

# 100 largest employers in the Göteborg Region 2008



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## 1. Purpose of the report and definitions

This report compiles information about the 100 largest employers in the Göteborg Region. The report includes a list presenting the 100 largest companies with company name and number of employees, and tables representing the largest employers in the public sector. The statistics refer to the number of employees in November 2008.

### Definitions

#### Employee

Employee includes people;

- for whom employers, according to Swedish legislation, are responsible to report withholding tax
- who for the time being is employed
- for whom the annual salary is estimated to exceed a certain price base amount (price base amount for 2007 is 40 300 SEK)
- who are employed as a substitute for more than three months

Employee does not include people;

- who are employed with wage subsidy, seasonal employment etc
- who at the moment of investigation are on long time leave of absence or long term sick-listed (three months or longer)
- who are employed as a substitute for less than three months

#### The Göteborg Region

The statistics is gathered from the 13 municipalities which are members in the Göteborg Region; Ale, Alingsås, Göteborg, Härryda, Kungsbacka, Kungälv, Lerum, Lilla Edet, Mölndal, Partille, Stenungsund, Tjörn and Öckerö.

#### Company

The statistics show the number of employees in each company. In this context, company, means an incorporated company, as opposed to a company empire/group or local unit such as a firm. Each company has an organizational number and may have operations in more than one location in the region. Municipality administrations and government agencies are not included in the list but presented separately in section 3.

#### Sources

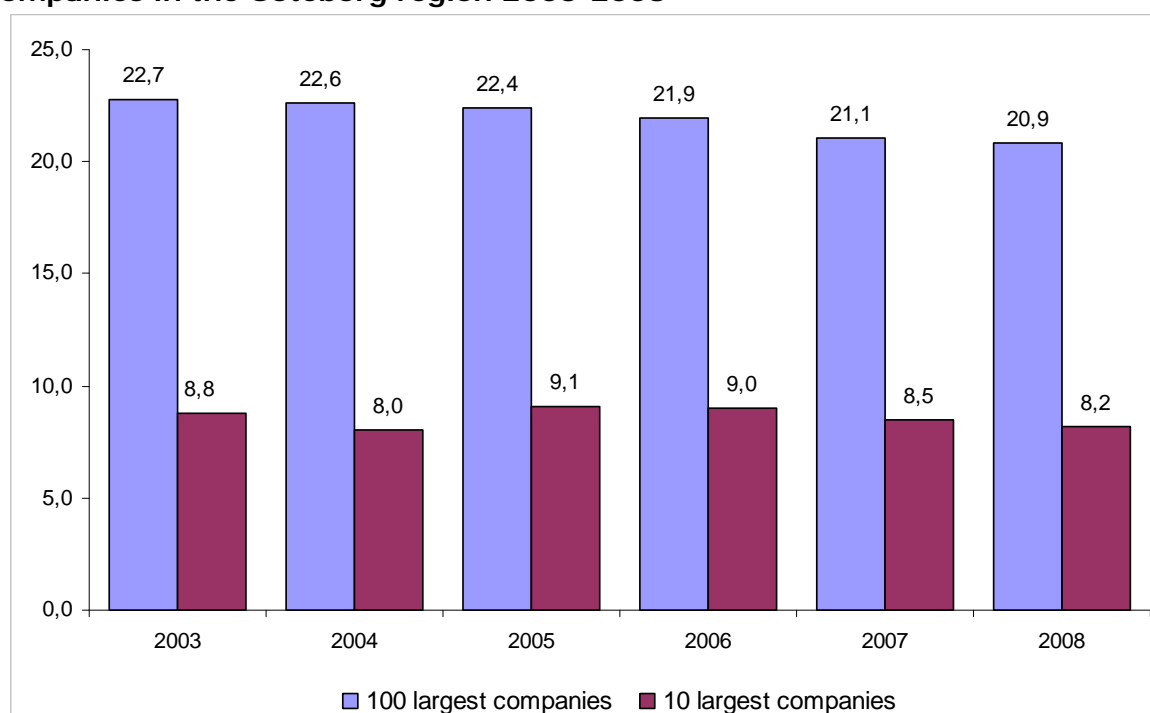
CFAR is a central computer file for Swedish Statistics that registers companies' locations and employees. The publishing is continuous which gives the opportunity to measure the development in 2008 already in the beginning of 2009. The statistics is available for each municipality and divided into more than 700 business sectors. This provides us with detailed information from which specific statistics can be distinguished.

