


The Police education in the future

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- ▶ The current status of the police education in Sweden
 - ▶ The first governmental investigation about police education 2008
 - ▶ The second governmental investigation 2016
 - ▶ The Police education in the other Nordic countries
 - ▶ Why we think it is important to have a police education at university level

The Police Programme in Sweden today

- ▶ Two and a half year programme

two years at the university (student loan)

six months practice at the Police (employed)

Our students

- ▶ Average age men: 24 years
- ▶ Average age women: 25 years
- ▶ 32% females
- ▶ 5% with non Swedish background/ethnicity
- ▶ 20% with previous academic studies

The Police education in Sweden

▶ 2007-2008

How the current police education should be reformed.

Future demands for the Police?

- ▶ An increased segregation in society
- ▶ Continued globalization and internationalization
- ▶ Increasingly critical citizens
- ▶ Technical progress
- ▶ An elderly population
- ▶ People will move to the cities from the countryside

Proposals

- ▶ A Bachelorprogramme 180 credits
- ▶ 6 months practice-based education
- ▶ Specialist police programme

Result



Nothing

Police in the future 2015

- ▶ describing various alternatives for the design of a police higher education programme and proposing the most appropriate alternative;
- proposing what qualification the programme should lead to and drafting a qualification description;
- clarifying how a scientific basis can be guaranteed in the programme

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Future demands for the Police

- ▶ A different approach to knowledge and learning
- ▶ Information search

Proposal

- ▶ A university programme 180 credits
- ▶ A vocational qualification degree
- ▶ 35 weeks of practical education

How to ensure a scientific foundation?

- ▶ Research in police work and police science must be strengthened
- ▶ Increase the lecturers knowledge and skills
- ▶ Special funds for research

Result



▶ Nothing
(yet)

The Policeprogramme in the Nordic Countries

▶ Norway

- ▶ 3 years BA 180 credits

Denmark

- ▶ 2 years 120

▶ Iceland

2 years 120 + one year BA

Finland

- ▶ 3 years 180

Sweden

2 and a half years

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Why do we need a
police education at
university level?

