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Words from the DG

Year-end 2015 marked the end of my first term as DG of Statistics Sweden. Over the past few years, the main focus has been on quality work. The work was carried out determinedly with the result that Statistics Sweden is now ISO 20252 certified and has received good reviews in EU's audit. Quality work is never finished, but we have now completed the main work and have made good progress in the standardisation of production systems, practices and methods. This work remains a priority with focus on efficiency and improvements in the production of statistics. We have also carried out extensive work on internal control, and can confidently say that the agency is in good order.

In 2015, we continued to concretize Strategy 2020 and developed outcome targets linked to the strategic objectives. We are also in the final stages of establishing strategies for designated areas. Strategy 2020 is now the basis for current operations and development.

A change process began in 2015 regarding the management of development. A review of the portfolio management process was carried out with the support of external consultants. Some important changes have already been made, such as requiring that implementation is included in the responsibilities of the development projects where applicable. The development budget has been centralised and prioritisation of development projects is now made centrally and is based on the objectives of Strategy 2020.

Statistics production during 2015 progressed without any major deviations. The appropriation funded statistics were produced according to the work plan, and the commissioned operations were carried out according to customer orders and existing agreements. Punctuality in publishing remained high and only a few discrepancies can be noted in relation to the fixed date of publication. No corrections that were considered serious were made in the published statistics for the year.

Difficulties in maintaining response levels in individual and household surveys persist. However, a number of the measures taken during the year have proven to have positive impact on the willingness to respond. The test with combined data collection in the Party Preference Survey was particularly successful. The experiment with an external supplier of interview data for a portion of the sample in the Labour Force Surveys has proceeded according to plan and will be evaluated in the spring for a decision on possible continuation at mid-year 2016.

Statistics Sweden has been very actively engaged in the important international statistical cooperation. We have participated in the work on indicators for following up the UN's sustainability goals (SDG) and the EU work with FRIBS (Framework Regulation Integrating Business Statistics) and the IESS (Integrated Europeans Social Statistics). In 2015, we also completed the Swedish Presidency of the ESS Partnership Group.

On World Statistics Day October 20 we launched Sweden in Figures, which received considerable attention. This is a new way for Statistics Sweden to present parts of its statistics for young and novice users of statistics by using texts, infographics and interactive charts.

Statistics Sweden's participation in Almedalen (annual political gathering) also received extensive attention; 129 articles were written about Statistics Sweden's statistics during the week. Statistics Sweden was on site for the 14th consecutive year, holding nine seminars and participating in four external seminars.

In 2015, Statistics Sweden utilised the allocated appropriations, and the outgoing savings in appropriations amounted to SEK 16.5 million. The savings in appropriations will be used next year for intermittent activities and increased depreciation costs as a result of previous years' capitalisation of costs for systems developed in-house.

Stockholm, 22 February 2016

Stefan Lundgren Director General

Preface

STATISTICS SWEDEN'S MISSION

According to the directives, Statistics Sweden is responsible for official statistics and for other government statistics, and has the task of:

- Developing, producing and disseminating government statistics
- Coordinating the delivery of statistical information to international organisations
- Coordinating the government statistical system

In addition, export of services may be conducted that are compatible with the agency's task and area of operations. The agency shall, if resources permit, carry out commissions within the framework of its statistical activeties for other agencies and shall undertake such assignments from other clients as well. According to the appropriation directions, the overall goal for operations is to produce official statistics of good quality that are easily accessible for the users.

ORGANISATION

Statistics Sweden has 14 departments, each of which has its own defined area of responsibility. The agency's rules of procedure regulate the division of responsibility and tasks.

The operations have been organised in two departments for data collection, four subject area departments, a communication department, a process department and a development department. In addition, there is a department for international consultancy, a personnel department, an administration department and an office of the director general that supports the agency's management.

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Summary of results

OPERATIONS FINANCED BY APPROPRI-ATIONS

"The goal of operations financed by appropriations is to produce official statistics of good quality that are easily accessible for the users ".

Appropriation directions for budget year 2015

The goal of operations financed by appropriations is to produce official statistics of good quality. The appropriation funded statistics have been produced in accordance with the work plan.

Punctuality in publication remained high and amounted to 98 percent. A few discrepancies can be noted in relation to the fixed date of publication. No corrections in published statistics that are considered serious have been made during the year and the number of internal reports of errors has continued to decline.

Several measures have been taken to address the continuing difficulties in maintaining response levels in individual and household surveys. The trial of an external supplier of interview data for the Labour Force Survey (LFS) has proceeded. For the Political Party Preference Survey, mixedmode data collection with telephone interviews and online questionnaires has been applied. Testing and preparation for tests with mixed-mode collection of data has also been done in other individual surveys such as the Adult Education Survey (AES) and Household Housing Costs.

Since 2014, Statistics Sweden is certified according to the international standard ISO 20252:2012. An external follow-up audit was conducted in February and resulted in Statistics Sweden receiving continued certification. Since Statistics Sweden meets the requirements of the ISO standard, it also meets a large portion of the requirements contained in the ESS Code of Practice. According to the appropriation directions, the statistical information must be more accessible and useful, and the understanding and interpretation of statistical results and relationships must be facilitated. The major effort on the internet in 2015 was the launch of Sweden in Figures. This is a new way for Statistics Sweden to present statistics for young and novice users of statistics utilising texts, info graphics and interactive charts.

Analyses of statistical results have been published regularly in online articles. Statistics Sweden's quality evaluation system of ten important surveys revealed a marginal improvement for all products except one, compared with the previous year. However, the improvement was less than in previous years.

