

SwedPop Documentation

Parish and County Register Documentation

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SwedPop parish register

The SwedPop parish register is used for geographical references in all SwedPop databases. The register is maintained by the Swedish National Archives. The “Topographical register at the Swedish National Archives” (TORA) contains basic information about 3900 parishes from the oldest times to the present. The register includes parishes that occur in various archives and are linked to the Swedish National Archives Database. Each parish has a unique 9-digit code based on Statistics Sweden's codes for administrative units, which has been expanded to handle historical parishes. The place names are indicated with official spelling, but older names and name changes are also registered. Parishes formed through mergers and divisions usually constitute separate records. Parishes that are not territorial units but have church registers are also included. However, name changes alone do not mean that new records are created. Nor are spatial changes, such as demarcations or incorporations of areas within parishes, the basis for the creation of new records. Official and known years for the formation and dissolution of the parishes are stated. The parish register is linked to historical county codes and, where applicable, to georeferenced parishes and towns provided by the National Land Survey.

Explanation of columns in the SwedPop parish register:

identifier	9-digit parish code used by the Swedish National Archives
prefLabel	Preferred name for parish (or city)
altLabel	Short form of parish name
type	Type of record (4 = Parish, 5 = City)
startDate	Start date for parish (Blank = Unknown start date)
endDate	End date for parish (Blank = Unknown end date)
alternativename	Alternative names for a parish
countycodehistorical	Historical county code (Corresponding to the year 1950)
parishcode	ATA parish code used by the Swedish National Heritage Board
province	Swedish historical province
source	URL referencing the Swedish National Archives database
wiki_url1	URL referencing a Wikipedia-article (for the secular parish)
wiki_url2	URL referencing a Wikipedia-article (for the church parish)

List of historical Swedish counties

Historical County code	County name	Comment
010000000	Stockholms län	After 1968-01-01
010000001	Stockholms stad	Before 1968-01-01
020000000	Stockholms län	Before 1968-01-01
030000000	Uppsala län	
040000000	Södermanlands län	
050000000	Östergötlands län	
060000000	Jönköpings län	
070000000	Kronobergs län	
080000000	Kalmar län	
090000000	Gotlands län	
100000000	Blekinge län	
110000000	Kristianstads län	After 1997-01-01 Skåne län
120000001	Malmöhus län	After 1997-01-01 Skåne län
130000000	Hallands län	
140000001	Göteborgs och Bohus län	After 1998-01-01 Västra Götalands län
150000000	Älvsborgs län	After 1998-01-01 Västra Götalands län
160000000	Skaraborgs län	After 1998-01-01 Västra Götalands län
170000000	Värmlands län	
180000000	Örebro län	
190000000	Västmanlands län	
200000000	Kopparbergs län	After 1997-01-01 Dalarnas län
210000000	Gävleborgs län	
220000000	Västernorrlands län	
230000000	Jämtlands län	
240000000	Västerbottens län	
250000000	Norrbottnens län	