## 2. The 100 largest companies in the Göteborg Region

Volvo Cars (Volvo Personvagnar) AB is the largest company in the Göteborg Region with approximately 13 500 employees. Volvo Cars is followed by Volvo Trucks AB with more than 3 330 employees and Chalmers University of Technology with 2575 employees.

All together, the number of employees in the 100 largest companies in the Göteborg region approximates 88 000 employees, implying an increase of 1 700 people since 2007. Every fifth (20,9%) working inhabitant is employed in one of these companies. The corresponding figure for the 10 largest companies is a little bit more than 8%. The diagram shows that the number of employees within the largest companies is successively decreasing.

**Diagram 1: Proportion of employees in the 100 largest and 10 largest companies in the Göteborg region 2003-2008**



Source: CFAR

The number employed in 10 largest companies are just above 34 500, which represents a small decrease since last year.

**Table 1: Number of employees in the ten largest companies in the Göteborg region 2008**

Rank	Company name	Employees 2008	Employees 2007	Change number	Change percent
1	VOLVO PERSONVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	13525	13525	0	0,0%
2	VOLVO LASTVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	3325	3325	0	0,0%
3	CHALMERS TEKNISKA HÖGSKOLA AKTIEBOLAG	2575	2575	0	0,0%
4	GÖTEBORGS SPÅRVÄGAR AKTIEBOLAG	2475	2475	0	0,0%
5	VOLVO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AKTIEBOLAG	2475	2425	50	2,1%
6	ASTRAZENECA AB	2425	2425	0	0,0%
7	POSTEN MEDDELANDE AB	2425	2625	-200	-7,6%
8	ERICSSON AB	2075	2075	0	0,0%
9	SKF SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1825	1825	0	0,0%
10	SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AKTIEBOLAG	1425	1425	0	0,0%
	<b>Totalt</b>	<b>34550</b>	<b>34700</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>-0,4%</b>

Source: CFAR 2008, number of employees are rounded off numbers

**Table 2: Number of Employees in the 100 largest companies in the Göteborg region 2008**

Rank	Company name	Number employed
1	VOLVO PERSONVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	13525
2	VOLVO LASTVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	3325
3	CHALMERS TEKNISKA HÖGSKOLA AKTIEBOLAG	2575
4	GÖTEBORGS SPÅRVÄGAR AKTIEBOLAG	2475
5	VOLVO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AKTIEBOLAG	2475
6	ASTRAZENECA AB	2425
7	POSTEN MEDDELANDE AB	2425
8	ERICSSON AB	2075
9	SKF SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1825
10	SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AKTIEBOLAG	1425
11	MANPOWER AKTIEBOLAG	1425
12	SAMHALL AKTIEBOLAG	1375
13	SKANSKA SVERIGE AB	1325
14	TELIASONERA SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1225
15	SAAB AKTIEBOLAG	1175
16	BOREALIS AKTIEBOLAG	1075
17	SKANDINAVISKA ENSKILDA BANKEN AB	1025
18	SECURITAS SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1025
19	COOP SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1025
20	SWEDBANK AB	975
21	GÖTEBORGS HAMN AKTIEBOLAG	975
22	SEMCON CARAN AB	975
23	NORDEA BANK AB	925
24	GÖTEBORG ENERGI AKTIEBOLAG	925
25	ASTRA TECH AKTIEBOLAG	875
26	GÖTEBORGS KYRKLIGA SAMFÄLLIGHET	875
27	ACADEMIC WORK SWEDEN AB	825
28	APOTEKET AKTIEBOLAG (PUBL)	825
29	VÄSTSVENSK TIDNINGSDISTRIBUTION KB	775
30	IKEA SVENSKA FÖRSÄLJNING AKTIEBOLAG	775
31	VOLVO POWERTRAIN AKTIEBOLAG	775
32	LEAR CORPORATION SWEDEN AKTIEBOLAG	775
33	ADECCO SWEDEN AKTIEBOLAG	775
34	SCHENKER AB	725
35	SODEXO AB	675
36	BILIA PERSONBILAR AB	675
37	RENOVA AKTIEBOLAG	625
38	WILLY:S AB	625
39	GÖTEBORGS-POSTENS NYA AKTIEBOLAG	625
40	SJ AB	625
41	ISS FACILITY SERVICES AB	625
42	LISEBERG AKTIEBOLAG	575
43	PEAB SVERIGE AB	575
44	HEMKÖPSKEDJAN AB	575
45	VOLVO LOGISTICS AKTIEBOLAG	575
46	STENA LINE SCANDINAVIA AB	575
47	ORUSTTRAFIKEN AKTIEBOLAG	575
48	ATTENDO CARE AB	575
49	EKA CHEMICALS AB	575
50	SVENSKA HANDELSBANKEN AB	525