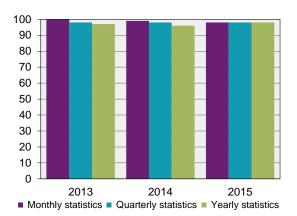
The costs for the response process decreesed by 7.9 percent in 2015.

A total of 398 Statistical news were publicshed, of which 333 concerned statistics that Statistics Sweden was responsible for.

The total number of tables in the Statistical Database amounted to 3 548 at the end of 2015, of which 3 063 were the responsibility of Statistics Sweden. The total number of tables increased by 5 percent compared with 2014 and 45 percent of the tables were also available in English.

The number of retrievals from the Statistical Database decreased during 2015. A total of just over 1 092 000 retrievals was made, which is a decrease of nearly 12 percent compared with 2014. More than 887 000 retrievals were made from tables that Statistics Sweden is responsible for. Labour market and population continued to be the most popular areas with regard to the number of retrievals.

Statistics Sweden did not hold any press conferences in 2015 because media interest in these has been low in recent years. Instead, Statistics Sweden has held breakfast seminars on current topics during the year. The most important channel for communicating statistics is the Statistics Sweden website. It had over 8.6 million visits in 2015, an increase of nearly 13 percent compared with 2014. Punctuality, percentage of publication according to the publishing plan



Costs 2013–2015 as well as number of Statistical news, number of retrievals from the statistical database,
number of tables in the statistical database in 2015 by subject area

Subject area	Costs, SEK millions 2013 ¹	Costs, SEK millions 2014 ¹	Costs, SEK millions 2015	Statistical news 2015	Number of retrievals 2015	Number of tables 2015
Labour market	150,5	151,7	155,6	43	123 912	539
Population	21,3 ²	17,9 ²	16,7	8	316 527	173
Housing, construction and building	17,8	17,4	19,5	27	65 569	235
Democracy	6,5	16,8	9,6	10	20 184	341
Trade in goods and services	25,4	23,8	25,6	70	50 174	64
Household finances	30,4	26,5	21,1	5	45 060	109
Living conditions	34,4	31,1	32,8	7	26 565	329
Environment	16,9 ²	15,9 ²	16,2	15	11 239	140
National accounts	60,0	58,9	57,7	14	31 692	154
Business operations	63,5	68,8	72,6	60	37 484	273
Public finances	9,7	9,3	10,1	15	26 645	65
Prices and consumption	47,1	48,6	47,4	43	97 870	92
Education and research	28,4	32,4	25,6	16	23 638	489
Other	56,7	48,6	58,8		10 808	60
Total	568,3	567,6	569,2	333	887 367	3 063
- in addition to commis- sioned services of other government agencies responsible for statistics				65	205 098	485

1) Joint costs that can be attributed to appropriations activities are included in the appropriations outcome, by subject area. This means that 2013 and 2014 are adjusted compared with the annual accounts for 2014.

2) The distribution between the areas. Population and Environment for 2013 and 2014 has a different classification than in the annual accounts for 2014.

OPERATIONS FINANCED BY FEES

"The aim of the fee-financed operation: is, by performing tasks based on the various needs of different users, to increase the scope for using Statistics Sweden's statistical material and statistical competence."

Appropriation directions for budget year 2015

Statistics Sweden's fee-financed operations (commissioned operations) are an important part of the agency's goal of increasing the use of statistical information. Commissioned operations at Statistics Sweden made up almost 50 percent of the agency's total turnover. From an organisational point of view, they are integrated into the agency's operations financed by appropriations. These two types of operations are also administrated and produced in a similar way in many respects and the percentage of commissioned operations varies greatly between the agency's different departments and units. There is a special commissioned operations policy that specifies guidelines for limitations and goals.

Commissioned operations

Commissioned operations cover a large number of different services and products, everything from simple tables and standardised products to customised solutions that include complete statistical surveys. In addition, Statistics Sweden also does extensive work revising and updating various statistical registers.

Income	¹ by category of	commission,	SEK millions
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Category of commission	2013	2014	2015
Data collection/total statistical survey	230.8	239.6	244.8
Consultation etc.	40.4	46.4	67.1
Statistical processing of existing registers	111.8	102.6	110.0
Nominal data retrievals	16.5	21.0	20.3
Service exports	49.3	52.3	53.5
Other	21.5	21.0	14.1
Publications	3.0	3.1	2.9
Total	473.4	485.9	512.7

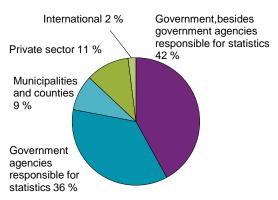
1) Including joint costs that can be attributed to commissioned activities.

In order to compare the various categories of commissioned operations, their percentage share in relation to total income from commissioned operations is calculated. In comparison with the previous year there is an increase in the commission category Consultancy, while other categories did not show any major changes.

Income from commissioned activities increased by SEK 26.8 million compared with 2014 and showed a surplus of SEK 3 million.

Approximately 6 600 new commissions were registered in 2015 compared with 6 650 in 2014. Most of the commissions were of a minor nature and nearly 11 percent consisted of larger commissions of more than SEK 50 000.

Income¹ by customer category 2015, percent



 Including joint costs that can be attributed to commissioned activities.

Government agencies were responsible for about three-quarters of the income from commissioned operations and, as in previous years, constituted the largest customer category. Commissions on behalf of other agencies responsible for statistics made up about 36 percent of the total volume. This includes, in addition to official statistics assignments, analysis and development tasks.

