



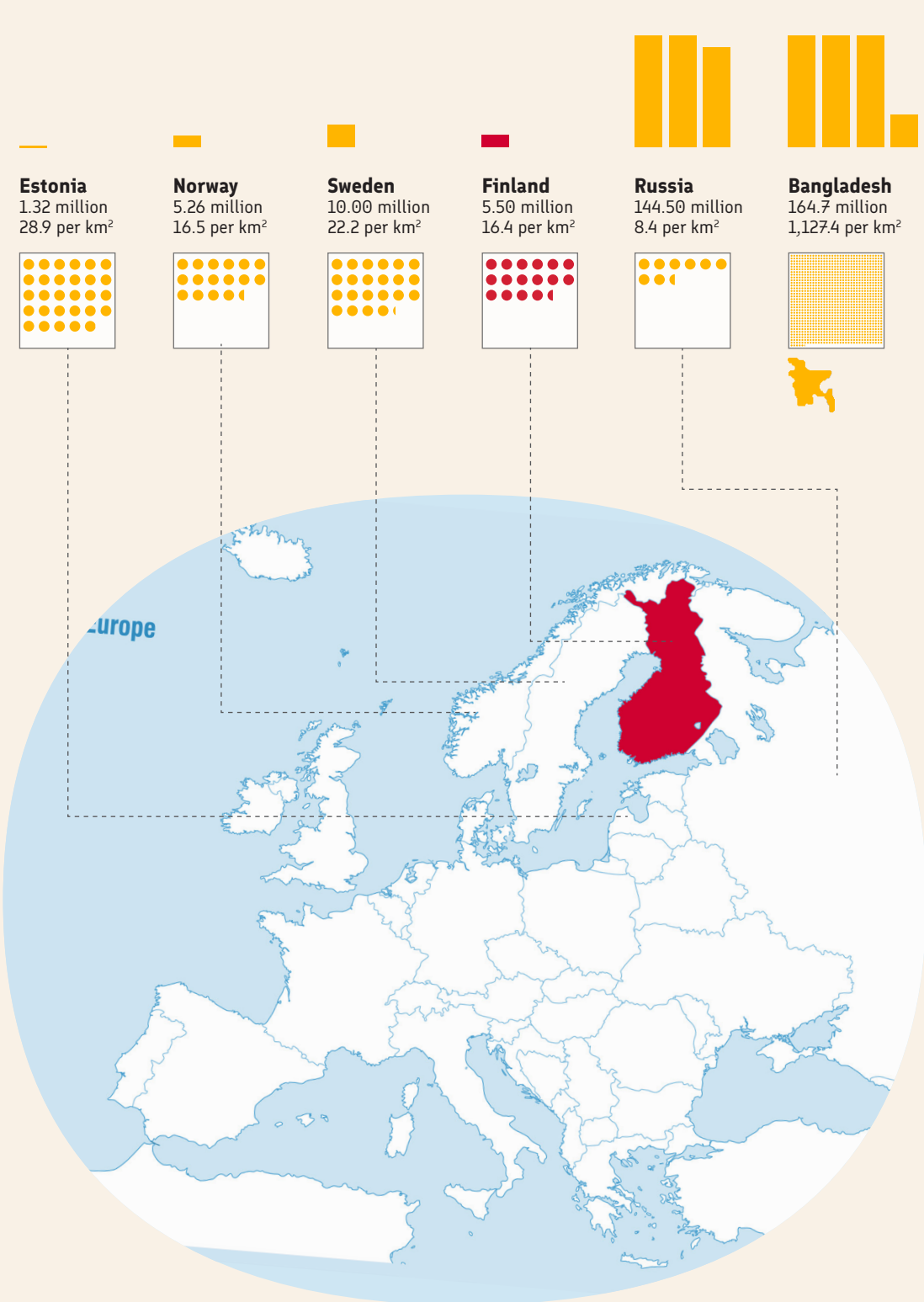
Welcome to Finland

Tervetuloa Suomeen

Map of Finland



Population Totals and Density



Historical Timeline

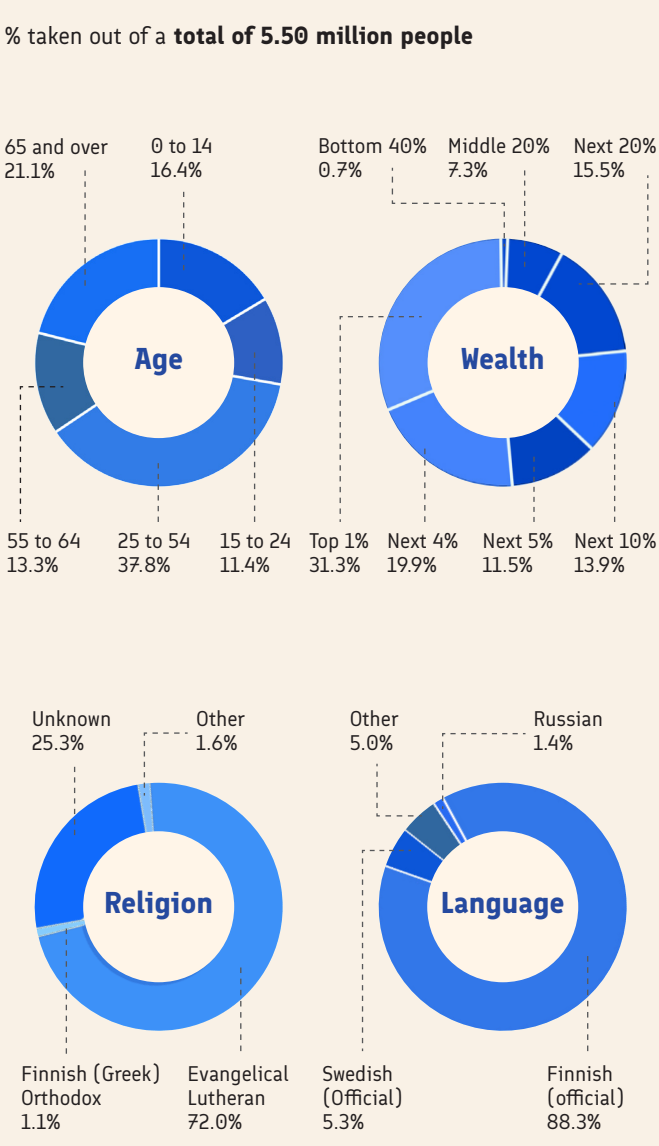
The Early Years:

- 1155** The first missionaries arrive in Finland from Sweden. Swedish crusades subjugate Finns and convert them to Christianity.
- 1323** Territory of present-day Finland becomes part of the Swedish realm.
- 1809** Sweden surrenders Finland to Russia. The Czar declares it a semi-autonomous Grand Duchy with himself as constitutional monarch represented by a governor general.
- 1899 Onwards** Russian Tsar Nicholas II inaugurates policy of Russification of Finland, to include conscription of Finnish men into the Russian army and the imposition of Russian as the official language. Protests and a campaign of civil disobedience begin.

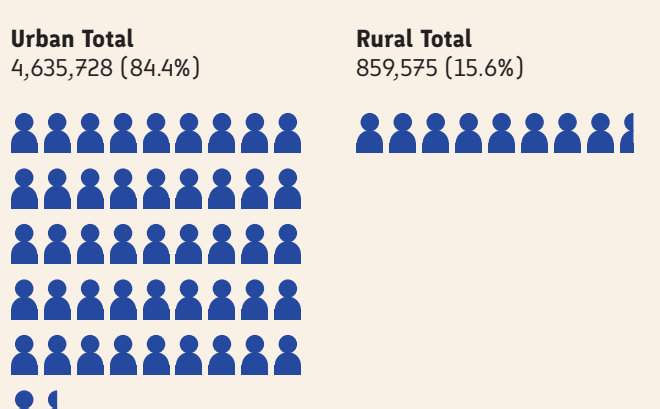
Living with the Soviet Union:

- 1917** Finland declares independence on December 6. The new state is first recognized by the Soviet union, France, Germany and Sweden.
- 1919** The present constitution is adopted and Finland becomes a republic with a president (Karl Johan Sjöberg) as head of state.
- 1939** World War II breaks out and Finland declares its neutrality. The Soviet Union attacks it in November and the Winter War is fought.
- 1940** Despite fierce resistance, the Finns are forced to concede. The Treaty of Moscow gives around 10% of its territory to the Soviet Union.
- 1941** Fighting between Finnish and Russian forces resumes in the campaign known as the Continuation War as Finland launches a military campaign to retake territory lost under the Treaty of Moscow. Britain declares war on Finland in December.
- 1944** A massive offensive by Soviet in summer 1944 forces the Finns to sue for peace. Finland concedes more land to the Soviet Union and agrees to pay hundreds of millions of dollars in war reparations, but Finland was never occupied and preserved its independence and sovereignty.
- 1955** Finland joins the United Nations and the Nordic Council.
- 1973** Trade agreements signed with the European Economic Community and Comecon.

