TalentCityIndex<sup>™</sup> 2024 **FOCUS**: North Savo Future Place

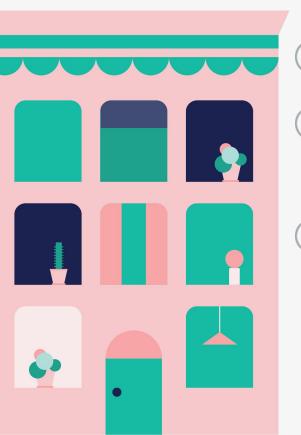
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ABOUT THE SURVEY

# About Talent City Index Finland – Focus: North Savo



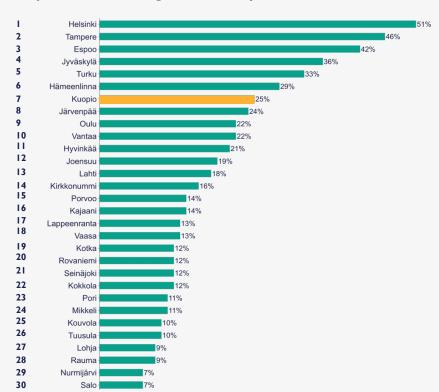
- The survey covered a total of 1,237 respondents, of which 643 (52%) were women and 589 (48%) men.
- The age distribution was even, with the 30-34 age group representing the largest share, with 21% (254 respondents). This was followed by the 25-29 and 40-45 age groups, with 18% (227 respondents) and 18% (221 respondents) respectively. The 35-39 and 20-24 age group represented 16% (203 respondents) and 15% (181 respondents), while the smallest group was the 46-50 age group, which represented 12% (151 respondents).
  - In terms of educational background, the largest group, 24% (296 respondents), had completed a master's degree. Those who completed a bachelor's degree represented 23% (280 respondents), and those who studied at a vocational college represented 23% (282 respondents). Those currently studying at university level accounted for 10% (118 respondents), while those who had completed a polytechnic bachelor's degree represented 4% (54 respondents). Additionally, 7% (84 respondents) had a high school education, and 4% (45 respondents) had completed a doctoral-level degree.

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## **North Savo ranking in Talent City Index**

Overall ranking of the most attractive cities to work and live.

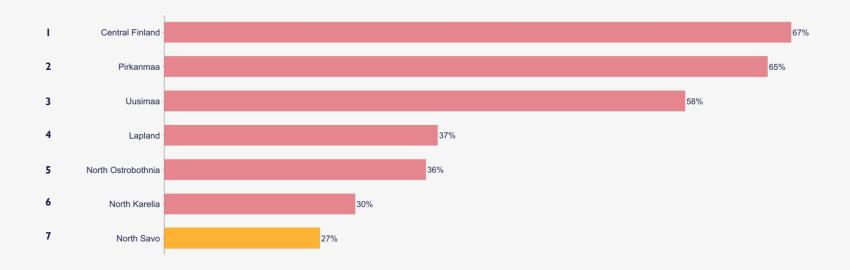
#### **Kuopio overall ranking in Talent City Index North Savo**



#### Smaller cities overall ranking in Talent City Index North Savo



## North Savo overall ranking in Talent City Index



## **Attractiveness profile - Kuopio**

Regions that have chosen Kuopio as one of their top 6 relocation destinations - This is where the potential is greatest:

- North Savo
- South Savo
- Kainuu
   North Karelia
- Kymenlaakso
   Central Finland

Regions that have selected Kuopio as one of their top 6-12 relocation destinations - Potential can also be found here:

- Central Ostrobothnia
- North Ostrobothnia
- South Karelia
- Satakunta

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Regions that have Kuopio outside their top 12 - people from here are less positive about moving to Kuopio:

- Nyland
- Häme region
- Ostrobothnia
- Päijät-Häme
- South Ostrobothnia
- · Southwest Finland
- Lappland:



Where do residents of Kuopio want to move?

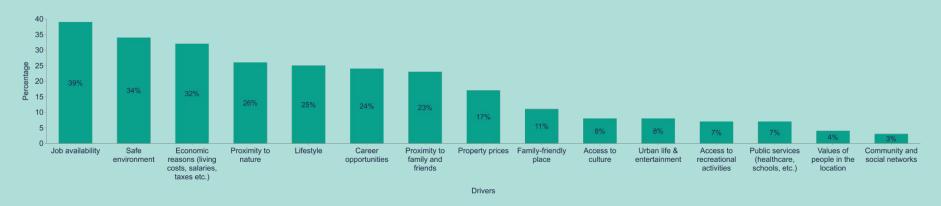
1. Kuopio 9196 2. Jyväskylä 6996 3. Tampere 6396 4. Oulu 4496 5. Joensuu 3896

## **Drivers for moving**

The drivers for moving among respondents in the counties that ranked Kuopio in the top 12 as a destination, compared to all respondents

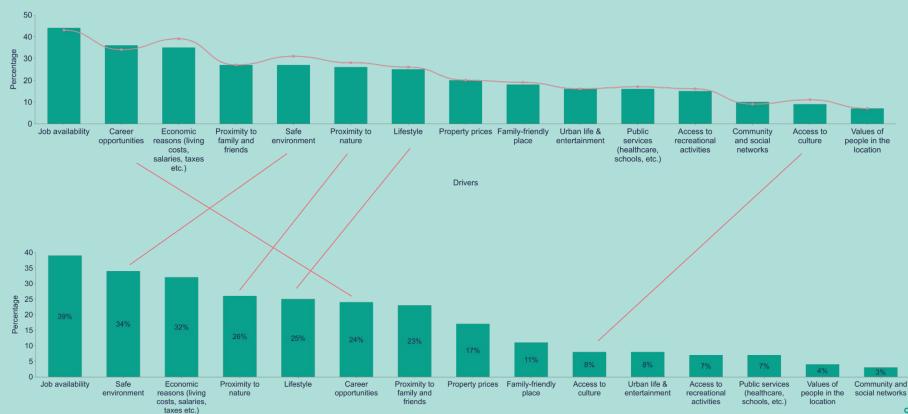


## **Drivers for moving to North Savo**



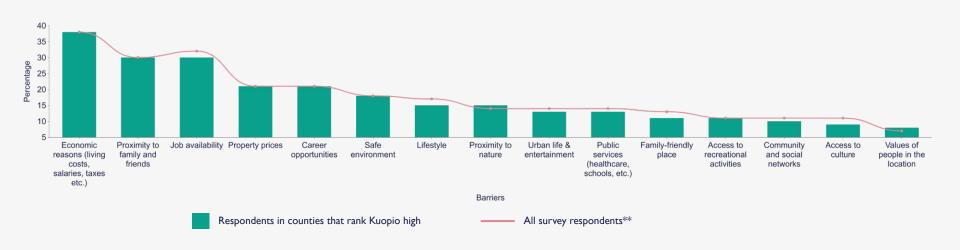
The graph shows drivers for moving, how respondents from the study answered the question "If you would consider moving to North Savo, for example any of the cities or municipalities Kuopio, Ilsalmi or Siilinjärvi, what are the main factors influencing your decision?"\*

