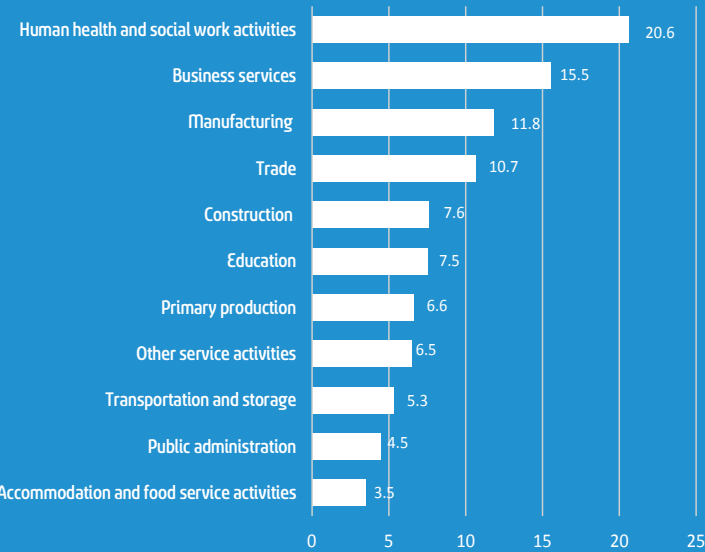
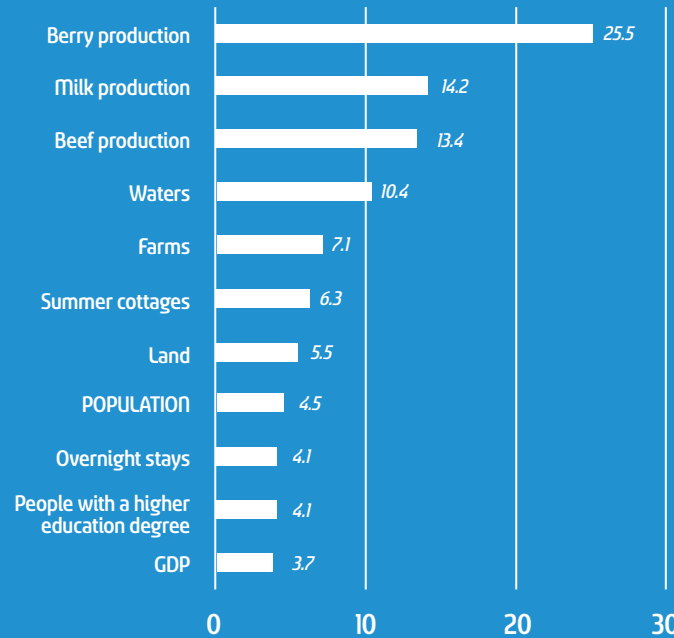


## JOBS BY SECTOR OF INDUSTRY (%)



## THE REGIONAL PROFILE OF POHJOIS-SAVO

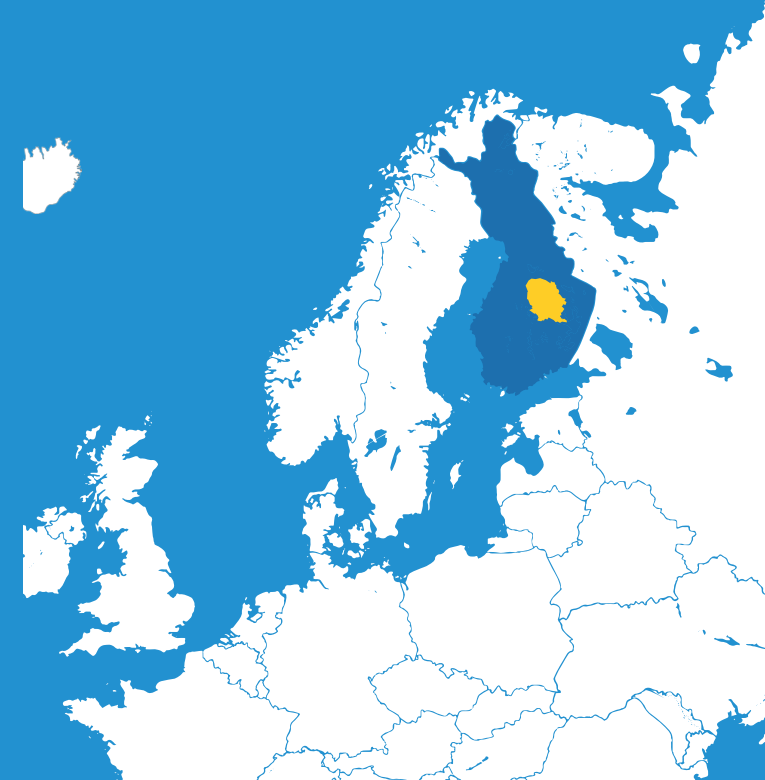
(percentage of Finland)



