Information Guide

Sweden

A guide to information sources on the Kingdom of Sweden.

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- **Sweden – External / Internal / Regions**

General information

- Sweden: Government portal: [Sweden](#)
  - [Factsheet](#)
  - [Government homepage (Sveriges regering och regeringskansliet)](#)
  - [Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Utrikes-departementet)](#)
- European Union: European Countries: [Sweden](#)
- United Nations: Data: Country Profile: [Sweden](#)
- Nordic council: Facts about Sweden
- Wikipedia: [Sweden](#)
- United Kingdom: FCO: Country profile: [Sweden](#)
- United States: State Department: Background Note: [Sweden](#)
- Australia: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade: [Country brief](#)
- BBC News: Country Profile: [Sweden](#)
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: [Sweden](#)
- Google: Find websites on [Sweden](#)
- The Economist: Country briefings: [Sweden](#)
- Search Engines of the World: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: [Sweden](#)
- Nation Master: Home: Country Info: Profiles: [Sweden](#)

Agricultural information

- [Sweden: Ministry of Rural Affairs (Landsbygdsdepartementet)](#)
- Sweden: Government: [Rural Affairs, Animals and Food](#)
- Sweden: [National Food Administration (Livsmedelsverket)](#)
- Sweden: [Swedish Board of Fisheries (Havs- och vattenmyndigheten)](#)
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development (ENRD): Country Information: [Sweden](#)
- FAO: Country profile and Mapping information system: [Sweden](#)
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: [Sweden](#)
- Organic Europe: Organic farming in Europe: [Sweden](#)

Competition policy information

- Sweden: [Competition Authority (Konkurrensverket)](#)
- Sweden: [Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation](#)
  - [Competition policy](#)
- OECD Documentation on Sweden: Competition
  - [Country reviews of competition policy and frameworks](#) [Sweden]
- CUTS International: Competition Regimes in the World: [Sweden](#)
Culture and language information

- Sweden: [Ministry of Culture](#) (Kulturdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government: [Culture, the media, leisure activities](#)
- Sweden: Official Gateway: Factsheets: [Arts and Culture](#)
- Sweden: [Culture Network](#) (Kulturnätet)
- Sweden: [The Swedish Institute](#) ( Svenska Institutet)
- European Commission:
  - Languages: Information: [Regional and Minority Language Products](#)
  - Programmes: Creative Europe: Tools: Creative Europe Desk: [Sweden](#)
  - DG Education and Culture: [Europe and Culture](#): National cultural sites: Sweden [includes a short introduction to cultural policy in Sweden]
  - Multilingualism: Euromosaic study: [Sweedish](#)
- Council of Europe/ERICarts: Cultural Policies in [Sweden](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: [Sweden](#)
- SIL international: Ethnologue: Languages of the World: [Sweden](#)
- University of the Highlands and Islands: European Minority Languages: [Sweden](#)

Defence and security information

- Sweden: [Ministry of Defence](#) (Försvarsdepartementet)
- Sweden: [Swedish Armed Forces](#) (Försvarsmakten)
- Sweden: [Swedish Defence Materiel Administration](#) (Försvaret:s materielverk)
- NATO: Relations with [Sweden](#)

Economic information

- ESO: Sweden: [Economic situation](#)
- Sweden: [Ministry of Employment](#) (Arbetsmarknadsdepartementet)
- Sweden: [Ministry of Finance](#) (Finansdepartementet)
- Sweden: [Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation](#) (Näringsdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government:
  - National economy and budget
  - Regional growth
- Sweden: [Swedish Trade Council](#) (Svenska Exportrådet)
- Sweden: [Stockholm Stock Exchange](#) (Stockholmsbörsen)
- Sweden: [Swedish National Bank](#) (Sveriges Riksbank)
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in [Sweden](#)
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs: [Sweden](#)
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: Taxation and customs duties in [Sweden](#)
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: [Taxes in Europe Database](#)
- International Monetary Fund: [Sweden](#) and the IMF
- OECD: Country List: [Sweden](#)
  - Economic Survey 2015
  - Economic Policy Reforms: [Country note 2012](#)
  - Overview
  - Country Statistical profile:
    - 2015
Education information