#### **Drivers for moving**

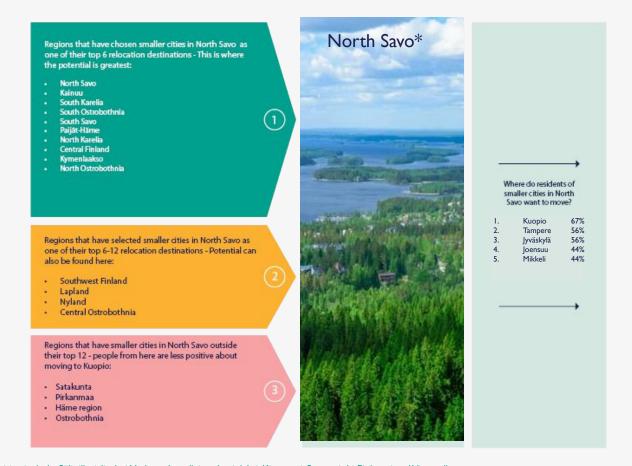


## Barriers when considering moving - Kuopio

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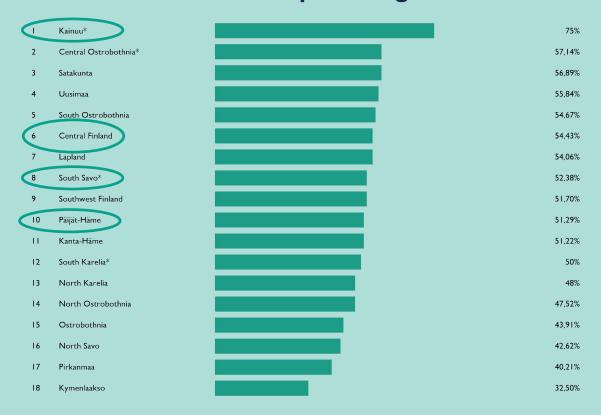
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## Finland's most relocation-prone regions within the next 5 years



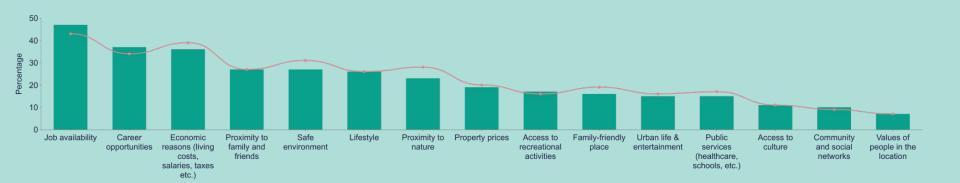


#### **Drivers for moving - North Savo smaller cities**

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## Drivers for moving - North Savo smaller cities & Kuopio



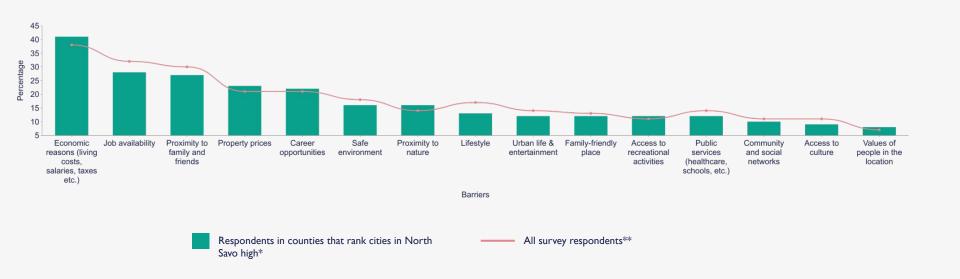
Drivers



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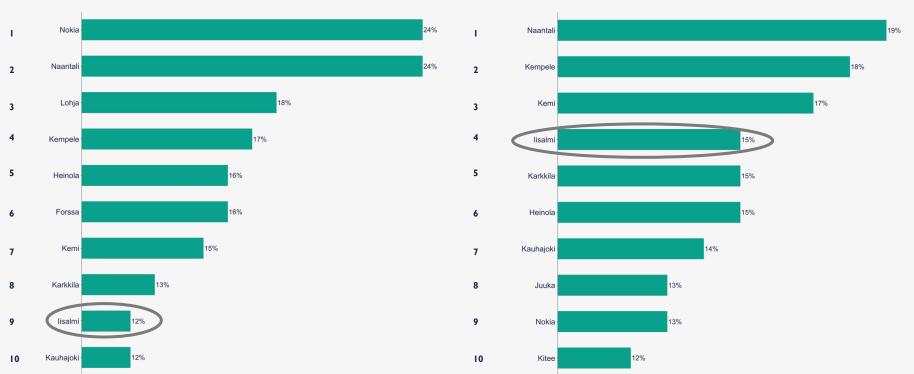
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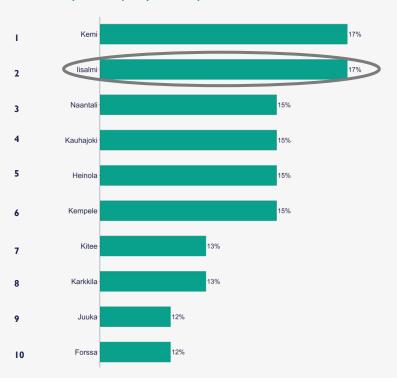
Where does cities within North Savo land in different categories?



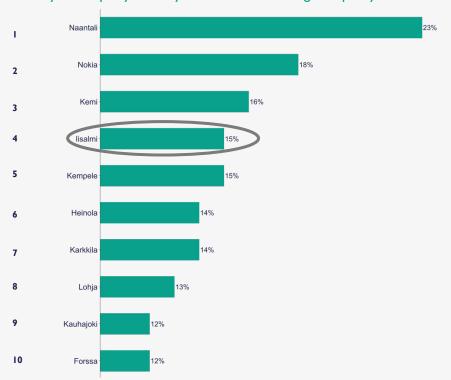
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#### Which city/municipality would you consider sustainable?\*

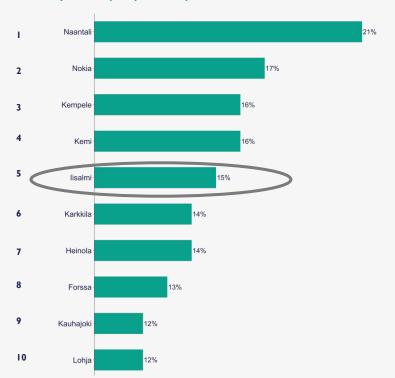


#### Which city/municipality would you consider offers a good quality of life?\*

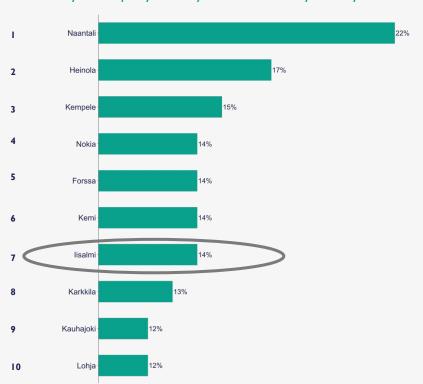


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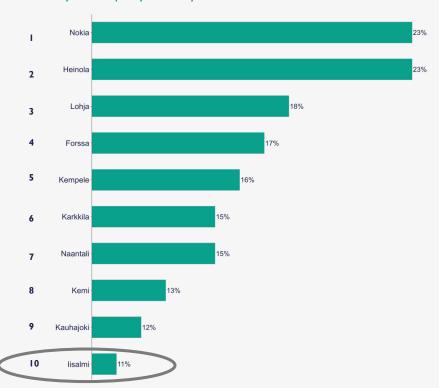
#### Which city/municipality would you consider creative and innovative?\*