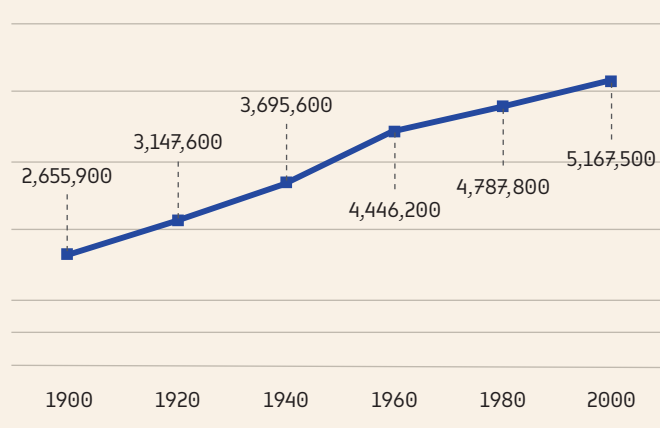
Population Distributions



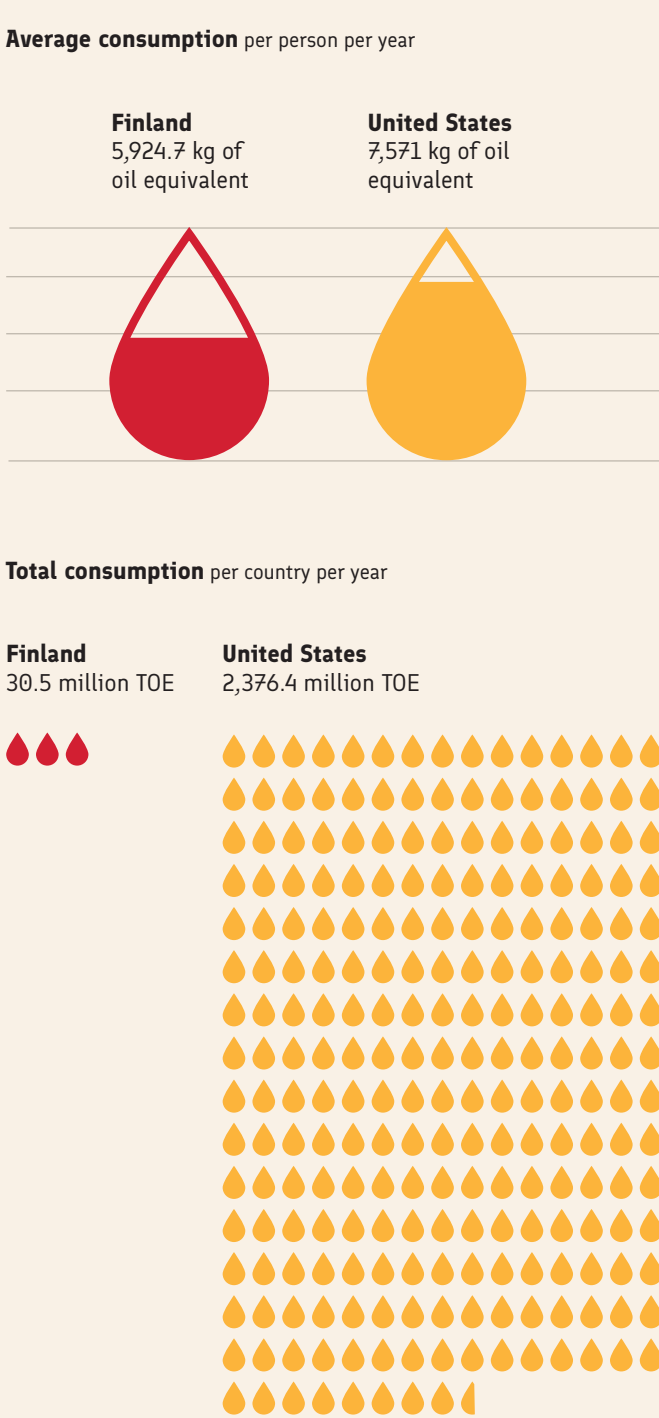
Urban Distribution



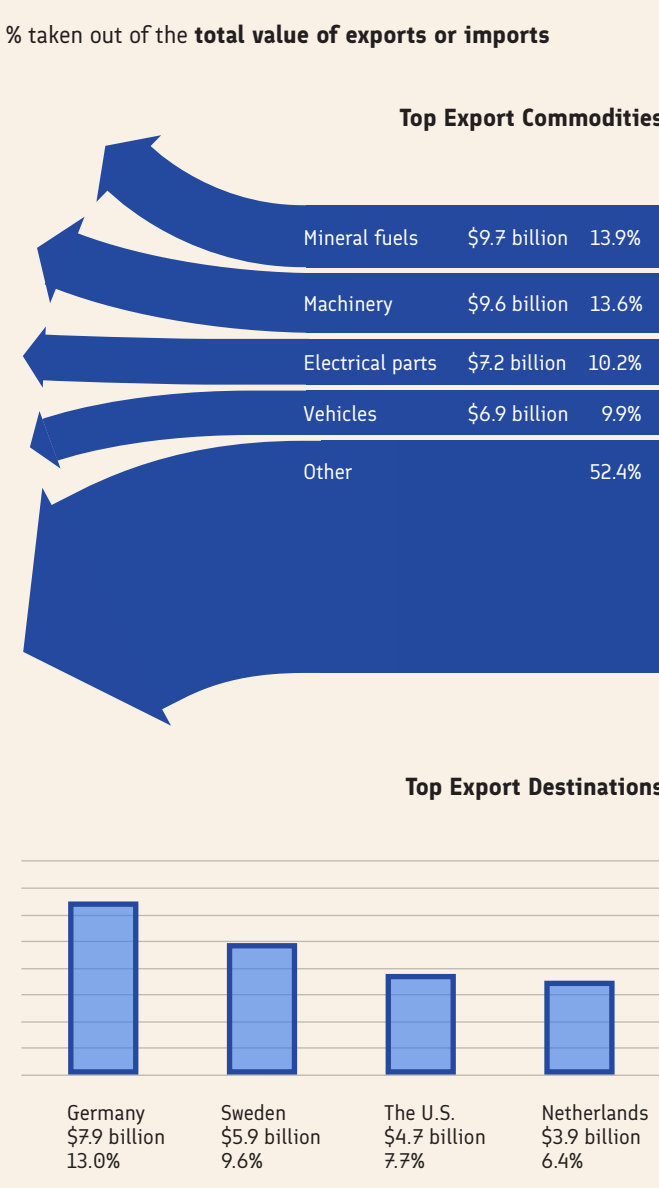