- Sweden: [Ministry of Education and Research](Utbildningsdepartementet) (Utbildningsdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government: [Education and Research](Government)
- Sweden: Official Gateway: [Education](Official Gateway)
- Council of Europe: [Charter for Regional or Minority Language](Council of Europe)
- Council of Europe: Cultural cooperation: Education for Democratic Citizenship: [Sweden](Council of Europe)
- Council of Europe/European Union: Youth Partnership: Knowledge/ EKCYP: Background information on Youth Policy: [Sweden](Council of Europe/European Union)
- European Commission: Education & training: Study in Europe: Higher Education in [Sweden](European Commission)
- European Commission: Programmes: Erasmus+: [National-agencies](European Commission)
- European Commission: Eurydice: Eurybase Database on Educational Systems in [Sweden](European Commission)
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: Youth Policy in [Sweden](European Commission)
- Council of Europe/UNESCO: ENIC: Country profiles: [Sweden](Council of Europe/UNESCO)
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: [Education](European Union)
- Europe: Sweden: [Education](Europe)
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: [Education](OECD)
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: [Sweden](UNESCO)
- World Bank: EdStats: [Summary education profile](World Bank)
- Euro Education: European Education Directory: Education in [Sweden](Euro Education)
- Wikipedia: Education in [Sweden](Wikipedia)
- CEDEFOP European Training Village: Vocational Training systems: [Sweden](CEDEFOP)

Employment information

- Sweden: [Ministry of Employment](Ministry of Employment)
- Sweden: Government: [Organisations of Ministry of Employment](Organisations of Ministry of Employment)[Information about Political leadership, Divisions and secretariats, Working life, Labour market policy, etc]
- Sweden: Official Gateway: [Working in Sweden](Official Gateway)
- European Commission: DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: [National Employment Reports](European Commission)
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in [Sweden](European Commission)
- European Commission: EURES: Living and Working in [Sweden](European Commission)
- Eurofound: Home: Observatories: European Observatory of Working Life-EurWORK: industrial relations: Country Profile: [Sweden](Eurofound)
- European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations in [Sweden](European Trade Union Institution)
- Federation of European Employers: [Pay and working conditions across Europe](Federation of European Employers)
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: [Employment](OECD)
- International Labour Organization: NATLEX: [Sweden](International Labour Organization)
Energy information

- Sweden: Energy Markets Inspectorate (Energiemarknadsinspektionen)
- Sweden: Swedish Energy Agency (Energimyndighet)
  - EU ETS - Implementation in Sweden
- Sweden: National Electrical Safety Board
- European Commission: DG Energy:
  - Statistics by country
  - Energy Statistical Pocketbook [select year and country]
  - National Renewable Energy Action Plans [select country]
- European Commission: ManagEnergy: Sweden
- International Energy Agency:
  - Country information [Country-related statistics, publications and links to national websites]
  - Statistics and Balances: Sweden

Environmental information

- Sweden: Ministry of Environment (Miljödepartementet)
- Sweden: Government:
  - Organisation of Ministry of Environment [Energy Division, Natural Environment Division, Environmental Objectives Division, etc]
- Sweden: Environmental legislation
- Sweden: Swedish Environmental Protection Agency (Naturvårdsverket)
- Sweden: The Swedish Research Council (Vetenskapsrådet)
- European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE Programme: Sweden
- European Environment Agency:
  - European Environment Information and Observation Network (EIONET): Country Information sources
  - State of the Environment Reporting Information System (SERIS): Country information [Find national and other reports]
- European Environmental Bureau: Members: Sweden
- FAO: Specialised Country Profiles and Information Systems [choose a thematic database]
  - FAO: Forestry Department: Sweden
  - FAO: Water and Food Security: Country Profiles: Sweden
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden:
  - Environment
  - Green Growth and Sustainable Development
- Friends of the Earth International: Sweden
- Greenpeace International: Sweden [in Swedish]

European policies and relations with the European Union

- Sweden: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Sweden: Swedish National Bank (Sveriges Riksbank)
  - Monetary Policy
  - SEPA: Single Euro Payments Area
  - Financial Stability
  - European System of Central Banks
  - EU Co-operation in Brussels
- European Union: Countries: Sweden
- European Union: Europe Direct Information Network: Sweden
- European Commission: Representation in Sweden [in Swedish]
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network Sweden
  - Stability and Convergence Programmes
  - Sweden and the euro
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Sweden
- European Parliament: Information Office: Sweden
- European Investment Bank: Finance contracts: Sweden
- Council of Europe: Member States: Sweden
- OECD: Countries: Sweden
  - Permanent Delegation of Sweden in the OECD
- OSCE: Delegations: Sweden
  - Permanent Delegation of Sweden in the OSCE

Geographic information and maps

- Sweden: Official Gateway: Sweden in brief
- European Union: DG Press and Communication: Europe maps [click on country]
- FAO: Country profiles and mapping information system: Country maps
- Lonely Planet: Map of Sweden
- Maps of World.com: Sweden maps
- University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library Map Collection: Sweden Maps
- Nordic Council: Maps of Nordic Region

