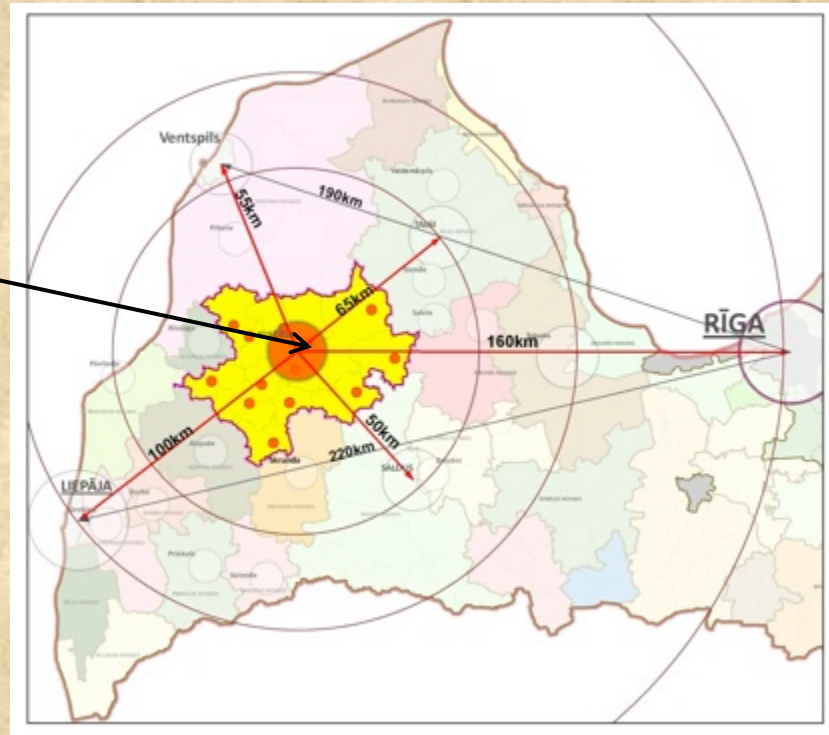




K U L D Ī G A
PILSĒTA AR DVĒSELI

Geographical situation



**KULDIGA DISTRICT IS SITUATED IN THE WESTERN PART OF LATVIA,
GEOGRAPHIC CENTER OF KURZEME REGION.
IT IS SITUATED 160 KM AWAY FROM RIGA (THE CAPITAL), 100 KM
AWAY FROM THE BIGGEST CITY OF KURZEME LIEPAJA AND 60 KM
FROM THE BIGGEST SEA-PORT VENTSPILS**