#### Which city/municipality would you consider family friendly?\*



Which city/municipality would you consider the most accessible?\*



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#### Vibrant city

1	Helsinki	64,6%
2	Tampere	54,8%
3	Espoo	27,3%
4	Turku	21,2%
5	Oulu	13,2%

## Safe city

1	Tampere	14,5%
2	Jyväskylä	12,3%
3	Kuopio	11,6%
4	Turku	9,3%
5	Oulu	9,2%

#### Sustainable city

1	Tampere	25,7%
2	Helsinki	23,2%
3	Espoo	15,6%
4	Jyväskylä	13,1%
5	Oulu	12,7%

## Family-friendly city

1	Tampere	24,7%
2	Jyväskylä	16,4%
3	Espoo	15,7%
4	Helsinki	13,3%
5	Oulu	12,5%

## **Quality of life**

1	Tampere	36,5%
2	Helsinki	26,8%
3	Espoo	19,9%
4	Turku	18,4%
5	Jyväskylä	14,5%

#### **Innovative and creative**

1	Helsinki	45,9%
2	Tampere	41,2%
3	Espoo	22,8%
4	Turku	16,5%
5	Oulu	16,1%

## The attraction factors of North Savo in comparison





## To discuss!

What are the strenghts for North Savo in terms of attraction factors? Are there any weaknesses?

Discuss 2-and-2 for 3-4 minutes

## How mobile are professionals within different industries?



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## Kuopio rankings in selected professions

<b>E</b> cor	omist/business	<b>Marketing</b>		Engineer		IT-/Computer Science	
1.	Helsinki	I.	Helsinki	l.	Helsinki	I.	Helsinki
2.	Espoo	2.	Espoo	2.	Espoo	2.	Tampere
3.	Tampere	3.	Tampere	3.	Tampere	3.	Espoo
4.	Jyväskylä	4.	Jyväskylä	4.	Jyväskylä	4.	Jyväskylä
5.	Oulu	5.	Turku	5.	Hämeenlinna	5.	Turku
6.	Turku	6.	Hyvinkää	6.	Turku	6.	Oulu
7.	Hämeenlinna	7.	Järvenpää	7.	Oulu	7.	Kuopio
8.	Järvenpää	8.	Lahti	8.	Hyvinkää	8.	Hyvinkää
9.	Kuopio	9.	Hämeenlinna	9.	Järvenpää	9.	Hämeenlinna
10.	Oulu	10.	Oulu	10.	Joensuu	10.	Vantaa
11.	Joensuu	11.	Vantaa	11.	Kuopio	11.	Järvenpää
12.	Vantaa	12.	Kuopio	12.	Vantaa	12.	Lahti
13.	Lahti	13.	Vaasa	13.	Lahti	13.	Kirkkonummi
14.	Hyvinkää	14.	Joensuu	14.	Kajaani	14.	Joensuu
15.	Kirkkonummi	15.	Lappeenranta	15.	Kirkkonummi	15.	Pori
16.	Kokkola	16.	Porvoo	16.	Vaasa	16.	Kotka
17.	Porvoo	17.	Mikkeli	17.	Kotka	17.	Seinäjoki
18.	Kotka	18.	Kotka	18.	Lappeenranta	18.	Kokkola
19.	Seinäjoki	19.	Kokkola	19.	Pori	19.	Vaasa
20.	Kouvola	20.	Kirkkonummi	20.	Rovaniemi	20.	Rovaniemi
21.	Vaasa	21.	Seinäjoki	21.	Porvoo	21.	Kajaani
22.	Lappeenranta	22.	Lohja	22.	Mikkeli	22.	Lappeenranta
23.	Pori	23.	Kajaani	23.	Kouvola	23.	Porvoo
24.	Lohja	24.	Rovaniemi	24.	Kokkola	24.	Tuusula
25.	Rauma	25.	Rauma	25.	Salo	25.	Rauma

N= 189

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N=227

## Kuopio rankings in selected professions

Natu	ural scientist Teacl		her/pedagogy	ogy Sociologist	
1.	Helsinki	I.	Helsinki	I.	Tampere
2.	Tampere	2.	Tampere	2.	Helsinki
3.	Espoo	3.	Hämeenlinna	3.	Turku
4.	Turku	4.	Järvenpää	4.	Kuopio
5.	Vantaa	5.	Jyväskylä	5.	Espoo
6.	Kuopio	6.	Espoo	6.	Jyväskylä
7.	Jyväskylä	7.	Jönköping	7.	Hämeenlinna
8.	Oulu	8.	Turku	8.	Oulu
9.	Hämeenlinna	9.	Kuopio	9.	Vantaa
10.	Järvenpää	10.	Joensuu	10.	Joensuu
11.	Joensuu	H.	Hyvinkää	11.	Hyvinkää
12.	Lappeenranta	12.	Vantaa	12.	Lappeenranta
13.	Hyvinkää	13.	Kokkola	13.	Rovaniemi
14.	Lahti	14.	Lahti	14.	Porvoo
15.	Porvoo	15.	Seinäjoki	15.	Lahti
16.	Kajaani	16.	Oulu	16.	Kirkkonummi
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18.	Kotka	18.	Tuusula	18.	Seinäjoki
19.	Tuusula	19.	Kouvola	19.	Mikkeli
20.	Mikkeli	20.	Rovaniemi	20.	Järvenpää
21.	Pori	21.	Kajaani	21.	Tuusula
22.	Rovaniemi	22.	Pori	22.	Lohja
23.	Kirkkonummi	23.	Kotka	23.	Kokkola
24.	Seinäjoki	24.	Vaasa	24.	Rauma
25.	Kouvola	25.	Porvoo	25.	Pori
N=79		N=63		N=82	

## Kuopio rankings in selected professions

Exec	utive	Free	lancer	Entrepreneu	
1.	Helsinki	1.	Helsinki	I.	Helsinki
2.	Tampere	2.	Espoo	2.	Espoo
3.	Espoo	3.	Jyväskylä	3.	Jyväskylä
4.	Jyväskylä	4.	Tampere	4.	Tampere
5.	Turku	5.	Hyvinkää	5.	Hämeenlinna
6.	Kuopio	6.	Järvenpää	6.	Kirkkonummi
7.	Espoo	7.	Jönköping	7.	Hyvinkää
8.	Jyväskylä	8.	Turku	8.	Järvenpää
9.	Hämeenlinna	9.	Joensuu	9.	Joensuu
10.	Oulu	10.	Lahti	10.	Kajaani
11.	Vantaa	11.	Hämeenlinna	H.	Vantaa
12.	Joensuu	12.	Vantaa	12.	Turku
13.	Hyvinkää	13.	Kirkkonummi	13.	Lahti
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15.	Rovaniemi	15.	Mikkeli	15.	Porvoo
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18.	Kirkkonummi	18.	Kouvola	18.	Lohja
19.	Pori	19.	Vaasa	19.	Kotka
20.	Seinäjoki	20.	Kokkola	20.	Nurmijärvi
21.	Pori	21.	Lohja	21.	Rovaniemi
22.	Järvenpää	22.	Tuusula	22.	Pori
23.	Lohja	23.	Pori	23.	Vaasa
24.	Kokkola	24.	Lappeenranta	24.	Salo
25.	Rauma	25.	Seinäjoki	25.	Rauma
N=166		N=58		N=82	

