

Knowledge for Growth

Growth Analysis | The Swedish Agency for Growth Policy Analysis

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Growth Analysis is a national authority under the direction of the Swedish Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation. We have been commissioned by the government to analyse and evaluate Swedish growth policy. We are also responsible for foreign-based strategic intelligence within our area, and for promoting international transfer of experience in selected countries. Our main goal is to boost Swedish competitiveness and lay the foundation for more companies and growing businesses to create jobs all across Sweden. Our skilled employees, unique databases and international networks enable us to compile basic data for informed decisions on growth issues. We have approximately 60 employees, a head office in Östersund and operations in Stockholm, Brasilia, Beijing, Tokyo, New Delhi and Washington D.C.

Mission: Growth!

Growth Analysis' goal is to boost Swedish competitiveness and lay the foundation for more companies and growing businesses to create jobs all across Sweden.

growth analysis assists the government as an independent authority by analysing both the current situation and the future consequences of the policy that is being pursued. Our offices abroad also contribute knowledge of the factors in our operating environment that may impact on growth and productivity in Sweden.

Our assignments are structured in close dialogue with our clients and the knowledge base and proposals we submit to the government are used to help formulate Sweden's growth policies.

Three priority areas

Growth Analysis works within three priority areas:

- Innovation and global meeting places
- Entrepreneurship and enterprise

Accessibility and regional growth Through our work within these areas, the agency provides knowledge to help Sweden meet current national and global challenges. Our evaluations and analyses are based on extensive material compiled in-house, along with scientifically developed analysis methods.

Growth Analysis also collaborates with Swedish and international research and analysis organisations to ensure our work is relevant and of high quality.



Global knowledge for growth

Innovation is a key source of growth. Growth Analysis provides strategic policy intelligence, evaluations and analyses of Swedish and international research and innovation policy.

sweden is reliant on other countries and our prosperity is heavily dependent on successes in international markets. Growth Analysis therefore has a presence in the dominant and most expansive economies in the world.

Global outlook

The agency evaluates and analyses innovation policy in Sweden and selected countries. We are also responsible for foreign-based strategic intelligence within our area, and for promoting international transfer of experience in the countries in which we have a presence.

By combining analyses, monitoring and evaluations with supporting the development of international relations, Growth Analysis is helping to give Swedish growth policy a global dimension.

Examples of commissions

An effective Swedish policy on research and innovation Impact evaluations and analyses of public research and innovation initiatives. Also development of indicators for monitoring Sweden's innovation capability.

International innovation policy for sustainable growth Analysis of other countries' policies to promote sustainable growth, their successes and failures and lessons that Sweden can learn.

Life sciences and healthcare policies
Knowledge of life science ecosystems, structural changes within biomedical research and innovation within healthcare systems.



A dynamic trade and industry

New and existing companies are the foundation for fuelling growth and creating jobs in Sweden. Growth Analysis contributes knowledge about opportunities for, and obstacles to, new and growing businesses, and evaluates the effects of government initiatives to promote enterprise.

POLICIES FUNCTION on many levels. Many factors affect conditions for running a business, including regulations, taxes, financing opportunities and access to a skills base. Growth Analysis adopts a broad approach. We analyse everything from framework conditions and reforms that have impact on the business community at large, to programmes and initiatives targeted at specific groups, such as women and foreign-born entrepreneurs.

Statistical responsibility

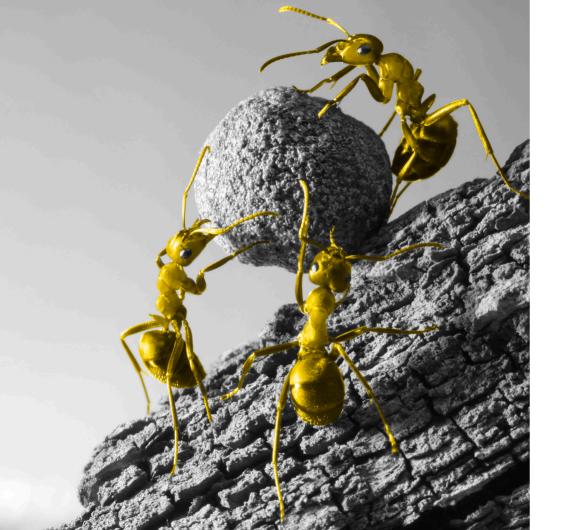
Growth Analysis is responsible for producing official statistics within the areas of start-ups, bankruptcies and public composition, as well as international companies. We publish these statistics and make them generally available.

