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# Introduction to- and experiences with Norwegian Tunneling

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# Norwegian road tunneling

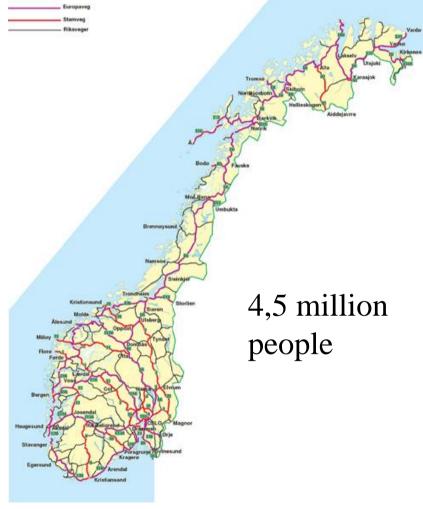






## Norwegian tunneling

- Road tunnels- 962
- Rail road tunnels- 780
- Hydro power many!200 as rock cavern
- Oil & gas storage many!
- Military purposes amount unknown





#### Tunnelstatistikk

	Riksveg (TERN)		Fylkesveg		Totalt	
Lengdeklasse	Antall	Lengde i km	Antall	Lengde i km	Antall	Lengde i km
Under 100m	118 (16)	7,3 (0,9)	29	1,7	147	9,0
100-499m	323 (92)	81,1 (23,4)	72	17,5	395	98,5
500-999m	150 (57)	104,3 (39,9)	31	23,1	181	127,5
1000-3000m	155 (45)	269,1 (75,9)	19	27,6	174	296,7
Over 3000m	60 (17)	310,2 (93,1)	4	16,3	64	326,5
Totalt	806 (227)	772 (233,2)	155	86,2	961	858,2

**Public roads in total:** 

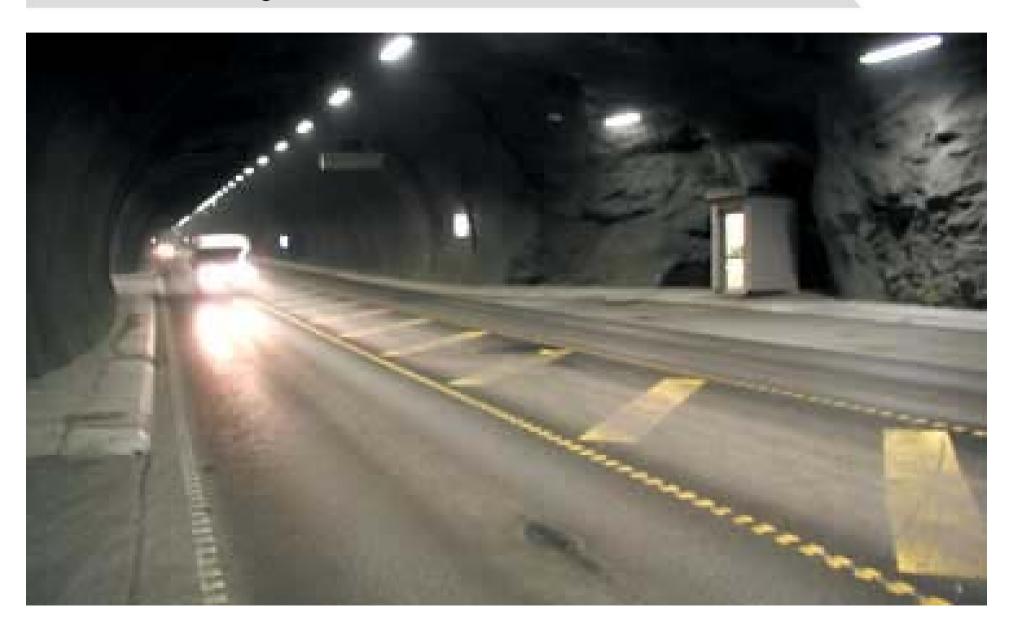
93.000 km



## Longest Tunnel: The Lærdal tunnel 24505 m



## Longest Sub Sea Tunnel: Bømlafjord tunnel 7860 m

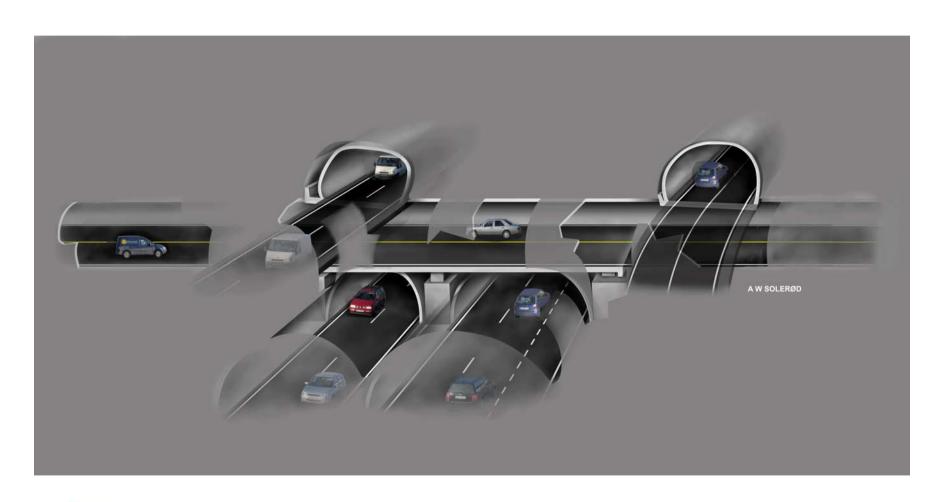


# Bjørvika in Oslo

- Clearing the way for the new water front

# Bjørvika immersed Tunnel



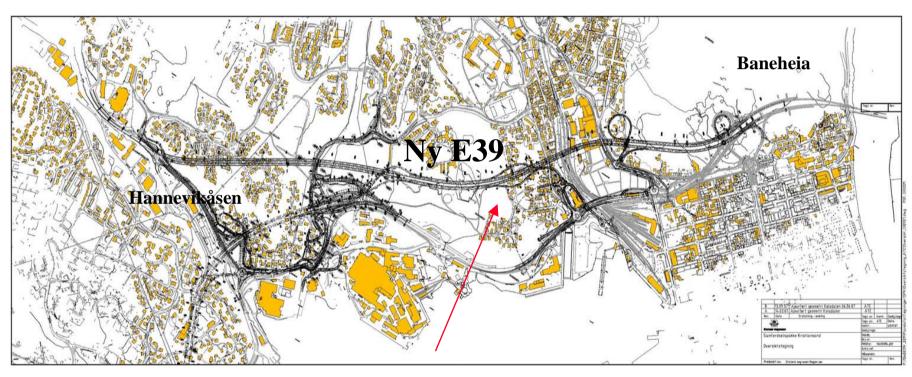




# Contruction, Grønnlia tunnelen



## E39- a complicated urban challange



Kryss for:

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# Tunnels for safety.....





