

Private Equity, Venture Capital at Work in Sweden



Employment - The facts

Private equity and venture capital is a cornerstone of the Swedish economy present in every region and every major business sector across the continent.

From technology and life sciences start-ups to manufacturing small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large consumer-focused multinationals, private equity and venture capital backed companies support millions of high-value jobs driving prosperity and growth in the process.

Private equity and venture capital support 322,184 jobs in Swedish companies, making it a major employer in most industry sectors.

1,245

companies in Sweden backed by private equity and venture capital in 2023 across all industry sectors and all regions.

1,038

of which were SMEs employing 37,882 people.

Note: Employment data is based on an extrapolation of a sample of 893 portfolio companies.

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Employment 2023

322,184

employees worked in private equity and venture capital-backed Swedish companies.
 Source: EDC

6.3%

of Sweden's total 5.1 million workforce as compared to 5% of Europe's total workforce.
 Source: EDC / Eurostat

Employment by portfolio company stage



Jobs in Buyout stage companies
229,393

Jobs in Growth stage companies
67,361

Jobs in Venture stage companies
25,247

Others*
183

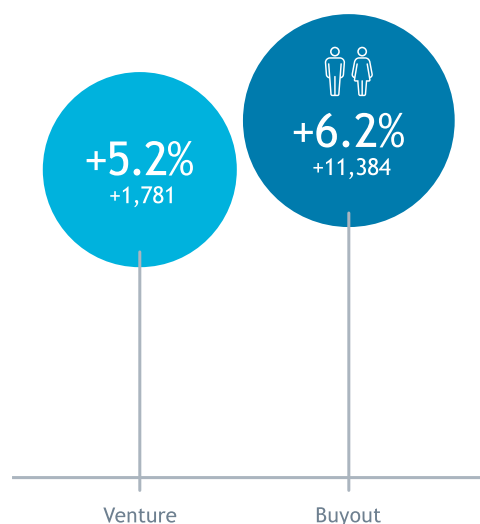
* Others includes Turnaround/Rescue and Replacement capital.

Job creation - The facts

Private equity and venture capital build successful businesses. Successful businesses invest more in growth. And growth leads to job creation.

Job creation by type of private equity and venture capital firm

This year, both Venture & Buyout firms managed to significantly grow the workforces in their portfolio companies.



+7.9%

more new jobs created by SMEs in 2023.

Note: Job creation data is based on portfolio companies in Europe active and backed by private equity and venture capital as of end of 2023.

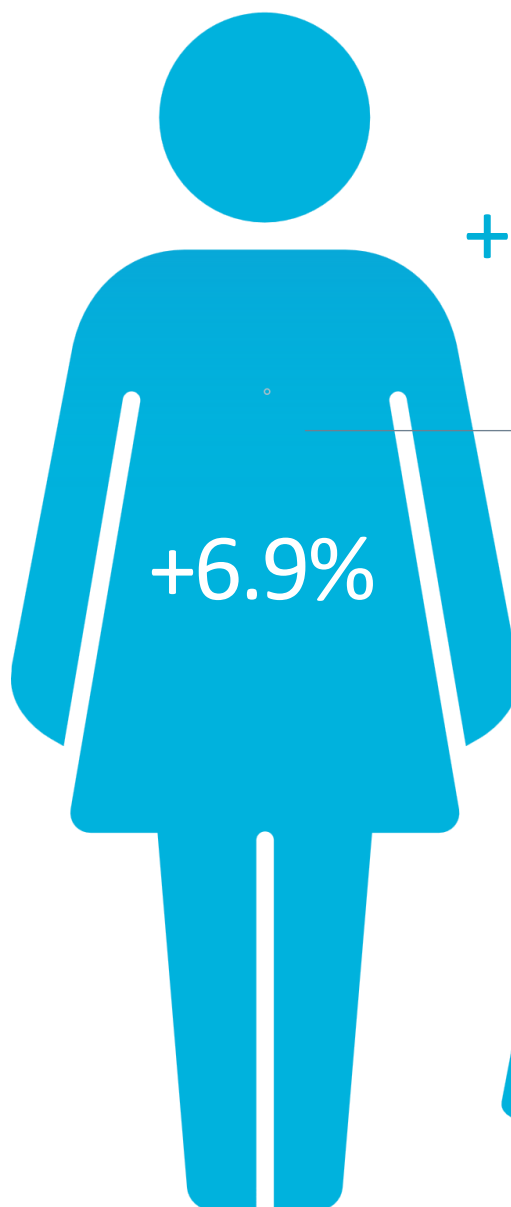
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Job creation 2022-23

+15,468

Net jobs were created by private equity and venture capital backed companies in 2023.

Source: EDC / Eurostat



+1.3%

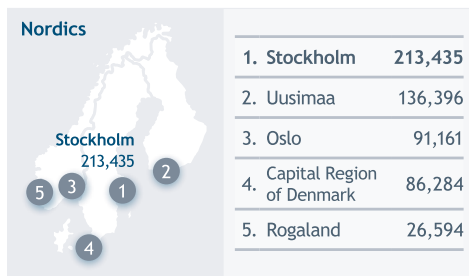
This compares to the growth of +1.3% seen in Swedish companies overall.



Regional highlights

Private equity and venture capital make significant contributions to Swedish employment.

Top regional employment in the Nordics 2023



+15%

Private equity and venture capital job creation 2023 in Uppsala.