

# Current Statistics of Suwon, Korea

## □ General Statistics

Population & Households	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Population : 1,235,093 people               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ 1,194,465 Korean citizens      ▸ 40,628 foreigners</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Household : 498,836 households</li> </ul>
Fiscal Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total Fiscal Size: KRW 2.7767 trillion               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ General Account: KRW 2.2794 trillion</li> <li>▸ Special Account: KRW 497 billion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Administrative Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Size: 121.09 km<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
Organization & Public Official	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organization: Mayor – Vice Mayors(2) - 2 Offices, 7 Bureaus, 56 Divisions, 221 Teams</li> <li>• Public Officials: 3,234 officials</li> </ul>
House	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• House: 463,495 houses (Supply Rate: 97.93%)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ Single-family homes: 111,640 houses (25.01%)</li> <li>▸ Apartment Complex: 270,061 households (65.5%)</li> <li>▸ Townhomes, etc.: 64,669households (14.4%)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of businesses : 73,441</li> <li>• Employees : 449,540</li> </ul>
Parks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban parks : 16.878 km<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Rate of park : 50. 10%</li> </ul>
Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In total : 221 schools               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ Elementary school : 99</li> <li>▸ Middle school : 56</li> <li>▸ High school: 46</li> <li>▸ University : 7</li> <li>▸ Special school : 3</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In total : 192 libraries               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ Public library : 20</li> <li>▸ Small-sized library : 4</li> <li>▸ Private library : 2</li> <li>▸ Community-based small library : 166</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Council Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members: Total 37 members</li> <li>• Standing Committee: 5 committees               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▸ Steering committee, Planning &amp; Economy Committee, Culture &amp; Welfare Committee, Transportation &amp; Construction Committee, Urban Environment Education Committee</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## □ Location & Geographical Features

- The name "Suwon" has been used since 1413
- Located in central Korea, it is a basic local government in Korea with the largest population
- Large city with a population of more than 2 million people which is home to both tradition and cutting-edge industries
- Korea's first planned city
- Satellite City of Seoul & Other Metropolitan cities  
(Less than 1 hour away from Incheon International Airport)
- Global company Samsung Electronics is located
- Transportation Hub linking KTX, subway, intercity bus and airport limousine
- City with UNESCO World Heritage 'Suwon Hwaseong Fortress' and historical feature of Joseon Dynasty(registered as UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site in 1997)
- City of sports where the world soccer player Park, Ji-sung, who played for Manchester United and PSV Eindhoven, grew up
- City of 2002 FIFA World Cup

## □ Culture & Tourism

- **Cultural Heritage: Suwon Hwaseong was registered as a World Cultural Heritage site by UNESCO in 1997.**

Suwon Hwaseong was built based not only on the filial devotion of King Jeongjo but also on the grand ambition to root out partisan politics and promote royal politics. Located in the southern section of the capital, it served as a national fortress.

With its unique plain fortress shape, Suwon Hwaseong has both military defenses and commercial functions. Its function is scientific, practical and logical. It also preserves its original fortress shape and Suwon-cheon (stream) still flows through Buksumun (Hwahongmun). The street network that used to connect Paldalmun, Janganmun, Hwaseonghaenggung and Changryongmun still maintains the major frameworks of the city, preserving the shape of the fortress as it was 200 years ago. As the construction purpose was more to emphasize filial piety and its political and economic aspects than to pursue military purposes, Suwon Hwaseong is well preserved as a fortress that holds not only cultural value but also emotional and philosophical values.

○ Festivals


Photo	Name	Description
	<p>S u w o n H w a s e o n g C u l t u r a l F e s t i v a l</p>	<p>The most famous cultural festival of Suwon held in every October. This cultural tourism festival combines tradition and modernity with events that effectively reproduced scenes of history with themes of Suwon Hwaseong Fortress, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage, and filial piety of King Jeongjo, the 22nd monarch of Joseon Dynasty. This festival, largest of its kind in Korea, attracts about 800,000 visitors.</p>
	<p>S u w o n B a l l e t F e s t i v a l</p>	<p>This annual event has been co-organized with Ballet STP Cooperative since 2015. With rich content such as one-day class for kids, flash mob, moving ballet exhibition, and performance by amateur ballet dancers, Suwon Ballet Festival welcomes citizens' participation.</p>
	<p>S u w o n T h e a t e r F e s t i v a l</p>	<p>Every May, Suwon Theater Festival presents beautiful and exciting plays, music, performances, and street art to citizens as the largest performance arts festival in Suwon. In 2019, 6 teams from overseas and 11 Korean teams participated in the Festival.</p>
	<p>S u w o n J a z z F e s t i v a l</p>	<p>Every September, Suwon Jazz Festival held in the "Fun Field" in Gwanggyo Lake Park presents unforgettable memory to the audience with sweet melody of jazz music and the beautiful night view of the lake park.</p>
	<p>S u w o n C u l t u r e N i g h t</p>	<p>On a night of August with cool breeze, citizens enjoy the view of Suwon Hwaseong Fortress and Haenggung decorated with media art and listen to the interesting story of history and culture as they walk along the fortress wall.</p>