#### Key information, road tunnels in Norway

- 962 tunnels, total length 858 km
- Mostly short tunnels: < 1 km longest tunnel 24,5 km
- Deepest tunnel, -287 m bsl
- Varying traffic density:

   (Annual average daily traffic)
   AADT < 1000 for 50 %</li>
   AADT > 5000 for 20 %
   Oslo tunnels up to 100 000
- 28 sub-sea tunnels, steep gradient



## Tunnelling technology

- Hard rock tunneling
- The rock is the building material
- Drained concept
- Drill and blast
- Pregrouting
- Support methods: rock bolting and shotcrete
- Steel reinforced shotcrete arches
- Spiling or cast concrete only in dangerous weakness zones
- Water and frost protection

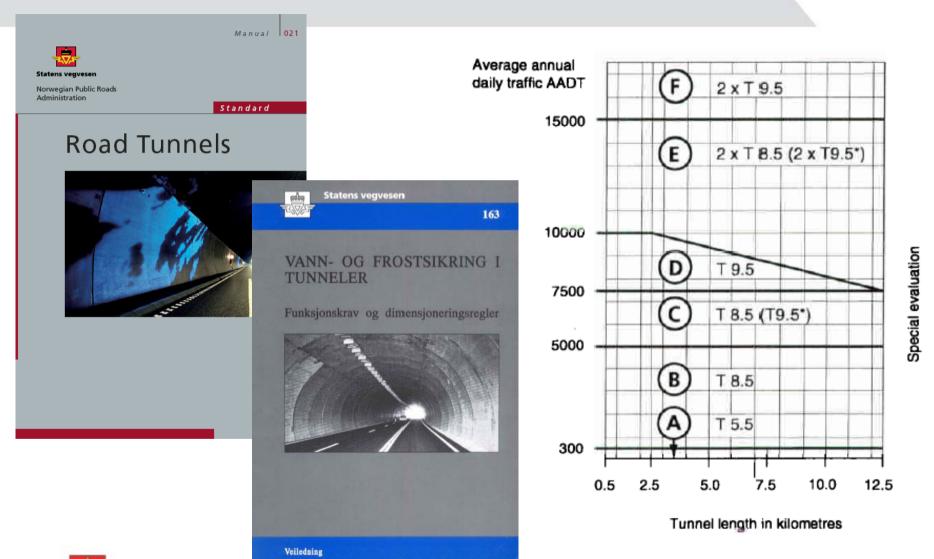


## NPRA, a brief introduction to Norwegian tunnel technology

- NPRA has a Tunnel Technology department
- Main objectives of work related to tunnels;
- Guidelines
- Research and development
- Preinvestigations
- Plan, build and operate tunnels
- Cooperate with and develop the national tunnel experts
- International relations



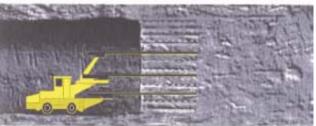
#### **Tunnel Guidelines**



#### Construction

- Tunnel round
  - Predrilling 4 holes à 24 m to inspect rock and check for water
  - If water-pregrouting with sement
  - When dry-new round
  - Drill and blast 5 m
  - Mucking
  - Rock control and manual insepction
  - Rock support , rockbolts and shotcrete