## Smaller cities ranking in selected professions

Econ	omist/business	Mark	ceting	Engii	neer	IT-/C	omputer Science
1.	Heinola	I.	Naantali	l.	Nokia	I.	Nokia
2.	Naantali	2.	Lohja	2.	Kemi	2.	Heinola
3.	Lohja	3.	Heinola	3.	Heinola	3.	Karkkila
4.	Nokia	4.	Forssa	4.	Lohja	4.	Naantali
5.	Forssa	5.	Nokia	5.	Naantali	5.	Loviisa
6.	Karkkila	6.	Karkkila	6.	lisalmi	6.	lisalmi
7.	lisalmi	7.	lisalmi	7.	Karkkila	7.	Kempele
8.	Kempele	8.	Kempele	8.	Kempele	8.	Kemi
9.	Kauhajoki	9.	Tornio	9.	Tornio	9.	Kauhajoki
10.	Loviisa	10.	Kauhajoki	10.	Forssa	10.	Forssa
11.	Kemi	11.	Kemi	H.	Kauhajoki	11.	Lohja
12.	Juuka	12.	Loviisa	12.	Loviisa	12.	Siilinjärvi
13.	Tornio	13.	Orivesi	13.	Liminka	13.	Liminka
14.	Orivesi	14.	Juuka	14.	Juuka	14.	Lapinlahti
15.	Kitee	15.	Leppävirta	15.	Siilinjärvi	15.	Muurame
16.	Äänekoski	16.	Muurame	16.	Lapinlahti	16.	Orivesi
17.	Ylivieska	17.	Varkaus	17.	Leppävirta	17.	Tornio
18.	Pietarsaari	18.	Lapinlahti	18.	Orivesi	18.	Kitee
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21.	Lapinlahti	21.	Kiuruvesi	21.	Ylivieska	21.	Ylivieska
22.	Muurame	22.	Pielavesi	22.	Lieksa	22.	Leppävirta
23.	Varkaus	23.	Pietarsaari	23.	Kiuruvesi	23.	Suonenjoki
24.	Siilinjärvi	24.	Siilinjärvi	24.	Pietarsaari	24.	Varkaus
25.	Kiuruvesi	25.	Lieksa.	25.	Varkaus	25.	Pietarsaari.
26.	Pieksämäki	26.	Ylivieska	26.	Äänekoski	26.	Pieksämäki
27.	Suonenjoki	27.	Pieksämäki	27.	Suonenjoki	27.	Äänekoski
28.	Lieksa	28.	Vieremä	28.	Pielavesi	28.	Lieksa
29.	Pielavesi	29.	Liminka	29.	Pieksämäki	29.	Pielavesi
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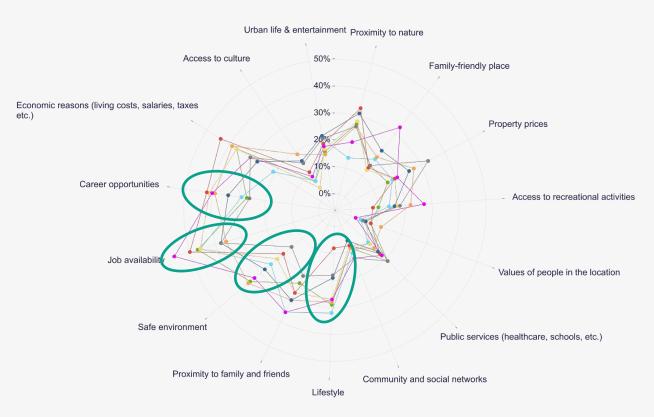
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1.	Naantali	I.	Naantali	I.	Naantali	
2.	Nokia	2.	Lohja	2.	Lohja	
3.	Heinola	3.	Karkkila	3.	Nokia	
4.	Kemi	4.	Heinola	4.	Forssa	
5.	lisalmi	5.	Nokia	5.	Loviisa	
6.	Forssa	6.	Forssa	6.	Heinola	
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24.	Liminka	24.	Kiuruvesi	24.	Kauhajoki	
25.	Suonenjoki.	25.	Äänekoski.	25.	Kiuruvesi	
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27.	Pielavesi	27.	Lieksa	27.	Suonenjoki	
28.	Äänekoski	28.	Kitee	28.	Pielavesi	
29.	Ylivieska	29.	Suonenjoki	29.	Pieksämäki	
30.	Vieremä	30.	Vieremä	30.	Vieremä	
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1.	Nokia	I.	Heinola	1.	- Karkkila
2.	Lohja	2.	Kauhajoki	2.	Naantali
3.	Naantali	3.	Juuka	3.	Kemi
4.	Heinola	4.	lisalmi	4.	Heinola
5.	Loviisa	5.	Karkkila	5.	lisalmi
6.	Kempele	6.	Naantali	6.	Tornio
7.	Karkkila	7.	Forssa	7.	Lohja
8.	lisalmi	8.	Nokia	8.	Nokia
9.	Kauhajoki	9.	Lohja	9.	Kempele
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21.	Lapinlahti	21.	Pieksämäki	21.	Äänekoski
22.	Muurame	22.	Orivesi	22.	Kitee
23.	Kiuruvesi	23.	Tornio	23.	Siilinjärvi
24.	Suonenjoki	24.	Siilinjärvi	24.	Liminka
25.	Pietarsaari.	25.	Liminka.	25.	Lieksa
26.	Ylivieska	26.	Äänekoski	26.	Pielavesi
27.	Lieksa	27.	Lieksa	27.	Vieremä
28.	Pieksämäki	28.	Pielavesi	28.	Pieksämäki
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### Drivers when moving among professions

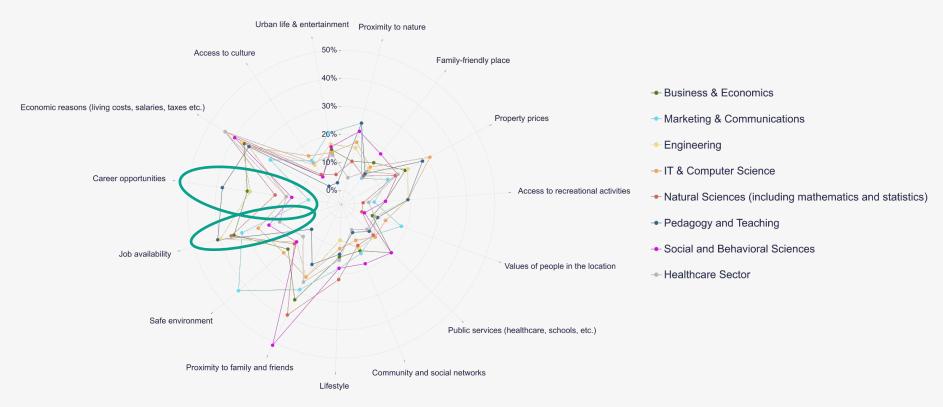
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- Marketing & Communications
- Engineering
- → IT & Computer Science
- → Natural Sciences (including mathematics and statistics)
- Pedagogy and Teaching
- Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Healthcare Sector

