Mobil phone position data and official statistics

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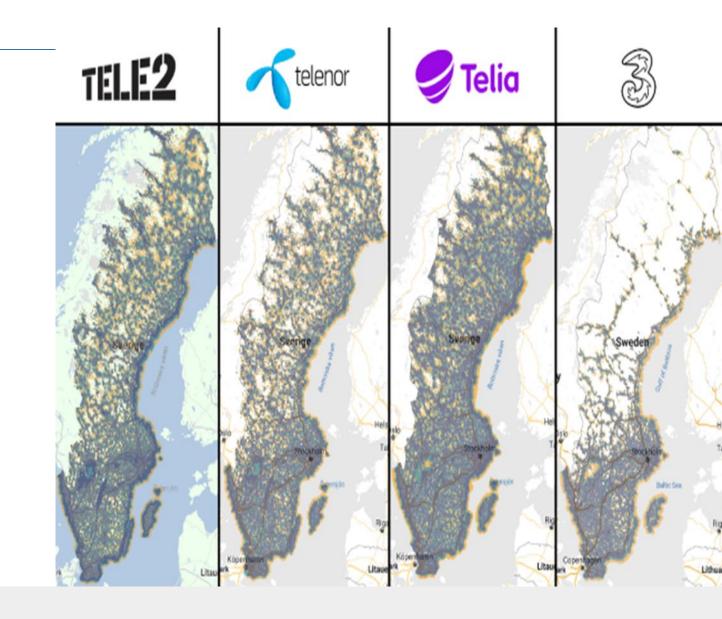


Introduction

- 4 MNOs in Sweden
- All contacted, contracts with
 - Telia (40 % client share)
 - Tre (10 % client share)

Anonymised and aggregated data

- 1. First explorative
- 2. Efter start pandemic: quality
- 3. 2022: government assignment



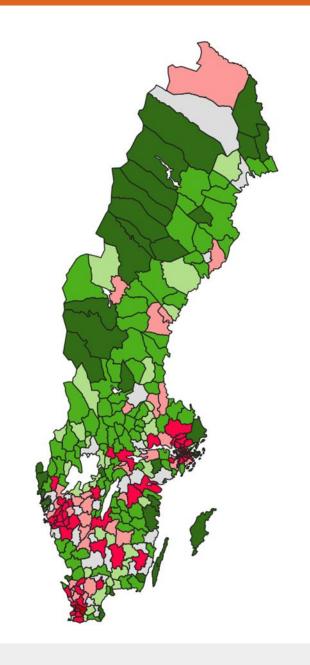


Government assigment

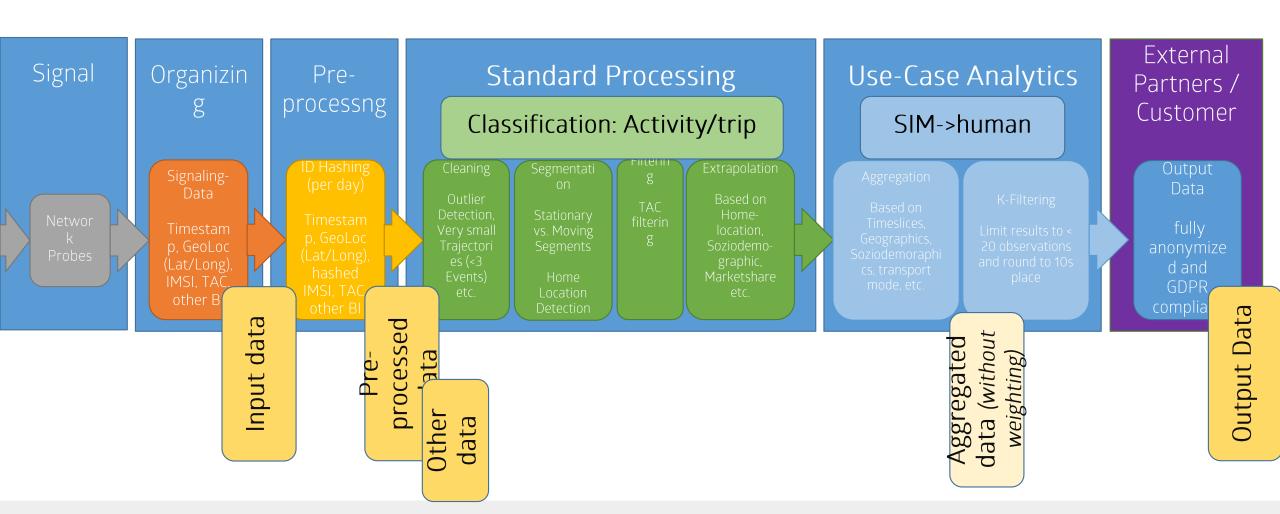
Conditions for use of official statistics

