



Northern Sparsely Populated Areas (NSPA) Forum

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POHJOIS-SAVO IN A NUTSHELL

Total area 20 367 km²
 - of that water 18 %

Population Pohjois-Savo 248 400
 % of Finland 4.7 %

Jobs	Pohjois-Savo	Finland
- agriculture	8 %	4 %
- industry	24 %	26 %
- services	68 %	70 %

Unemployment rate Pohjois-Savo 9.7 % Finland 7.6 %

Gross value added (GVA)	Pohjois-Savo	% of Finland
- total (EUR millions)	5 323	3.7 %
- per capita (Finland = 100)	78.5	
- per capita (EU15 = 100)	82.0	
- per capita (EU25 = 100)	88.5	
- per capita (EU27 = 100)	91.9	

Greatest branches of industry	Pohjois-Savo	% of Finland
- metal and metal products	EUR millions	2.2 %
- wood and paper	1 299	5.5 %
- food and beverages	1 157	4.9 %
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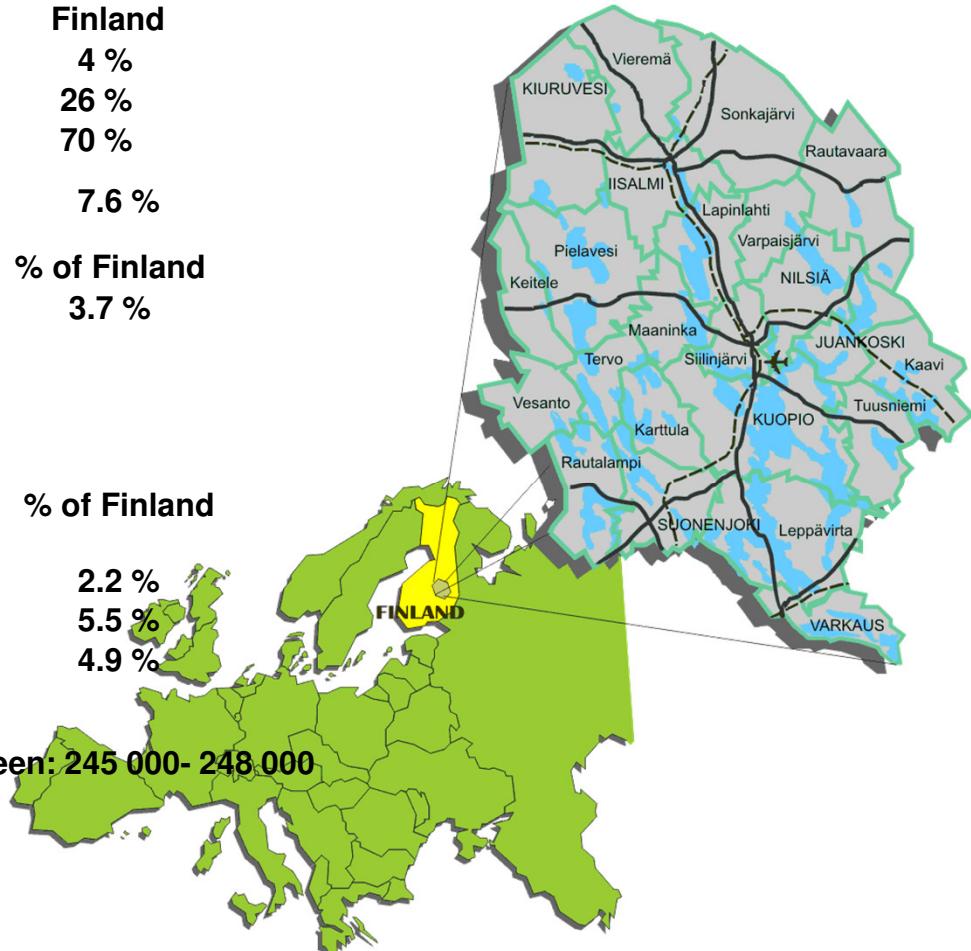
The targeted population in development planning:

- targeted population for the year 2030

range in between: 245 000- 248 000

Development strategy is to strengthen

- business
- knowledge
- infrastructure
- image of region
- good environment



POHJOIS-SAVO TODAY

Biggest cities

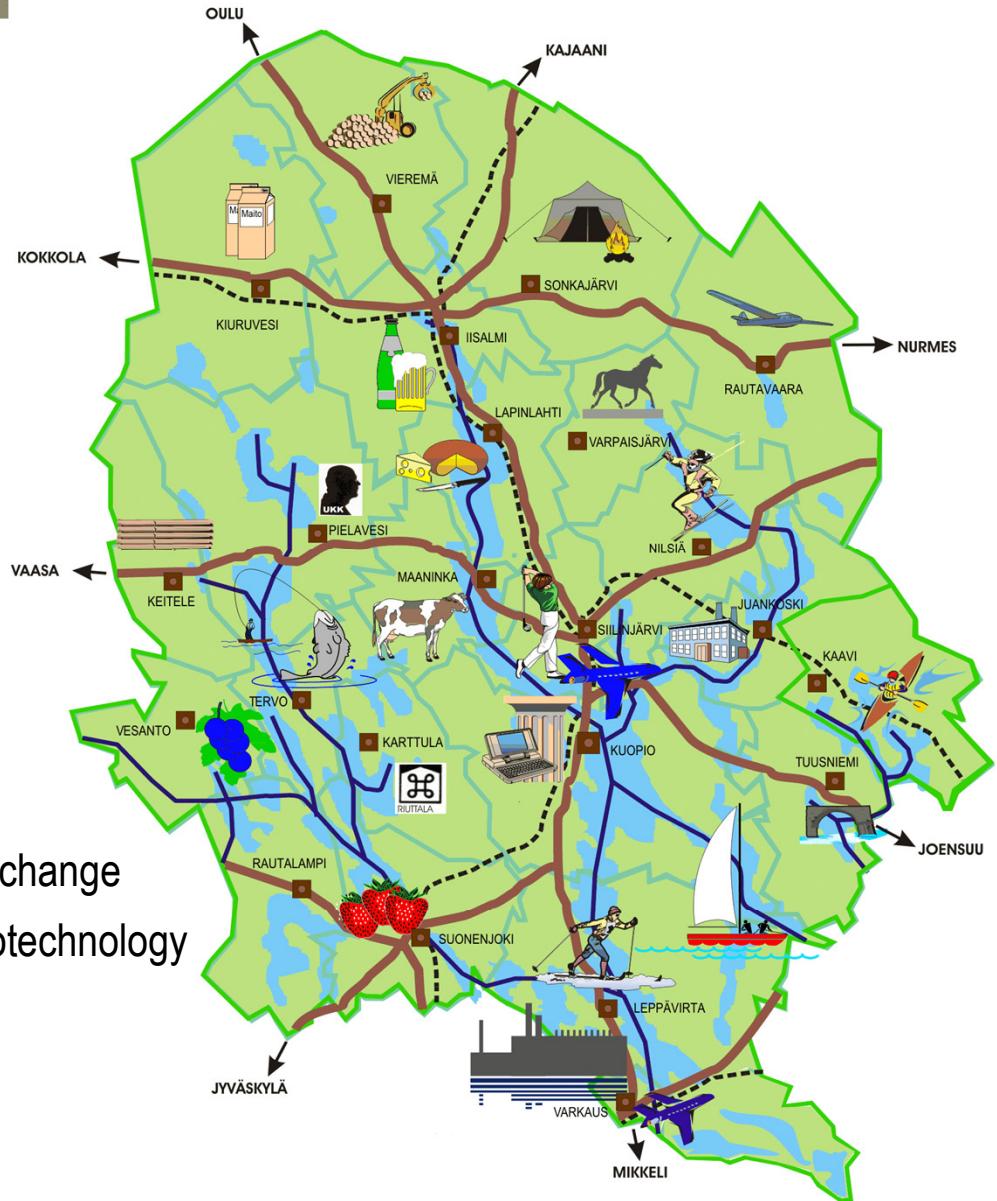
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Airports

