Sweden has one of the largest government workforces in the OECD, with 28.7% of the labour force employed by the government. With women representing just under 3 out of 4 government employees, Sweden has the second highest share of women in government. Sweden is one of the OECD countries – the other being Norway – where Ministers are mostly women.

Did you know?

Strategic Governance

Trust in government
% of citizens who have confidence in their national government (2007 & 2012)

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Percentage point change 2007-2012

Impact of the tax system and grants on reducing income inequality
Differences in income inequality before and after tax and government transfers (2010)

Gini Coefficient

Before
After

OECD
-0.44
0.47

Sweden
-0.27
0.31

Source: Gallup World Poll

Source: OECD Income Distribution Database

Public sector efficiency
Education: performance in PISA reading scores and expenditure per student (aged 6 to 15) in USD PPP (2009)

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Source: OECD Education at a Glance 2012

Fiscal sustainability
Total consolidation requirements between 2012 and 2030 in order to reduce government debt to 60% of GDP

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<th>Country</th>
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<td>3.0%</td>
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<td>1.0%</td>
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Source: OECD Economic Outlook No. 93 (May 2013)
Public Employment and Pay

Employment in general government (2011) % of labour force

- Sweden: 26.0%
- OECD: 15.5%

Source: International Labour Organisation Database & OECD Labour Force Statistics

Annual compensation across central government positions (2011)

2011 USD PPP

- 55 000: Secretaries (general office clerks)
- 92 000: Senior professionals
- 123 000: Middle managers (D3 positions)
- 208 000: Senior managers (D1 positions)

Source: OECD 2012 Survey on Compensation of Employees in Central/Federal Governments

Women in Government

Share of women in general government (2010) % of general government employment

- Sweden: 73.4%
- OECD: 56.8%

Source: International Labour Organisation

Share of ministers who are women (2012) % of ministers

- Sweden: 52.2%
- OECD: 24.9%

Source: Inter-Parliamentary Union Parliament Database

Public Procurement

Procurement expenditure (2011) % of government expenditures

- Sweden: 31.4%
- OECD: 29.0%

Source: OECD National Accounts

Use of innovative procurement tools in central government (2012)

- Procurement plans are published
- Tenders are announced
- Bids can be submitted electronically
- Invoices can be submitted electronically

- Sweden: 20, 32, 16, 8
- OECD: 8, 7, 13, 10

Source: OECD 2012 Survey on Public Procurement

Note: Data for Sweden are for 2007.

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Open and Inclusive Government

Asset disclosure: Level of disclosure of private interests and public availability of information (2012)

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Source: OECD 2012 Survey on Conflict of Interest Disclosure

Serving Citizens: quality of public services

Access to medical care (2011)
out of pocket expenditure as a % of final household consumption

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Source: OECD Health Statistics 2013

Citizen take-up of e-government services (2012)
% of individuals using the internet to interact with public authorities

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Source: Eurostat and OECD

Satisfaction and confidence across public services (2012)
% of citizens expressing confidence/satisfaction

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Source: World Gallup Poll

Government at a Glance 2013

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