

# Wellbeing Services County of South Ostrobothnia

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The wellbeing services county is responsible for organising social services, healthcare and rescue services in the South Ostrobothnia region.



# Key figures of the wellbeing services county

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**190 000**  
residents



**18**  
municipalities



**8**  
health and social  
services centres

# The wellbeing services county on the map

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- **Primary locations of the health and social services centres:**  
Kauhajoki, Kurikka, Ilmajoki, Seinäjoki, Lapua, Kauhava, Alajärvi and Alavus
- **Extensive emergency care services provided at the Seinäjoki central hospital**



# Careers

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The Wellbeing Services County of South Ostrobothnia employs **more than 10,000 professionals**

- 80% full-time employees
- 20% part-time employees
- more than 400 professional titles



# Major personnel groups

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- Practical nurses and other employees with a vocational qualification in healthcare and social services: **3,400**
- Nurses and other employees with a Bachelor's degree in healthcare or similar: **3,200**
- Social work personnel: **1,000**
- Maintenance and support service personnel: **950**
- Rescue personnel: **800**
- Physicians: **650**
- Care support and research personnel: **600**
- Administration and management personnel: **500**

# Strategy

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**Vision for 2035** Our wellbeing services county is responsible, capable of making decisions and independent. We safeguard the health and wellbeing of our residents in an effective, high-quality and accessible manner.

**The values** of our wellbeing services county are customer orientation, economic efficiency, effectiveness, a positive attitude towards reform, decision-making capacity, trust and openness.

## **Strategic goals**

- Diverse services
- Skilled and thriving personnel
- Sustainable finances
- Strong decision-making and leadership

# Financial figures

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- The calculated funding of the South Ostrobothnia Wellbeing Services County in 2026 is EUR 1,014 million, i.e. EUR 5,341/resident
- The 2026 budget has a surplus of EUR 21.24 million
- As of 31 December 2025, the accumulated deficit is EUR 121.3 million
- The deficit for 2025 was EUR 16.59 million
- The deficit for 2024 was EUR 62.05 million
- The deficit for 2023 was EUR 45.38 million

(Situation 3/2026)

# Decision-making

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## County Council

**59** councillors

Chair **Paula Risikko**, National Coalition Party



## County Executive

**13** members

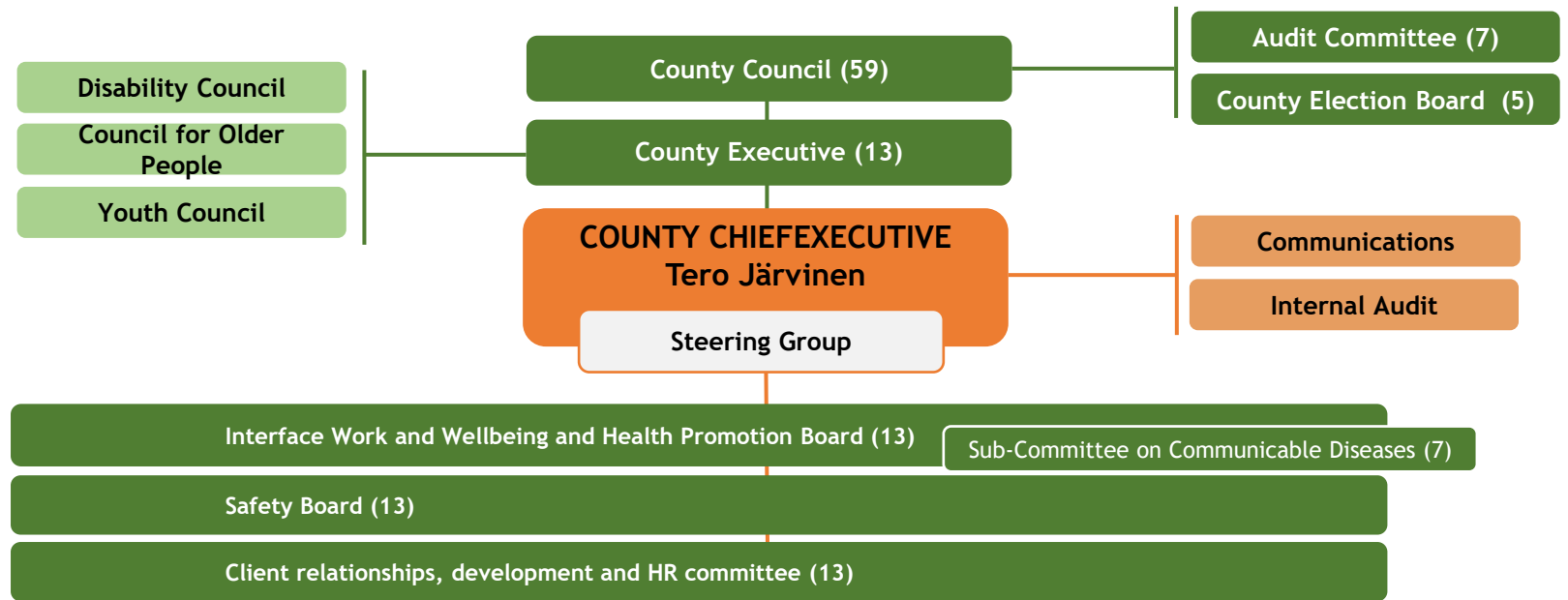
Chair **Lasse Hautala**, Centre Party

# Authorities

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- County Election Board
- Audit Committee
- Client relationships, development and HR committee
- Safety Board
- Interface Work and Wellbeing and Health Promotion Board
- Youth Council
- Disability Council
- Council for Older People

# The organisation of South Ostrobothnia Wellbeing Services County



**Thank you!**



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