







How the Norwegian practice towards metal detecting affects plough-zone finds as archaeological source material

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"How the Norwegian practice towards hobby metal detecting affects plough-zone finds as scientific source material"

[...]It is a national responsibility to safeguard these resources **as scientific source material** and as an enduring basis for the experience of present and future generations and for their selfawareness, enjoyment and activities

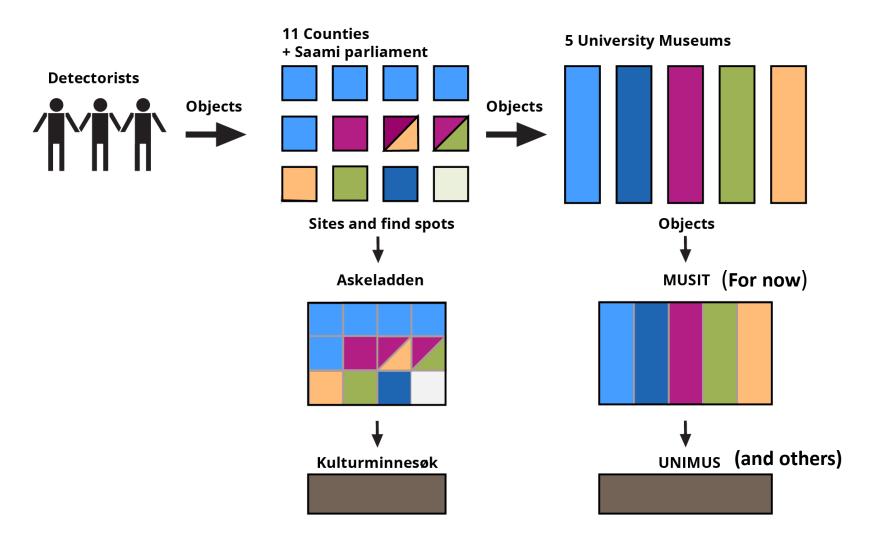
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§4 Automatically protected sites

§12 Portable objects

Finds' itineraries



The cultural heritage act, §3

No person shall [...] initiate any measure which is liable to damage, destroy, dig up, move, change, cover, conceal or in any other way unduly disfigure any monument or site that is automatically protected by law **or to create a risk of this happening.**

If the ground above any monument or site that is automatically protected [...] has previously been used for grazing or cultivation, it may continue to be used in this manner [...]

The Norwegian discussion main points

- The relationship between securing portable objects from the ploughzone and the protection of automatically protected sites
- What defines an automatically protected site in the plough zone?
- Applying for exemption

Shaping a Norwegian practice

• Guidelines 2017

If you find a loose find, you must consider whether the find can indicate that you are within a hitherto unknown automatically protected monument or site.

Further finds within a limited area, [...] would suggest that the finds relate to an automatically protected monument or site.

The Directorate of Cultural Heritage:

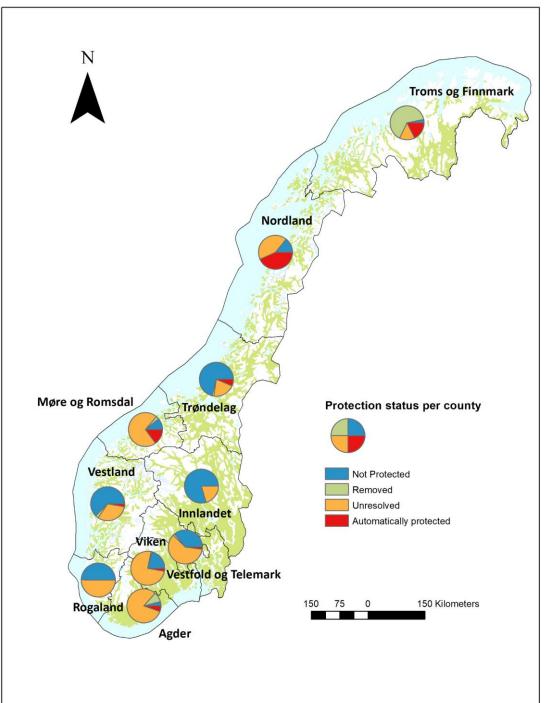
- «What objects might represent»
- Managing plough-zone finds as automatically protected sites