SERVICE EXPORTS

Statistics Sweden has a mandate in the instructions from the Government to provide services within capacity building to National Statistical Institutes and systems outside the European Union. The services are carried out mainly as part of long-term institutional cooperation projects with national statistics offices in Africa, Latin America, South East Asia, the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe. The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) is the main donor.

The balance sheet total for 2015 was SEK 53.5 million. The cooperation during the year included 13 long term projects involving 11 resident long-term consultants and 277 shortterm assignments varying in length. In addition, 16 study visits from the cooperation projects were received by different departments at Statistics Sweden.

USERS AND CUSTOMERS

"The agency is to report on the level of public confidence"

"...and on customer satisfaction as regards its fee-financed operations." *Appropriation directions for budget year* 2015

During 2015, Statistics Sweden has studied how its customers and users view the agency and its products in different ways.

The customer survey shows that the agency's commission customers are consistently satisfied. In 2015, the agency scored 6.0 on a seven-point scale when it came to a total assessment of the assignment. The score is at the same level as for 2014.

Customer satisfaction according to the supplier questionnaire

Factor	2013	2014	2015
Speed	5.8	5.8	5.8
Service	6.2	6.3	6.3
Punctuality	6.0	6.0	6.0
Contents	6.0	6.1	6.2
Easy to comprehend	5.9	6.0	6.0
Usefulness	6.0	6.1	6.2
Value for money	5.1	5.2	5.3
Total	5.9	6.0	6.0
Number of responses	496	497	521
Number of responses with a total rating of 3 or lower	17	24	17

A survey, Public confidence in Statistics Sweden 2015, was conducted among 1 500 people (15 years and over) in October 2015. The survey showed that 95 percent of those asked had heard of Statistics Sweden. 36 percent said that they knew a great deal or quite a lot about Statistics Sweden. Nearly six out of ten (58 percent) said, however, that they knew only a little or not much at all. Six percent said they knew nothing at all about Statistics Sweden.

Among the 95 percent who had heard of Statistics Sweden, 79 percent replied that they had a great deal or quite a lot of confidence in Statistics Sweden. Another result that emerged was that those who knew of Statistics Sweden in general felt that the statistics that the agency produced were objecttive and politically neutral (74 percent). They also felt that personal data were handled in a reassuring way (94 percent).

COORDINATION OF THE OFFICIAL STATISTICS

"The coordination of official statistics shall strengthen the Swedish statistics system and increase the use of the official statistics." *Appropriation directions for budget year* 2015

There is a council for official statistics to support Statistics Sweden's work with coordination. Seven government agencies responsible for statistics, including Statistics Sweden, are represented. The task of the council is to support government agencies responsible for statistics in matters of principle regarding official statistics.

Seminars are an important part of coordination work for competence development and exchange of experiences among the government agencies responsible for statistics. The council's annual conference on official statistics was held during the year. More than 150 delegates attended the conference.

INTERNATIONAL STATISTICAL COOPERATION

Sweden takes part in international cooperation within the European statistical system (ESS), with the EU's statistical agency Eurostat as coordinator. In addition, Statistics Sweden cooperates with the OECD, a number of UN organisations, the Nordic statistical agencies and through bilateral work with other countries' statistical agencies. Statistics Sweden takes part in approximately 90 statistical working groups tied to Eurostat. In addition, Statistics Sweden is active in about 20 OECD and about 30 UN working groups within the area of statistics. Cooperation also occurs via the 50 statistical networks that are established in the Nordic statistical cooperation.

Sweden is actively working within the EU for statistics of good quality and to limit costs for producers and respondents. At the same time, it works to preserve confidentiality in line with existing Swedish legislation.

International statistical cooperation - EU

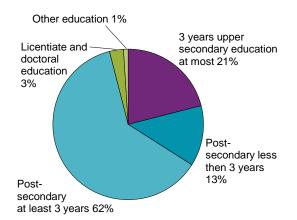
	2013	2014	2015
Number of EU legal acts in the field of statistics	24	25	19
Number of EU working groups with participants from Statistics Sweden	104	103 ¹	91

1) Revised data.

STAFF

During 2015, there were 1 358 employees at Statistics Sweden. Of these, 528 were based in Stockholm, 701 in Örebro and 129 were field interviewers stationed throughout the country. 77 new employees were recruited during the year and 97 colleagues left the agency's employment. The average age of the Statistics Sweden employee is now 45 years of age. Sick leave in relation to available time (for work) in 2015 was 4.8 percent.

Educational level of personnel 2015, percent



FINANCES

Income from operations

Statistics Sweden's income totalled SEK 1 081.9 million in 2015, of which 51.8 percent consists of income from appropriations, 46.2 percent income from fees and other remuneration and 2.0 percent of income from grants and financial income.

In 2015, total net income increased by SEK 28.5 million (2.7 percent) compared with 2014. Income from appropriations increased by SEK 2.6 million (0.5 percent). Overall, fees and other remuneration, income from grants and financial income showed a net increase of SEK 25.9 million (5.2 percent) compared with 2014, of which income from fees and other remuneration increased by SEK 20.1 million. Fee income and grant income vary from year to year depending on commissions of a temporary nature.

Operating costs

Total costs amounted to SEK 1 079.0 million, which represented an increase of SEK 34.9 million, or 3.3 percent, compared with 2014. The largest increase relates to other operating costs and staff costs.

