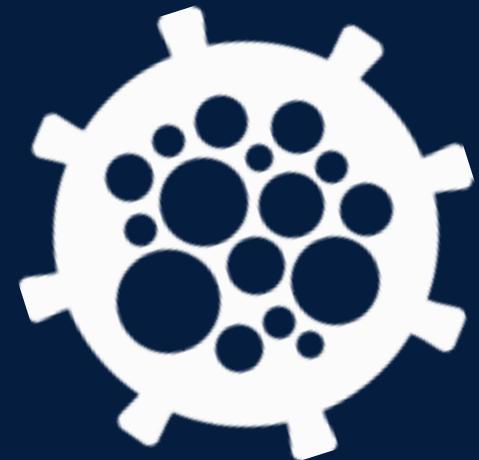


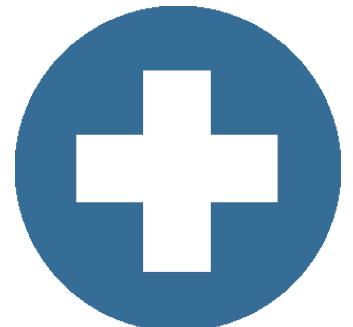
# Sweden's response to COVID-19

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# Sweden's work to combat the Corona virus

- A universal welfare state that is **accessible to all**
- **Social protection for all, accessible welfare services** including **parental leave**
- Strong **mutual trust** between public authorities and citizens
- **Whole-of-Government approach**
- Measures aim to **save lives and slow down the outbreak**
- Strengthen the Swedish **health care system to cope** with COVID-19

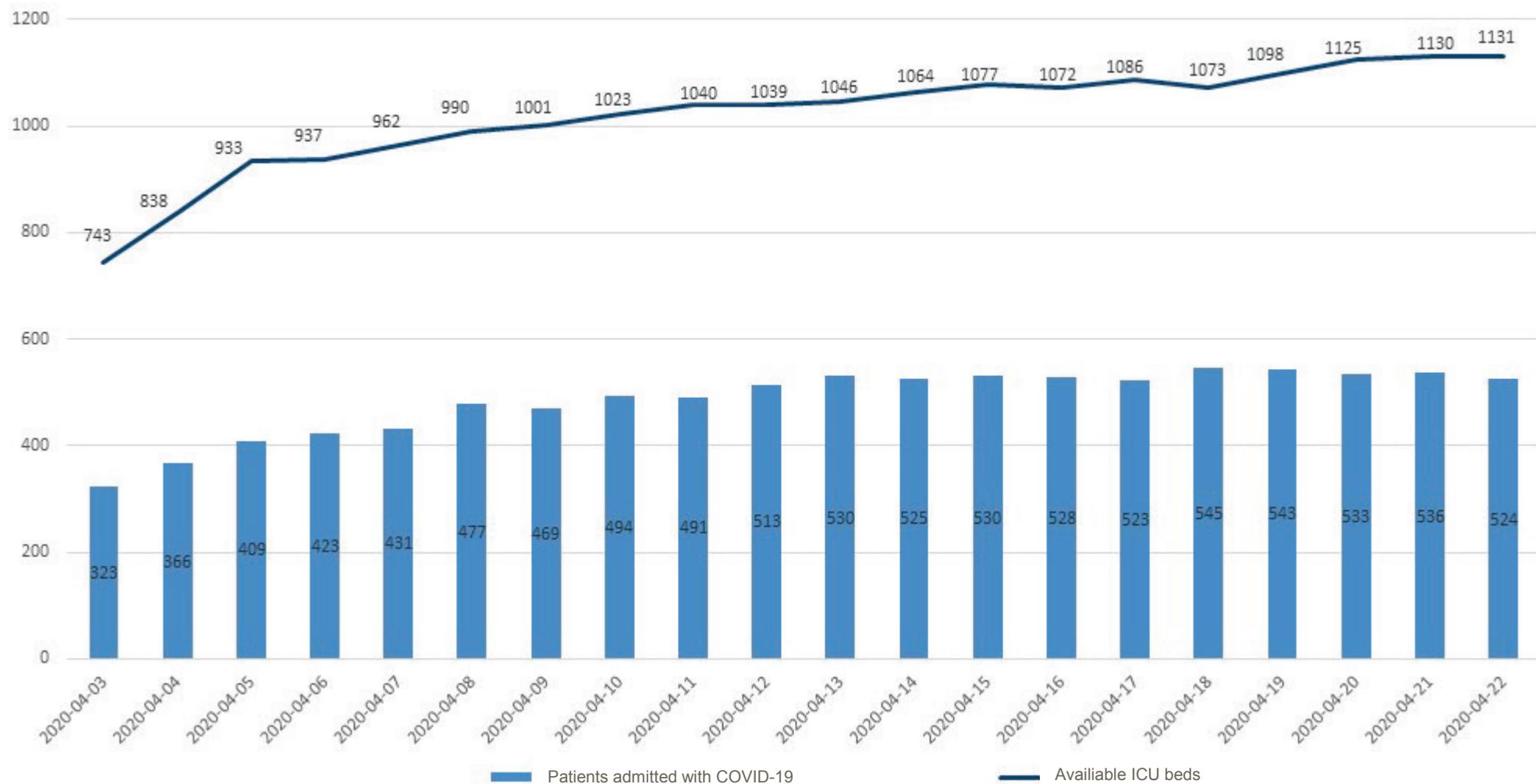


# Five aspects of our approach

1. Government in charge – but expert agencies and international bodies play a key role
2. Protecting the elderly and risk groups is a top priority
3. Social distancing and incentives to stay at home
4. Aim for endurable strategies and public trust
5. Flexible adjustment to developments on the ground



## Intensive Care Unit capacity



# International cooperation and solidarity

- WHO plays a crucial part in supporting countries and coordinating the international response
- Un-earmarked core funding has allowed organisations to act flexibly and quickly when needed



# Conclusion

- **No unique Swedish way** of dealing with COVID-19
- We share the **same goals** as other countries
- We work with the **same challenges** as other countries
- We use **similar tools** as others, but do what we think works best for us