Administrative Status

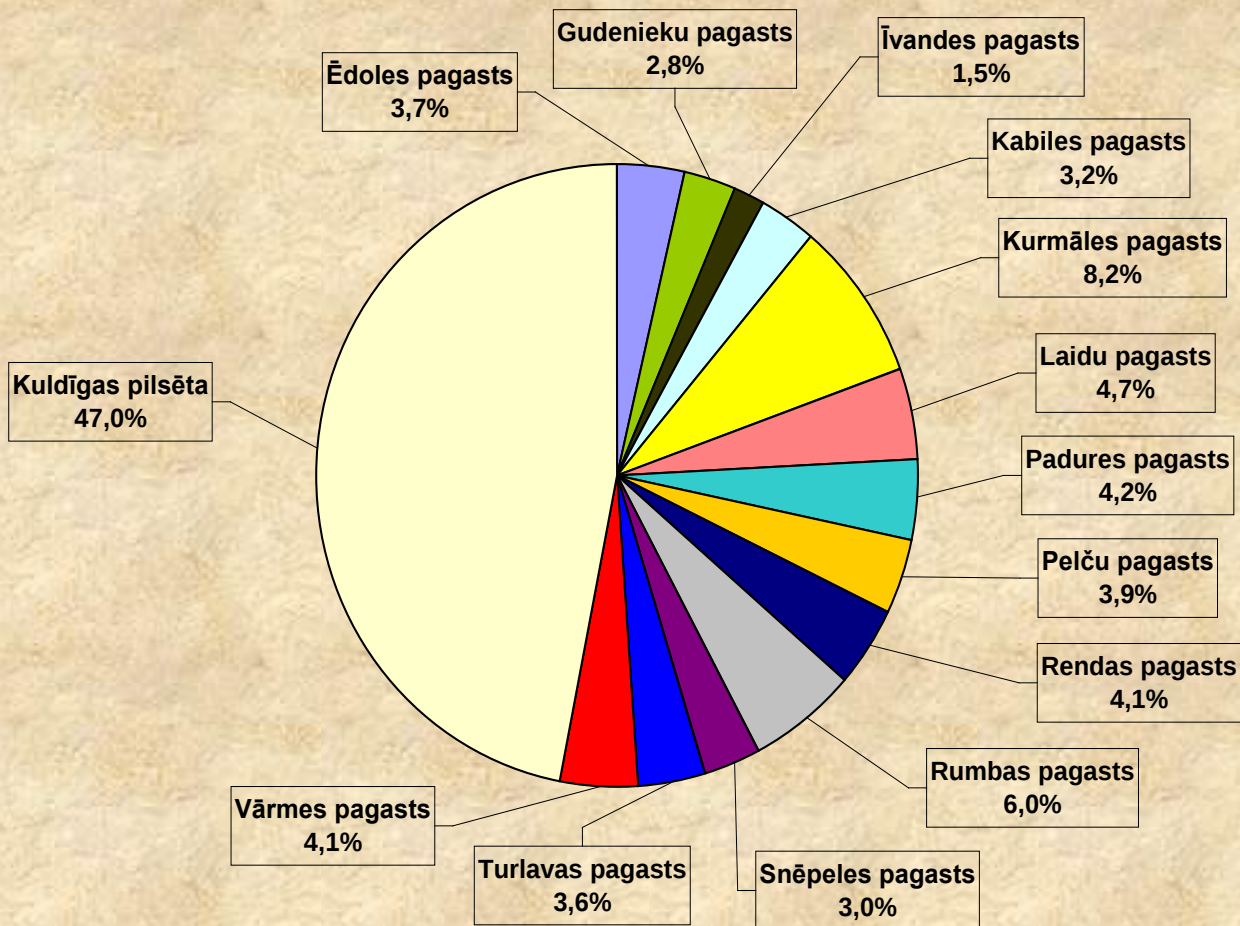


LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (*KULDĪGAS NOVADS – KULDIGA DISTRICT*)
INCLUDES KULDIGA TOWN AND 13 PAGASTS (FORMER SEPARATE MUNICIPALITIES)

Key Facts

AREA	1756,7 km ²
POPULATION	24 539
DENSITY OF POPULATION	15,5 per km ²
TERRITORIAL DIVISION	Kuldīga town and Ēdoles, Gudenieku, Īvandes, Kabiles, Kurmāles, Laidu, Padures, Pelču, Rendas, Rumbas, Snēpeles, Turlavas, Vārmes <i>pagasts</i> , (rural territories)
COUNCIL	17 members

Division of population



What is Kuldiga unique for



WELL PRESERVED CITY PLANNING STRUCTURE
THE HISTORICAL TOWN CENTRE IS THE ONLY TOWN BUILDING ENSAMBLE IN THE
BALTICS THAT HAS BEEN PRESERVED FROM 17TH AND 18TH CENTURIES

What is Kuldīga unique for



NATURE AND THE TOWN (AREA THAT HAS BEEN INSCRIBED INTO THE UNESCO TENTATIVE LIST)