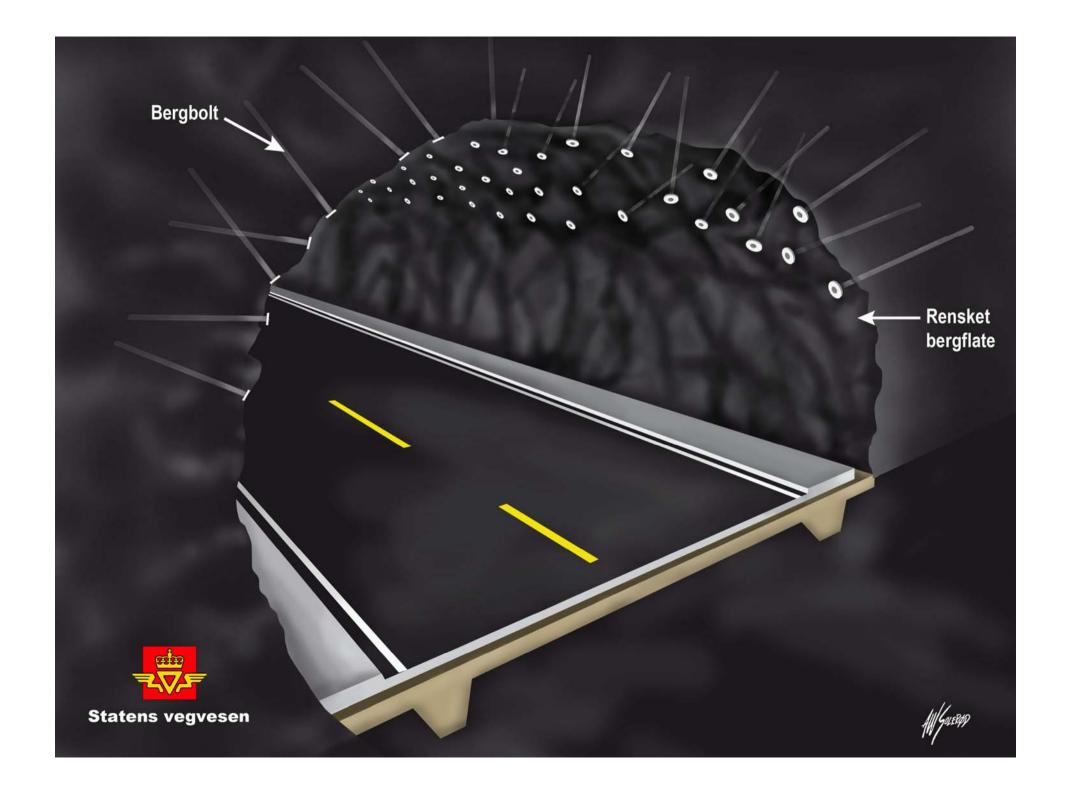


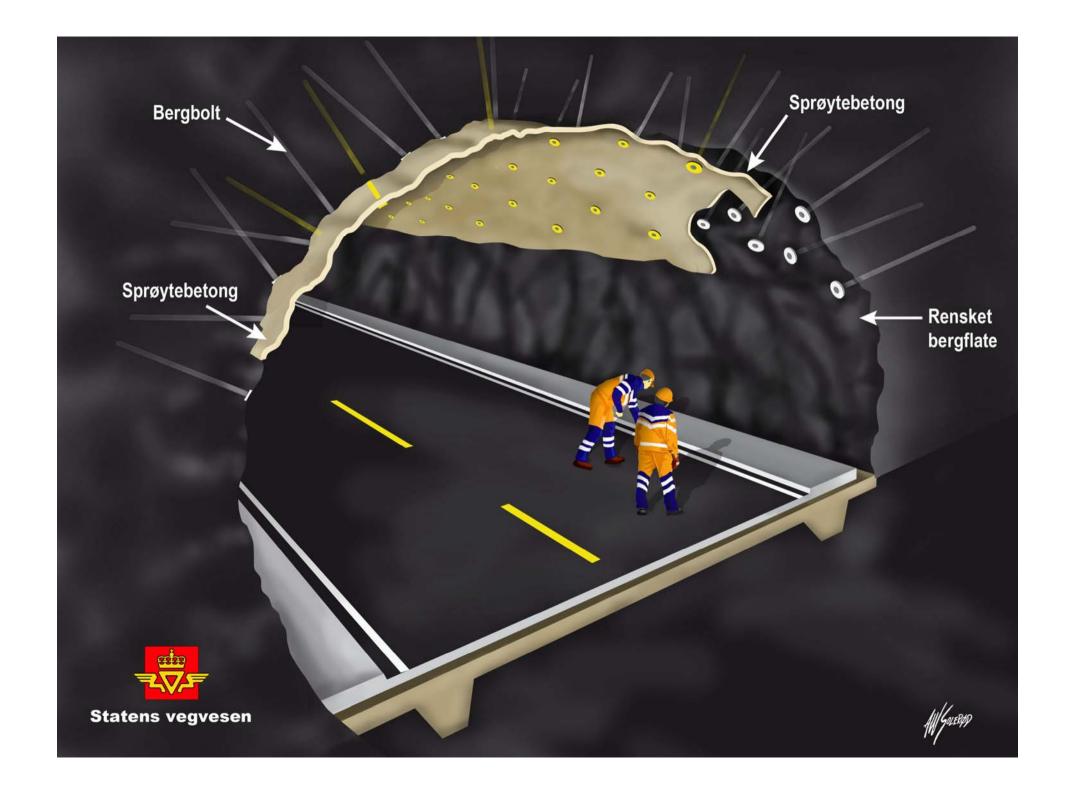


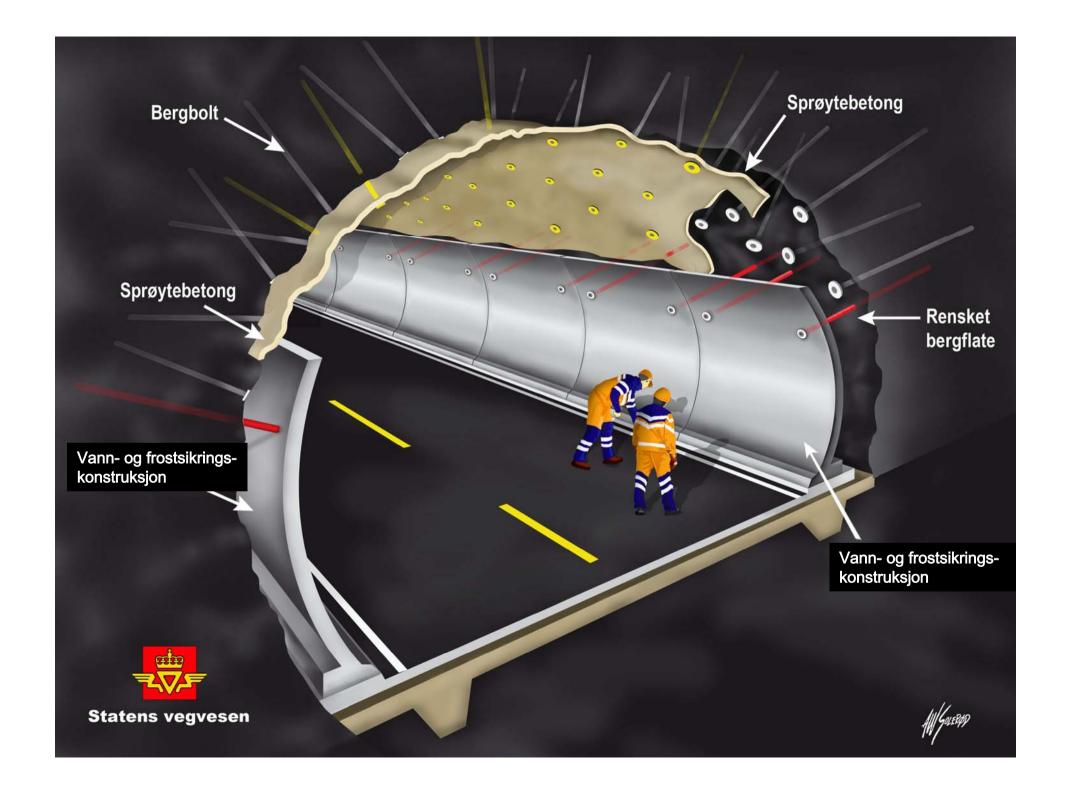


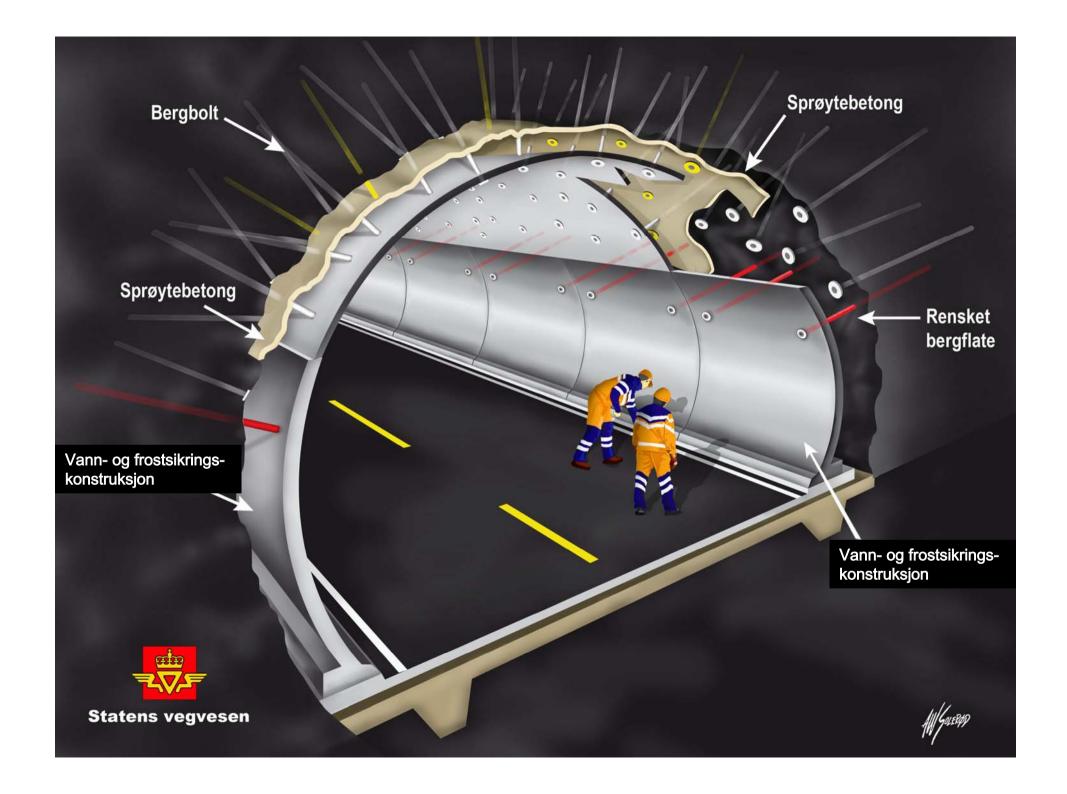














# Armerte sprøytebetongbuer



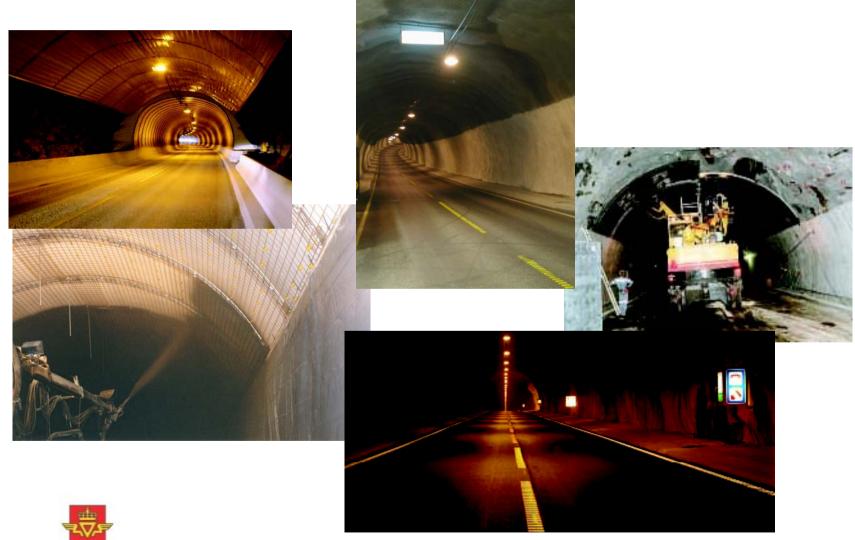
#### Norwegian Sub Sea Tunnels



- 28 sub-sea tunnels from 1983 to 2008
- Traffic density between 1007000 AADT
- Lenght between 1650 m -7250 m
- Depht under sealevel
   between 56 m 287 m
- Gradients between 7% 10%
  - Rock cover from 18-50 m

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# Many solutions for water and frost protection...