51	GÖTEBORGS KEX AKTIEBOLAG	525
52	SCANDIC HOTELS AKTIEBOLAG	525
53	AKTIEBOLAG LINDEX	525
54	KAPPAHL SVERIGE AB	525
55	GÖTEBORGSOPERAN AKTIEBOLAG	525
56	ICA SVERIGE AB	525
57	PRAKTIKERTJÄNST AKTIEBOLAG	525
58	LOGICA SVERIGE AB	475
59	SWEDISH MATCH NORTH EUROPE AB	475
60	SYSTEMBOLAGET AKTIEBOLAG	475
61	VOLVO BUSSAR AKTIEBOLAG	475
62	ARLA FOODS AB (PUBL)	475
63	AKTIEBOLAGET VOLVO PENTA	475
64	GÖTEBORGSKOOPERATIVET INDEPENDENT LIVING, GIL EK	475
65	ATLET AKTIEBOLAG	425
66	PÅGEN AKTIEBOLAG	425
67	FAZER AMICA AB	425
68	MANPOWER STUDENT AB	425
69	NCC AKTIEBOLAG	425
70	LERNIA BEMANNING AB	425
71	VOLVO BUSINESS SERVICES AKTIEBOLAG	425
72	ASSISTANSIA AB	425
73	STIFTELSEN BRÄCKE DIAKONI	425
74	IF SKADEFÖRSÄKRING AB (PUBL)	375
75	LSS-PARTNER AB	375
76	ARGOLIS AKTIEBOLAG	375
77	PREEM AKTIEBOLAG	375
78	DAGAB AB	375
79	RIMAB FACILITY SERVICE AB	375
80	VOLVO PARTS AKTIEBOLAG	375
81	XDIN AKTIEBOLAG (PUBL)	375
82	RELACOM AB	375
83	INEOS SVERIGE AB	375
84	DHL EXPRESS (SWEDEN) AB	375
85	POSTÅKERIET SVERIGE AB	375
86	AKZO NOBEL SURFACE CHEMISTRY AKTIEBOLAG	375
87	METSO POWER AB	375
88	GÖTEBORGS GATUAKTIEBOLAG	375
89	RUAG AEROSPACE SWEDEN AB	325
90	SANTA MARIA AB	325
91	PLASTAL AB	325
92	FB ENGINEERING AKTIEBOLAG	325
93	TELIASONERA AKTIEBOLAG	325
94	G4S SECURITY SERVICES (SVERIGE) AB	325
95	VOLVO TECHNOLOGY AB	325
96	SAS GROUND SERVICES SWEDEN AB	325
97	TAMRO AB	325
98	PROFFICE SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	325
99	INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE COMPONENTS GROUP SWEDEN AB	325
100	VEIDEKKE ENTREPRENAD AB	325
	<b>Totalt</b>	<b>87950</b>

