



Safety and Wellbeing – Comprehensive approach

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Government Programme, 22 June 2011:

The **objective** of the internal security is to make Finland the **safest country** in Europe, one of which people feel that they live in a **fair and equal society** regardless how they indentify themselves.

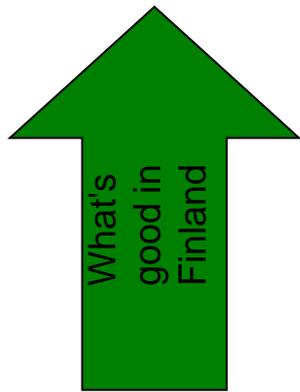


How safe Finland is?

Strong sense of safety

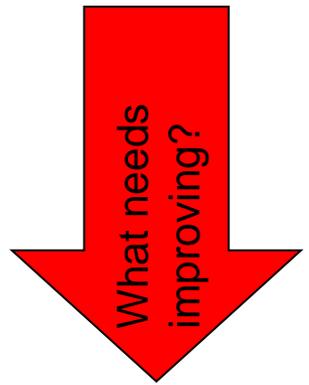
Low rate of corruption

High confidence in institutions and authorities



Fairly low crime rate

Good traffic safety



Number of injuries

Number of homicides

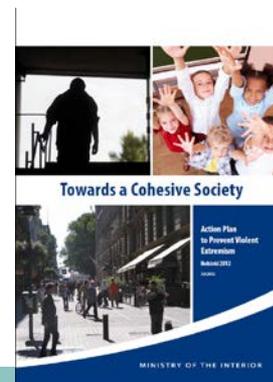
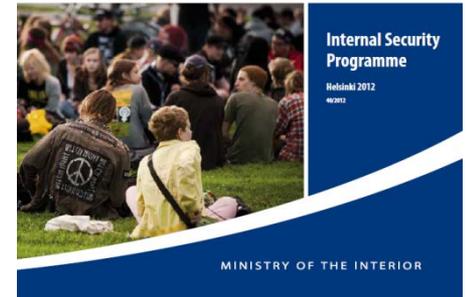
Number of people died in fires

The Internal Security Programme

- ISP adopted by the last three governments (2004, 2008 and 2012)
- high level government programme to **solve and prevent** everyday security and safety problems
- thematic, multidisciplinary and cross-administrative drafting and implementation
- contains 64 *concrete* measures
- obligatory for State organs, but implementation also relies heavily on municipalities, NGOs and private business through cooperation

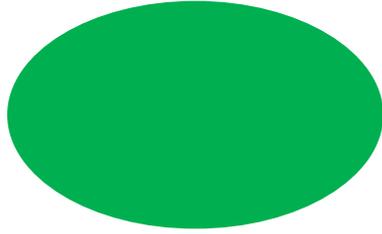


A Safer Tomorrow



Safety in Sparsely Populated Areas

- Latest report published by the Ministry of the Interior in spring 2014 (summary distributed)
- Sparsely populated areas are regarded quite safe by the local population
- Challenges
 - urbanisation continues— more and more sparsely populated areas in the future?
 - amount of aging population is growing
 - ongoing trend to centralise the services and administration
 - overall financial situation
- Number of inhabitants is increasing in towns and areas around towns
 - services and resources of the authorities are not increasing
 - how to balance between towns and sparsely populated areas?