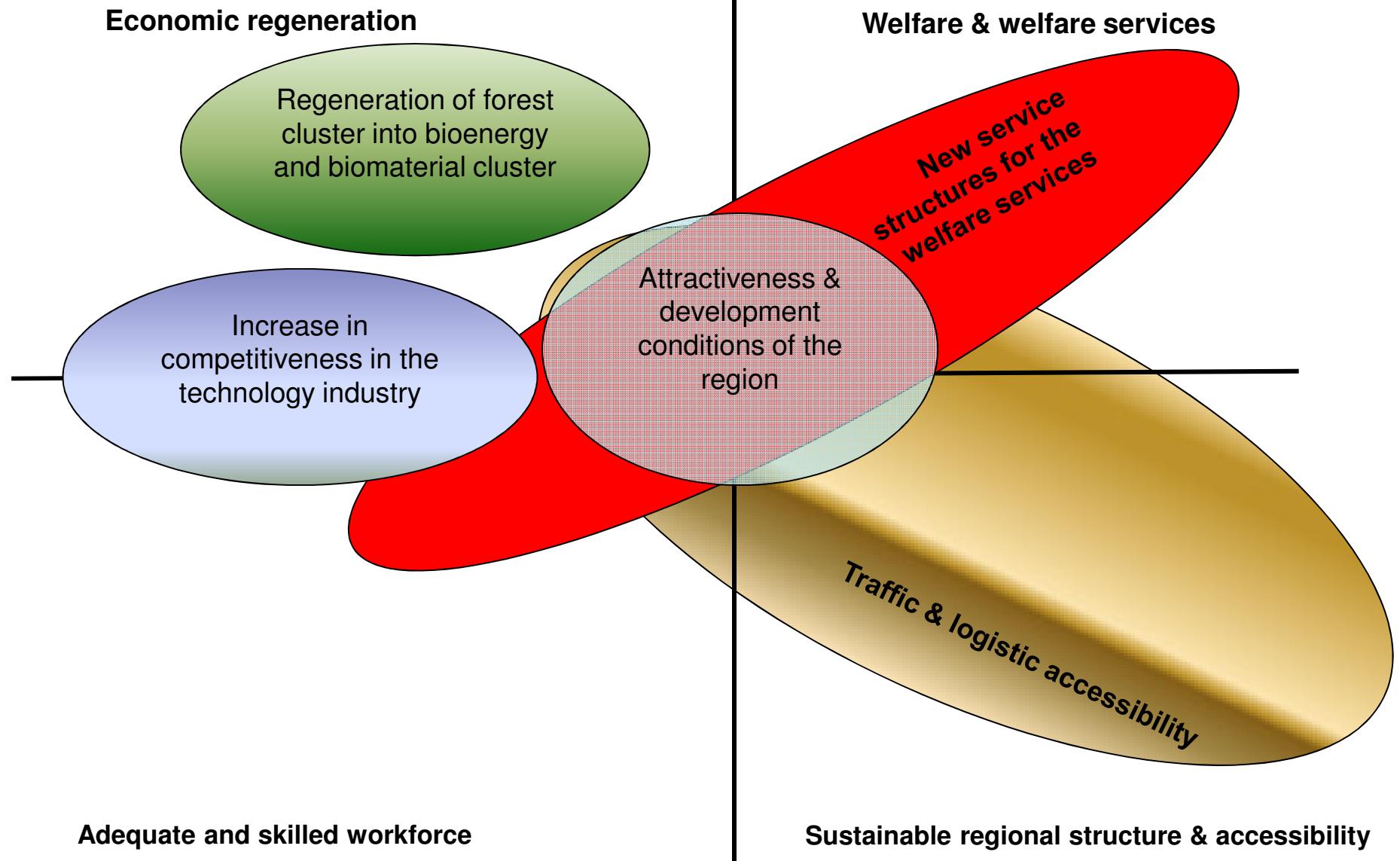
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Regions' competencies

- Forest industries
- Metal industries
- Bio energy: plant manufacturing etc.
- Medical and wellbeing technology, e-health
- Environmental health, research of environmental change
- Molecular medicine, pharmaceutical research, biotechnology
- Information technology
- Farming and agrobiotechnology
- Tourism