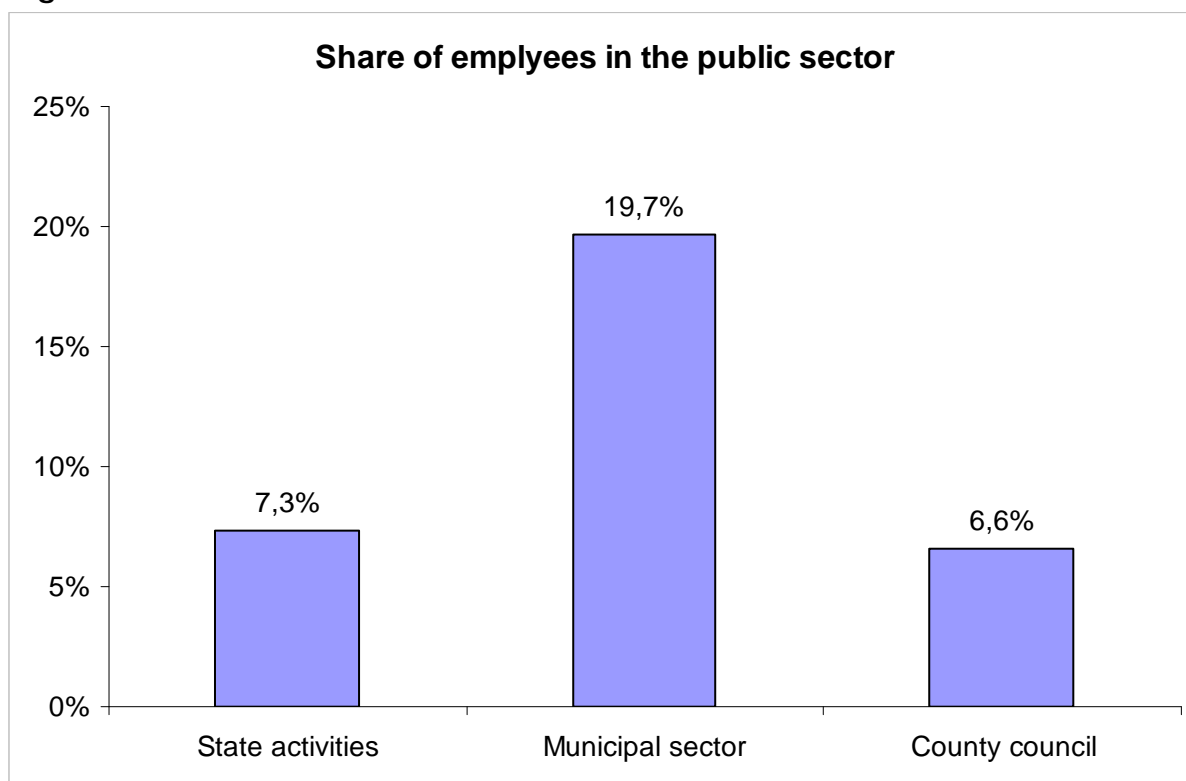
Source: CFAR 2008, number of employees are rounded off numbers

### 3. The Public Sector

The presentation above includes the 100 largest private companies in the Göteborg Region. In addition, there are a number of large public employers in the region. The following section regards the public employers that employ more than 200 people.

During 2008 the number of employees within the public sector (municipal, county and state owned) decreased with 500 persons while the private sector increased with almost 13 000 employees. The result is that the share employed within the public sector decreased with one percent to 33,6 %. Every third working inhabitant in the region is employed within the public sector and more than 20 percent of all employees are working in the municipal sector. Corresponding figures for state activities and county council<sup>1</sup> is approximately seven percent respectively.

**Diagram 2: Municipal sector, state activities and county council in the Göteborg Region 2008**



Source: CFAR 2008

The largest employer in the Göteborg Region is the municipality of Göteborg with 37 200 employees followed by the county administration of Västra Götaland with close to 26 600 employees. These two organizations are the largest employers also when including the largest private companies. The largest state activity is Göteborg University with 5 400 employees. The largest public employers in the region employ more than 117 000 people in the region.

<sup>1</sup> \* County council is a politically chosen organization representing a number of municipalities in decisions regarding public health, medical services, social welfare services etc. In this context the county council includes people in the political organization and people employed in the sectors where the county council is responsible.