Possibilities to replace current surveys

DEVELOPMENT OF
 NEW SMART STATISTICS



MNO data processing



NSM 2022

Crucial steps

anonymisation, min.counts, no client data, aggregation
 hashing: limited time following ind. SIM-cards (24 h),

 Process driven by strong data-privacy roles

- Signal, organising, pre-processing and standard processing steps:
 SCBs role was passive; facilitating documentation
- Relating SIM-cards to human populations
 SCBs role was active; quality improvement
 NOTE: this issues remains if data from all MNOs are available





Aggregation level and quality

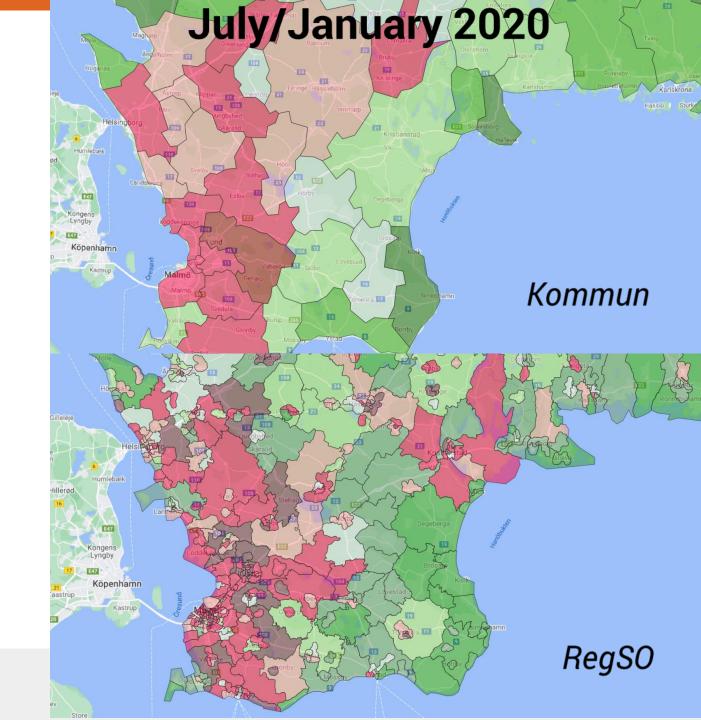
Factual

- Aggregated data only
- Dependant of MNOs processes

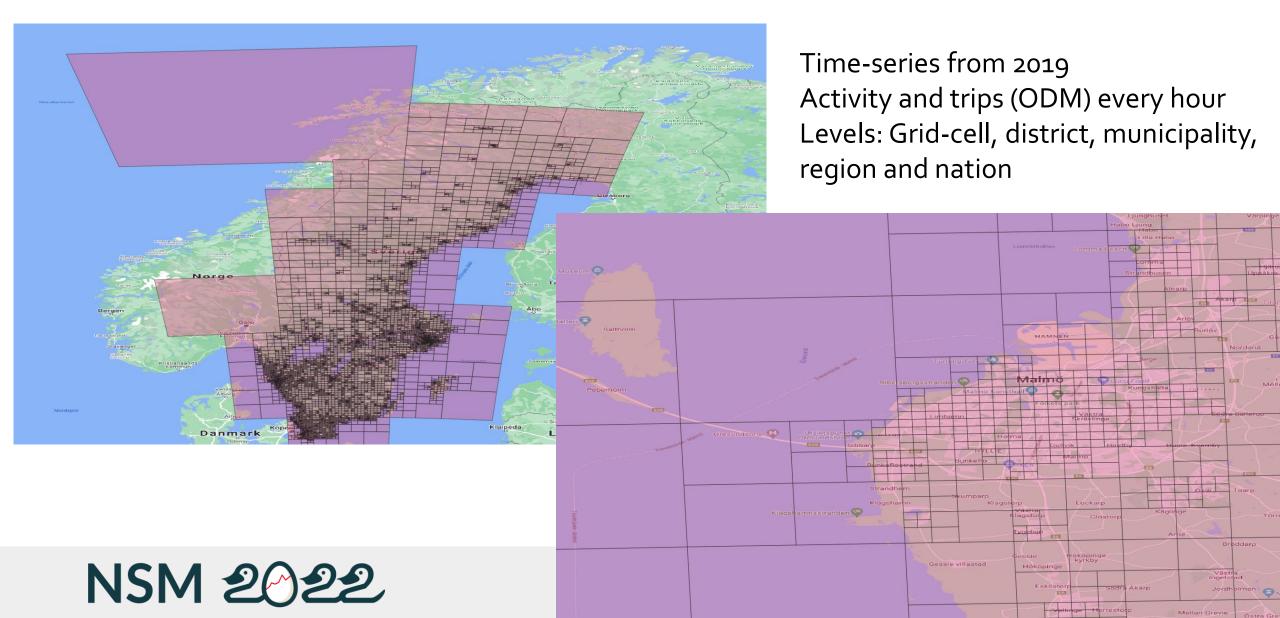
Therefore.... requirements

- Collaboration, descriptions, QA etc.
- Data-deliveries at low aggregation levels and with high timely resolution to
 - check plausibility
 - representativity
 - benchmark with related statistics