Population Growth



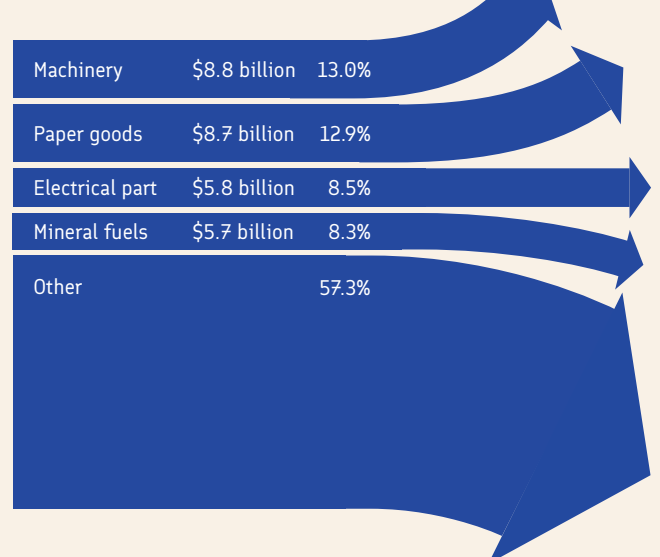
Energy Consumption



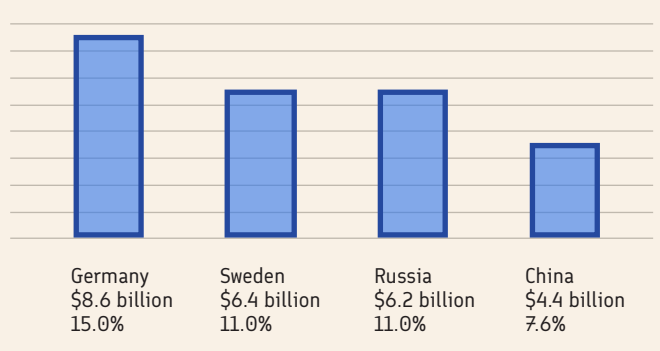
Trading Commodities and Countries



