

# Social Economy and Rural Development. An Exploratory Mapping of County Cork, Ireland

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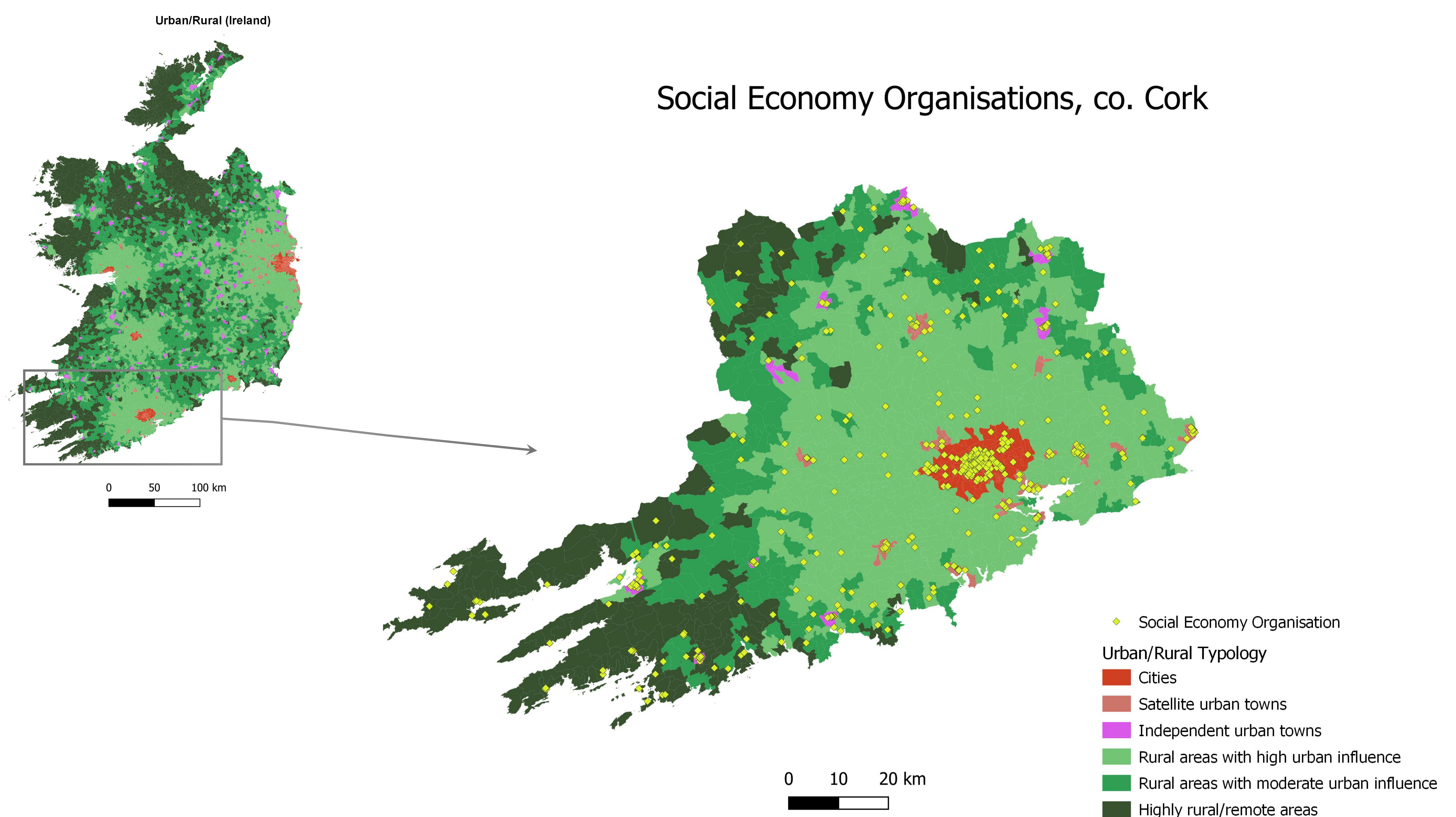
## Research Questions

- How are social economy organisations distributed in urban/rural areas of co. Cork?
- What type of social economy organisations are in urban/rural areas of co. Cork?

## Methodology

exploratory analysis of secondary data from social economy organisations (981) and urban/rural typology (CSO, 2019) using Geographical Information Systems (QGIS)

## Findings



Area/Typology	Social economy organisations		Population		Ratio (social economy organisations/1.000 inhabitants)	Main field of activity social economy organisations
	N	%	N	%		
City	399	40,7%	203.534	38,2%	2,0	Local development – 12,5% Arts – 10,5% Other – 76,9%
Satellite urban towns	184	18,8%	101.009	19,0%	1,8	Local development – 22,3% Arts – 8,7% Other – 69%
Independent towns	112	11,4%	30.417	5,7%	3,7	Local development – 25% Arts – 10,7% Fund-raising – 10,7% Other – 53,6%
Rural areas with high urban influence	127	12,9%	125.981	23,7%	1,0	Local development – 35,4% Pre-primary/pre-school education – 13,4% Other – 51,2%
Rural areas with moderate urban influence	64	6,5%	43.393	8,2%	1,5	Local development – 35,9% Pre-primary/pre-school education – 15,6% Other – 48,4%
Highly rural/remote areas	95	9,7%	28.058	5,3%	3,4	Local development – 35,8% Pre-primary/pre-school education – 18,9% Other – 45,3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>532.392</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,8 (average)</b>	