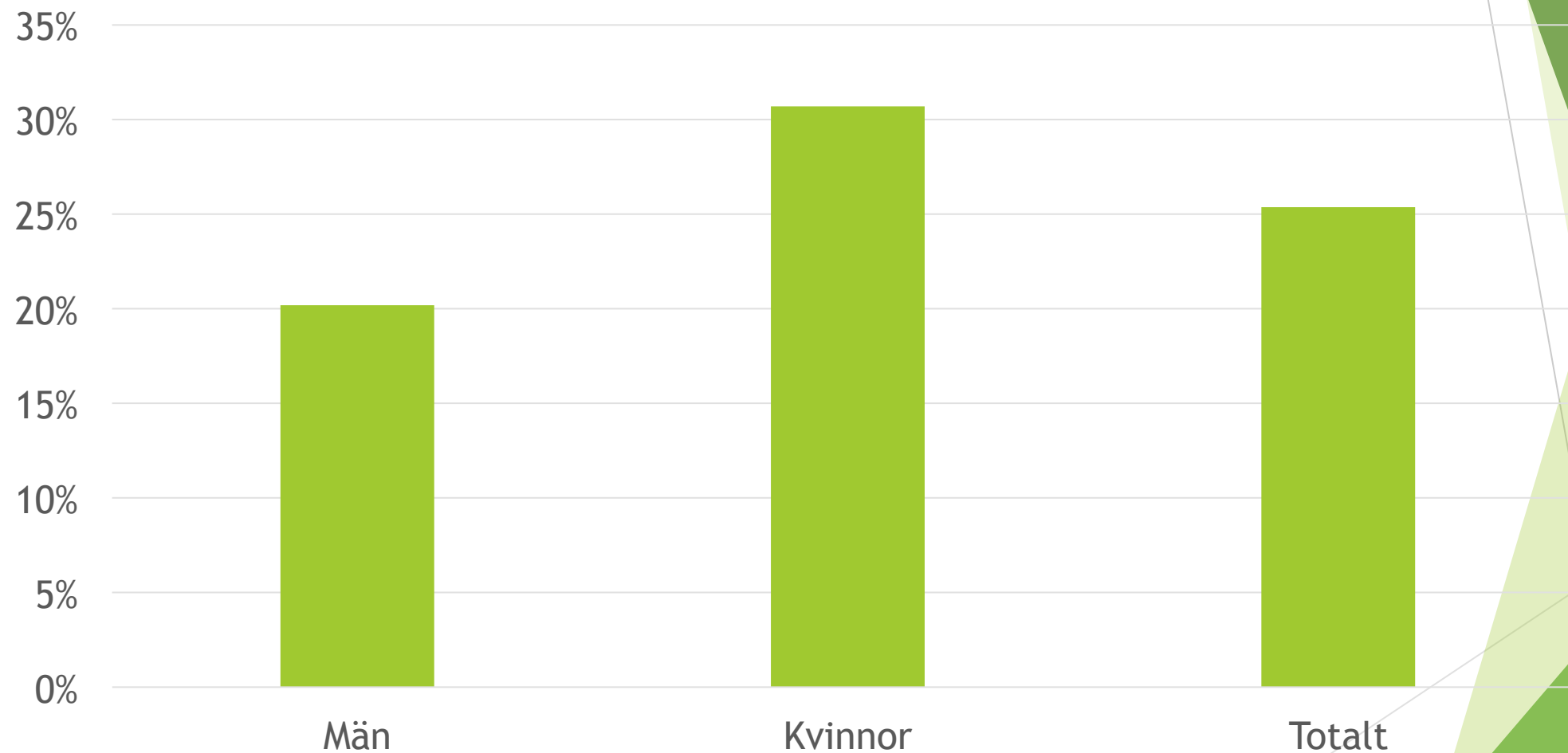
It means

- ▶ The Police must have the ability to change skills, activities and organization rather fast

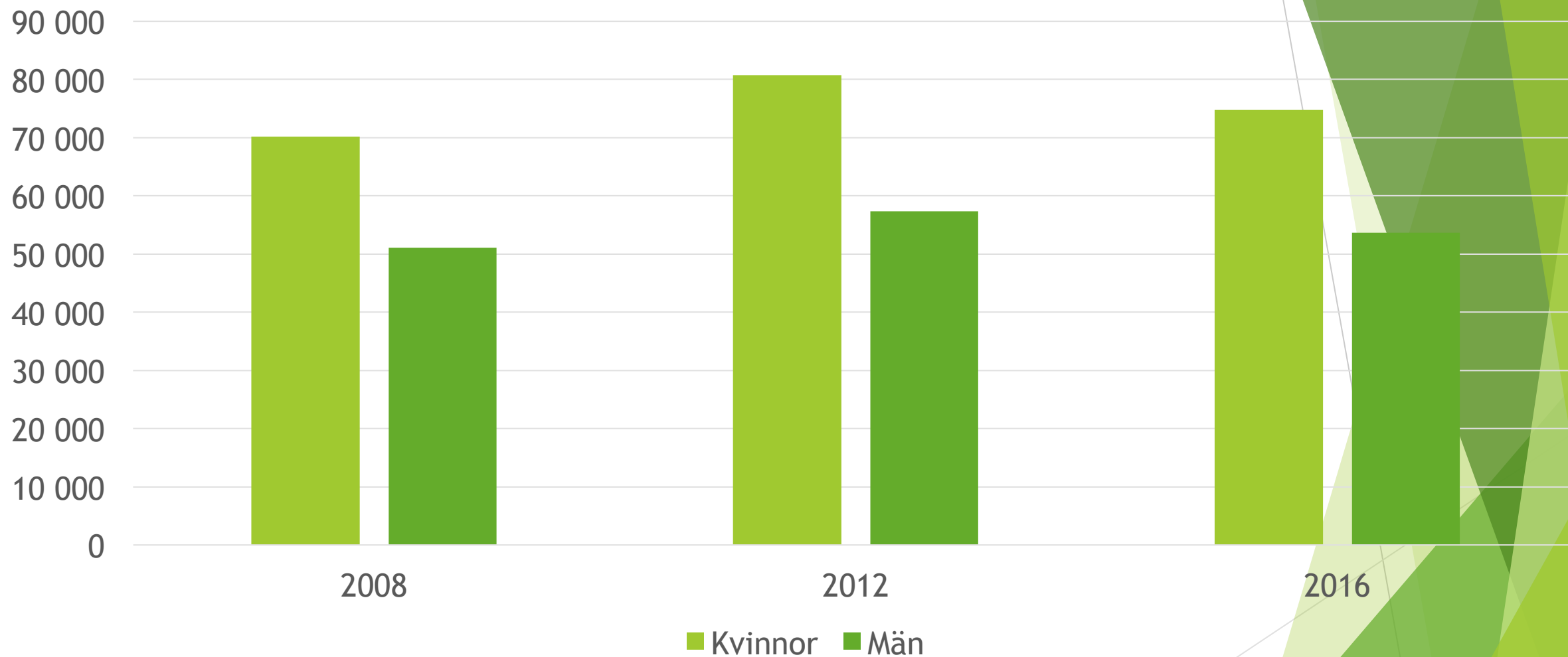
It means

- ▶ The future education and recruitment of Police must provide gender equality and ethnic diversity

Befolkningen 2016 25-64 år: Eftergymnasial utb. 3 år eller längre (%)



Nybörjare på högskolan 2008, 2012 och 2016



Andel kvinnor 2008 57,9 %; 2012 58,5 %; 2016 58,2%

The Policeprogramme in the Nordic Countries

The Swedish Higher Education Act

- ▶ In the course of their operations, higher education institutions shall provide promote sustainable development to assure for present and future generations a sound and healthy environment, economic and social welfare, and justice
- ▶ Equality between women and men shall always be taken into account and promoted in the operations of higher education institutions.
- ▶ Futhermore, in their operations higher education should promote understanding of other countries and of international circumstances