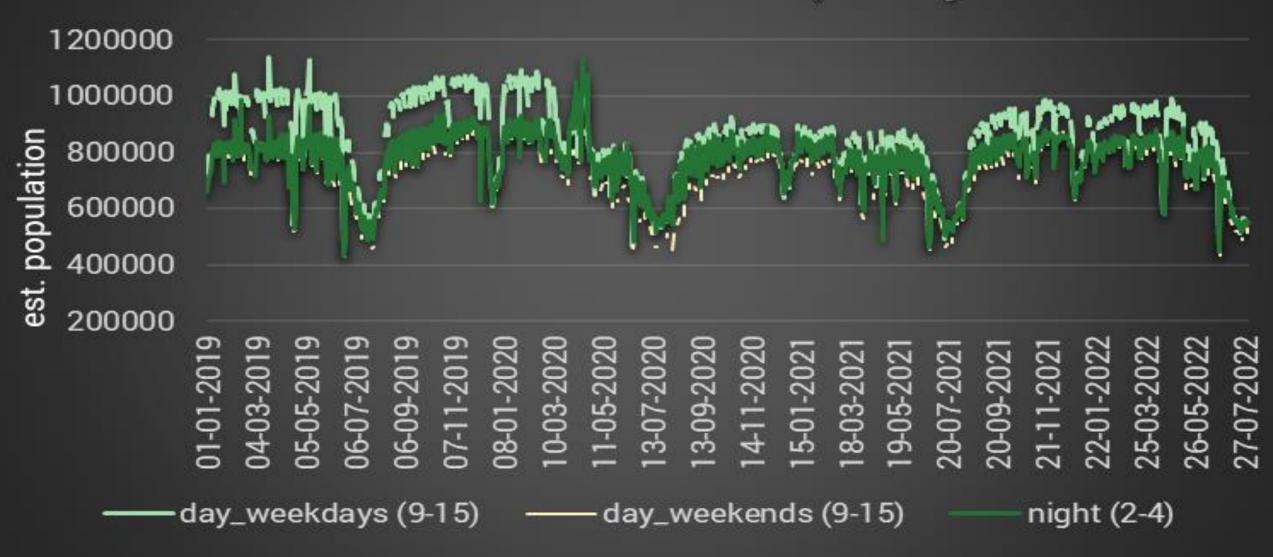




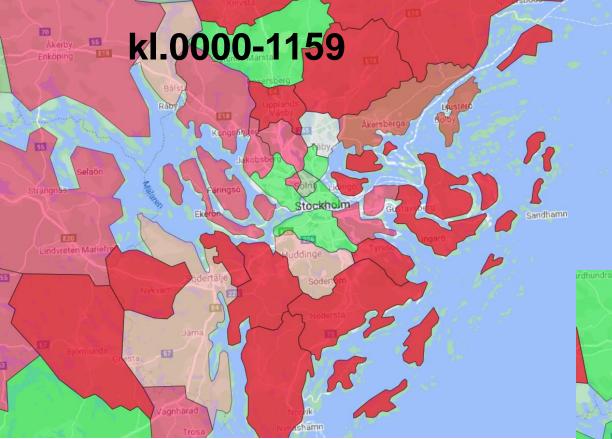
Data-deliveries: 5 levels: grid-cell, DeSO, kommun, län, sveriga



Stockholm municipality







Trips: Inbound/outbound 2022-02

RÖD: In <, Ut mer 'utpendling'