The figure shows the operating costs. The total costs for staff, which constitutes 70.7 percent of Statistics Sweden's total costs, increased by SEK 14.5 million (1.9 percent) compared with 2014. Wage costs and payroll taxes have increased by SEK 7.3 million. The increase is mainly due to the annual salary review, but is reduced by a smaller number of interviewers employed on an hourly basis than in 2014. The reduction in hourly employees is primarily due to increased use of subcontractors for different statistical surveys, which instead increased other operating costs. Capitalisation of staff costs for fixed assets developed in-house decreased by SEK 3.9 million compared with 2014. The decrease involves an increased cost in comparison with the previous year. The level of capitalisation depends on which projects are undertaken during the year. The capitalised costs are amortised over the coming years.

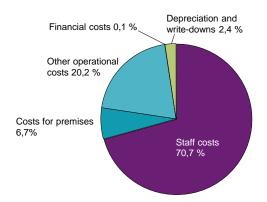
Costs for premises decreased by SEK 1.5 million compared with 2014, primarily due

to reduced office space by making the workplace denser.

The net increase of 17.4 million in other operating expenses consists of increased costs for IT services and fees for computer software for SEK 6.6 million, mainly concerning increased operating costs and higher fees for usage rights. Other purchased services increased by SEK 5.5 million mainly due to increased consulting costs. Other operating costs increased by SEK 5.4 million partly as a result of an external collaboration where Statistics Sweden has SEK 5.9 million in throughput costs, which represents income at a corresponding level. The year's capitalisations of other operating costs for fixed assets developed in house amounted to SEK 5.8 million, which is a decrease of SEK 5.9 million compared with 2014. The decrea se involves an increased cost in comparison with the previous year. The cost increase in other operating expenses was dampened somewhat by a decrease in consulting costs in export of services. The decrease was mainly due to the new long-term consultants who are now employed by Statistics Sweden.

Financial expenses were at the same level as in the previous year. Depreciation and devaluation increased by SEK 4.6 million or 22 percent. Depreciation increased by SEK 6.6 million compared with 2014, primarily due to the in-house development of IT systems that were completed in 2015.

Types of costs in 2015, percent



During the five-year period 2011-2015, total productivity increased on average by 1.2 percent per year. The corresponding average for the ten-year period 2006-2015 is 2.9 percent per year.

Financial report

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT (SEK THOUSANDS)

	Note	2015	2014
Income from operations			
Income from appropriations	Note 1	560 487	557 901
Income from fees and other remuneration	Note 2	500 373	480 239
Income from grants	Note 3	20 660	14 795
Financial income	Note 4	421	544
Total income from operations		1 081 941	1 053 480
Expenditures from operations			
Expenditures for personnel	Note 5	762 612	748 155
Expenditures for premises	Note 6	72 472	74 005
Other operational costs	Note 7	217 676	200 308
Financial expenditures	Note 8	573	530
Depreciation and write-downs	Note 9	25 643	21 027
Total expenditures from operations		1 078 975	1 044 026
Outcome of operations		2 966	9 454
Capital change for the year	Note 10	2 966	9 454

BALANCE SHEET (SEK THOUSANDS)

	Note	2015-12-31	2014-12-31
ASSETS			
Intangible assets			
Balanced expenditure for development	Note 11	83 635	83 850
Rights and other intangible fixed assets	Note 12	449	767
Sum of intangible assets		84 084	84 617
Tangible fixed assets			
Improvements on another party's property - reconstruction	Note 13	474	542
Machinery, equipment, installations, etc.	Note 14	27 398	19 154
Total tangible fixed assets		27 872	19 695
Inventories, etc.			
Inventory and supplies	Note 15	93	1 101
Sum of inventories, etc.		93	1 101
Sum of short-term receivables			
Current receivables	Note 16	52 195	51 245
Receivables from other government agencies	Note 17	69 069	59 870
Other current receivables	Note 18	2 607	1 479
Sum of short-term receivables		123 871	112 594
Accruals and deferrals			
Deferred costs	Note 19	36 472	39 695
Accrued income from grants	Note 20	9 996	5 963
Other accrued income	Note 20	26 896	29 780
Sum of accruals and deferrals		73 363	75 438
Settlement with state budget			
Settlement with state budget	Note 21	-5 274	-4 992
Sum of settlement with state budget		-5 274	-4 992
Cash and bank balances			
Balance of interest account with National Debt Office		96 094	110 923
Cash and bank balances		96 094	110 923
TOTAL ASSETS		400 104	399 376
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Government agency capital			
Capital change brought forward		42 269	32 816
Capital change according to profit and loss statement	Note 10	2 966	9 454
Sum of government agency capital	Note 22	45 235	42 269
Provisions			
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	Note 23	1 846	1 907
Other provisions	Note 23	1 545	-
Sum of provisions		3 392	1 907
Liabilities, etc.			
Loans with the Swedish National Debt Office	Note 24	108 544	102 338
Sum of current liabilities to other government agencies	Note 25	26 155	26 070
Accounts payable - suppliers	Note 26	36 602	54 307
Other current liabilities	Note 27	21 677	12 948
Sum of liabilities, etc.		192 978	195 663
Accruals and deferrals			
Accrued costs	Note 28	59 312	62 105
Unutilised grants	Note 29	7 319	6 198
Other accrued income	Note 30	91 868	91 235
Sum of accruals and deferrals		158 499	159 537
TOTAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES		400 104	399 376
Contingent liabilities		None	None

APPROPRIATIONS ACCOUNTS (SEK THOUSANDS)