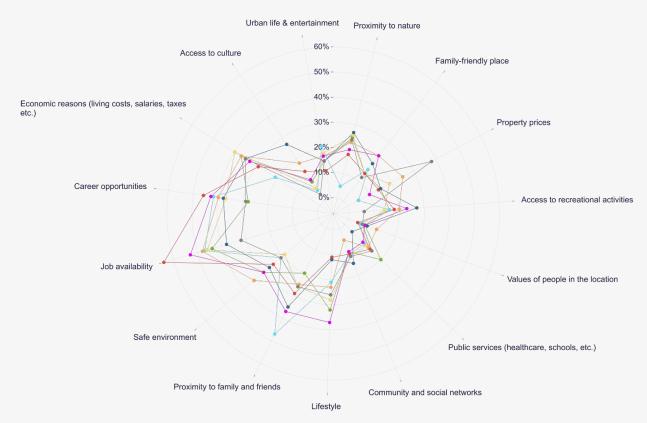
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### Drivers when moving among professions - North Savo smaller cities

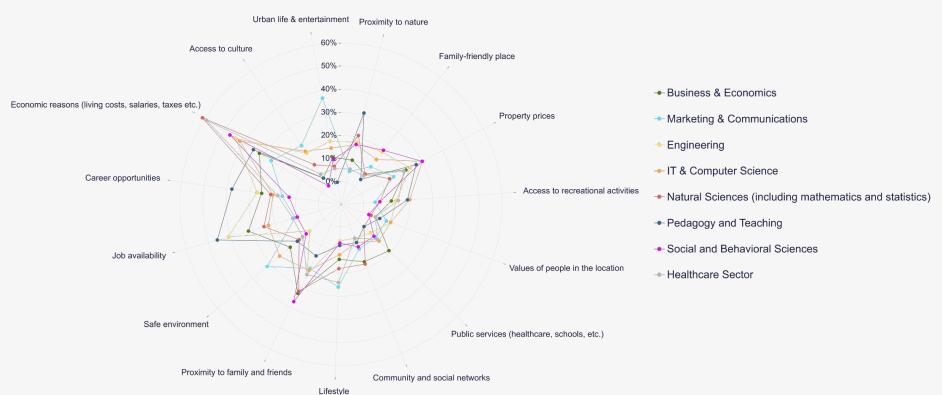
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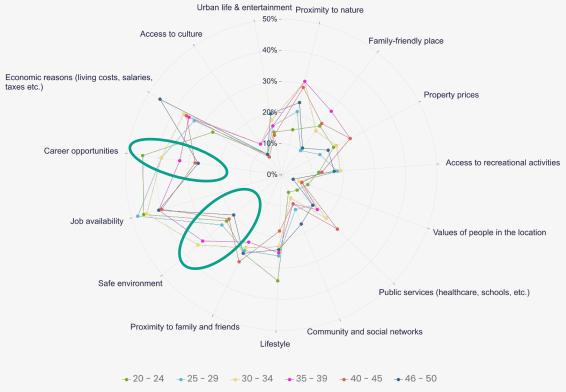
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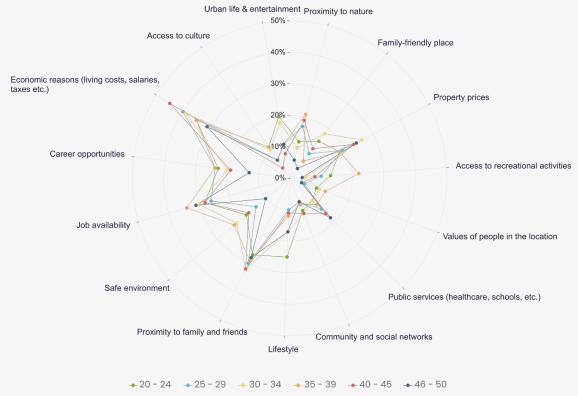
## **Attraction across life stages**

The graph below shows a comparative analysis of attraction factors for different age groups, among respondents who chose Kuopio as a possible destination\*



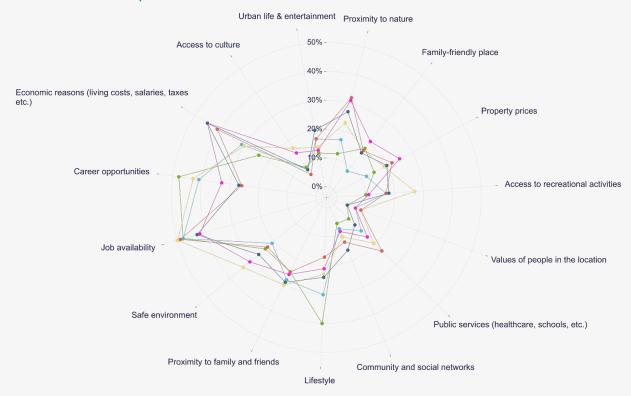
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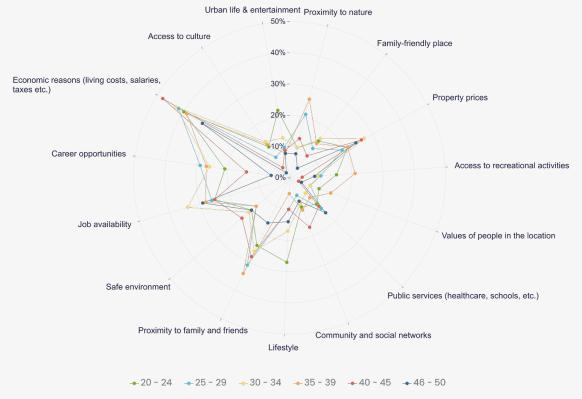
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# NORTH SAVO:

PERSONA PROFILE

#### Profile of a Prospective North Savo Resident

This is a composite profile derived from 311 respondents who selected North Savo as a preferred location for living and working. This profile summarizes their collective preferences in age, profession, education, and key motivational factors.

# Meet Maria: A Business Professional Considering North Savo

- Age & Gender: 27-year-old female
- Family Composition: Has children living at home.
- Professional Background: Business & Economics
- Highest level of Education: Completed a Master's Degree

General Propensity to Move: **53.5**% (Overall: 53,6%)
Propensity to move to North Savo: **75,2**% (Overall: 52,7%)

#### **Drivers for relocating to North Savo**

- Pursuing career advancement and economic benefits in North Savo.
- Desires a secure and family-friendly environment.

#### **Barriers for relocating**

- Concerned about the cost of living and finding relevant job opportunities.
- Values proximity to family, which may impact her decision to move.