In/Ut < 0.50

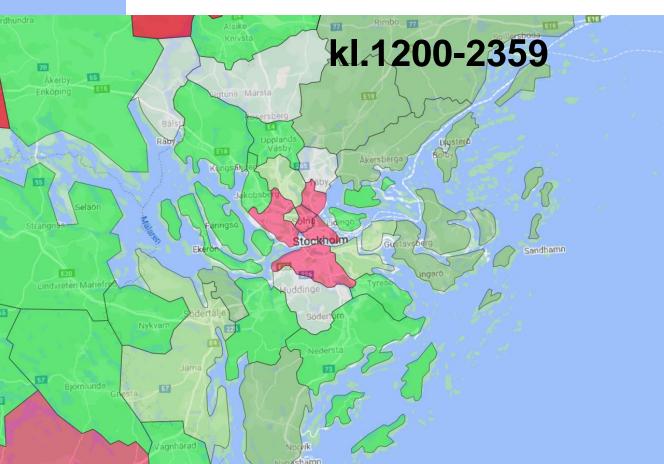
0.50 <= In/Ut < 0.80 0.80 <=

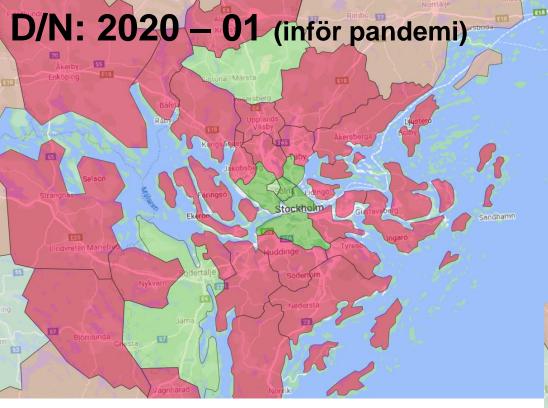
0.95 <= In/Ut <= 1.05

1.05 < In/Ut < 1.20

1.29 <= In/Ut < 1.50

NSM: In the inpending'





Effect COVID-19 Stockholm region

RÖD: dagakt <, mer 'utpendling'