Health information

- Sweden: Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (Socialdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government: Information about Organisation of the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs
- Sweden: Swedish national Institute for Health (Statens folkhälsoinstitut)
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):
  - Country overview: Sweden
  - European Legal Database on Drugs: Sweden
  - National reports on drug situation [2010]
  - Drug Treatment Profiles: Sweden
  - National strategies [Find documents and country profiles]
  - Legal text search [Find national drugs legislation]
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: Health
- World Health Organisation: Country Information
- World Health Organisation: Regional Office for Europe: Country Information

Human rights information

- Sweden: Government: Human Rights Page
- Sweden: Government:
  - Gender equality
- Council of Europe:
  - Commissioner for Human Rights: Memorandum to the Swedish Government [2007]
• Commissioner for Human Rights: European Commission against Racism and Intolerance: [Sweden] (country reports)
• European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on [Sweden]
• European Social Charter: [National Reports]: [Select Country]
• European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: State documents and visits: [Sweden]
  • European Court of Human Rights:
    ▪ Country Profiles: [Sweden]
    ▪ Country Fact Sheets 1959-2010 [select country]
    ▪ Violation by Article and by State 1959-2014
    ▪ Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010
  • United Nations:
    o Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: [OHCHR in Sweden]
    o UNHCR – The UN Refugee Agency: Country Information: [Sweden]
  • United States: State Department:
    o Previous versions
    o Reports on International Religious Freedom (2013)
    o Previous versions
  • Amnesty International: Country index: [Sweden]
  • Human Rights Watch: [Sweden]
  • Reporters Without Borders: Freedom of Information in [Sweden]
  • Swedish Mission Council: [Freedom of religion or belief in Sweden]

Intellectual property information

• Sweden: [Swedish Patent and Registration Office](Patent och registreringsverket)
• European Patent Office: Directory of Patent Information Centres: [Sweden]
• World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member States: [Sweden]
  o Collection of Laws for Electronic Access (CLEA): [Sweden] [Find full texts of national legislation]

Investment information

• Sweden: [Invest in Sweden Agency]
• Sweden: [Swedish Trade Council](Svenska Exportrådet)
• OECD: Investment: [Sweden]
• OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: [Sweden]
• World Bank: Countries and Regions: [Sweden]
• United Kingdom: UK Trade &Investment: [Sweden]
• United States: US Commercial Service: Doing Business in [Sweden]
  o [Country Commercial Guide]

Justice and Home affairs information

• Sweden: [Ministry of Justice](Justitiedepartementet)
• Sweden: Government: Thematic pages
  o [Government agencies in Justice]
  o Migration
  o Judicial system
• European Commission: DG Justice: Data Protection: National Policy Documents: [Sweden] [country profiles and documents]
• Council of Europe: Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): [Evaluation report][2013]
• OECD: Bribery and Corruption: [Sweden]
• United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: [Sweden]
• University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: [Sweden]
• EUDO: Observatory on Citizenship: Citizenship laws and policy: [Sweden]

**Living and working information**

• Sweden: [Official Gateway]
  o [Study in Sweden]
  o [Work in Sweden]
  o [Swedish lifestyle]
  o [Sports and leisure]
• Sweden: [Swedish Consumer Agency](Konsumentverket)
• European Commission:
  o [DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion: EURES: Living & Working: Sweden]
  o [DG Press and Communication: Your Europe][choose language and topic]
• Eurofound: European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions: [Sweden]
• EurWORK: European Observatory of Working Life: [Sweden]
• United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Travel and Living Abroad: [Sweden]
• United States: State Department: Post Reports: [Sweden]
• JustLanded.com: [Sweden]

**Media information**

• Nordic Council: [Nordic media]
• EBU: [Broadcasting organisations][Select Country]
• EJC: European Media Landscape: [Sweden]
• European Newspaper Publishers Association: ENPA Members: [Sweden]
• ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: [Sweden]
• Agorà: Political resources on the Net: [Media in Sweden]
• Newslink: European Newspapers: [Sweden]
• Online Newspapers: [Sweden]
• Radiomap: Radio Stations in [Sweden]
• Swedish press institutions with an English version
  o [The Local]
  o [Stockholm news (Not being updated any longer)]
  o [Sverige Radio]

**Political information (including Elections)**

• ESO: Sweden: [Political situation]
• ESO: Sweden: Political situation: [Elections]
• Sweden: Government portal: [Sweden]
  o [How Sweden is governed]
  o [Constitution]
  o [Government and ministries]
• Sweden: [Swedish Parliament (Riksdag)]
  o [Members and Parties]
Public management information