## POHJOIS-SAVO FACTS



Finland's most desirable region to live  
**POHJOIS-SAVO**



## IMPORTANT ENTERPRISES

**PONSSE**



**KEITELE**  
group

storaenso



Bittium

**HYDROLINE**  
SMART HYDRAULICS

**normet** **GENELEC**  
FOR TOUGH JOBS

**ANDRITZ**

**Sumitomo**

### TRAVEL TIMES BY TRAIN

Helsinki – Kuopio

4 h



Helsinki – St. Petersburg

3.5 h

### TRAVEL TIMES BY PLANE

Helsinki – Kuopio

1 h



Helsinki – St. Petersburg

1 h



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## TOTAL AREA 20 366 km<sup>2</sup>

- ▶ waters 18 %
- ▶ forests 66 %



## TOTAL 246 700 INHABITANTS

### Age structure

- ▶ 0-14 years 15 %
- ▶ 15-64 years 61 %
- ▶ 65 years and over 24 %



55 % of the population resides in urban areas  
44% in rural areas

## SMART SPECIALISATION IN POHJOIS-SAVO REGION

### Development priorities

- ▶ Machine & energy technology
- ▶ Wood processing
- ▶ Foodstuffs
- ▶ Welfare technology
- ▶ Tourism
- ▶ Water
- ▶ Bio processing



**Enterprises** 13 600  
**Turnover** 12.3 Bn €  
**Export** 2 Bn €

## EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES IN POHJOIS-SAVO

- ▶ University of Eastern Finland, Kuopio Campus
- ▶ Savonia University of Applied Sciences
- ▶ Emergency Services College
- ▶ Savo Vocational College
- ▶ Ylä-Savo Vocational College



## RESEARCH INSTITUTES

- ▶ Atmospheric Research Centre of Eastern Finland
- ▶ Finnish Food Safety Authority (Evira)
- ▶ Finnish Medical Agency (Fimea)
- ▶ Geological Survey of Finland (GSF)
- ▶ National Institute for Health and Welfare (THL)
- ▶ Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH)
- ▶ Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke)
- ▶ KUH Neuro Center
- ▶ CMC Finland, Crisis Management Centre Finland
- ▶ Kuopio Center for Gene and Cell Therapy Oy (KCT)



## SPORT AND FREETIME ATTRACTIONS

- ▶ Tahko The Holiday Resort, Kuopio
- ▶ Puijo Tower and Ski Centre, Kuopio
- ▶ Kasurila Ski Centre, Siilinjärvi
- ▶ Lohimaa The Fishing and Holiday Centre, Tervo
- ▶ Vesileppis Centre for sports and health, Leppävirta
- ▶ Metsäkartano Youth and Wilderness Centre, Rautavaara
- ▶ Spa Hotel Kuntoranta, Varkaus
- ▶ Spa Hotel Runni, Iisalmi
- ▶ Holiday Centre Rauhalahdi, Kuopio



## LARGEST TOWNS

- ▶ Kuopio 118 200 inhabitants
- ▶ Siilinjärvi 21 700 inhabitants
- ▶ Iisalmi 21 600 inhabitants
- ▶ Varkaus 21 200 inhabitants