**Table 3: Municipal sector- and county council organizations where the number of employees exceeded 200 in 2007**

Rank	Organization	Number employed
1	GÖTEBORGS KOMMUN	37225
2	VÄSTRA GÖTALANDS LÄNS LANDSTING	26575
3	KUNGSBACKA KOMMUN	6075
4	MÖLNDALS KOMMUN	5075
5	ALINGSÅS KOMMUN	4425
6	KUNGÄLV KOMMUN	3825
7	HÄRRYDA KOMMUN	3325
8	LERUMS KOMMUN	3025
9	PARTILLE KOMMUN	2675
10	ALE KOMMUN	2125
11	STENUNGSUNDS KOMMUN	2075
12	TJÖRNS KOMMUN	1225
13	LILLA EDETS KOMMUN	975
14	ÖCKERÖ KOMMUN	825
15	RÄDDNINGSTJÄNSTFÖRBUNDET I STORGÖTEBORG	725
16	HALLANDS LÄNS LANDSTING	375
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100550</b>

Source: CFAR 2008, number of employees are rounded off numbers

**Table 4: State agencies where the number of employees exceeded 200 in 2007**

Rank	Organization	Number employed
1	GÖTEBORGS UNIVERSITET	5425
2	RIKSPOLISSTYRELSEN	2775
3	FÖRSÄKRINGSKASSAN	1075
4	SKATTEVERKET	1025
5	KRIMINALVÅRDEN	775
6	ARBETSFÖRMEDLINGEN	725
7	VÄGVERKET	725
8	DOMSTOLSVERKET	675
9	LUFTFARTSVERKET	675
10	FÖRSVARSMAKTEN	575
11	BANVERKET	475
12	TULLVERKET	425
13	MIGRATIONSVERKET	325
14	KRONOFOGDEMYNDIGHETEN	275
15	LÄNSSTYRELSEN I VÄSTRA GÖTALANDS LÄN	275
16	SJÖFARTSVERKET	225
17	STATENS INSTITUTIONSSTYRELSE	225
	<b>Total</b>	<b>16675</b>

Source: CFAR 2008, number of employees are rounded off numbers

**Appendix 1: 100 largest companies in 2008 sorted by business sector**

<b>Business sector</b>	<b>Company name</b>	<b>Number of employees</b>	<b>Municipality</b>
<b>Food/Grocery Industry</b>			
	ARLA FOODS AB (PUBL)	475	GÖTEBORG
	PÅGEN AKTIEBOLAG	425	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGS KEX AKTIEBOLAG	525	KUNGÄLV
	SANTA MARIA AB	325	MÖLNDAL
	SWEDISH MATCH NORTH EUROPE AB	475	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Food/Grocery Industry</b>	2 225	
<b>Printing, publishing &amp; design</b>			
	GÖTEBORGS-POSTENS NYA AKTIEBOLAG	625	GÖTEBORG
	SCA HYGIENE PRODUCTS AKTIEBOLAG	1 425	MÖLNDAL
	<b>Employees within Printing, publishing &amp; design</b>	2 050	
<b>Chemicals</b>			
	PREEM AKTIEBOLAG	375	GÖTEBORG
	EKA CHEMICALS AB	575	ALE
	AKZO NOBEL SURFACE CHEMISTRY AKTIEBOLAG	375	STENUNGSUND
	BOREALIS AKTIEBOLAG	1 075	STENUNGSUND
	INEOS SVERIGE AB	375	STENUNGSUND
	<b>Employees within Chemicals</b>	2 775	
<b>Pharmaceutical &amp; Biotechnology</b>			
	ASTRAZENECA AB	2 425	MÖLNDAL
	ASTRA TECH AKTIEBOLAG	875	MÖLNDAL
	CHALMERS TEKNISKA HÖGSKOLA AKTIEBOLAG	2 575	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Pharmaceutical &amp; Biotechnology</b>	5 875	
<b>Automotive</b>			
	VOLVO PERSONVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	13 525	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO LASTVAGNAR AKTIEBOLAG	3 325	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO BUSSAR AKTIEBOLAG	475	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO POWERTRAIN AKTIEBOLAG	775	GÖTEBORG
	LEAR CORPORATION SWEDEN AKTIEBOLAG	775	GÖTEBORG
	PLASTAL AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE COMPONENTS GROUP SWEDEN AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Automotive</b>	19 525	
<b>Manufacturing - materials, toolings &amp; other products</b>			
	AKTIEBOLAGET VOLVO PENTA	475	GÖTEBORG
	SKF SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1 825	GÖTEBORG
	ATLET AKTIEBOLAG	425	HÄRRYDA
	METSO POWER AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Manufacturing- materials, tooling &amp; other products</b>	3 100	
<b>Construction &amp; Real Estate</b>			
	SKANSKA SVERIGE AB	1 325	GÖTEBORG
	PEAB SVERIGE AB	575	GÖTEBORG
	NCC AKTIEBOLAG	425	GÖTEBORG
	VEIDEKKE ENTREPRENAD AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGS GATUAKTIEBOLAG	375	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Construction &amp; Real Estate</b>	3 025	
<b>Energy</b>			
	GÖTEBORG ENERGI AKTIEBOLAG	925	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Energy</b>	925	
<b>Water supply &amp; Waste Management</b>			
	RENOVA AKTIEBOLAG	625	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Water Supply &amp; Waste Management</b>	625	