The core of the Regional Strategy 2030



Population and demography in Finland

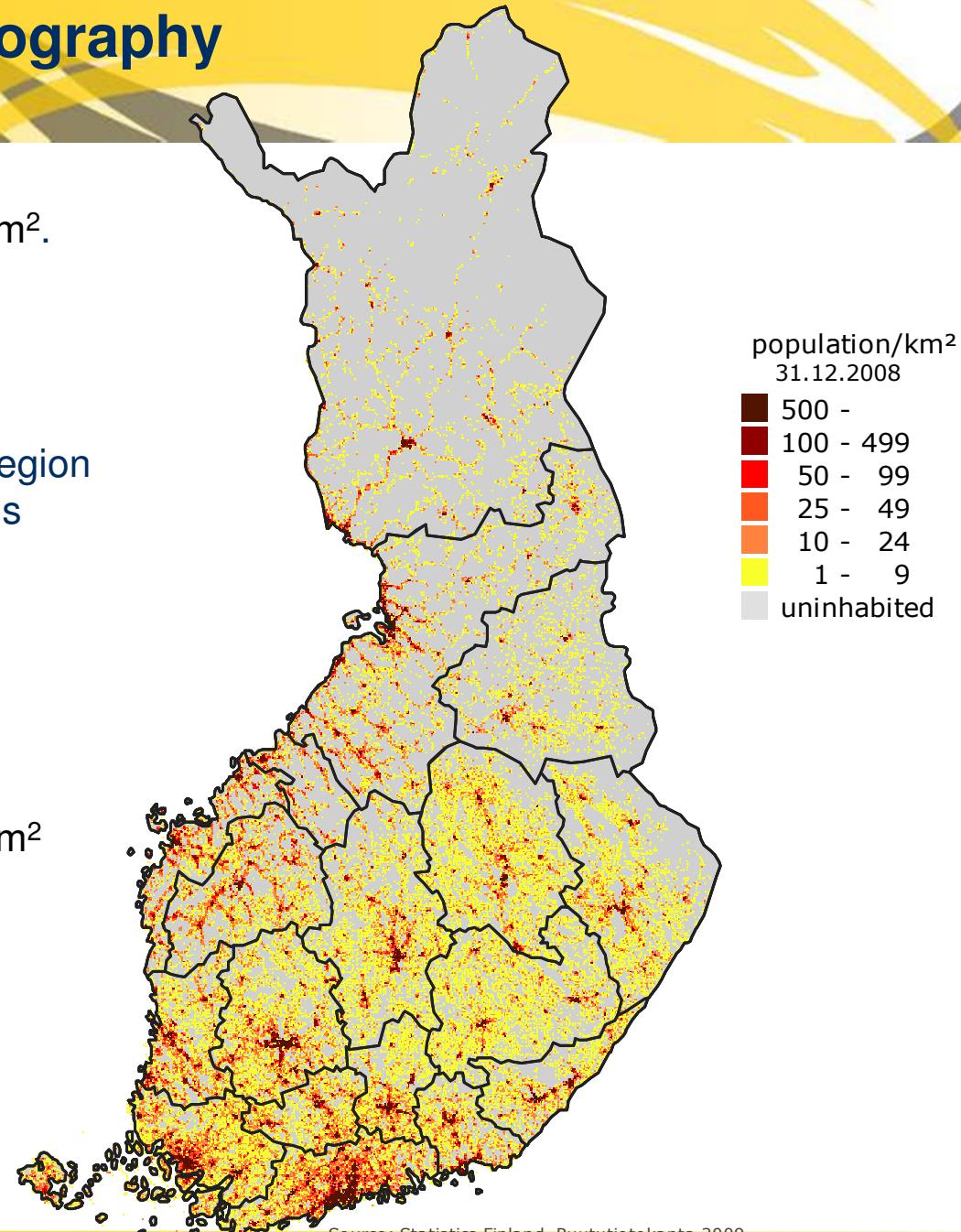
Population density in the EU is approximately 114 inhabitants/km².

Finland's population density is 17,6 inhabitants/km².