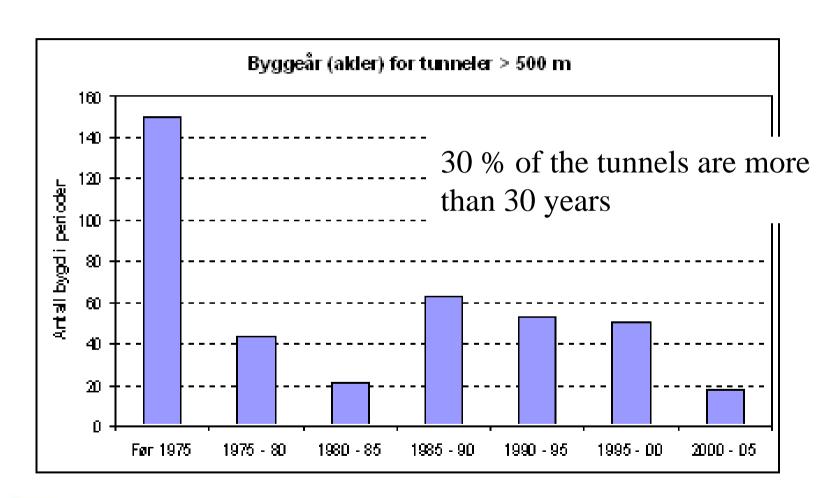
#### Tunnel linings

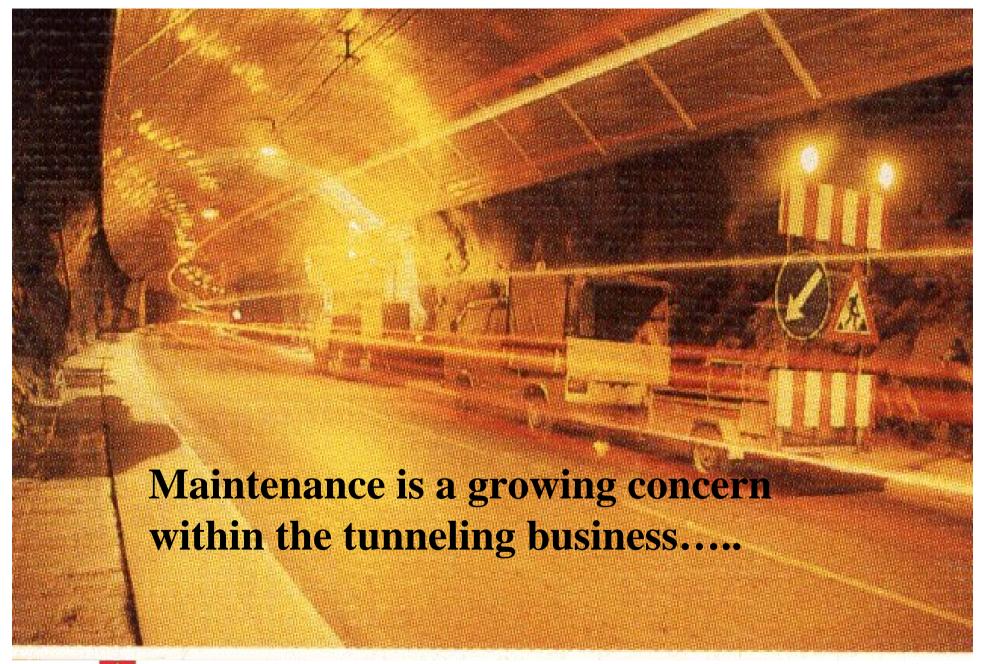
Protecting the tunnel space from water and ice. Drained concept: lead water into drainage system

- Pre-cast concrete elements (AADT > 10000).
   Membrane for water protection. Frost insulation
- PE-foam for water and frost protection.
   Fire protected: shotcrete with PP-fiber. (1980-)
- Aluminium or steel linings. Membrane for water protection. Frost insulation
- Membrane lining (low-traffic tunnels)
- Combined solutions including concrete elements in walls (3.5 m), or concrete barriers