D/N < 0.90

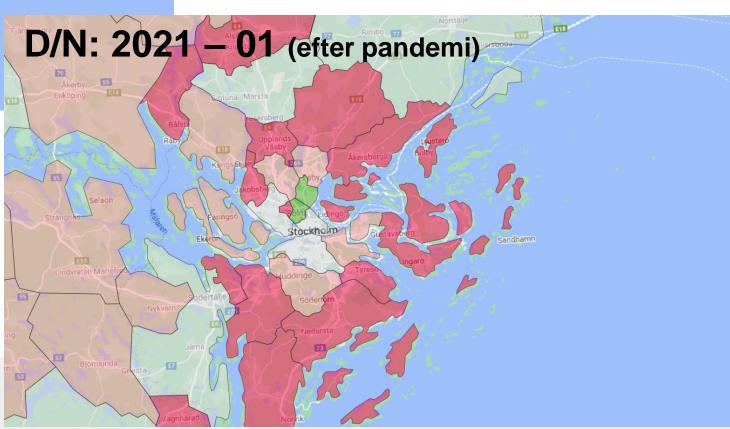
0.90 <= D/N < 0.98

0.98 <= D/N <= 1.02

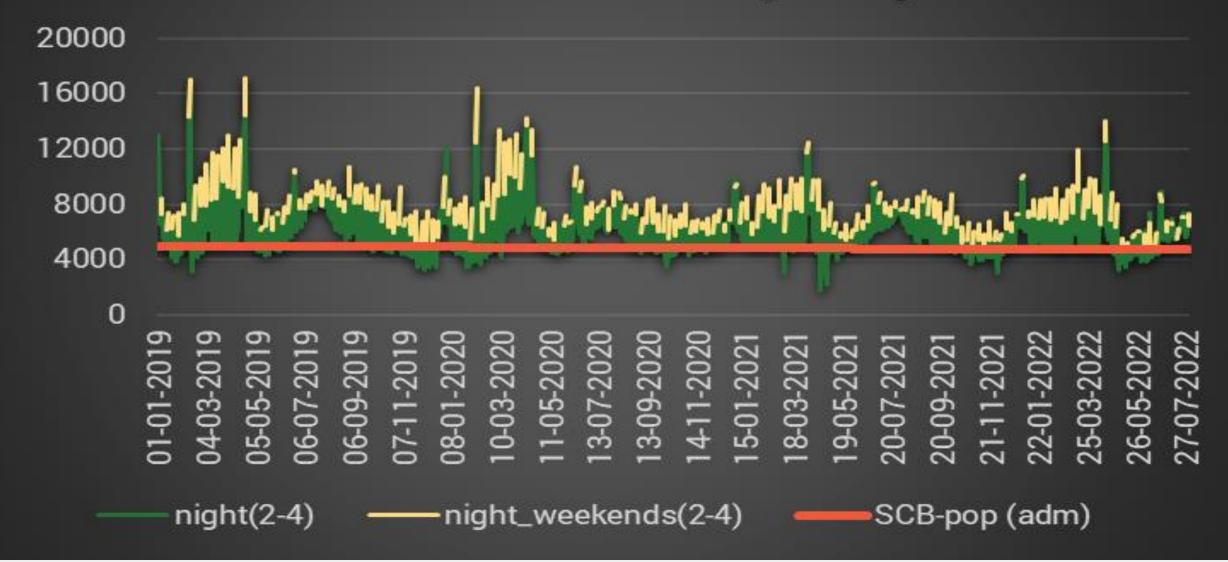
1.02 < D/N < 1.10

D/N >= 1.10

GRÖN SAM RECIPOENDE



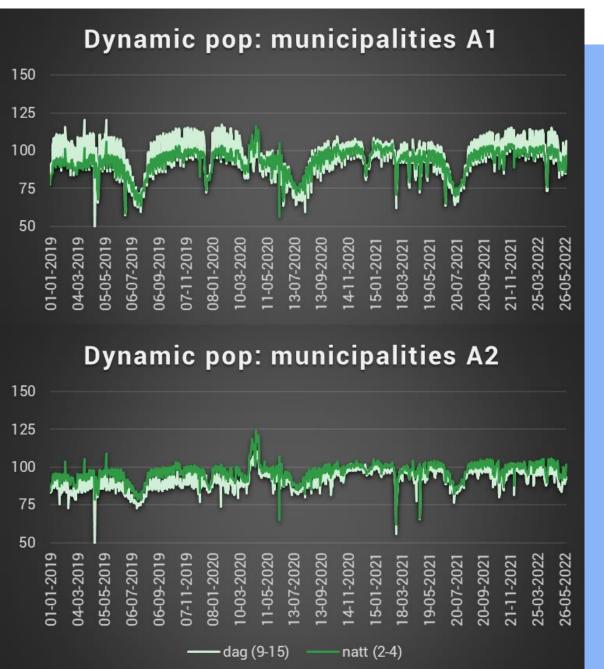
Jokkmokk municipality

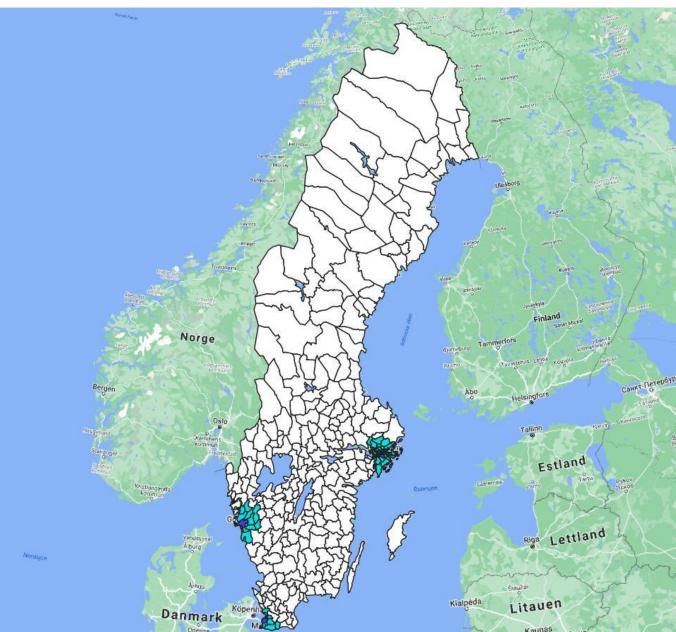


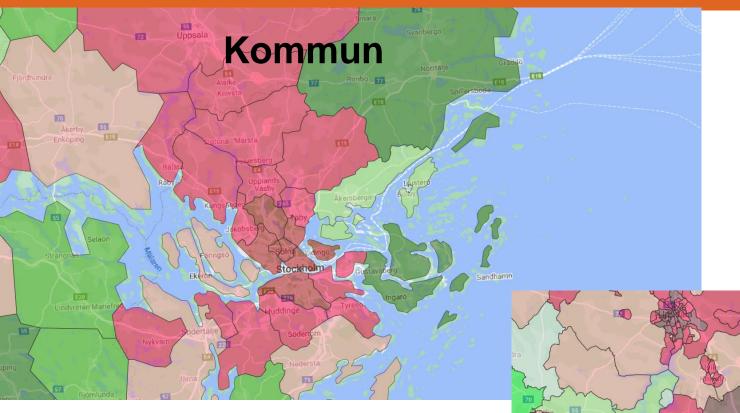


Main group	Group	description	Number
A. Cities and Suburbs	A1. Cities	population > 200 000	3
	A2. Commuting municipality near city	Commuting rate >= 40 % A1 or municipality near A1	43
nearby town	B3. Medium-sized town	population >= 40 000 and < 200 000	21
	B4. Commuting municipality near town	Commuting rate >= 40 % to B ₃	52
	B5. Muncipality near town	Commuting rate < 40 % to nearby town	35
Thornerpancies	C6. Small town	population >= 15 000 and < 40 000 i biggest pop. Area	29
	C7. Commuting municipality near small town	Commuting rate >= 30 % to C6	52
	C8. Densely populated	population < 15 000 i pop. area and commuting rate < 30 %	40
	C9. densely populated with tourism	population < 15 000 i pop. area and tourism faciilities	15
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A1 and A2: Cities and surburbs