Population density in Uusimaa region is 166,8 inhabitants/km², which is almost equal to Luxemburg and Switzerland.

Population density in Helsinki is 2730,3 inhabitants/km².

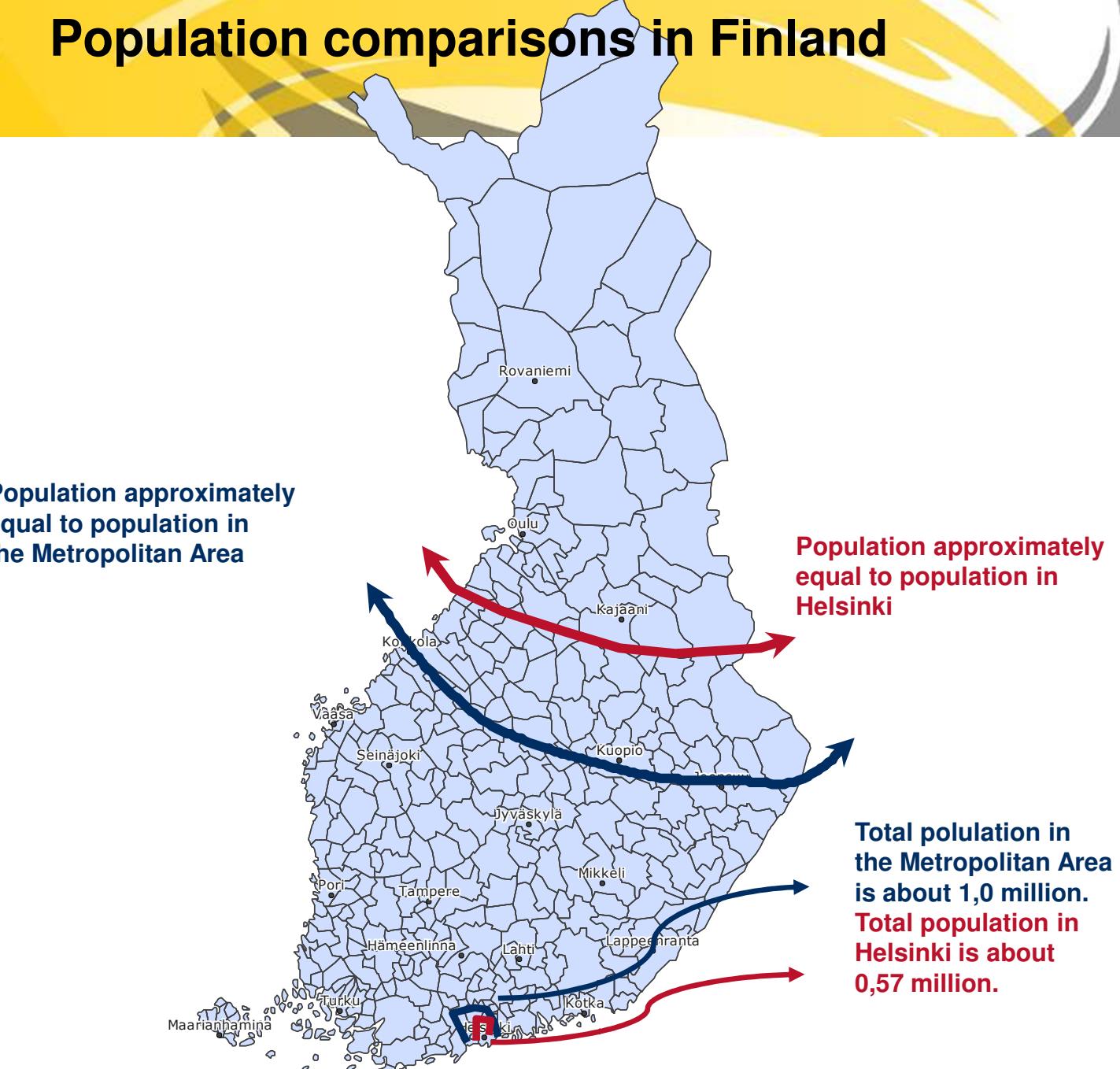
There are only 0,2 inhabitants/km² in the most sparsely populated municipalities in Finland.