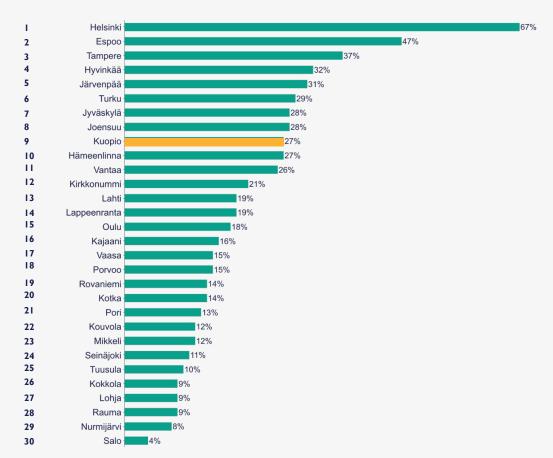


#### To discuss!

What target groups should Nort Savo try to attract? With what arguments?

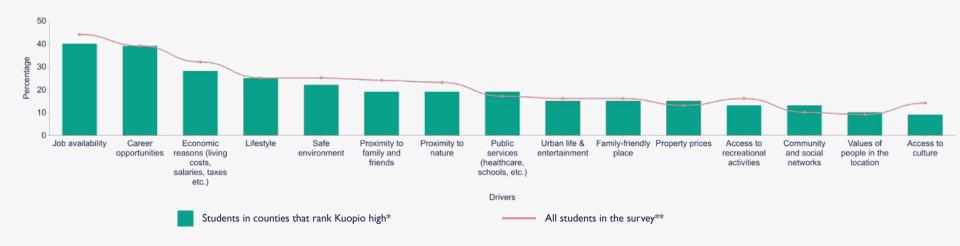
Discuss in groups during 10 min – write down your answers on a flip chart

#### Where does students wanna live?



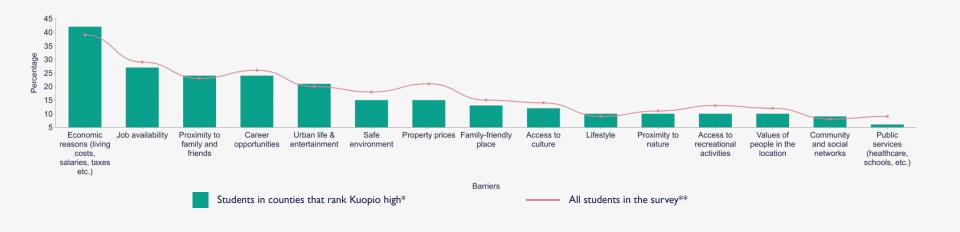
#### Student attraction factors: Drivers for moving

The graph shows the drivers among students who have chosen Kuopio as a possible destination, compared to all students in the survey



#### Student barriers when moving

The graph shows perceived barriers among students who have chosen Kuopio as a possible destination, compared to all students in the survey





#### To discuss!

How can Kuopio and North Savo become more attractive to students in other parts of the country? What attraction factors do we need to develop / communicate?

Discuss in groups for during 10 minuntes – write down answers on flip charts

#### Student attraction factors: Drivers for moving to North Savo smaller cities

The graph shows the drivers among students who have chosen North Savos smaller cities as a possible destination, compared to all students in the survey



Students considering settling in one of North Savo's smaller cities it does not differ significantly from the overall student population according to the survey. In both groups, Job availability and career opportunities are the primary drivers behind the choice of future residence.

Nevertheless, some differences emerge upon closer examination. Generally, the total student population places a higher priority on economic reasons, as well as proximity to nature and family-friendly places compared to those considering Kuopio as potential places to live.

On the other hand, factors such as lifestyle and property prices are given more importance by students contemplating moving to North Savo's cities. This group also tends to value these aspects higher, indicating that these factors have a certain impact on their decision when choosing a future place of residence.

#### Students barriers when moving to North Savo smaller cities

The graph shows perceived barriers among students who have chosen one of North Savo's smaller cities as a possible destination, compared to all students in the survey



Students considering Kuopio as a potential future residence express greater concern than the average when it comes to economic reasons. This increased worry shows that this aspect has a significant influence on their decision regarding future residence.

On the other hand, the overall student population career opportunities, urban life, and property prices as bigger concerns ahead of a move compared to those focusing on Kuopio.

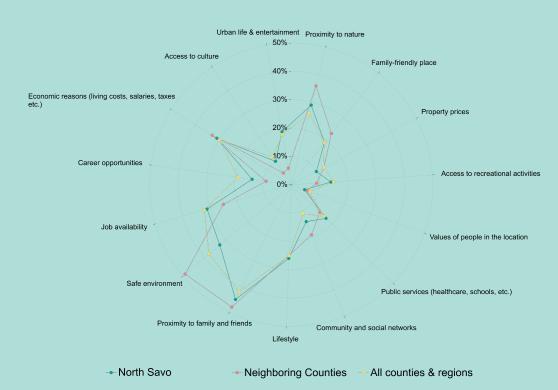
These insights highlight the importance for Kuopio to focus its marketing on creating a secure environment with good job opportunities and affordable property prices, and to highlight the region's potential for those who value proximity to family and nature highly. This provides a picture of the specific areas where Kuopio can work to reduce relocation barriers and thus attract a younger population.



# WHY DOES THE TARGET GROUP STAY IN NORTH SAVO?

#### What are North Savo and neighboring counties\* doing well in the fight to retain their residents?

The percentages show what respondents\*\* living in each of North Savo, neighboring counties and all counties and regions have answered to the survey question "What are the main reasons for staying in your current location?"



### Workshop!



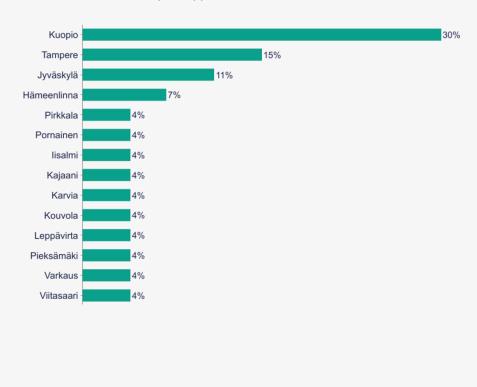
Create an action plan for North Savo's talent attraction

### Suggested questions to answer:

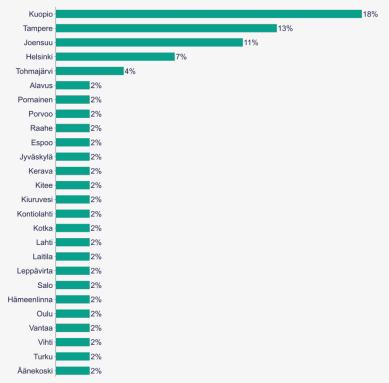
- 1. Why is it important?
- 2. Who do we wanna attract?
- 3. What do we need to develop or communicate to attract them?
- 4. How do we attract (and retain) them?

