

NKRF – på vakt for fellesskapets verdier



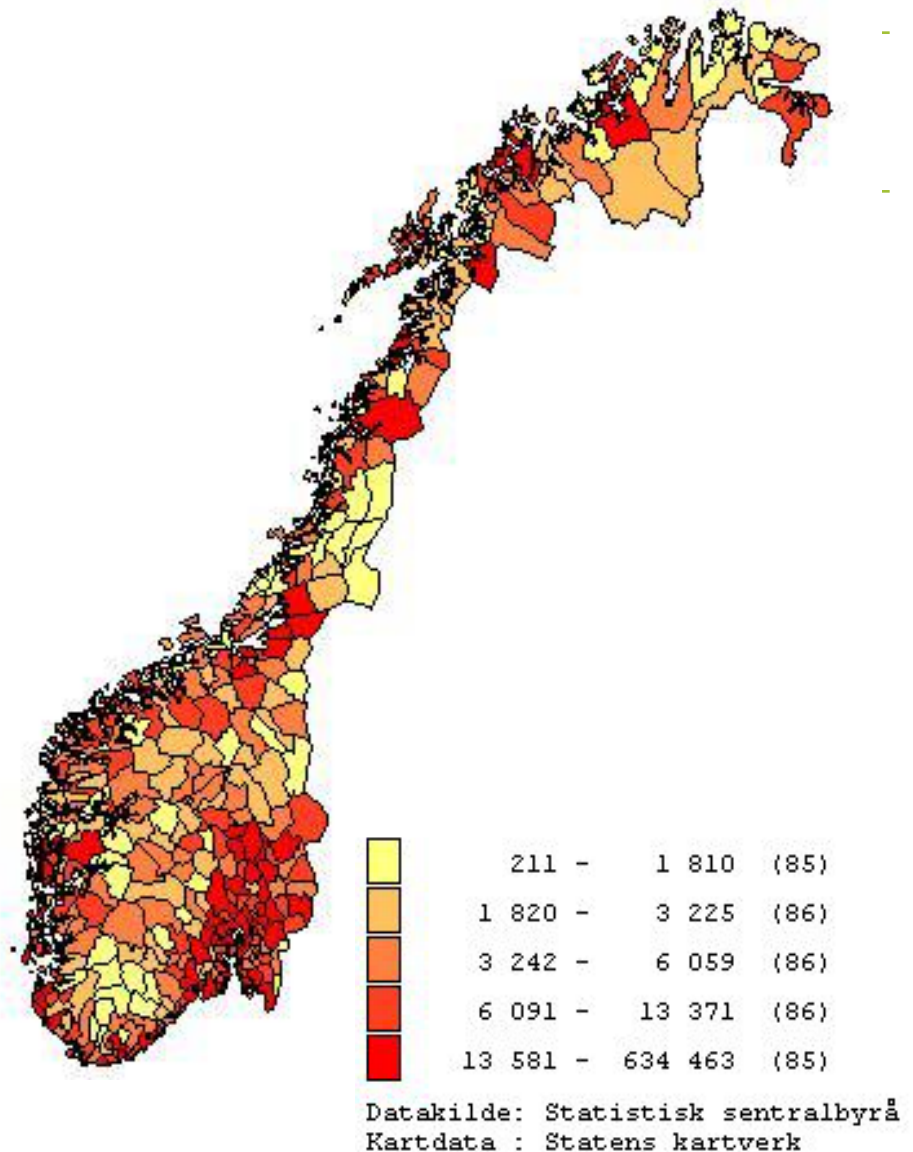
Norwegian Local Government Audit

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Facts about Norway