Examples of commissions

Green growth
Knowledge base to follow up
and develop initiatives within
environmentally-driven
private sector development.

Impact of regulations
Analysis of the impact of
regulations on new and
existing companies and
knowledge base to improve
regulations.

Supply of capital
Evaluation of public initiatives
to boost supply of capital
and recommendations for
development within the area.



Growth all across Sweden

The fundamental issue for regional growth policy is how to formulate it in a way that makes use of the growth potential of the entire country. Growth Analysis monitors developments in both urban and rural areas across the country to gain a better understanding of the correlations that encourage growth.

growth analysis' evaluations and analyses will contribute towards utilising the potential of the whole of Sweden. A large part of our work entails monitoring and describing growth and development in the various parts of Sweden. Another key aspect is analysing the organisational and institutional conditions, i.e. the interaction between initiatives from various stakeholders such as the state, regions and municipalities.

Access - a key issue

A region or area's development potential rests to a great extent on access to labour, workplaces, services and infrastructure. An important part of Growth Analysis' work involves measuring and analysing the level of this access.

Examples of commissions

Regional growth
Following up and reporting
on regional growth and
development in Sweden's
different regions. Also
monitoring and evaluating
national and regional initiatives
to promote regional growth.

Access to services
Following up access to public
and commercial services in
areas where such access is
limited.

Venture capital in structural funds
Evaluating how venture capital investments are used in the regional structural funds programmes.

Facts on Growth

Our tools

Our skilled employees, unique databases and international networks enable us to compile basic data for informed decisions on growth issues. To follow is a presentation of some of our tools.

All our knowledge base material is available at www.growthanalysis.se. Our website also offers different newsfeeds to subscribe to, including from our offices abroad.

Portal for official statistics

Growth Analysis is responsible for Sweden's official statistics on international companies and start-ups, as well as bankruptcies and public composition. These statistics are reported on Growth Analysis' website and in the statistics portal, which can be accessed via the website.

Database on individuals and companies

IFDB is a micro database used for analyses and evaluations. The database includes details from a considerable number of sources, including the population register, income and tax statement register, business register and Swedish register of education.

Micro database of government support and companies

MISS is a micro database in which Growth Analysis has compiled detailed information about various initiatives to promote entrepreneurship and innovation. We are therefore contributing a knowledge base to assist the government in directing the use of state funds.

Accessibility analyses

We use the analysis platform Pipos to analyse geographic accessibility in various contexts. For example, it could relate to services or infrastructure. We can also use the platform to carry out advanced spatial analyses, scenario evaluations and geographical optimisation analyses.

Regional analyses

Raps is a system for advanced regional analyses and forecasts, which we use to support regional and national planning and decisions. The system covers areas such as population, labour market, businesses and regional economy and environment.

Global meeting places

Growth Analysis' five offices abroad contribute knowledge of the factors in our operating environment that may impact on growth and productivity in Sweden.

Swedish growth in figures

Sweden is one of the **15** richest countries in the world in terms of GDP per capita.

50% of the population live in our three metropolitan regions. **15%** do not live in a densely-populated area.

180,000 new jobs are created every year. Half via start-ups and half via companies experiencing growth. Almost as many jobs disappear as are created every year.

40% of all private sector employees work for a multinational business.

Sweden's growth in labour productivity, GDP per hour worked, is **1%** per year. That is higher than the average for the OECD countries and the other leading innovation countries in Europe.

Just under 50% of Sweden's GDP is exported. The country's welfare is therefore highly dependent on international successes.

Just over 66% of the value of Sweden's exports comprises added value produced in Sweden.

Just over 3% of Sweden's GDP is invested in research and development. This makes Sweden one of the top R&D investing countries in the world.

Over **40%** of companies in Sweden have launched a product innovation on their market. This percentage is higher than in the rest of Europe.

90% of people who work with research and development in the Swedish business sector work for international companies (measured in R&D FTEs).

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