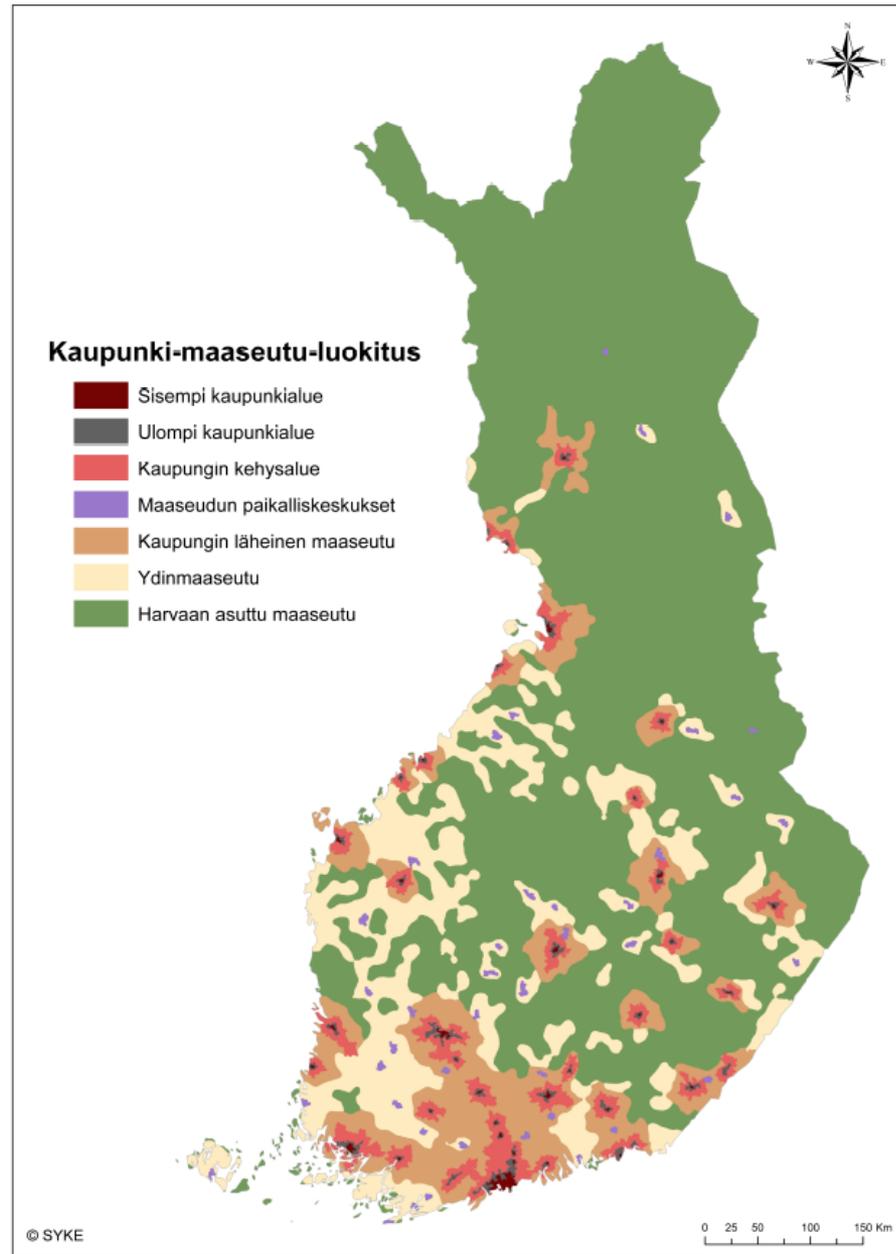
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sparsely
populated
areas

In Finland
in average 17,9
inhabitants/ square
km

In Helsinki 2 826
inh/km²

In Utsjoki 0,2
inh/km²



Concerns

- Local residents have **two major concerns**
 - are emergency services available when needed
 - fire brigades, ambulance, police
 - decreasing feeling of safety

EVERYDAY SAFETY AND SECURITY

SECURITY

- National security services
 - The Police
 - Rescue Services
 - Emergency care
 - Customs
 - The Border Guard
 - The Finnish Defence Forces

C O O P E R A T I O N

SAFETY

- preventive measures and actors who do preventive work
 - families
 - communities
 - social services
 - schools
 - health services
 - NGOs
 - congregations

PRIVATE SECTOR

- Uninterrupted services and goods
 - Security work and services

Conclusions – how to keep up safety and feeling of safety in sparsely populated areas

- Achievable and available health, social and other wellbeing services
- The important role of social safety, social cohesion and community spirit
- Need of out of the box –thinking
- New models and ways to produce services
- Cooperation is not enough, we need to work together
 - authorities, NGO`s and people themselves



Thank you for your attention!
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