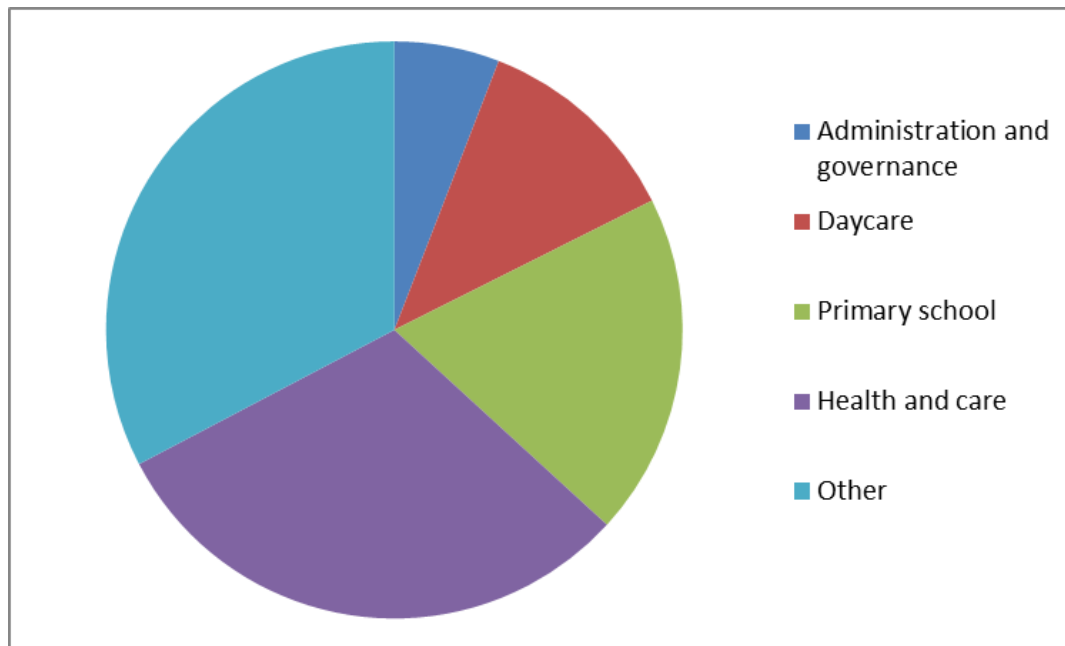
- 5,3 million inhabitants
- 19 counties
- 426 municipalities
(650.000–250 inhabitants)
- Median about 5.000 inhabitants