#### Where do students move after graduation?

#### Savonia University of Applied Sciences



#### University of Eastern Finland







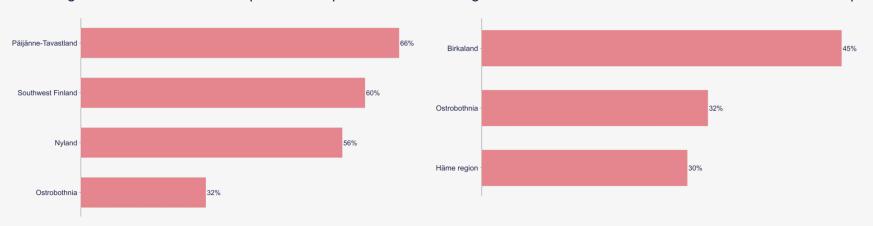
COUNTIES & REGIONS THAT DO NOT RANK NORTH SAVO AS THEIR FUTURE RELOCATION DESTINATION

# Propensity to move among those who did not choose North Savo as a potential destination

The graph shows the general propensity to move in the counties that chose Kuopio and North Savo's smaller cities outside their top 12 migration destinations.



Regions who did not include North Savo's smaller cities in their top 12

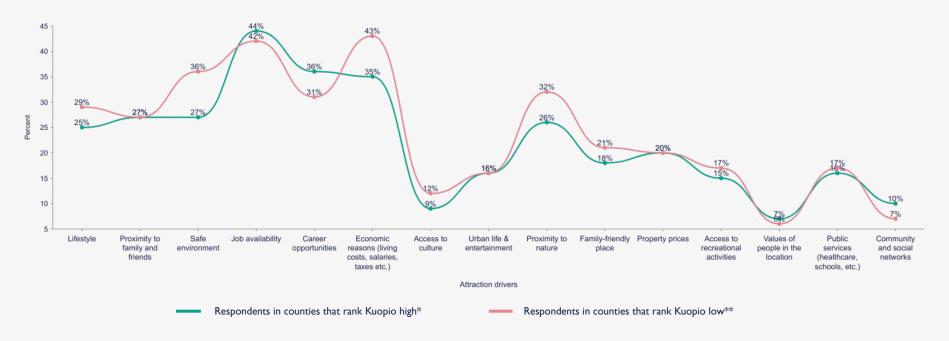


Respondents from the counties in the graph have chosen North Savo as a possible destination to a low degree\*.

A large proportion of respondents in the counties presented show a propensity to move within a five-year period. This section focuses on understanding what factors are important to those respondents who do not have Kuopio nor smaller cities in North Savo in their top 12. By understanding these factors, can North Savo develop strategies to become an even more attractive place to live and work for those who currently do not see the region as a potential place to move to.

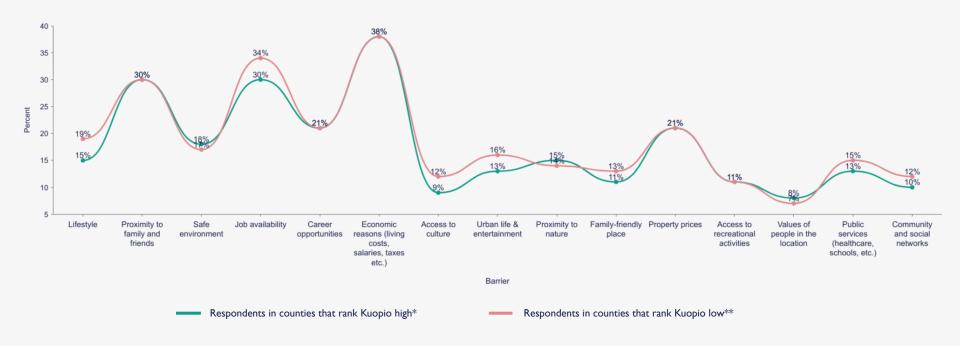
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#### Drivers - comparison between respondents who rank Kuopio high and low



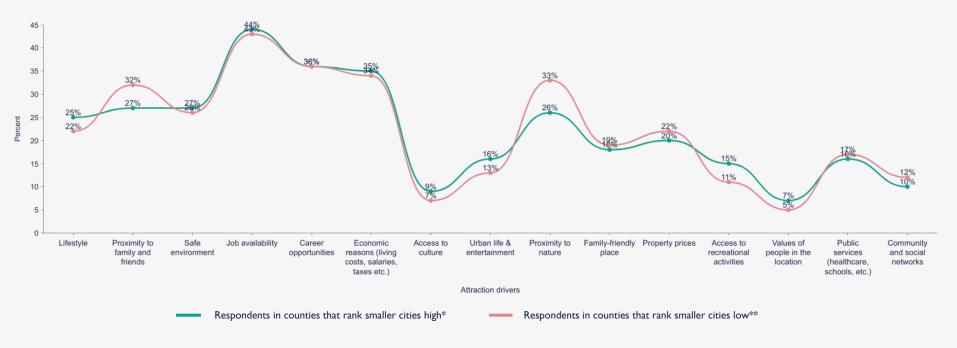
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#### Barriers - comparison between respondents who rank Kuopio high and low



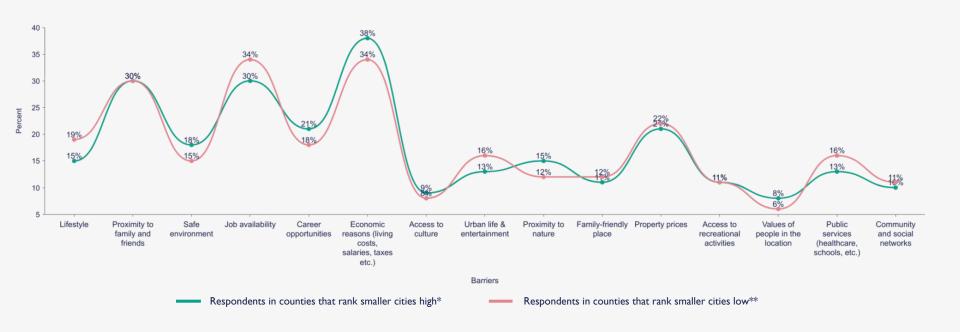
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#### Drivers - comparison between respondents who rank North Savo's smaller cities high and low



The graph compares motivations for moving among respondents in counties and city-regions that rank Kuopio in the top 12, compared to respondents in counties that do not have North Savo's smaller cities in their top 12. The data shows that factors such as lifestyle, safety, job offerings, career opportunities and economic reasons play a crucial role.

#### Barriers - comparison between respondents who rank North Savo's smaller cities high and low



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#### 'North Savo Personas Profile' or 'Profile of a Prospective North Savo Resident'

Discover who is considering a move to North Savo, including their age, profession, and main reasons for relocating.

331 respondents chose North Savo when asked which region they would consider to work and live in

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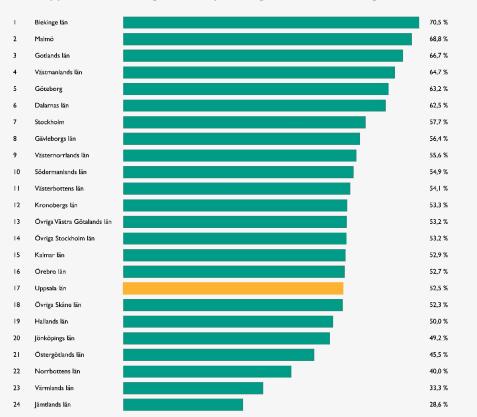


## **PART 3:**

WHY DOES THE TARGET GROUP STAY IN NORTH SAVO?