Top Import Commodities

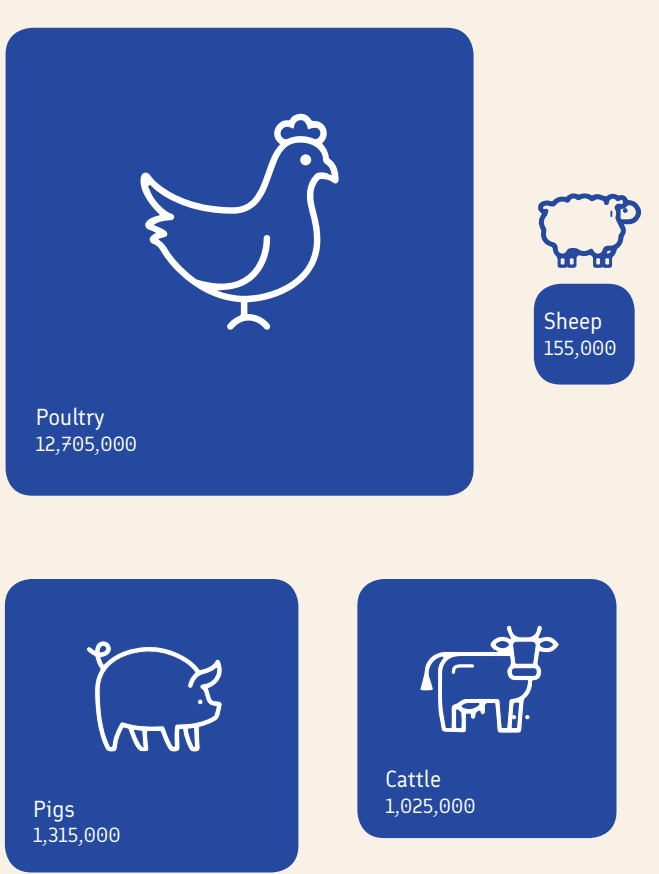


Top Import Origins



Agriculture

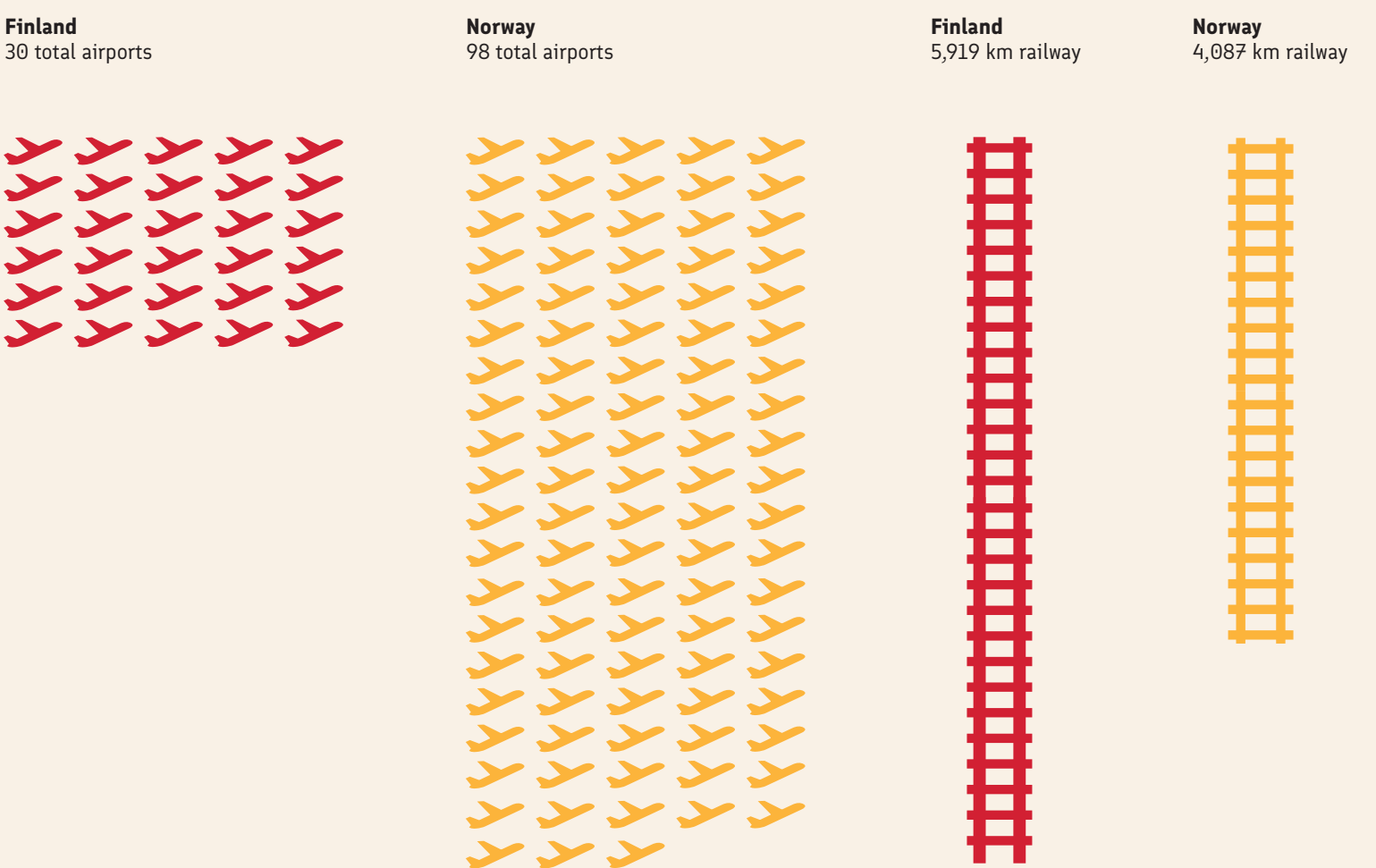
Livestock (in Heads)