Appropriations	Note	Opening transfer	The year's allocations		Total disposable	Expenses 2015	Closing transfer
a = framework appropriations		amount	according to appro- priations directions		amount		amount/ reserva- tion
Expenditure area 02 Economy and financial administration							
02 01 009 Statistics Sweden (a)		16 793	545 442	-281	561 953	545 448	16 506
001 Statistics Sweden (a)	Note 1	16 793	545 442	-281	561 953	545 448	16 506
Expenditure area 09 Health care, medical care and social welfare	•						
09 04 007 Contribution to development of social work, etc. (a)		106	4 575	-106	4 575	4 575	0
009 Statistical surveys (a)	Note 2	106	4 575	-106	4 575	4 575	0
09 05 002 Activities to implement the Convention on the Rights of the Child in							
Sweden (a)			500		500	474	26
003 Statistics on children (a)	Note 3		500		500	474	26
Expenditure area 16 Education and university research							
16 04 004 Development work in the areas of education and research (a)			6 088		6 088	5 816	272
001 Statistics Sweden (a)	Note 4		6 088		6 088	5 816	272
Expenditure area 17 Culture, media, religious communities and leisure							
17 13 006 Activities for the non-profit sector (a)			2 000		2 000	2 000	0
004 Statistics on civil society (a)	Note 5		2 000		2 000	2 000	0
Expenditure area 22 Communications							
22 02 004 Information technology and							
telecommunications, etc. (a)			4 190		4 190	4 190	0
002 Information technology - part to Statistics Sweden (a)	Note 6		4 190		4 190	4 190	0
Total	Note 7	16 899	562 795	-387	579 306	562 502	16 804

Notes

1) Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2014-12-19 from the Ministry of Finance (Fi2014/4528 (part)). Income from appropriations relating to Statistics Sweden's framework appropriations, according to the profit and loss statement SEK 543 432 000. The sum SEK 545 448 000 includes a reduction in the holiday pay liability of annual leave allowance from 2008 or earlier by SEK 2 016 000. Thus, total expenses SEK 562 502 000 are SEK 2 016 000 higher compared with income from appropriations according to the profit and loss statement which is SEK 560 487 000.

 Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2015-06-25 from the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (S2015/04530/RS (part)).

 Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2015-06-17 from the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs (S2015/04479/FST).

 Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2014-12-22 from the Ministry of Education and Research (u2014/7521/SAM (part), u2014/7537/SAM).

5) Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2015-06-25 from the Ministry of Culture (Ku2015/01807/LS (part)).

6) Funds approved under the appropriation directions dated 2015-06-17 from the Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation (N2015/4884/ITP).

7) Closing appropriation savings of SEK 16 804 000, of which SEK 16 506 000 for Statistics Sweden framework appropriation that will need to be used next year for intermittent activities and for increased depreciation costs as a result of previous years capitalisation of systems developed in house. Statistics Sweden may use the accumulated appropriation balance of 3 percent of the framework appropriation and for the appropriation for development work in the areas of education and research, which means that Statistics Sweden may use SEK 16 546 000.

NOTES

Profit and loss statement

The amounts in the notes below are in SEK thousands.

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NOTE 1	Income from appropriations	2015	2014
	2:1:9:1 Ministry of Finance, Statistics Sweden's framework appropriation	543 432	538 977
	9:4:7 Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Development of social work, etc.	4 575	4 469
	9:5:2:3 Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Statistics on children	474	500
	14:1:3:2 Ministry of Employment, Grant to PIAAC	-	515
	16:4:4:1 Ministry of Education and Research	5 816	7 900
	17:13:6:4 Ministry of Education and Research, Statistics on civil society	2 000	1 350
	22:2:4:2 Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, Information Technology	4 190	4 190
	Total income of appropriations	560 487	557 901
	Income from appropriations has increased between 2014 and 2015 due to increased allocated resources and their consumption.		
	Change in holiday pay liability for annual leave from 2008 or earlier	2 016	
	Total expenses in the appropriations accounts	562 502	
NOTE 2	Income from fees and other remuneration	2015	2014
	Fee income	443 332	424 500
	Copies	14	20
	Fee income from export of services	53 547	52 257
	According to Section 4 of the Fees Ordinance		
	Publication sales	3 328	3 430
	Course and conference fees	-1	11
	Other remuneration		
	Inventory sales	5	-
	Invoiced cost compensation and other remuneration	153	21
	Total income from fees and other remuneration	500 373	480 239
	The increase in fee income is mainly due to an increase in commissions within the government sector.		
	Of which income from fees and other remuneration that are attributable to appropriation activities	370	
	Of which income from fees and other remuneration that are attributable to commissioned activities	500 003	
	Budget according to the appropriation directions was SEK 474.1 million. See fee income in the table Summary of essential information.		
NOTE 3	Income from grants	2015	2014
	Wage subsidies, employment support, etc.	593	637
	Grants from ministries, etc.	8 101	4 961
	Non-government grants including EU grants	11 966	9 197
	Total income from grants	20 660	14 795
	Income from grants varies between years as they are temporary in nature.		
	Of which income from grants that are attributable to appropriation activities	8 205	
	Of which income from grants related to commissioned activities	12 456	

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The amounts in the notes below are in SEK thousands.