#### Var packas väskorna?

En topplista över Sveriges mest flyttbenägna län och stadsregioner inom de närmaste 5 åren



Grafen visar graden av flyttbenägenhet i 24 län och stadsregioner. Resultatet baseras på antalet respondenter som svarat "ja definitivt" eller "ja kanske" på frågan om de tror att de kommer flytta från sitt nuvarande län inom de kommande fem åren.

Uppsala län rankas på plats 17 med en flyttbenägenhet på 53%. Det faktum att länet ligger i det nedre skiktet av rankingen, med en merparten av län och stadsregioner bakom sig, tyder på en övergripande benägenhet hos invånarna att stanna kvar. Trots detta signalerar en flyttbenägenhet på 50% att det finns ett inte försumbart antal invånare som överväger att flytta, vilket bör beaktas i framtida planering och strategiska överväganden.





# **PART 3:**

GENERAL PERCEPTIONS - NORTH SAVO

#### Likelihood of moving to North Savo

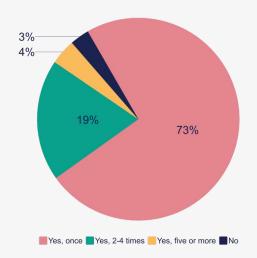
In the exploration of general perceptions towards North Savo, particularly with regards to relocating to the region, survey data presents an interesting narrative. A substantial **52.68**% of respondents are open to the possibility of moving to North Savo, with 14.12% stating they would 'definitely' consider it and 38.56% saying they would 'possibly' consider the move within the next five years. On the contrary, a collective 47.31% seem less inclined to relocate, with 31.79% leaning towards 'probably not' and 15.52% firmly in the 'definitely not' category.

The likelihood of these considerations seems to be influenced by prior visits to the region. A striking **72.46**% of respondents have visited North Savo once, which could have given them a glimpse into the region's lifestyle and opportunities. Furthermore, 18.53% have visited between 2-4 times, and 3.80% have been there five times or more, indicating a repeated interest in what North Savo has to offer.

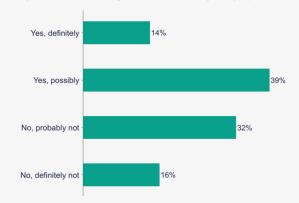
However, when asked directly if their visits influenced their willingness to stay, the responses split. While 43.68% say 'Yes', suggesting that their experiences in North Savo have positively swayed their perception, a nearly equal 45.25% state 'No', highlighting that a visit alone may not be enough to consider a longer-term commitment to the area. This data underscores the complexity of relocation decisions and suggests that while visits can impact perceptions, there are likely other significant factors at play in the decision-making process.

Interestingly, the findings diverge significantly when considering the frequency of visits to North Savo. Among those who have visited the region 2-4 times or more, a substantial 63.7% responded 'No' when asked if their previous visits influenced their interest in moving there. This contrasts with the earlier group where responses were more balanced, suggesting a nuanced view of how repeated exposure to the region might not uniformly increase the likelihood of relocation. This discrepancy indicates that while initial visits can alter perceptions slightly, repeated visits do not necessarily strengthen the desire to relocate, highlighting the importance of other factors in the decision to move.

#### Have you previously visited North Savo region?



#### Would you consider moving to North Savo (e.g. Kuopio) in the next five years?



#### **Drivers for moving to North Savo**



The graph shows drivers for moving, how respondents from the study answered the question "If you would consider moving to North Savo, for example any of the cities or municipalities Kuopio, Ilsalmi or Siilinjärvi, what are the main factors influencing your decision?"\*

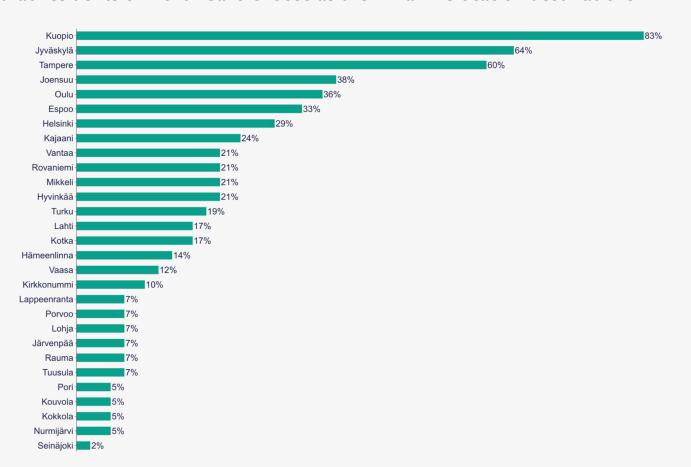




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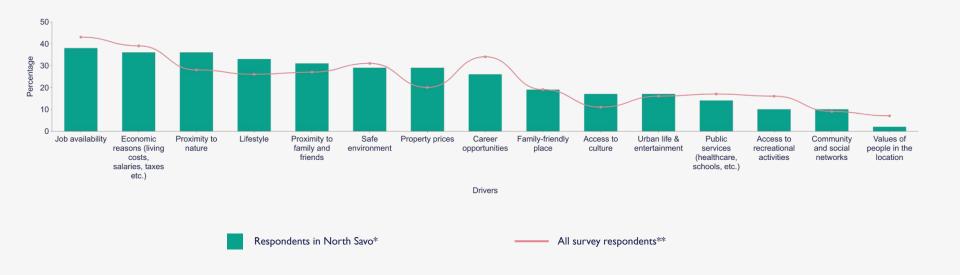
WHY ARE PEOPLE MOVING FROM NORTH SAVO?

#### Cities that residents of North Savo choose as their main relocation destinations



#### **Drivers for moving from North Savo**

In this section, we examine the drivers that motivate respondents in North Savo to consider moving, and how these compare to drivers in other counties and city-regions. This insight can help identify which areas the region should focus on to retain its residents.



<sup>\*</sup>N(Respondents in North Savo)= 42





# **ABOUT**TALENT CITY INDEX

The Talent City Index is based on a survey conducted by Future Place Leadership and includes responses from 1237 respondents aged 20-50, spread across Finland using Cint's panels.

The age distribution was even, with the 30-34 age group representing the largest share, with 21% of respondents, followed by the 25-29 and 40-45 age groups, with 18% respectively.

The survey covered a wide variety of professions, these included: Economists (18%), Engineers (15%), IT/computer specialists (13%), Marketing (8%), Sociologists (7%), Natural Scientists (6%) and Teachers (5%)

In terms of educational background, a significant proportion of respondents had completed a master's degree, which represented around 24% with 296 respondents, Followed by respondents of which had completed a bachelor's degree represented 23% with 280 respondents, as well as those who studied at a vocational college represented 23% with 282 respondents. Another 4% (45 respondents) had completed a doctoral-level degree. About 10% of the respondents (corresponding to about 120 answers) were students at the time of the survey.



#### Distribution of the survey

The graph shows the distribution of survey respondents based on the region in which they currently live.



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