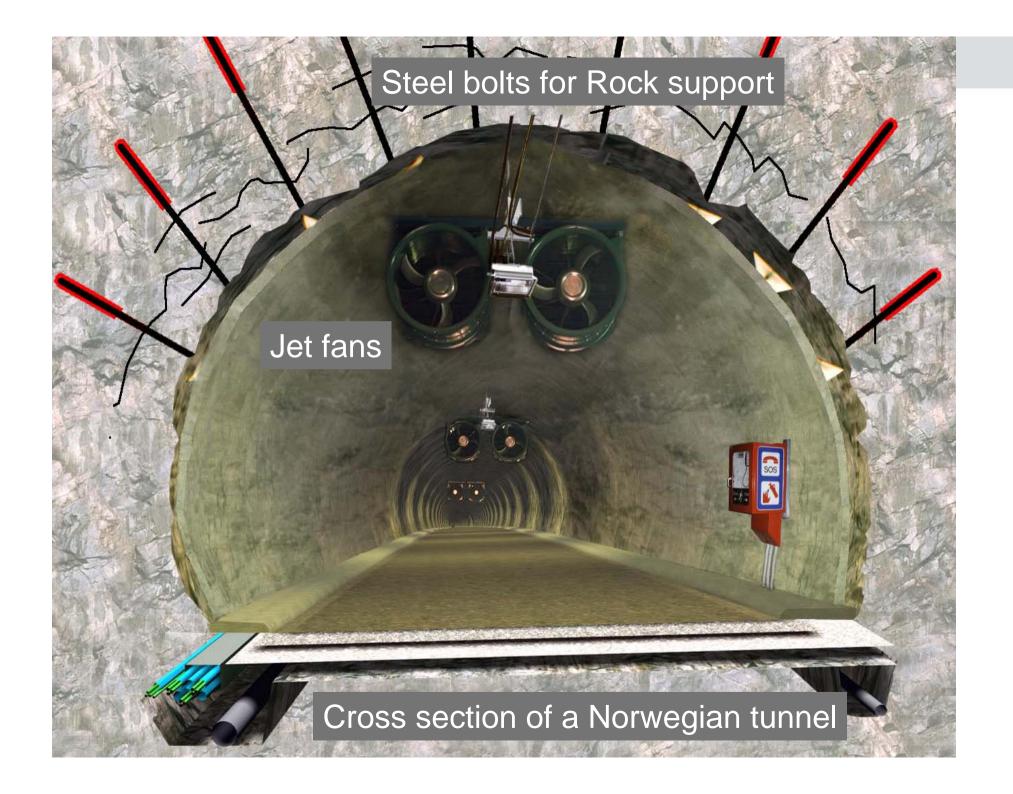


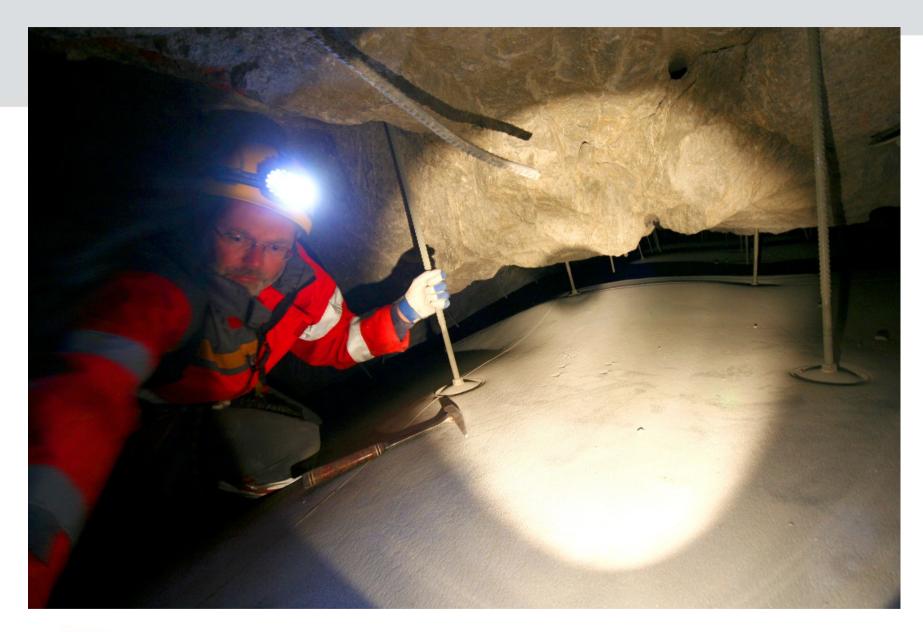
#### Age of short and long tunnels



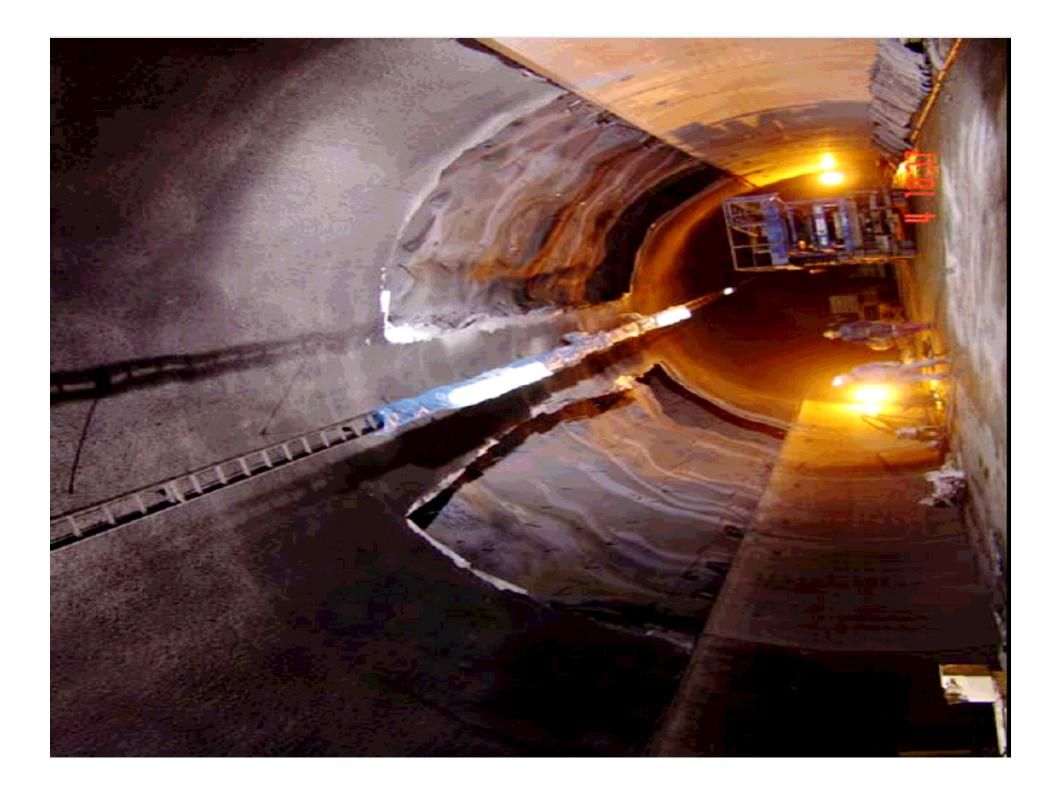












## Rehabilitation





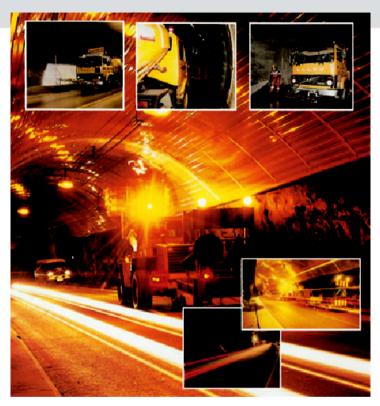
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### Maintenance...Life cycle cost...





There is a growing concern and awareness for future quality, safety and cost related to maintenance, hence the relation between planningphase, construction and maintenance is put on the agenda.

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# Tunnel Fires in Norway









### Runehamar Test Tunnel



For full scale fire testing



## Hanekleiv Tunnel, dec. 2006

- Collapse of the tunnel roof (250 m³) along 25 m tunnel length
- Collapse caused by swelling clay, deep weathered rocks combined with insufficient rock support
- Seven tunnels in the area were closed for repairs and rehabilitation until july 2007



## Future tunneling in Norway

- Tunnel strategy
- Risk analysis
- Geology, NS 3480
- Systematic approach q-method
- Documentation, traceable



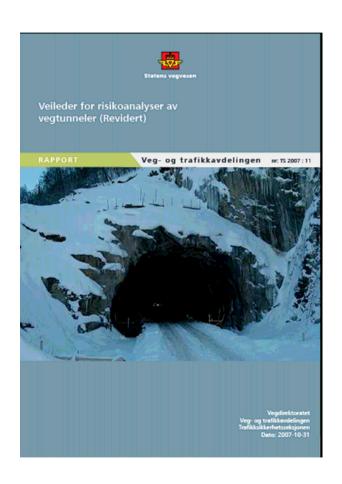
## Safety Documentations

- As a consequence of new EU directives tunnels should be able to document safety at all stages.
- Before construction can start
- Before opening
- During operation



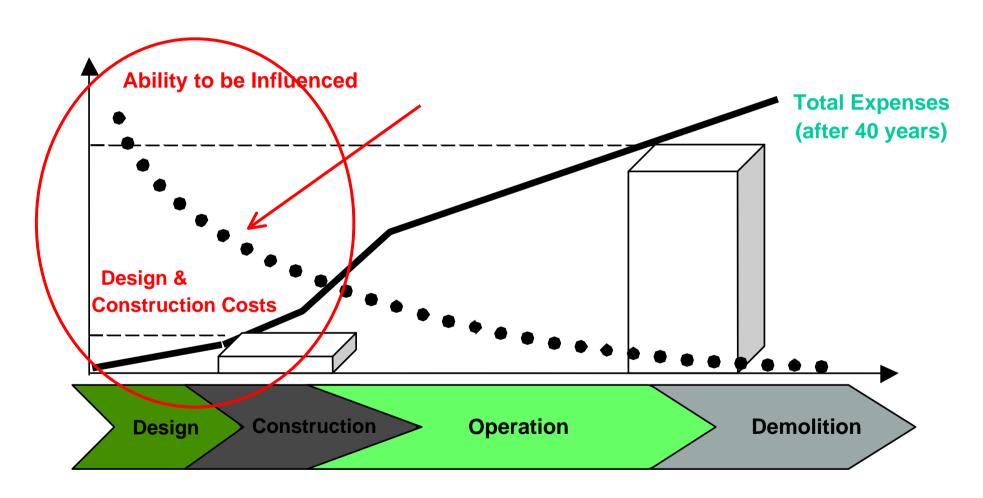








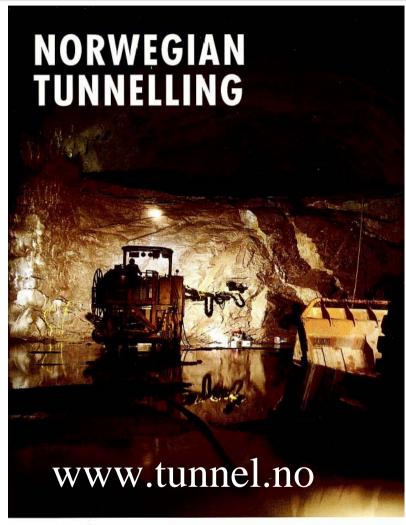
### Plan for the future



## Life cycle cost and timeframe

- From idea to construction 5-10-30 years
- Construction 2-4 years
- Maintenance and operation 50-100-?? Years
- In Oslo, 3% of the road network is tunnels, but it takes 30% of the maintenance budget
- The more tunnels- the maintenance cost will increase