What is Kuldīga unique for



**HISTORIC CENTER (UNIFORMITY, AUTHENTICITY AND OLD BUILDINGS)
AND ALEKŠUPĪTE (ALEKS RIVER) – “LATVIAN VENICE”**

What is Kuldiga unique for



**THE WATERFALL VENTAS RUMBA (249 M) –
THE WIDEST IN EUROPE**



What is Kuldiga unique for



**THE OLD RED BRICK BRIDGE
(1874 – 153M)**

What is Kuldīga unique for



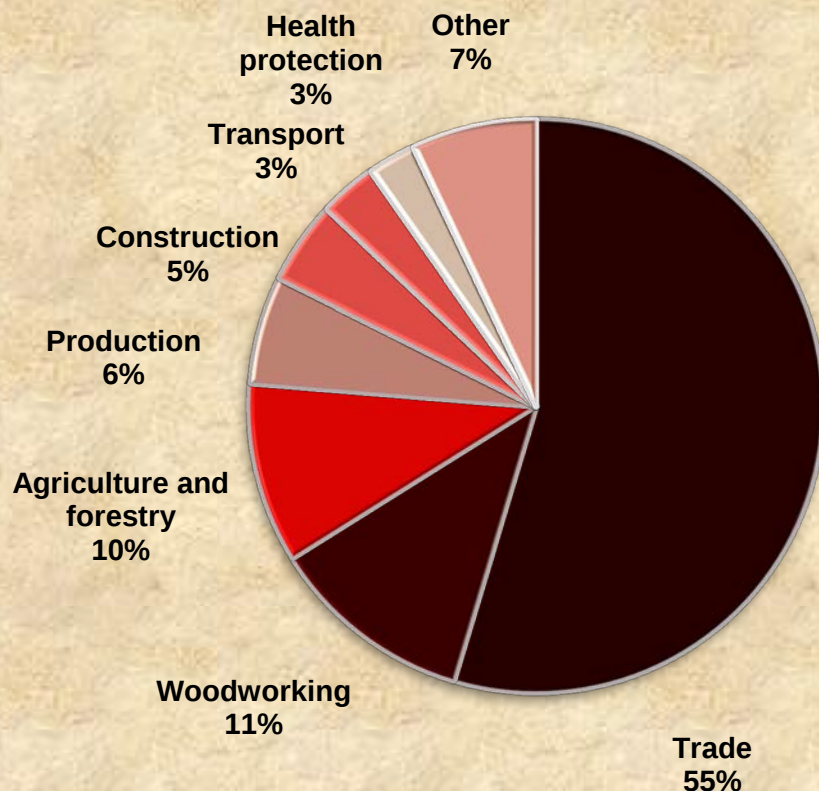
**THE WATERFALL OF ALEKŠUPĪTE
(ALEKS RIVER)
– THE HIGHEST IN LATVIA (4M)**

Latvian Architecture Award

Restoration of Street Space



Economic situation



■ **NUMBER OF COMPANIES REGISTERED IN KULDIGA REGION - 2,400 ***

■ **INDUSTRIES BY TURNOVER - TRADE, TIMBER, AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY ***

■ **THE LARGEST INDUSTRIES BY NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES - TRADE, WOODWORKING***

** Lursoft company database*

Entrepreneurship

Major companies* in Kuldīga District by turnover in 2014

Company	Turnover, EUR	Sector
“Rottneros Baltic” Ltd.	6 930 280	Wholesale of timber and building materials
“Amazone” Ltd.	4 913 098	Agriculture machinery wholesale
“Bērzi Plus” Ltd.	4 701 370	Wood processing
“Kuldīgas slimnīca” Ltd.	4 322 151	Hospital
“Vēvers” Ltd.	3 862 452	Wood processing
“Kuldīgas maizes ceptuve” Ltd.	2 352 925	Bakery
“Viesalgi” Ltd.	1 871 920	Forestry
“Mežmaļi” Ltd.	1 833 840	Wood processing
“HRG-lux” Ltd.	1 809 741	Wood processing

Entrepreneurship

OFFERS OF THE COUNCIL TO ENTREPRENEURS:

- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF
- PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES AND GOODS
- ORGANIZING CULTURE, SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS
- ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMISSION FOR BUSINESS SUPPORT
- SEMINARS AND COUNSELLING OFFERS FREE OF CHARGE

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR BUSINESS

- ALTUM SUPPORT PROGRAMS
- ACTIVITIES OF THE LATVIAN INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (LIDA)
- KURZEME BUSINESS INCUBATOR (KBI)
- KURZEME TOURISM ASSOCIATION (KTA)
- LATVIAN RURAL ADVISORY AND TRAINING CENTRE (LACC)
- ACTIVITIES FOR EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES ORGANIZED BY THE STATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY (SEA)