NOTE 4 Einancial income	2015	2014
NOTE 4 Financial income	2015	2014
Interest income from interest account with National Debt Office	0	351
Interest income from loans with the National Debt Office Other financial income	263	-
Total financial income	158 421	193 544
The National Debt Office had a negative interest rate during most of 2015. This has resulted in interest income on loans in the National Debt Office. In 2014, the interest rate was positive which resulted in interest income on the interest-bearing account at the National Debt Office.	421	044
Of which financial income attributable to appropriation activities	161	
Of which financial income attributable to commissioned activities	259	
NOTE 5 Staff costs	2015	2014
Salaries of employed staff	511 572	505 796
Fees paid to persons over age 65, Advisory Council, representatives, etc. (S codes 4112 and 4118)	3 760	3 712
Accrued salary costs	0	0
Change in holiday pay liability	-1 317	-312
Total salary costs (S codes 4111-4119)	514 015	509 196
General payroll taxes	164 172	161 691
Pension premiums, pension payments	77 290	76 837
Pension provisions (net)	-61	-1 043
Other staff costs	17 311	15 501
Minus capitalisation of costs for fixed assets developed in-house	-10 115	-14 027
Total staff costs	762 612	748 155
The total cost of personnel has increased between the years by SEK 14.5 million, of which payroll and general payroll taxes have increased by SEK 7.3 million mainly due to annual salary revisions. The increase has slowed since the number of staff employed on an hourly basis is fewer than in 2014, resulting in lower labour costs.		
Statistics Sweden has previously booked holiday pay liability at the same standard value for payroll taxes and tax regardless of age. Statistics Sweden will change this process in 2016. In order to phase in before 2016, Statistics Sweden has made an adjustment between the standard value and the actual outcome in the annual accounts for 2015. This means that the holiday pay liability decreased by SEK 580 000, of which the year's salary costs decreased	1	
by a corresponding amount. The year's pension provisions are slightly lower than the year's pension payments resulting in net pension provisions of SEK -0.1 million. The difference between 2015 and 2014 is about SEK 1.0 million which is primarily due to higher pension payments in the previous year. See note 23.		
Other personnel costs have increased by SEK 1.8 million, mainly due to provisions for the active adjustment work. See note 23.		
Work in developing and improving the functionality of the tools used in the statistical production process has continued in 2015, which in some cases has led to capitalisation of fixed assets developed in house (investments). The costs for personnel are capitalised in those cases where our own staff are working on development projects. The capitalised costs are amortised over the coming years in the form of depreciation. The level change between the years depending on which projects are carried out.	9	
The year's capitalisation amounts to SEK 10.1 million, which is a decrease of SEK 3.9 million compared with 2014. The decrease involves increased costs in comparison with the previous year.		
NOTE 6 Cost of premises	2015	2014
Rent for premises	62 115	63 417
Rent connected to foreign operations	3 052	2 866
Other costs of premises	7 305	7 722
Total cost of premises	72 472	74 005
The cost of premises decreased by SEK 1.5 million due to reduced floor space and lower energy costs than in 2014.	9	

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NOTE 7	ounts in the notes below are in SEK thousands. Other operating costs	2015	2014
	IT services and software fees	83 761	77 133
	Telephony, transportation and postage	22 827	22 912
	Travel costs excluding daily allowance	21 717	22 056
	Consulting costs in export of services	9 649	13 479
	Purchase of equipment, etc.	2 584	4 340
	Other purchased services	49 747	44 269
	Other operating costs	33 186	27 823
	Minus capitalisation of costs for fixed assets developed in-house	-5 795	-11 704
	Total other operating costs	217 676	200 308
	Of which, total other operating costs related to export of services	25 236	27 77
	IT services and fees for software increased by a net total of SEK 6.6 million (8.6 percent). The increase is primarily due to increased operating costs related to fixed and supplementary services as well as fees for usage rights.		
	Travel expenses decreased mainly due to decreased domestic travel, a decline in the number of train journeys in recent years, and reduced activity in the export of services, including fewer study visits. Video conference rooms and Lync, etc. create increased communication possibilities and the need to travel is reduced to some extent. The decrease is moderated by increased foreign travel outside the export of services.		
	The purchase of equipment, etc. decreased mainly due to lower purchasing for computer equipment, etc.		
	Other purchased services increased primarily due to increased consulting costs including the trial with an external supplier of the interview data for the Labour Force Surveys (LFS).		
	Other operating expenses increased by SEK 5.4 million partly as a result of an external collaboration where Statistics Sweden has SEK 5.9 million in flow-through costs, which represents income at a corresponding level.		
	Work in developing and improving the functionality of the tools used in the statistical production process has continued in 2015, which in some cases has led to capitalisation of fixed assets developed in house (investments). In other operating costs, capitalisations are made in case there are consultants who work in development projects. The capitalised costs are written off over the coming years in the form of depreciation. The year's capitalisation amounts to SEK 5.8 million, which is a decrease of SEK 5.9 million compared with 2014. The decrease involves increased costs in comparison with the previous year. The level of capitalisation is different from year to year depending on which projects are carried out.		
NOTE 8	Financial costs	2015	2014
	Interest costs for loans with the National Debt Office	_	414
	Interest costs for interest account with National Debt Office	245	
	Other interest costs and fees	328	116
	Total financial costs	573	53
	During most of 2015, the National Debt Office had a negative rate of interest, which involved interest costs on the balance held in the interest account at the National Debt Office. In 2014 the interest rate was positive, which meant interest costs for loans in the National Debt Office. The increase in other interest costs mainly relates to foreign exchange losses that were higher in 2015 compared with 2014.		
NOTE 9	Depreciation and write-downs	2015	2014
	Depreciation	25 061	18 496
	The year's write-downs for non-operating AT	582	2 531
	Total depreciation and write-downs	25 643	21 02
	Depreciation increased by SEK 6.6 million compared with 2014 primarily due to IT systems developed in house that were completed in 2015 whereby depreciation increased. For the year's write-downs, see note 11.		
NOTE 10	Capital change for the year	2015	2014
•	Surplus in commissioned operations	2 966	9 454
	Capital change for the year	2 966	9 454

The amounts in the following notes are in SEK thousands.