○ Museums

Photo	Name	Description
	<p>S u w o n H w a s e o n g M u s e u m</p>	<p>Suwon Hwaseong Museum provides information on the construction of Suwon Hwaseong Fortress, an architecture from Joseon Dynasty and the source of pride for Koreans.</p>
	<p>H a e w o o j a e, T o i l e t C u l t u r e E x h i b i t H a l l</p>	<p>This exhibition hall presents the philosophy and belief of the late former Mayor Sim Jae-deok, who brought about a revolution in public toilet not only in Korea but around the world.</p>
	<p>S u w o n G w a n g G y o M u s e u m</p>	<p>This museum exhibits artifacts excavated in the development of Gwanggyo New Town and information on how the city was changed. It has a special exhibition hall with donated historical records, and exhibits the artifacts donated by two historical figures, Mr. Lee Jong-hak and Min Gwan-sik.</p>
	<p>S u w o n M u s e u m</p>	<p>Suwon Museum consists of "Suwon History Museum", which presents the rich history and culture of the city, and "Korea Calligraphy Museum", which helps visitors easily understand the history of calligraphy in Korea.</p>
	<p>N a t i o n a l M a p M u s e u m</p>	<p>It is the only museum specialized in maps in Korea, operated by National Geographic Information Institute, which is an organization responsible for creating maps of Korea. Visitors can find old maps of Korea, equipment for mapping, and models of measurement facilities.</p>

○ Exhibition & Concert Halls

Photo	Title	Description
	<p>Suwon Convention Center</p>	<p>Suwon Convention Center opened in May 2019, and has 2 underground floors and 5 aboveground floors. It is equipped with exhibition hall(7,877㎡), convention hall(3,040㎡), and 28 meeting rooms(3,779㎡). The forum of ministers and environment authorities of Asia Pacific will be held in this center in September 2020.</p>
	<p>Suwon SK Artrium</p>	<p>Home to Suwon Philharmonic Orchestra and Suwon Civic Chorale, the SK Artrium supports various performances and culture &amp; art education programs for citizens with the best stage system and performance environment. It serves as a space for creative art where citizens can communicate and artists and audience can develop together.</p>
	<p>Suwon IPark Museum of Art</p>	<p>Located in front of Hwaseong Haenggung, this very first art museum of Suwon City has halls for exhibition project, education, and curation, as well as a cafeteria and museum lounge. The IPark Museum of Art serves as a place for citizens to enjoy culture and art and provides visitors with an opportunity to enjoy high-quality art.</p>
	<p>Suwon Outdoor Concert Hall 1</p>	<p>This building won the Korean Architecture Award in 1996, and is the largest outdoor concert hall in Korea. It is a popular place for citizens of Suwon to enjoy culture outdoors, as they can enjoy good acoustics anywhere in the large grass field.</p>
	<p>Suwon Outdoor Concert Hall 2</p>	<p>This small-sized outdoor performance hall is located in Manseok Park. This concert hall is also a cultural hub of North Suwon, as it hosts various outdoor cultural events for citizens. Culture classes are also held in this place.</p>

	<p>G o s a e k N e w s e u m</p>	<p>The wastewater treatment facility located in Suwon Industrial Complex had been an idle space until it was redeveloped into a cultural complex for community members and businesses in the industrial complex. With newly entered cultural facilities, the Gosaek Newseum is becoming a hub for culture and art in West Suwon.</p>
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○ Sports Facilities

Photo	Name	Team
	<p>S u w o n W o r l d C u p S t a d i u m</p>	 <p>K리그의 절대 강자 수원삼성 블루윙즈 the Strongest in K-league Suwon Samsung Blue Wings Football Team</p>
	<p>S u w o n S p o r t s C o m p l e x</p>	 <p>수원의 자부심 수원FC Pride of Suwon Suwon FC Football Team</p>
	<p>Suwon kt wiz Park</p>	 <p>뜨거운 열정 프로야구 10구단 kt wiz Great Passion KT Wiz, the 10th pro-baseball team in Korea</p>
	<p>Suwon Gymnasium</p>	 <p>가장 오랜 역사의 남자배구단 한국전력에너지 Men's Volleyball Team with the Longest History Suwon KEPCO Vixtoria</p> <p>한국여자배구 명문구단 현대건설 힐스테이트 Prestigious Team in Women's Volleyball Hyundai E&amp;C Hillstate</p>

### ○ **International Projects**

- Host city of EcoMobility World Festival 2013 (an environment project in partnership with UN-HABITAT, ICLEI, and other international organizations)
- Host city of the Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific 2020

### □ **International Sister City (18 cities in 14 countries)**

- Asia (10 cities) : Asahikawa, Fukui (Japan), Jinan, Hangzhou, Zhuhai (China)  
Bandung (Indonesia), Hai Duong (Vietnam), Siem Reap (Cambodia)  
Kaohsiung, Hyderabad(India)
- Oceania (1 city): Townsville (Australia)
- Middle East (1 city): Yalova (Turkey)
- Europe (3 cities): Nizhny Novgorod (Russia), Cluj-Napoca (Romania), Freiburg (Germany)
- Americas (2 cities): Toluca (Mexico), Curitiba (Brazil)
- Africa (1 city): Fez (Morocco)