Source: Statistics Finland, Ruututietokanta 2009
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Population comparisons in Finland



**336 local authorities (municipalities) in Finland
but the number is decreasing...**

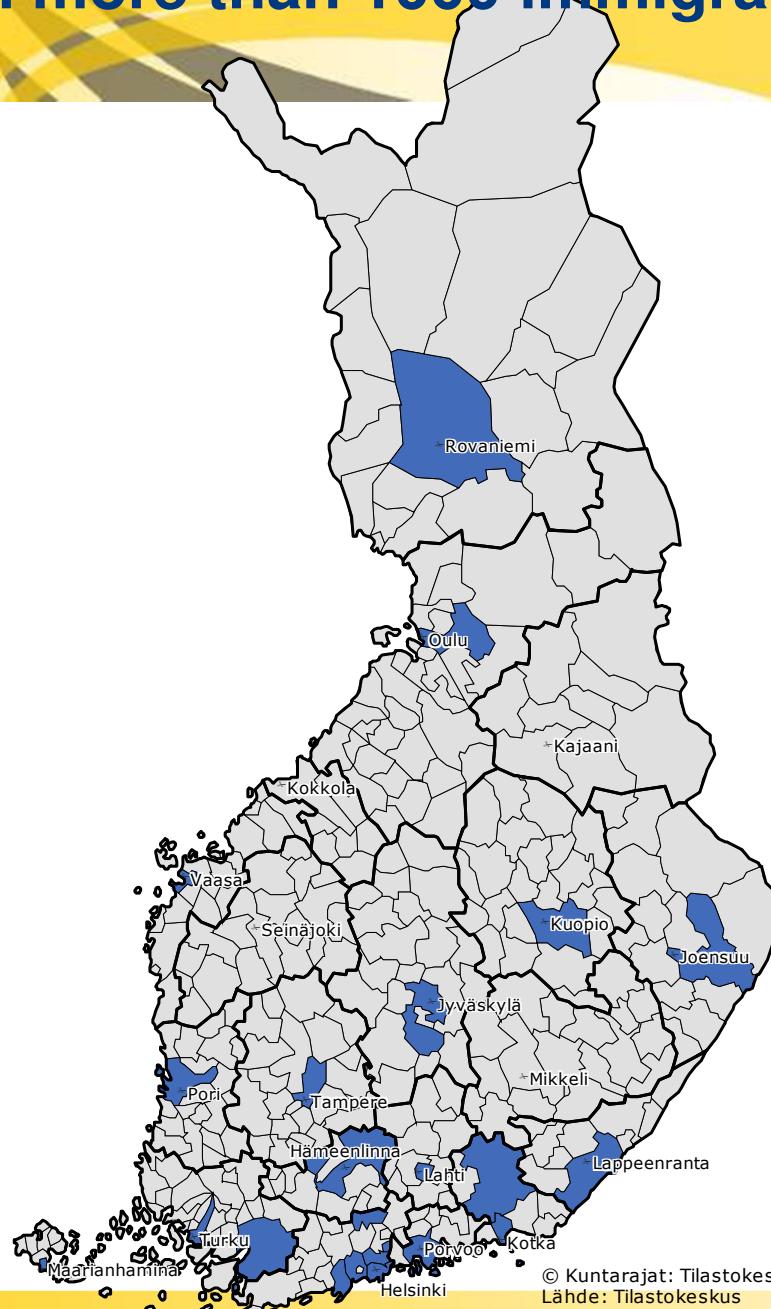
2005	432
2006	431
2007	416
2008	415
2009	348
2010	342
2011	336
2013	331

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Municipalities with more than 1000 immigrants

