



# Mid-Norway

## Renewable Energy Sector:

New technologies for sustainable energy production are important to meet future energy demands and to save our environment. Cleantech is the way forward. In Mid-Norway 145 enterprises with a total of 2,000 employees work in the field of cleantech. In addition, more than 40 power production companies include activities related to renewable energy and environmental technology. These companies cover a wide range of areas in cleantech. Mid-Norway has a long tradition of research and development in hydro-electric power and lately wind power has gained a strong focus.

## Action on Climate Change:

Tree planting is the latest action on climate change in Mid-Norway. Forests can store vast amounts of CO<sub>2</sub>, and the potential for tree planting is huge in this sparsely populated region. This action has a real effect on the environment and climate, but it also holds a symbolic effect for the inhabitants in Mid-Norway, particularly for children, giving them a tool to fight climate changes in their own neighbourhood.



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Population: approx. **405 000**

Area: **41 201 km<sup>2</sup>**

Population Density (inh/km<sup>2</sup>): **9,8**

GDP per capita: 49208,5 USD

Mid-Norway consists of the two counties of Sør-Trøndelag and Nord-Trøndelag, bordering the Norwegian Sea to the west and Sweden to the east. The region offers everything from coastal scenes through untouched mountain scenery to national parks. Endless fresh air is on offer, and there are countless options for anyone who appreciates unspoilt nature. Trondheim is the largest city in the region, and Trondheim Værnes airport provides many daily domestic and international departures.

Skills and expertise form the core of our regional identity. One of the strengths of Mid-Norway lies in the region's outstanding education and research facilities. Trondheim is the site of several world-leading centres of excellence and is rightly known as the technology capital of Norway. The Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) has primary responsibility for higher technology education in Norway and is the second largest university in Norway, with 20,000 students. SINTEF is the largest independent research organisation in Scandinavia and employs 1,300 people in Trondheim.

Fish is the region's largest export commodity, with Salmon and trout the most important farmed species.. Mid-Norway is also the most important processing region in Norway, with approximately 35,000 tonnes of whole fish equivalents processed. This is around 40 % of all processed fish in Norway.