	Balanced expenditure for development. Expenditures for IT systems developed in house	2015	2014
	Opening acquisition value	114 028	90 828
	Write-downs of non-operational assets	-582	-2,53
	Acquisitions during the year	15 910	25 73 [,]
	The year's disposals, sales	-652	-
	Closing acquisition value	128 703	114 02
	Opening accumulated depreciation	30 178	20 95
	Depreciation for the year	15 542	9 222
	The year's disposals, sales	-652	
	Closing depreciation	45 068	30 17
	Booked value	83 635	83 85
	Of which, ongoing projects	13 754	43 26
	In 2015, write-downs were made for a non-operational asset for an IT system under construction in house, EDP. Work with the IT system EDP started in 2013 and has since been merged with another project, NR-FIBER. Some of this work is now considered to be more of a pre-study character, Since these parts are not expected to result in future economic benefits or service potential for Statistics Sweden, write-downs were made in the amount of SEK 582 000.		
	Four IT systems developed in house for statistical production have a deprecia- tion period of more than five years; three have seven years and one has eight years, which correspond to the estimated economic life of these systems. From experience, Statistics Sweden has used similar statistical production systems for considerably longer periods than five years. The IT system that has an estimated economic life of eight years will replace		
	several old product-specific systems. This represents a major effort with the conscious strategy that it will be used for a longer period of at least eight years.		
NOTE 12	Rights and other intangible fixed assets	2015	201
	Expenditures for licenses and purchased IT programs		
	Opening acquisition value	21 042	21 57
	Acquisitions during the year	225	16
	The year's disposals, sales	-3,899	-69
	Closing acquisition value	17 368	21 04
	Opening accumulated depreciation	20 275	20 02
	Depreciation for the year	543	94
	The year's disposals, sales	-3,899	-69
	Closing depreciation	16 919	20 27
	Booked value	449	76
	Of which, ongoing projects	_	
	Disposals have been made of software and licenses that are no longer used. These were fully depreciated at the time of disposal.		
IOTE 13	Outlays for Improvements on third party property – refurbishments	2015	201
	Opening acquisition value	3 079	4 48
	Acquisitions during the year	150	
	The year's disposals, sales	-	-1 40
	Closing acquisition value	3 229	3 07
	Opening accumulated depreciation	2 537	3 66
	Depreciation for the year	218	27
	Depreciation for the year	210	21
	The year's disposals, sales	-	
		- 2 755	-1 40 2 5 3

The amounts in the following notes are in SEK thousands.

NOTE 14	Machinery, equipment, installations, etc.	2015	2014
	Opening acquisition value	79 205	77 103
	Purchases during the year	17 038	11 076
	The year's disposals, sales	-4 046	-8 974
	Closing acquisition value	92 197	79 205
	Opening accumulated depreciation	60 052	60 820
	Depreciation for the year	8 758	8 059
	The year's disposals, sales	-4 011	-8 828
	Closing depreciation	64 799	60 052
	Booked value	27 398	19 154
	During 2015, purchases included servers, networking and data storage equipment.		
	In 2014, storage devices, servers and load balancing equipment were discarded.		
NOTE 15	Inventory and supplies	2015	2014
	Publication stock	93	1 101
	Total inventories and supplies	93	1 101
	Publication stock was phased out during 2015, and as of 2015-12-31 only one publication remains.		
NOTE 16	Accounts receivable, non-government	2015	2014
	Accounts receivable	52 195	51 245
	Total accounts receivable, non-government	52 195	51 245
	Of which receivables written down	232	436
	The accounts receivable includes receivables relating to publication sales.		
	Changes in commissioned activities between the years contribute to variations in accounts receivable.		
NOTE 17	Receivables from other government agencies	2015	2014
	Accounts receivable	55 935	46 423
	Opening value added tax, etc.	12 954	13 142
	Other receivables	180	305
	Total receivables from other government agencies	69 069	59 870
	Changes in commissioned activities between the years contribute to variations in accounts receivable.		
	Agency accounts receivable increased by SEK 9.5 million between 2014 and 2015 mainly due to a large account receivable with a specific agency.		
	Other receivables for SEK 180 000 relate to claims of the National Tax Board.		
NOTE 18	Other short-term receivables	2015	2014
	Invoices sent	37	24
	Export of services funds in project countries, etc.	2 552	1 450
	Other	18	5
	Total other short-term receivables	2 607	1 479
	Remaining funds for export of services at the end of the year vary from year to year depending on the year's consumption costs.		
NOTE 19	Deferred costs	2015	2014
	Rental costs	17 327	16 602
	Other deferred costs	19 145	23 093
	Total deferred costs	36 472	39 695
	Deferred rental costs have increased due to the cost of reconstruction.		
	The item Other deferred costs includes mainly deferred costs for licenses. These deferred costs decreased by SEK 3.9 million.		

The amounts in the following notes are in SEK thousands.