Agricultural and Fish (in Tons)

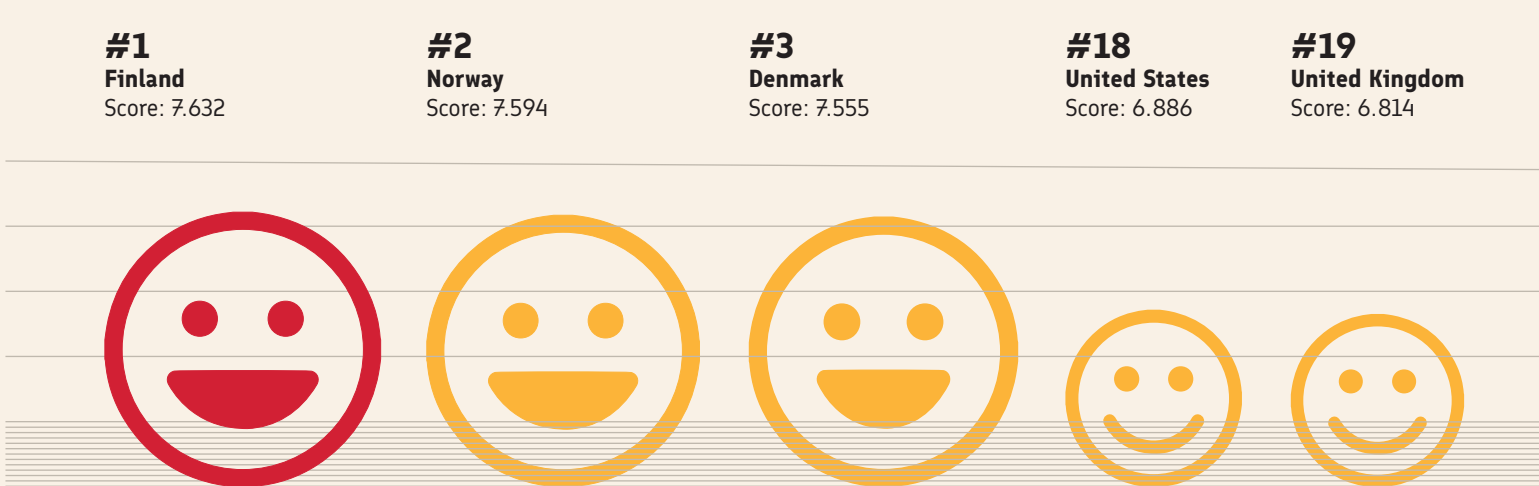


Transportation Comparison

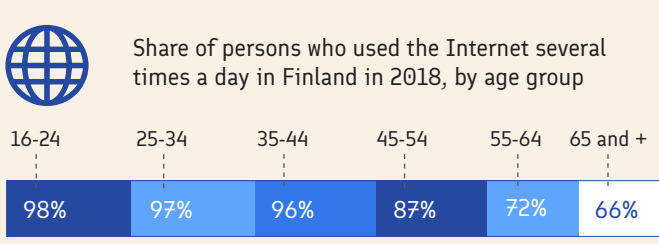
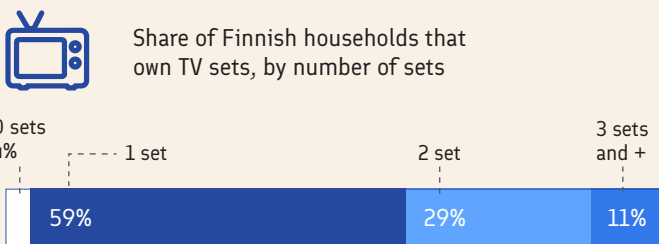