<b>Retail &amp; Wholesale trade</b>			
	AKTIEBOLAG LINDEX	525	GÖTEBORG
	KAPPAHL SVERIGE AB	525	MÖLNDAL
	BILIA PERSONBILAR AB	675	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO PARTS AKTIEBOLAG	375	GÖTEBORG
	ICA SVERIGE AB	525	KUNGÄLV
	DAGAB AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	TAMRO AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	COOP SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1 025	GÖTEBORG
	WILLY:S AB	625	GÖTEBORG
	HEMKÖPSKEDJAN AB	575	GÖTEBORG
	SYSTEMBOLAGET AKTIEBOLAG	475	GÖTEBORG
	IKEA SVENSKA FÖRSÄLJNING AKTIEBOLAG	775	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Retail &amp; Wholesale trade</b>	<b>6 800</b>	
<b>Transportation &amp; Logistics</b>			
	GÖTEBORGS SPÅRVÄGAR AKTIEBOLAG	2 475	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGS HAMN AKTIEBOLAG	975	GÖTEBORG
	ORUSTTRAFIKEN AKTIEBOLAG	575	STENUNGSUND
	SJ AB	625	GÖTEBORG
	STENA LINE SCANDINAVIA AB	575	GÖTEBORG
	SAS GROUND SERVICES SWEDEN AB	325	HÄRRYDA
	SCHENKER AB	725	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO LOGISTICS AKTIEBOLAG	575	GÖTEBORG
	DHL EXPRESS (SWEDEN) AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	POSTEN MEDDELANDE AB	2 425	GÖTEBORG
	POSTÅKERIET SVERIGE AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	VÄSTSVENSK TIDNINGSDISTRIBUTION KB	775	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Transportation &amp; Logistics</b>	<b>10 800</b>	
<b>Information &amp; Communications, IT &amp; Electronics</b>			
	RUAG AEROSPACE SWEDEN AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	SAAB AKTIEBOLAG	1 175	GÖTEBORG
	TELIASONERA SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1 225	GÖTEBORG
	RELACOM AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	TELIASONERA AKTIEBOLAG	325	GÖTEBORG
	LOGICA SVERIGE AB	475	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AKTIEBOLAG	2 475	GÖTEBORG
	ERICSSON AB	2 075	GÖTEBORG
	VOLVO TECHNOLOGY AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Information &amp; Communications, IT &amp; Electronics</b>	<b>8 775</b>	
<b>Financial &amp; Insurance services</b>			
	SKANDINAVISKA ENSKILDA BANKEN AB	1 025	GÖTEBORG
	SWEDBANK AB	975	GÖTEBORG
	NORDEA BANK AB	925	GÖTEBORG
	SVENSKA HANDELSBANKEN AB	525	GÖTEBORG
	IF SKADEFÖRSÄKRING AB (PUBL)	375	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Financial &amp; Insurance services</b>	<b>3 825</b>	
<b>Hotels &amp; Restaurants</b>			
	SCANDIC HOTELS AKTIEBOLAG	525	GÖTEBORG
	FAZER AMICA AB	425	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Hotels &amp; Restaurants</b>	<b>950</b>	
<b>Consulting</b>			
	VOLVO BUSINESS SERVICES AKTIEBOLAG	425	GÖTEBORG
	FB ENGINEERING AKTIEBOLAG	325	GÖTEBORG
	SEMCON CARAN AB	975	GÖTEBORG