Source: KMD: H-2315 B

Facts about Norway – municipal economy

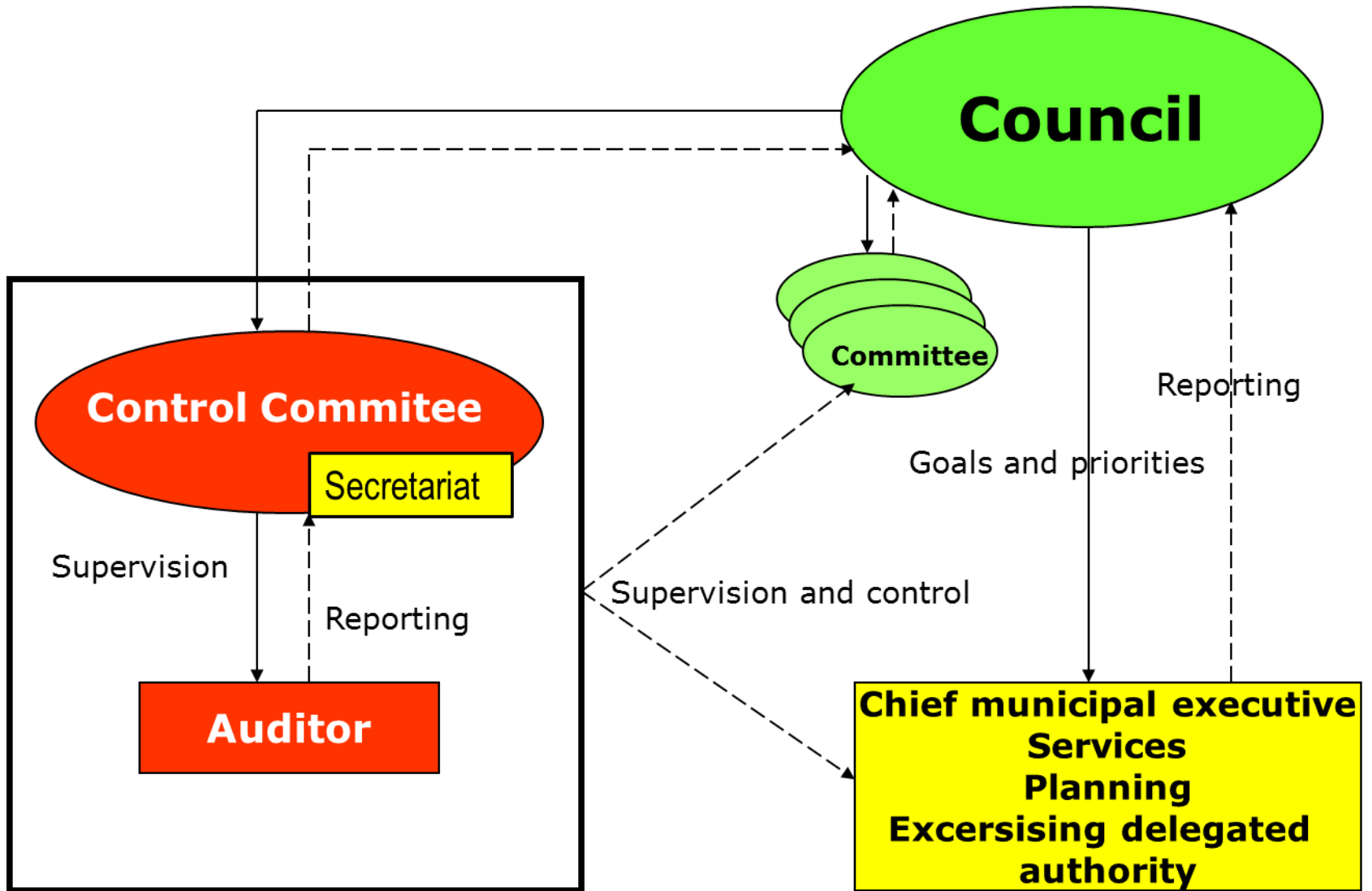
- Municipalities – revenue (2016): 425 556 000 000 NOK
- Municipalities – spending (2016): 410 086 000 000 NOK



Local Government Act, Chapter 12

- § 76. Supervisory responsibility of the municipal council and the county council
- § 77. Control committee
- § 78. Audit
- § 79. Independence of the auditor
- § 80. Rights of information and inspection in companies

Organisation and Institutions



NKRF – The Norwegian Association of Local Government Auditors

- The members of NKRF
 - Audit about 90 % of Norwegian municipalities and counties
 - Are secretariat of about 80 % of municipal control committees

- NKRF bodies
 - Audit Committee
 - Performance audit Committee
 - Accounting Committee
 - Committee for municipal control committees
 - Committee for inspection into municipal interests in partnerships and ownership of companies
 - Committee for quality control of members' audit performance

How to ensure audit quality

- The audit shall be executed in accordance with the international audit standards (ISAs and ISSAIs)
- RSK 001 Performance audit standard
- NKRF has its own quality committee and a group of peer reviewers who supervise the quality of members' audit performance

Contact with other bodies

- NKRF cooperate with:
- The Norwegian Supreme Audit Institution – Riksrevisjonen
- The Institute of Internal Auditors Norway
- Local government auditors in the other Nordic countries.

Audit standards

- Since the year 2000 NKRFs members have been obliged to follow the international standards on auditing (ISAs)
- RSK 001 Performance Audit Standard endorsed in 1999
- In cooperation with the Norwegian Supreme Audit Institution (Riksrevisjonen) we are in the process of adapting the INTOSAI professional standards (ISSAIs) in local government audit
- A central aim is to initiate processes of learning and improvement

Concluding remarks

- Learning and improvement
- Learning organizations
- Use the tools



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Thank you for your attention!