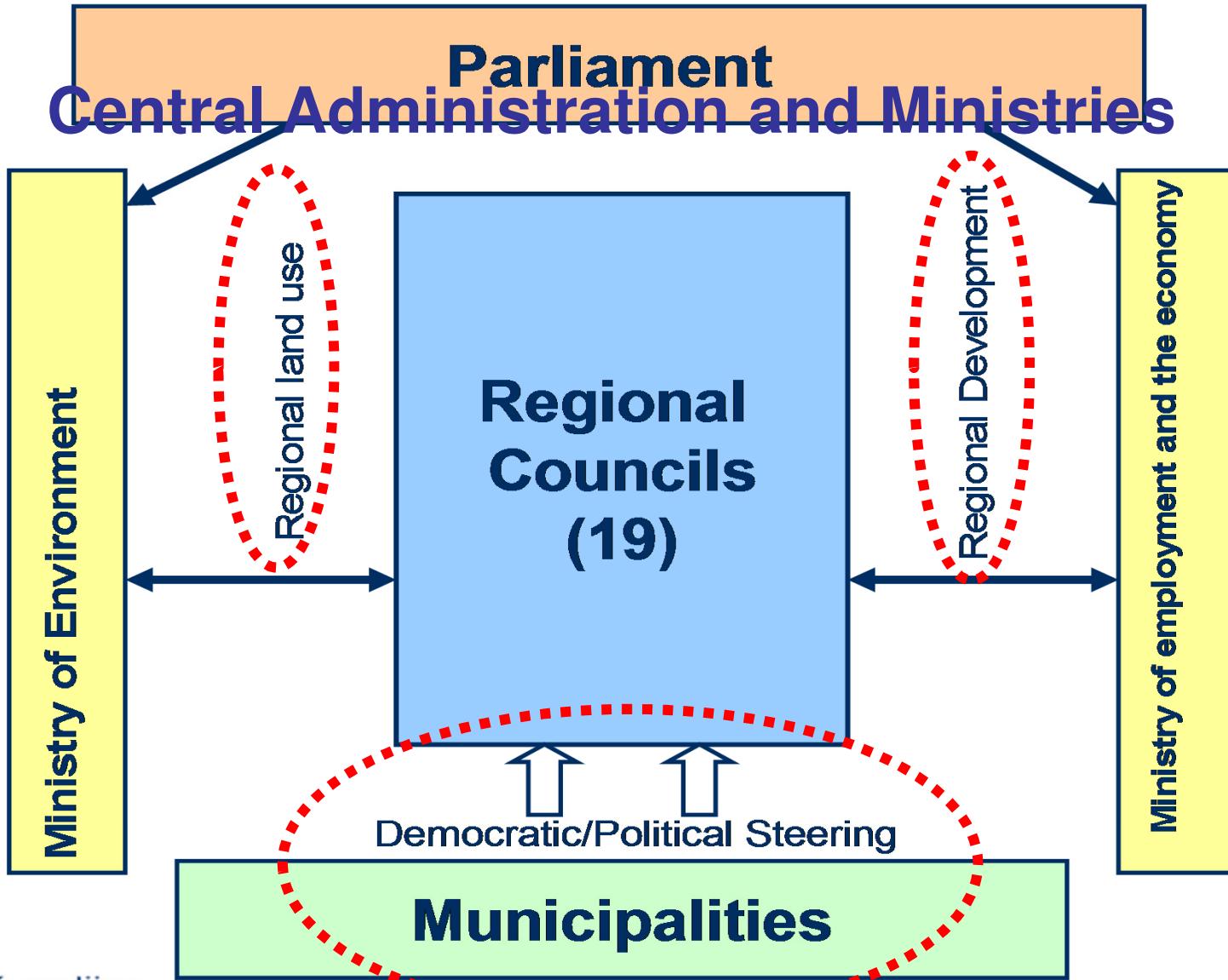
Helsinki	41 735
Espoo	15 304
Vantaa	11 919
Turku	8 237
Tampere	7 390
Lahti	3 291
Oulu	3 101
Jyväskylä	3 063
Vaasa	2 947
Kotka	2 390
Lappeenranta	2 309
Salo	2 099
Kouvola	1 757
Kuopio	1 507
Porvoo	1 444
Joensuu	1 418
Hämeenlinna	1 225
Rovaniemi	1 212
Maarianhamina	1 194
Kerava	1 141
Hyvinkää	1 121
Kirkkonummi	1 114
Pori	1 051



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