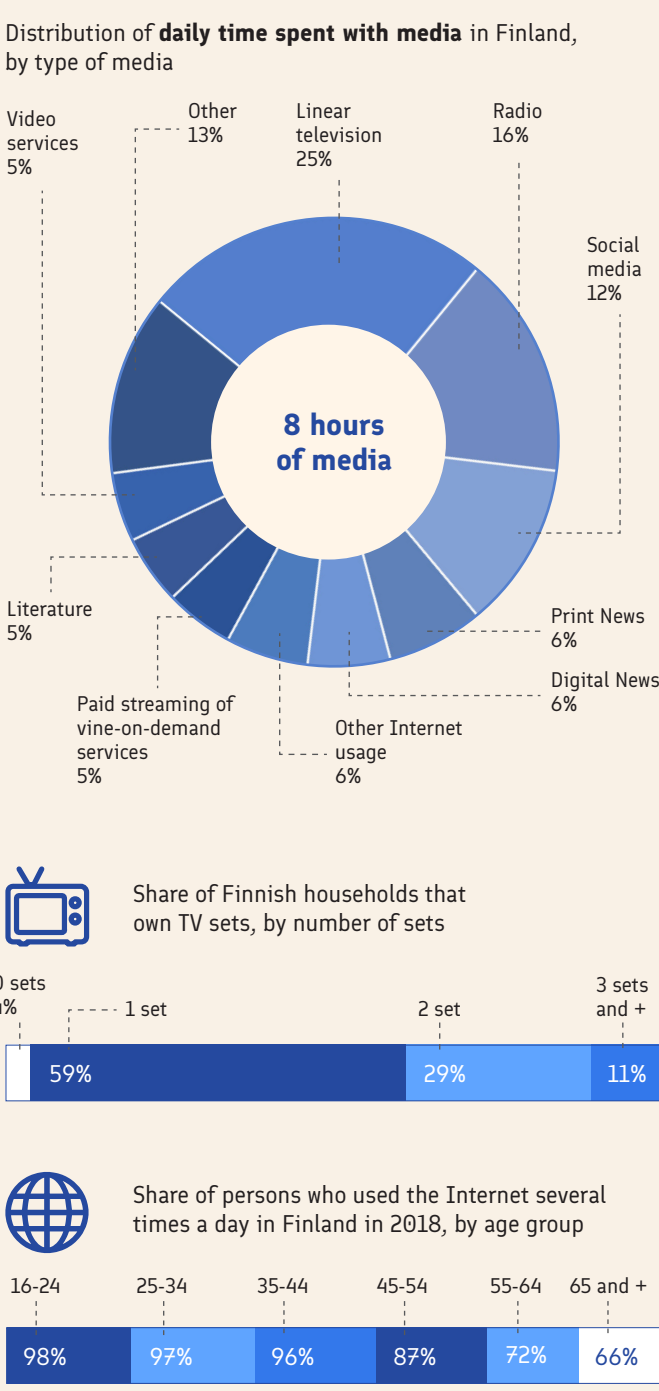


Happiness Index

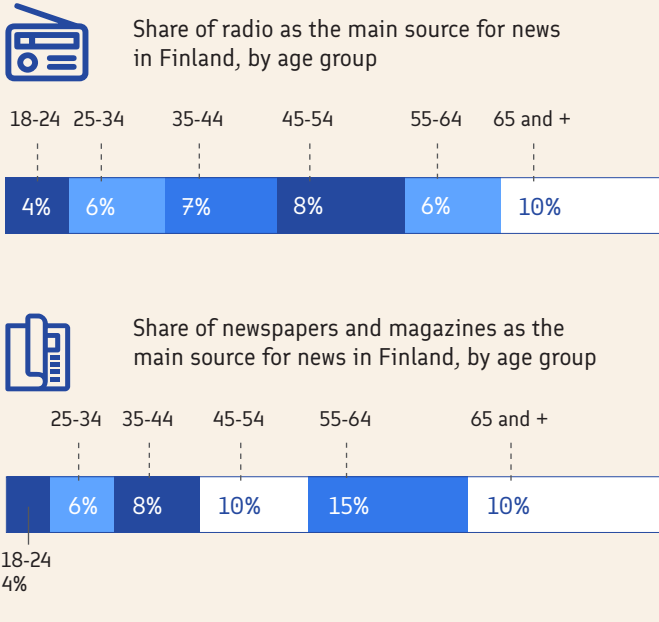
Scores calculated on a scale of 0 (least happy) to 8 (most happy)