	XDIN AKTIEBOLAG (PUBL)	375	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Consulting</b>	<b>2 100</b>	
<b>Education, Health &amp; Social Care</b>			
	PRAKTIKERTJÄNST AKTIEBOLAG	525	KUNGÄLV
	ATTENDO CARE AB	575	GÖTEBORG
	STIFTELSEN BRÄCKE DIAKONI	425	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGSKOOPERATIVET INDEPENDENT LIVING, GIL EK	475	GÖTEBORG
	ASSISTANSIA AB	425	GÖTEBORG
	LSS-PARTNER AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	ARGOLIS AKTIEBOLAG	375	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Education, Health &amp; Socail Care</b>	<b>3 175</b>	
<b>Miscellaneous services</b>			
	MANPOWER AKTIEBOLAG	1 425	GÖTEBORG
	ACADEMIC WORK SWEDEN AB	825	GÖTEBORG
	ADECCO SWEDEN AKTIEBOLAG	775	GÖTEBORG
	MANPOWER STUDENT AB	425	GÖTEBORG
	LERNIA BEMANNING AB	425	GÖTEBORG
	PROFFICE SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	325	GÖTEBORG
	SECURITAS SVERIGE AKTIEBOLAG	1 025	GÖTEBORG
	G4S SECURITY SERVICES (SVERIGE) AB	325	GÖTEBORG
	SODEXO AB	675	GÖTEBORG
	ISS FACILITY SERVICES AB	625	GÖTEBORG
	RIMAB FACILITY SERVICE AB	375	GÖTEBORG
	SAMHALL AKTIEBOLAG	1 375	GÖTEBORG
	APOTEKET AKTIEBOLAG (PUBL)	825	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGSOPERAN AKTIEBOLAG	525	GÖTEBORG
	LISEBERG AKTIEBOLAG	575	GÖTEBORG
	GÖTEBORGS KYRKLIGA SAMFÄLLIGHET	875	GÖTEBORG
	<b>Employees within Miscellaneous services</b>	<b>11 400</b>	
<b>Totalt number of employees in the 100 largest companies in the Göteborg Region</b>		<b>87 950</b>	

Source: CFAR 2008, number of employees are rounded off numbers

## A short description of Business Region Göteborg

**Business Region Göteborg AB (BRG)** works to achieve increased durable growth and employment in the Göteborg Regions 13 municipalities. We are a completely owned, non-profit subsidiary to Göteborgs Kommunala Förvaltningsbolag AB (Göteborgs Municipal Government Administration AB), which is owned by Göteborgs Stad (Göteborgs Local Government).

We help existing companies to newly establish their companies in the region with the ambition to invest and grow. As a neutral partner we can promote a good business climate for the future business life in the Göteborg Region.

Business Region Göteborg runs among other things a series of trade development business areas and projects that aims to increase the growth of the strategy areas.

The focus is on those industries that are strongest within the region. In addition we have developed contacts in many interesting regions in the world. Enterprise Europe Network specialises in questions regarding the European Union and the possibilities. This is an important service which helps small to medium sized companies with International views.

Business Region Göteborg works even with company development, within the project "Expedition Framåt" which is everything from solely owned companies ranging up to medium sized companies with the ambition to grow. We have also have focus on new companies and entrepreneurs.

Our Establishment and Investment Service can offer both Swedish and foreign companies different solutions from company establishment, expansion to moving to new premises and recruitment. We act as intermediary and simplify your contacts when becoming established and when making investments in the region. An example is the land database "Land for business" which has been rapidly appreciated. This is available for investors via Business Region Göteborg's Website. [www.businessregion.se](http://www.businessregion.se)

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