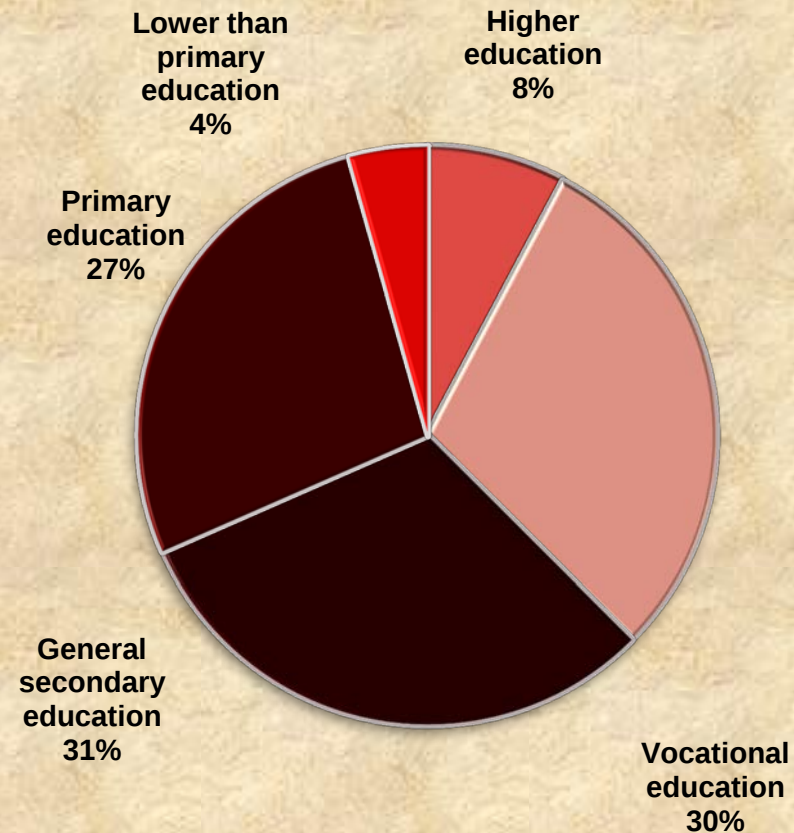
Employment

- INHABITANTS IN WORKING AGE IN 2014: 15 256 (63.2%)
- EMPLOYEES IN KULDIGA DISTRICT BY SECTOR BREAKDOWN *:
40% OF WORKERS EMPLOYED IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR,
35% IN GENERAL GOVERNMENT SECTOR,
25% IN PRIVATE SECTOR
- AVERAGE GROSS SALARY IN THE REGION * IN 2014:
EUR 636 IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR,
EUR 642 IN GENERAL GOVERNMENT SECTOR,
EUR 446 IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

** The Central Statistical Bureau*

Unemployment

- THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE APRIL, 2015 IS 10,1%
- 55% OF THE REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED ARE WOMEN, 45% ARE MEN
- 41% OF THE UNEMPLOYED ARE AGED BETWEEN 30 AND 49 YEARS, 34% OF THE UNEMPLOYED ARE OVER 50 YEARS
24% OF THE UNEMPLOYED ARE AGED 15 TO 29 YEARS



Industrial area

**TOTAL AREA OF INDUSTRIAL TERRITORIES ~
114 HA WITH AND WITHOUT
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

- **AREA OF LIGHT INDUSTRY TERRITORIES
17.5 HA**
- **AREA OF MANUFACTURING TERRITORIES
96,5HA**
- **42% OF INDUSTRIAL TERRITORIES BELONG
TO KULDIGA DISTRICT COUNCIL, 58% TO
PRIVATE OWNERS**