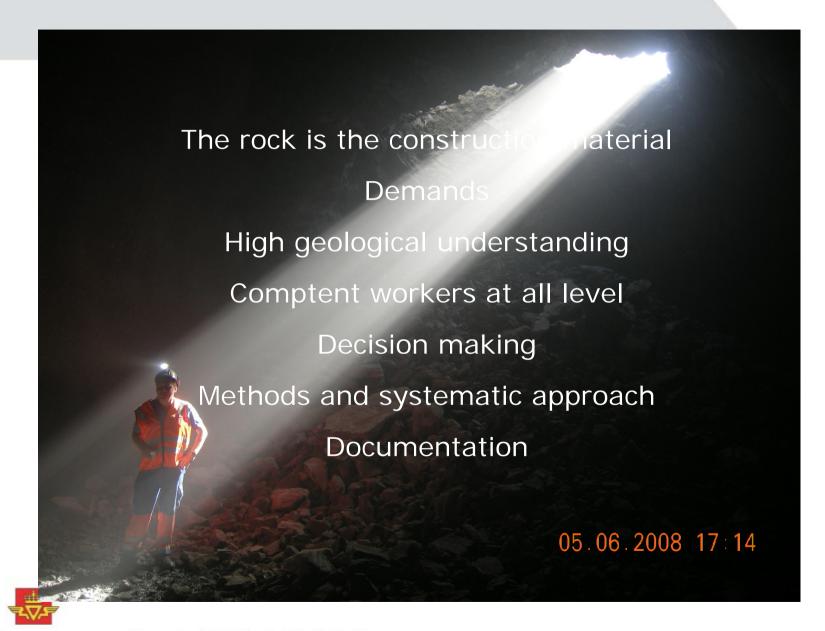


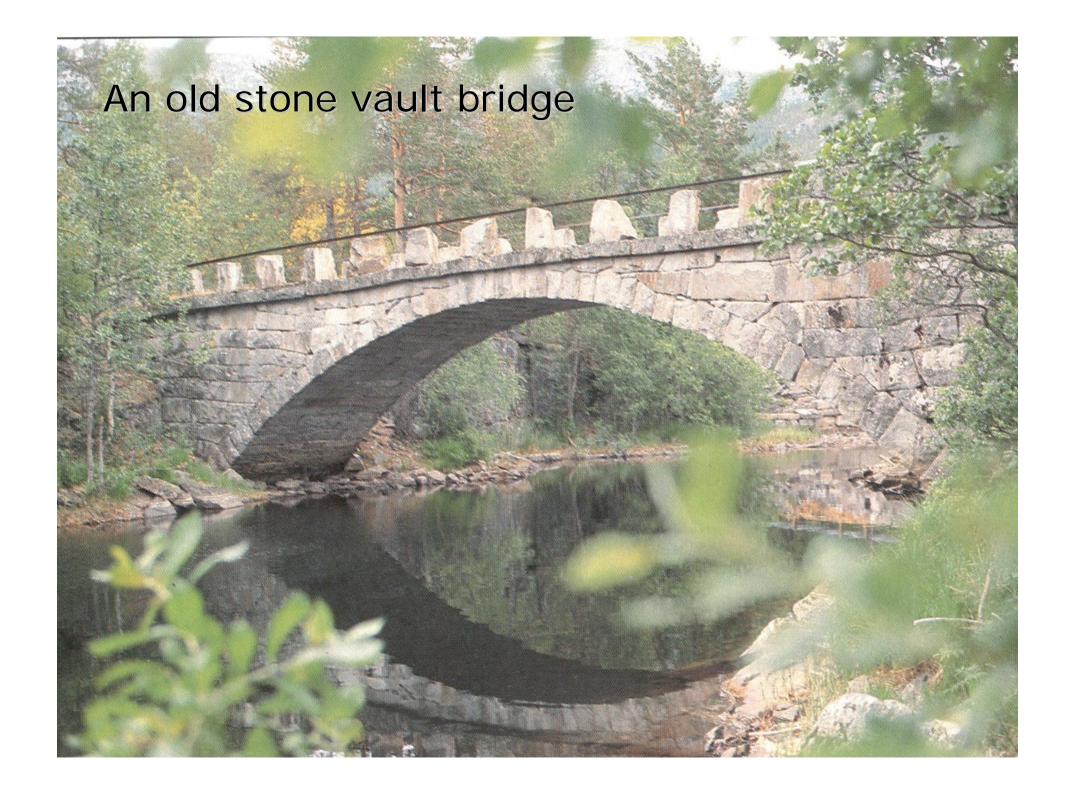


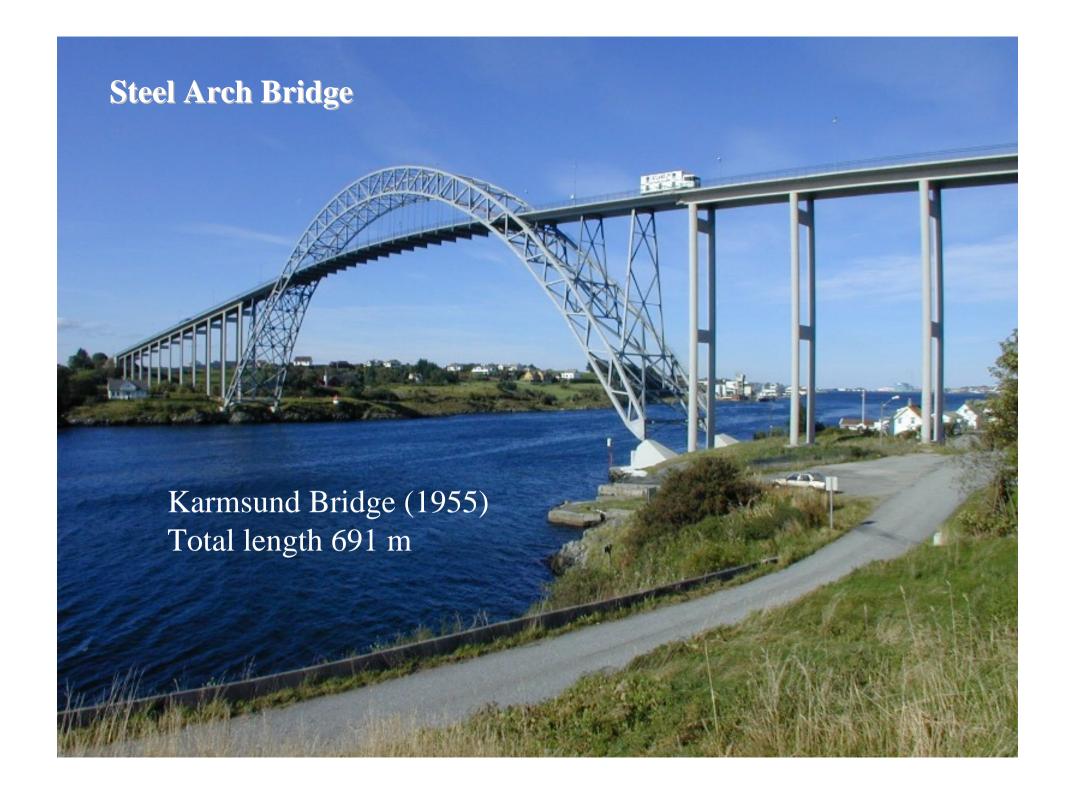
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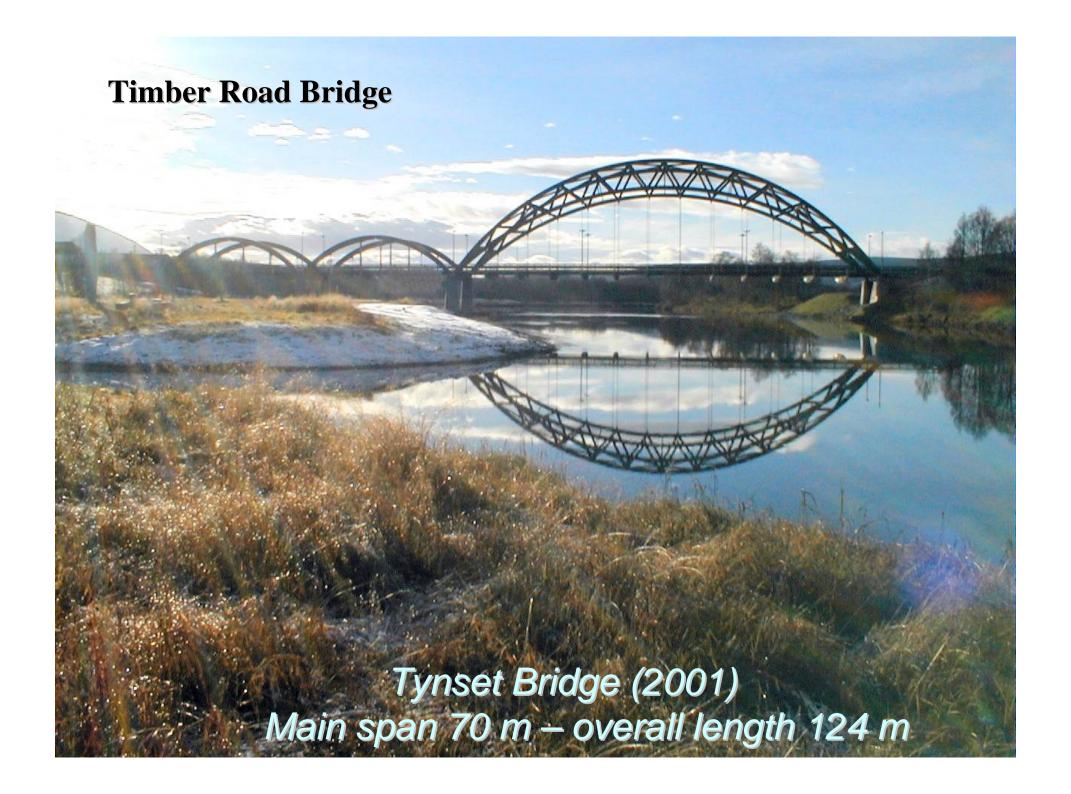