- Sweden: Organisation and the Office of Administrative Affairs (Försäkringsavdelningen)
- Sweden: Swedish Association of Local and Authorities and Regions (Sveriges Kommuner och Landsting)
- Sweden.se: The Swedish System of Government
  - Communities: National Interoperability Framework Observatory (Nifo): eGovernment Factsheets
- European Public Sector Information Platform (ePSI): Country Reports 2007-2010
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: Public governance and management

R&D information

- Sweden: Government: Central, regional and local government
- Sweden: Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation (Näringsdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government: Education and Research
- Sweden: Official Gateway: Factsheets
  - Higher Education and Research
- European Commission:
  - DG Enterprise: CORDIS: Sweden
  - DG Research & Innovation: European Research Area 2014
  - Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2013 [click on map to select country]
  - Research and Innovation performance in the EU 2014
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Members
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: Innovation
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: Science and technology
Regional and local information

- Sweden: Office of Administrative Affairs (Förvaltningsavdelningen)
- Sweden: Official Gateway: National, regional and local government
- Sweden: Ministry of Enterprise and innovation (Näringsdepartementet)
- Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions
  - Level of local democracy in Sweden [choose report from the list]
- Sweden: Sweden's County Administration (Lånsstyrelserna) [regional Government representation] [in Swedish]
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden: Regional, rural and urban development
- Committee of the Regions: Sweden

North Sweden
- EU office for Norrbotten and Västerbotten
- Norrbotten: County council
- Västerbotten: County council
  - EU och internationellt [in Swedish]

Central Sweden
- EU office for Dalarna, Gävleborg and Örebro
- Dalarna: County council
- Gävleborg: County council
- Örebro: County council
  - EU

West Sweden
- Halland: County council
  - Halland and the EU [in Swedish]
- Värmland: County council
- Västra Götaland: County council
  - Västra Götaland and Europe

Mid Sweden
- Jämtland: County council
  - International work [in Swedish]
- Västernorrland: County council
  - International work and cooperation

East Sweden
- EU office for Östergötland
- Östergötland: County council [in Swedish]

Blekinge
- County council

Gotland
- County council
- International cooperation

Jönköping:
- County council [in Swedish]
- International relations [in Swedish]

Kalmar:
- County council

Kronoberg:
- City Council [in Swedish]

Skåne:
- County Council
- Skåne and the EU [in Swedish]

Sörmland:
- County council [in Swedish]
- Stockholm:
  - County council
- Uppsala:
  - County council
- Västmanland:
  - Visit Vastmanland [travel information]

**Social information**

- Sweden: Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (Socialdepartementet)
- Sweden: Government: social insurance
- Sweden: official Gateway: Health Care in Sweden
- European Commission: MISSOC Secretariat: Organisation of Social Protection
- European Commission: MISSOC Secretariat: Social Protection of the Self-Employed [choose country]
- Council of Europe: Social Charter: Country Factsheet: Sweden
- OECD: Documentation on Sweden:
  - Insurance and Pensions
  - Social and welfare issues
- United States: Social Security Administration
  - Research, Statistics and Policy Analysis: Sweden
  - Social Security Programs Throughout the World: [choose country]
- World Bank: Health [search by country and indicator]

**Statistical information**

- Sweden: National Bank
- Sweden: National Statistics Office
- Eurostat: Country Profiles: Sweden [select country]
- OECD: Country Statistical Profiles: Sweden
- World Bank: Key Facts and Statistics: Sweden
- NationMaster: Nations of the World: Statistics on Sweden
- The Nordic Council: Figures and Statistics

**Tourism information**

- Sweden: Official Gateway:
  - Swedish Travel and Tourism Council (Sveriges Rese- och Turistråd)
  - Tourism in Sweden
- Guardian Newspaper Ltd.: Guardian Unlimited Travel: Sweden
- The Telegraph: Destinations: Sweden
- Lonely Planet: Sweden
- Rough Guides: Sweden
- TripAdvisor: Europe Tourism: Sweden
Transport information

- Sweden: Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications (Näringsdepartementet)
- Sweden: Swedish Nation Road and Transport Research Institute (Statens väg- och transportforskningsinstitut)
- Sweden: Swedish Transport Administration (Trafikverket)
- Sweden: Transport analysis (Trafikanalyt)
- European Commission: DG Mobility and Transport: EU Transport in Figures: Statistical Pocketbook 2014
- Wikipedia: Transport in Sweden

Weather information

- Sweden: Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute (Sveriges meteorologiska och hydrologiska institut)
- BBC Weather Centre: Climate Guide and five day weather forecast: Sweden
- Foreca: Sweden weather forecast

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