Stockholm Region:

seasonal effects: populations

July/January 2020

Dark Red ('less people in July')

m7/m1 < 0.70

0.70 <= m7/m1 < 0.90

0.90 <= m7/m1 < 0.98

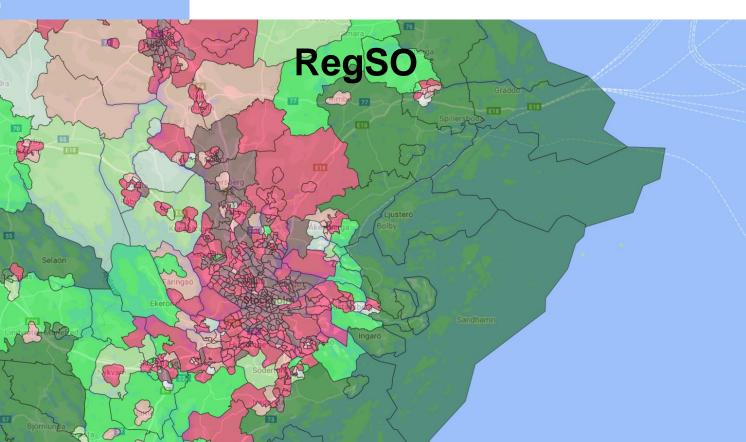
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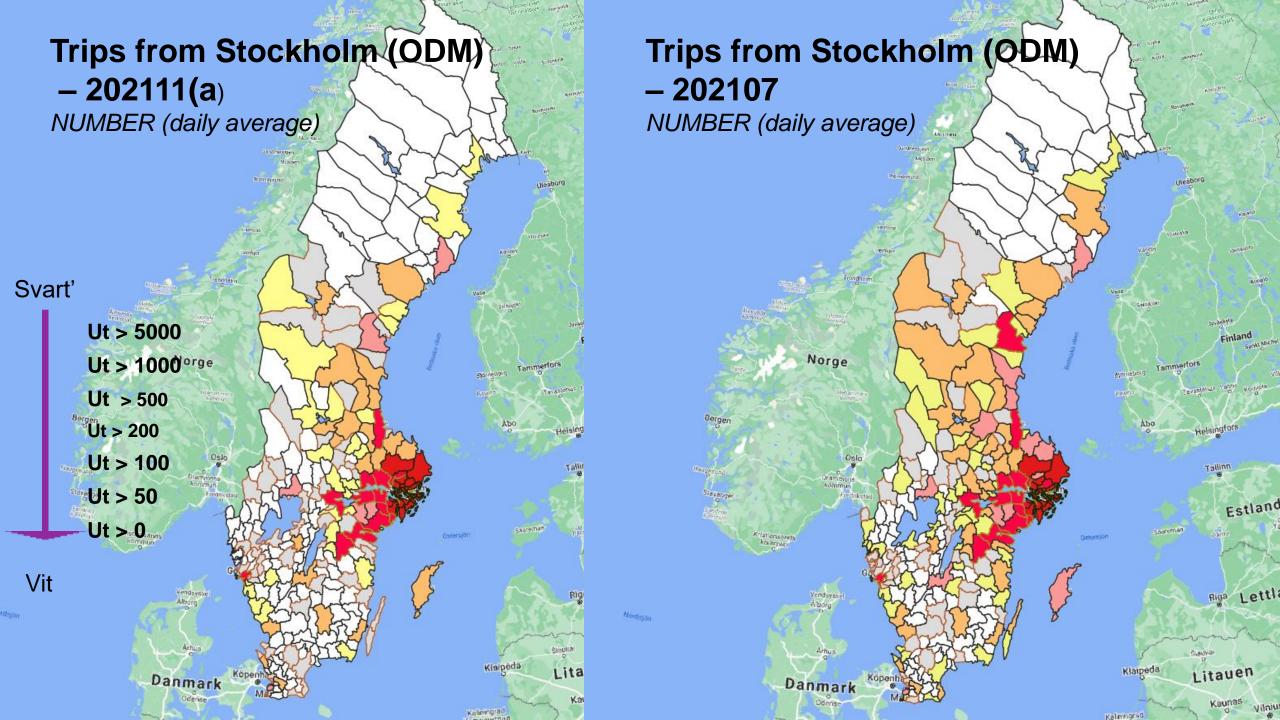
1.02 < m7/m1 <= 1.10