NOTE 20	Accrued income from grants		2015	2014
	Accrued wage subsidies		50	25
	Ongoing commissions		9 946	5 938
	Total accrued income from grants		9 996	5 963
	Other accrued income			
	Ongoing commissions		26 896	29 780
	Total other accrued income		26 896	29 780
	Accrued income from grants varies between years as they are to nature.	emporary in		
	The increase in accrued grant income related to ongoing commi between the years 2015 and 2014 derived mainly from grants from			
NOTE 21	Settlement with state budget		2015	2014
	Appropriations in non-interest bearing flow			
	Opening balance		1 421	917
	Reported against appropriations (+)		17 055	18 924
	Funds attributable to transfer payments etc. paid to non-interest	-bearing flow	-15 608	-18 420
	Claims related to appropriations in non-interest-bearing flo	w	2 868	1 421
	Appropriations in interest bearing flow			
	Opening balance		-16 793	-7 390
	Reported against appropriations (+) Appropriation funds transferred to interest account (-) Refund of appropriation funds <i>Liabilities/receivables related to appropriations in interest bearing flow</i>		545 448	540 980
			-545 442	-550 383
			281	-
			-16 506	-16 793
	Receivables for holiday pay liability that have not been reported appropriations	against		
	Opening balance		10 380	12 383
	Reported against appropriations for the year, according to the ex	xemption rule	-2 016	-2 003
	Receivables for holiday pay liability that have not been repo appropriations	orted against	8 364	10 380
	Total settlement with state budget		-5 274	-4 992
NOTE 22	Government agency capital	Balance Capital Operations financed by fees	Capital change according to profit and loss statement	Tota
	Closing balance 2014-12-31	32 816	9 454	42 269
	Opening balance 2015-01-01	32 816	9 454	42 269
	Capital change for the previous year	9 454	-9 454	9 454
	Capital change for the year		2 966	2 966
	Total change for the year	9 454	-6 488	2 966
	Closing balance 2015-12-31	42 269	2 966	45 235
	Statistics Sweden has at its disposal accumulated surplus funds corresponding to up to 10 percent of the turnover for commissioned activities			

commissioned activities.

In this year's result, the accumulated surplus funds are SEK 45 235 000 (8.8 percent) (SEK 42 269 000 and 8.7 percent in previous year).

The amounts in the following notes are in SEK thousands.

NOTE 23	Provisions	2015	2014
	Opening provisions	1 907	2 950
	Change in liability	1 000	775
	The year's pension payments	-1 061	-1 818
	Total provisions for pensions and similar obligations	1 846	1 907
	Other provisions	1 545	-
	Closing provisions	3 392	1 907
	The change in liabilities relating to pension provisions is slightly higher than in the previous year, while payments for the year are lower than in the previous year.		
	Other provisions include a provision of 0.3 percent of the total payroll to active adjustment work according to the central agreement on local adjustment funds. In previous years, these funds within Statistics Sweden were used to finance partial pensions. Local agreements on what these funds would be used for in the future were signed in 2015.		
NOTE 24	Loans with the National Debt Office for fixed assets	2015	2014
	Opening balance	102 338	84 137
	Borrowed during the year	31 870	39 909
	Amortised during the year	-25 664	-21 709
	Closing liability	108 544	102 338
	The authorised credit facility according to appropriation directions	140 000	110 000
	Fixed assets book value as of 31 December	111 957	104 312
	The difference between the loan taken at the National Debt Office and the book value is partly due to the capitalisation of IT systems developed in house and purchases during December.		
NOTE 25	Short-term liabilities to other government agencies	2015	2014
	Employer contributions and special salary tax	14 456	13 947
	Pension premiums, etc.	18	19
	Closing value added tax	5 795	6 009
	Supplier invoices	5 887	6 095
	Total short-term liabilities to other government agencies	26 155	26 070
NOTE 26	Accounts payable - suppliers	2015	2014
	Invoices registered	49	193
	Invoices from non-government suppliers	34 643	53 574
	Invoices from foreign suppliers	1 910	540
	Total accounts payable - suppliers	36 602	54 307
	Accounts payable from non-government suppliers decreased by SEK 18.9 million between 2014 and 2015 due to certain rather large accounts payable for some suppliers at year-end 2014.		
NOTE 27	Other short-term liabilities	2015	2014
	Employee withholding taxes	13 106	12 517
	Other	8 571	431
	Total other short-term liabilities	21 677	12 948
	For 2015, Other includes SEK 8.3 million received for a project where Statistics Sweden is the project coordinator and the funds are to be paid to other project countries.		
NOTE 28	Accrued costs	2015	2014
	Holiday pay liability and holiday pay supplements	34 503	35 166
	Comp liability, accrued fees and retroactive pay	1 912	1 840
	Social insurance contributions for holiday pay and other pay liabilities	16 830	18 034
	Other accrued costs	6 067	7 065
	Total accrued costs	59 312	62 105

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NOTE 29	Unutilised grants	2015	2014
	Unutilised intra-government grants ongoing commission	2 429	5 497
	Unutilised non-government grants ongoing commission	4 890	701
	Total unutilised grants	7 319	6 198
	Unutilised government grants relate primarily to funds that Statistics Sweden has received according to government decision. In 2015, Statistics Sweden had higher consumption of requisitioned funds than in 2014 because the commissions had been completed to a greater extent. For the item unutilised government grants for ongoing commissions, SEK 2 265 000 will be used within three months and SEK 164 000 will be utilised within a year. Non-government unutilised grants have increased mainly due to a large grant for a project that is not completed.		
NOTE 30	Other accrued income	2015	2014
	Intra-government accrued income ongoing commissions	46 534	38 784
	Non-government accrued income ongoing commissions	45 334	52 451
	Total accrued income	91 868	91 235
	Changes in commissioned activities between the years contribute to variations in other deferred income.		

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