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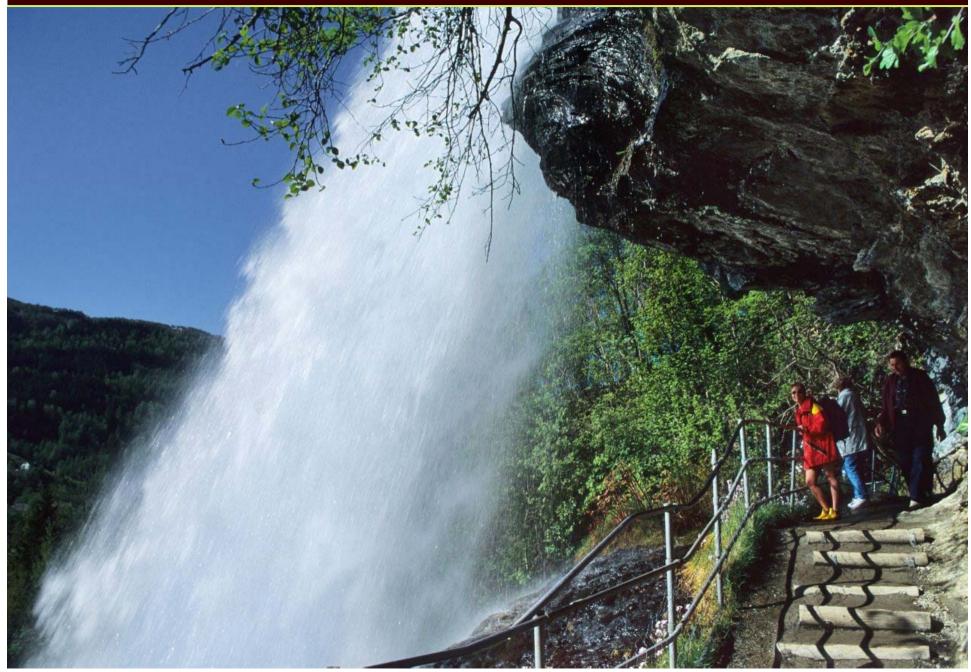


#### Trollstigen før





#### Steinsdalsfossen





#### Torghatten

