Local Governments

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Population Municipalities

Whole country .................................. 332,529 ................. 74
- Capital region .......................... 213,619 ................... 7
- Southwest .................................. 22,509 ................... 5
- West ........................................ 15,766 ............... 10
- Westfjords ............................... 6,883 ................... 9
- Northwest .................................. 7,128 ................... 7
- Northeast ................................... 29,361 ................. 13
- East ............................................ 10,281 ................... 8
- South ......................................... 26,982 ................. 15

Population by age

Average Min Max
0 – 5 years ................... 8,0% ................ 0,0% ............... 11,0%
6 – 16 years ............... 13,3% ................ 3,3% ............... 18,0%
16 – 66 years ............. 66,7% .............. 57,3% ............... 83,8%
67 – og years ............. 11,9% ................ 8,9% ............... 33,3%

Income tax rate

Year 2013 2014 2015 2016
Average 14,42% 14,44% 14,44% 14,45%
Max 14,48% 14,52% 14,52% 14,52%
Min 12,44% 12,44% 12,44% 12,44%

Real estate tax

Apartments/flats, farms, summer houses

Average 2012 2013 2014 2015
Min 0,298% 0,289% 0,286% 0,304%
Max 0,625% 0,625% 0,625% 0,625%
Min 0,200% 0,200% 0,200% 0,200%

Public estates

Average 2012 2013 2014 2015
Min 1,320% 1,320% 1,320% 1,320%
Max 1,320% 1,320% 1,320% 1,320%
Min 1,320% 1,320% 1,320% 1,320%

Other estates

Average 2012 2013 2014 2015
Min 1,608% 1,638% 1,638% 1,638%
Max 1,650% 1,650% 1,650% 1,650%
Min 0,300% 0,400% 0,400% 0,400%

Number of municipalities (population by size)

Inhabitants 100,000 or more .......................... 1
Inhabitants 10,000 - 99,999 ....................... 5
Inhabitants 5,000 - 9,999 .......................... 3
Inhabitants 2,000 - 4,999 ........................... 12
Inhabitants 1,000 - 1,999 ........................... 12
Inhabitants 500 - 999 ............................... 11
Inhabitants 300 - 499 ............................... 13
Inhabitants 100 - 299 ............................... 11
Inhabitants 99 or less ............................. 6

Number of full time jobs in the municipalities

Year 2008 2010 2012 2014 2015

Municipal revenues and expenses (price level 2014)

Income tax

Real estate tax

Equalization fund

Other taxes

Other income

Municipal expenses 2014

Wage costs

Change in pension commitments

Other operating costs

Depreciation and financial items

Municipal debts (price level 2014)

Obligations

Long term debts

Short term debts

Number of primary schools ............................ 167
Number of students in primary schools '14-'15 ............... 43,136
Number of pre-primary schools ............................ 255
Number of kids in pre-primary schools .................... 19,938
Pre-primary school kids as percentage of children 1 to 5 years old........ 86%