1.10 < m7/m1 <= 1.50

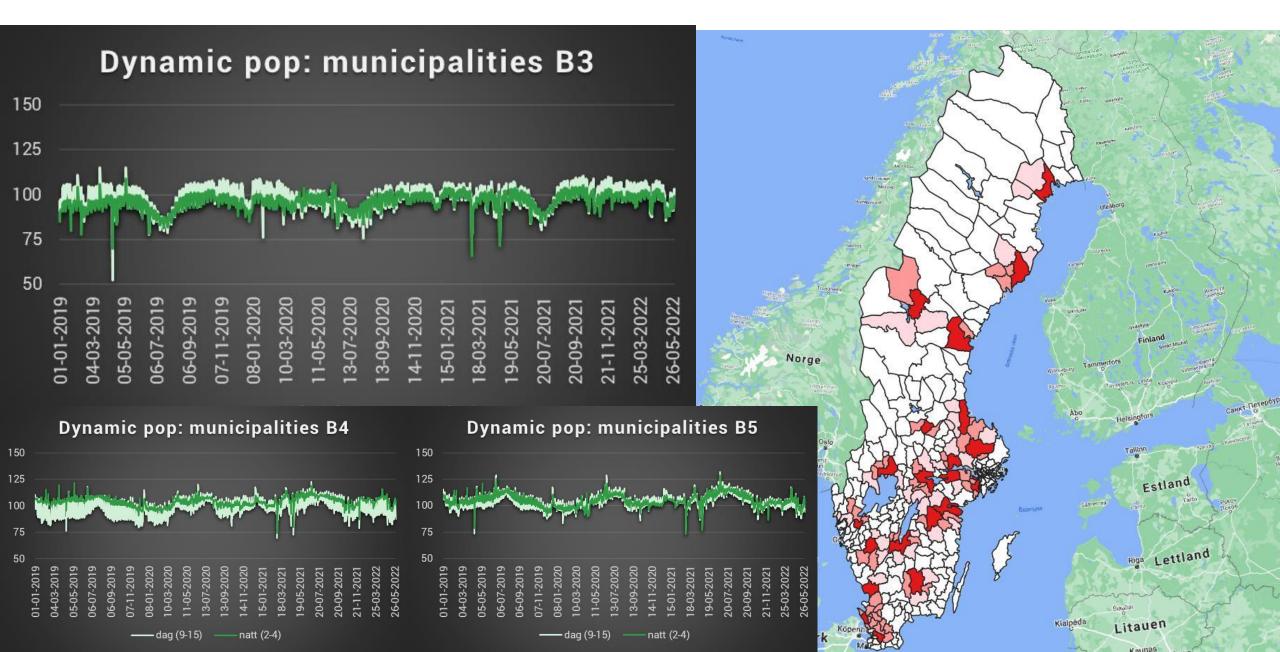
m7/m1 > 1.50



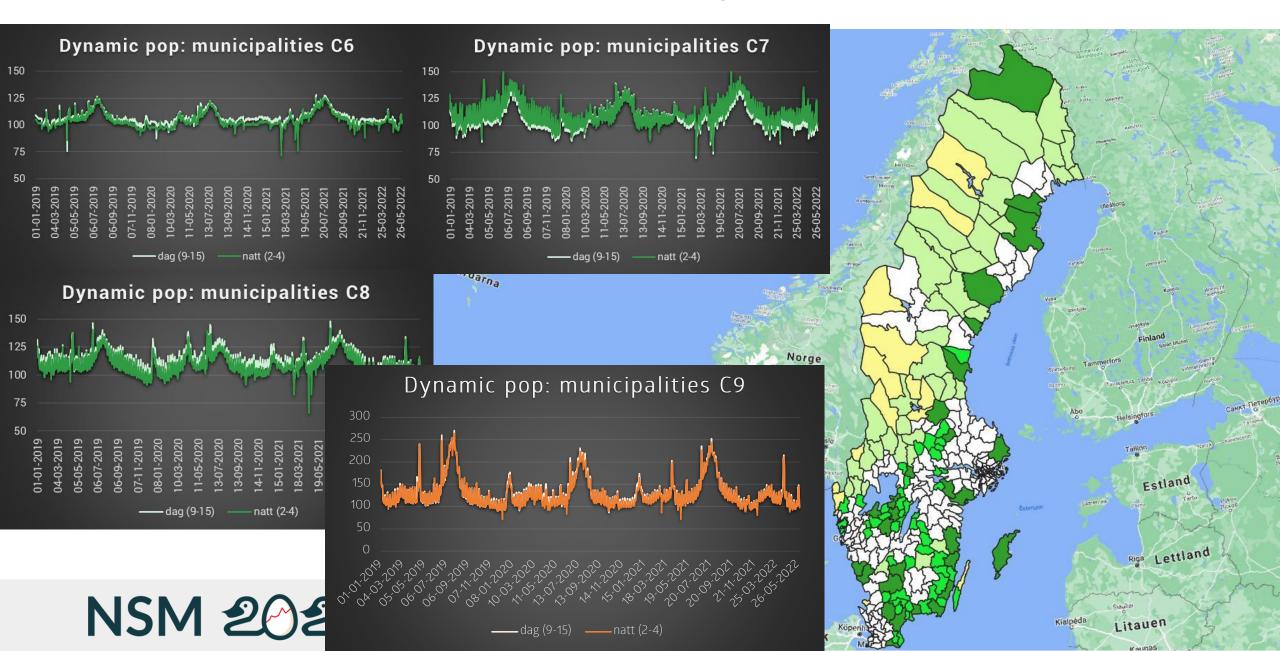




B3, B4, B5: towns and municipalities nearby towns



C6, C7, C8, C9: small towns, densely populated and tourism municipalities



'Smart' statistics I

Dynamic population statistics

Seasonal variations in 'night' population

Plus related travel

(example monthly: July vs. January)

