

Sweden - Child Guarantee National Action Plan Overview

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This overview presents highlights extracted from the National Action Plan (NAP) from Sweden published on 12/04/2022. It is not exhaustive nor does it evaluate the NAP and uses the same terms as those in the NAP. It is intended to summarise key elements & to signpost stakeholders to other relevant analyses.

Children in need

Children living in economic disadvantage *	208,000 (2019)
Homeless minors or minors in a situation of severe housing hardship	572 children evicted (2021) 33.8% of homeless in 2017 reported being parents 6,000 children in shelters
Children with disabilities	One in five children (22%)
Children with a migrant background	In socioeconomically deprived areas, 30% of people born outside Europe live in overcrowded housing
Children in Alternative Care	27,300 (most family-based)
Children without access to early education	4% children aged 3-5 do not attend preschool or educational care (15,800)
Nutrition challenges	1 in 5 pupils is overweight or obese
Young NEETs* (aged 15-19)	18,000

*see definition in the NAP

*Not in Education, Employment or Training



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Planned key services and actions

- Work on **schooling continuity for children placed in care**.
- Strengthen access to good healthcare and dental care.
- Clarify the regulatory framework for **special learning centres**.
- Ensure equal and inclusive access to **school-based leisure activities**.
- Future strategy on **mental health** and suicide prevention, with a special focus on children, NEETs, with disabilities, and LGBTQI.
- Reduce the salt and sugar content of food and develop targets for **sustainable and healthy food consumption**.
- Interventions in areas with socioeconomic challenges.
- Increase the accuracy of the **housing** allowance distribution and reduce indebtedness for it.
- Improvement of the **quality of public care** and creation of more places in suitable foster homes.

Designated Funding

Actions in the NAP will draw from the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) for the programming period 2021-27.

The National Operational Programme for the implementation of the European Social Fund includes measures for children (aged 6–18) living in financial disadvantage that will contribute to the aims of this NAP.

Stakeholder Engagement

Through national surveys and commissions to government agencies, the Government plans to obtain knowledge about **children's views** and opinions on their everyday lives and how their rights are being satisfied to inform their policies.

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- [DataCare Country Overview](#)

Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

The NAP includes a first review of (thematic & cross-sectoral) **data sources that may be used as a basis for monitoring** as well as identified deficiencies in data availability. In addition to national data, there are also international studies that may be important sources for or supplements to national monitoring.

[Read the full NAP](#)

