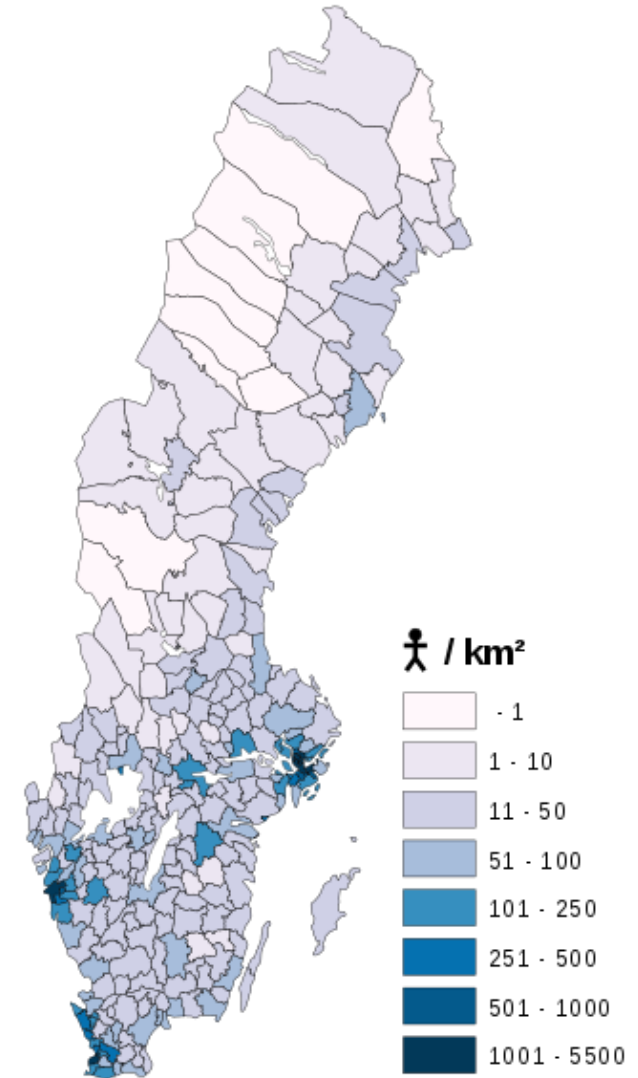
Local level

290 municipalities



Long term challenges

- How to be able to continue to deliver welfare services of a high quality with an aging population?
- Differences in capacity due to:
 - Geographical size
 - Population density
 - Demography



Recent reforms and ongoing inquiries

- **Structural reforms**
 - Voluntary mergers
 - Inter-municipal cooperation
 - Lifting tasks to the state level
 - Update of the financial equalisation system
- **Reforms for increasing efficiency**
 - Digitalisation and automation
 - Encouraging trials and experiments