- General public interest
 (State Road Agency, local Health Authorities etc.)
- Underlying data can be used to replace questions in 'tourism surveys'

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Dark Green ('more people in July')





'Smart' statistics II

Dynamic population statistics

Variations in day/night populations plus related travel

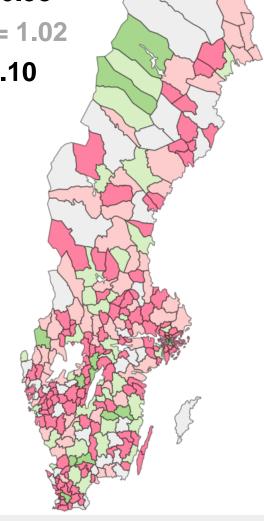
- General public interest
 (daily commuting; regional planning
 especially with 'working from home')
- Can be used to replace questions in 'travel mode' questionnaires.

Red

$$0.90 \le D/N < 0.98$$

$$D/N >= 1.10$$

Green

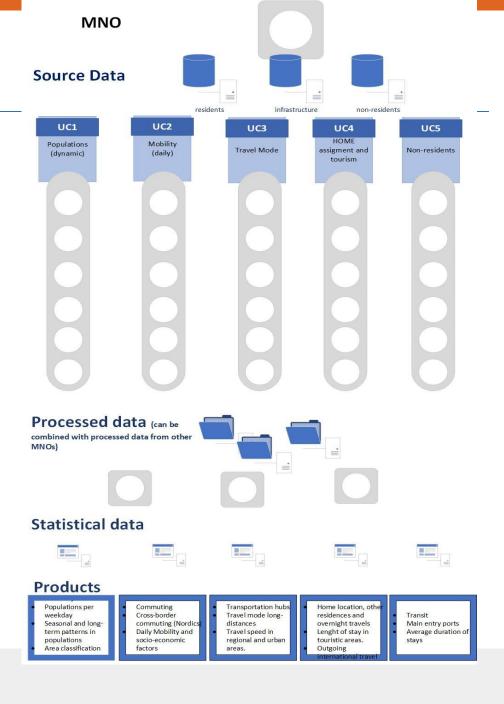




What can (or should ?) be a 'Nordic' ambition

- Standard terminology
- Standard processing pipeline
- Statistical output for the Nordics positioned vs.commercial activities

PARTNERSHIPS NSIs / MNOs



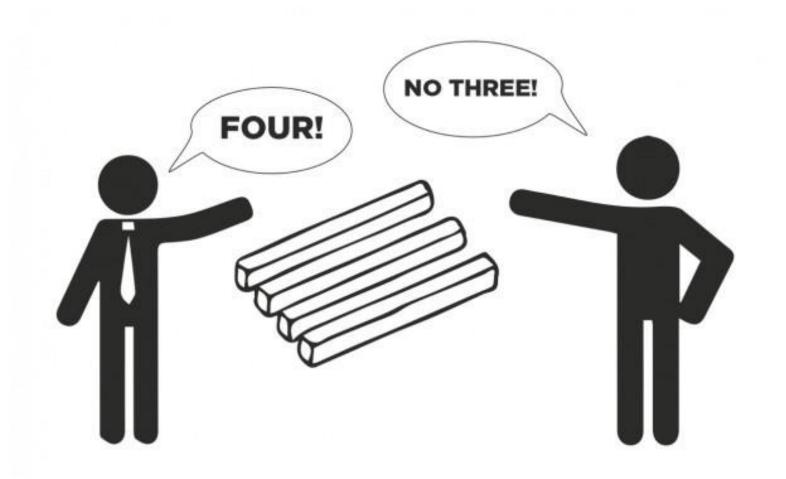


Lessons learned

Complex

Standards needed

New way of thinking





Conclusions and challences

- Complex data och methodolgy:
 - Mobile phones -> human beings
- Quality:
 - Check data from the lowest aggregation level
 - Trends seems plausible, but.... method need to be more robust to produce statistics
- Privacy-aspect
 - Communicate 'clear limits'
- Needed
 - Position OS (output) vs. Commercial interest
 - Legal framework for data-access to start partnerships
 - Standard for Industry (MNO-expression), Standard for OS (SCB-expression)