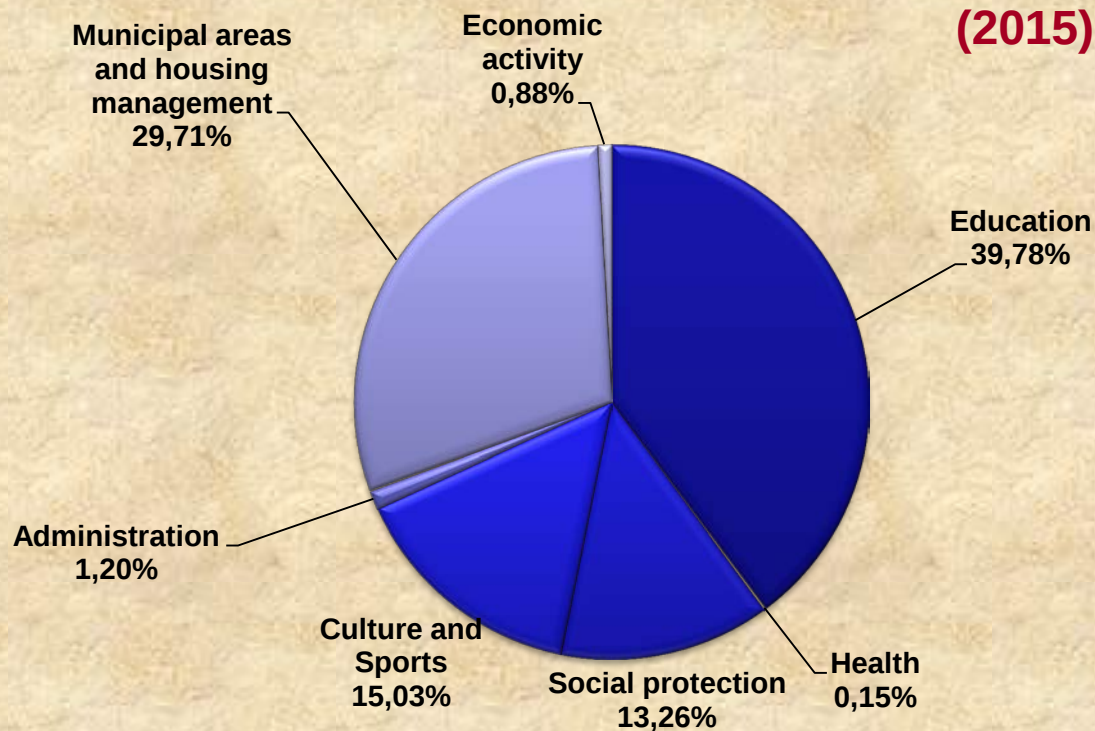
Budget income

TOTAL 21 400 000 EUR (2014)

Taxes	45,20%
Non tax income	1,2%
Paid services	5,7%
National budget	47,9%

Budget expenditures

**Total 23 000 000 EUR
(2015)**



Public investment 2009 - 2014

INVESTMENTS TOTAL~ 52 M EUR

- ERDF – 20,1 M EUR
- CF – 9,12 M EUR
- CCFI – 2,34 M EUR
- EAFRD – 2 M EUR
- OTHER FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – 4,06 M EUR
- STATE CO-FINANCING – 1,84 M EUR
- MUNICIPAL CO-FINANCING – 12,46 M EUR

Educational establishments

▪ PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION	13
▪ PRIMARY EDUCATION	16
▪ SECONDARY EDUCATION	4
▪ VOCATIONAL EDUCATION	1
▪ PROFESSIONAL TREND ED.	3
▪ SPECIAL EDUCATION	2



Culture establishments

- KULDĪGA CULTURE CENTRE
- KULDĪGA MAIN LIBRARY
- KULDĪGA DISTRICT MUSEUM
- ARTISTS RESIDENCY
- ART HOUSE
- EDUCATION

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Social establishments

- MUNICIPALITY AGENCY «SOCIAL SERVICE» 15 PERS.
- OLD PEOPLE'S HOME «VENTA»
- SOCIAL WORKERS 15 PERS.
- CUSTODY COURT 12 PERS.



Social functions

- SENIOR COUNCIL
- PROJECTS FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE:
 - «SAFETY BUTTON»
- PROJECTS FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN:
 - FREE LUNCH
 - SUMMER CAMPS
 - SUMMER EMPLOYMENT
- HEALTH DAYS FOR FAMILIES, WOMEN, ELDERLY PEOPLE, TEACHERS
- SOCIAL REHABILITATION WITH KULDĪGA PSYCHOLOGISTS
- KITCHEN STUDIO LAB



Municipality enterprises

- KULDĪGA WATER
- KULDĪGA HEATING
- KULDĪGA COMMUNAL SERVICES
- KULDĪGA HOSPITAL



Receptiveness, communication, cooperation,
daring.

Creative Kuldīga



Goldingen. Das Rathaus

City festival

Creative Kuldīga



Run along the River Alekšupīte

Creative Kuldīga



Original performances

Creative Kuldīga



Street performances

Creative Kuldīga



Fish fly!

Creative Kuldīga



Art performances

Creative Kuldīga



Jacob's fair

Creative Kuldīga



Karl Davidov Cellist Competition

Creative Kuldīga



Artists in Kuldīga

Creative Kuldīga



Open-air cinema

Creative Kuldīga



LiveFest



Bicycle event

Creative Kuldīga



Catherine Cup

Creative Kuldīga



SEB Half Marathon



We do it ourselves!

Creative Kuldīga



Annual award for entrepreneurs

Creative Kuldīga



International Summer School of Photography



Courageous to venture

Creative Kuldīga





Thank you for attention!