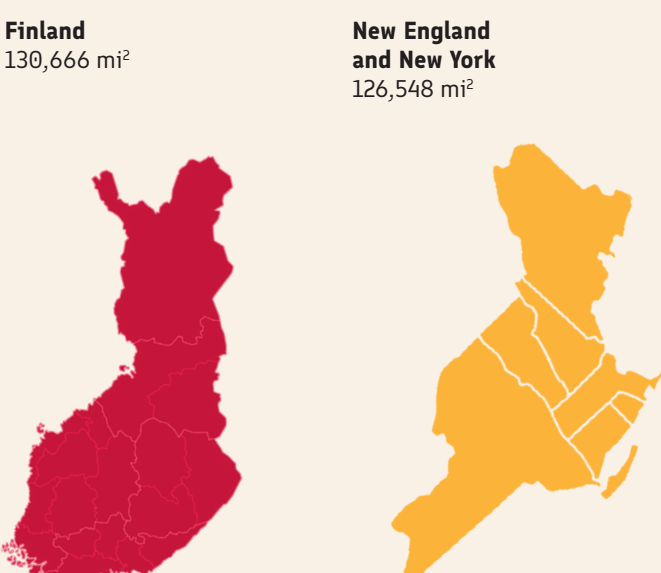
Media Consumption



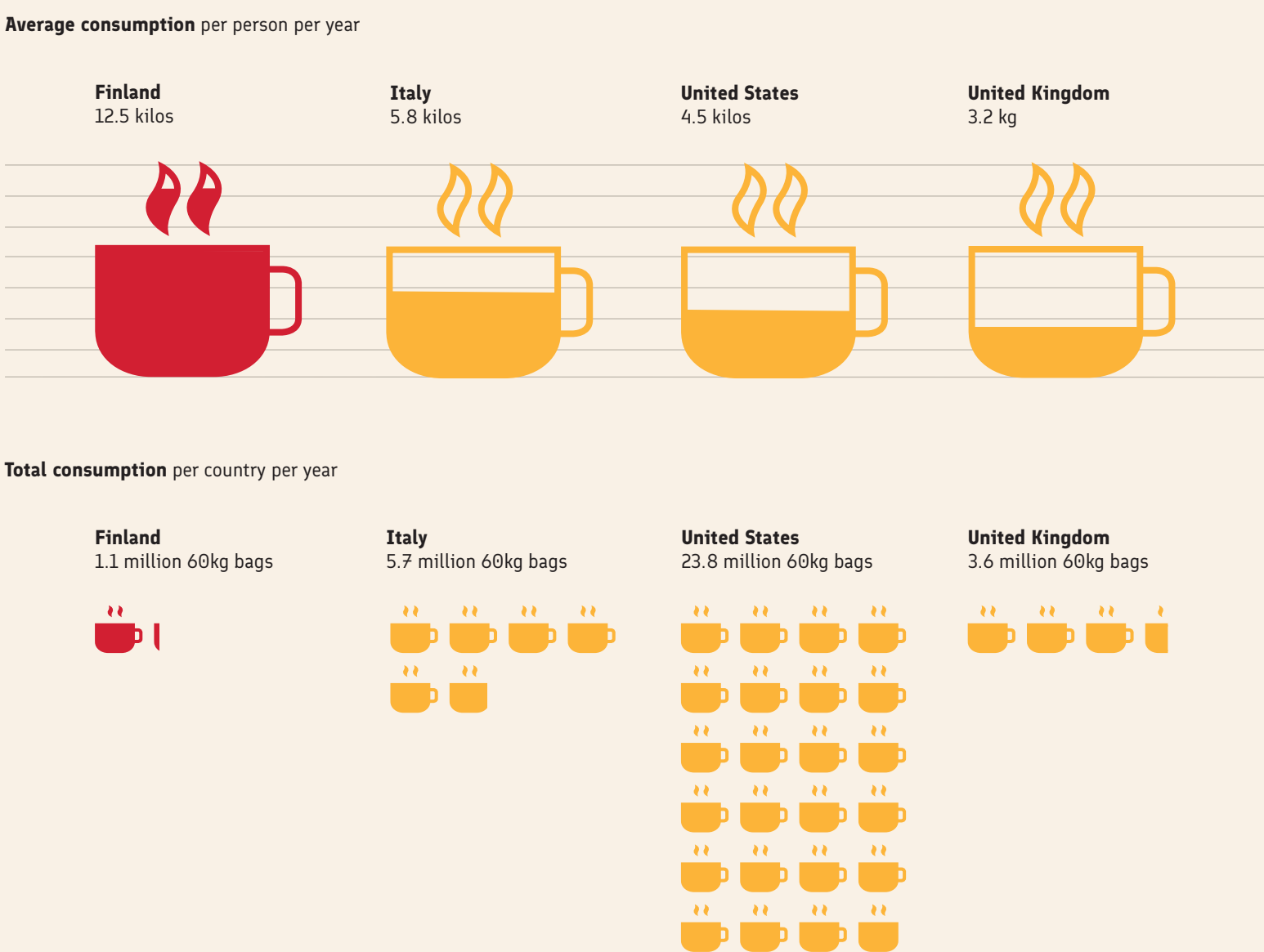
Sources of News by Age Group



Size Comparison



Coffee Consumption



Annual Weather and Climate