Effects of the current practice

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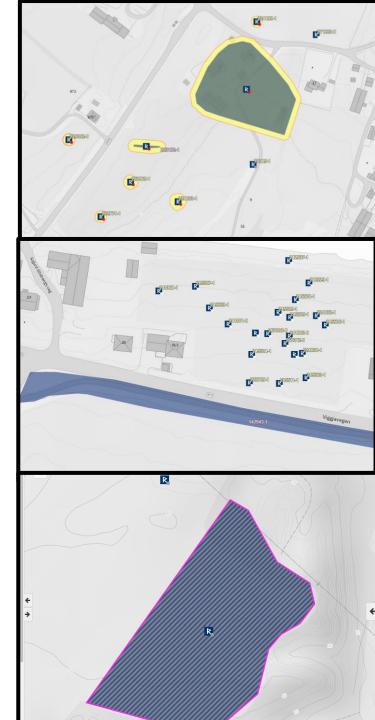
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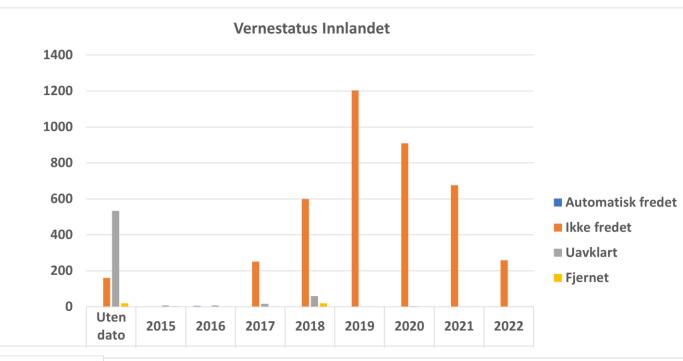
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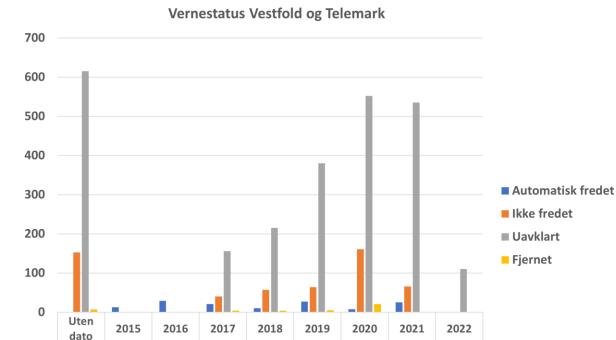
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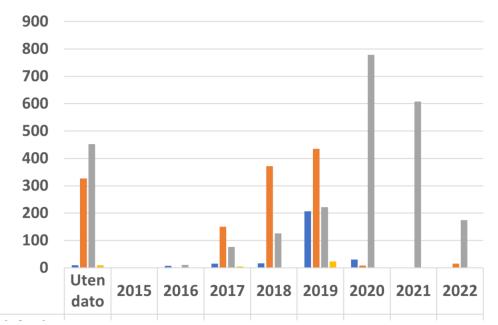


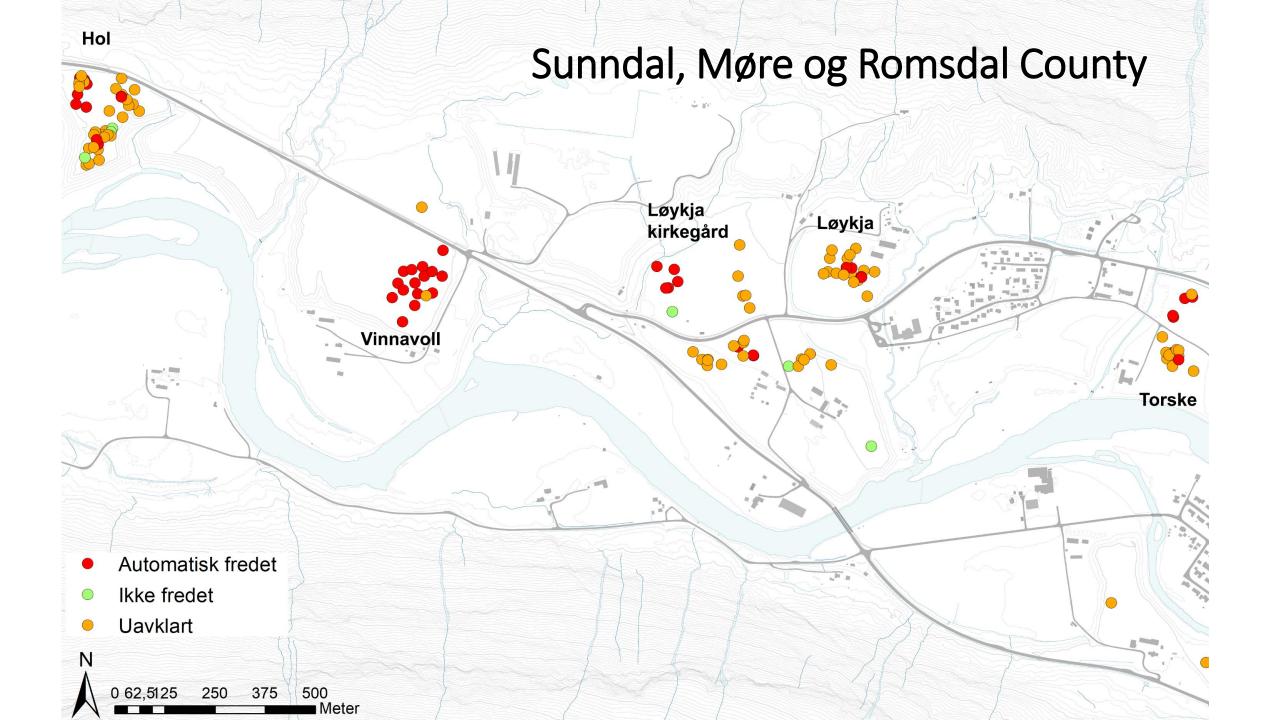
Protection status of sites, prolific counties

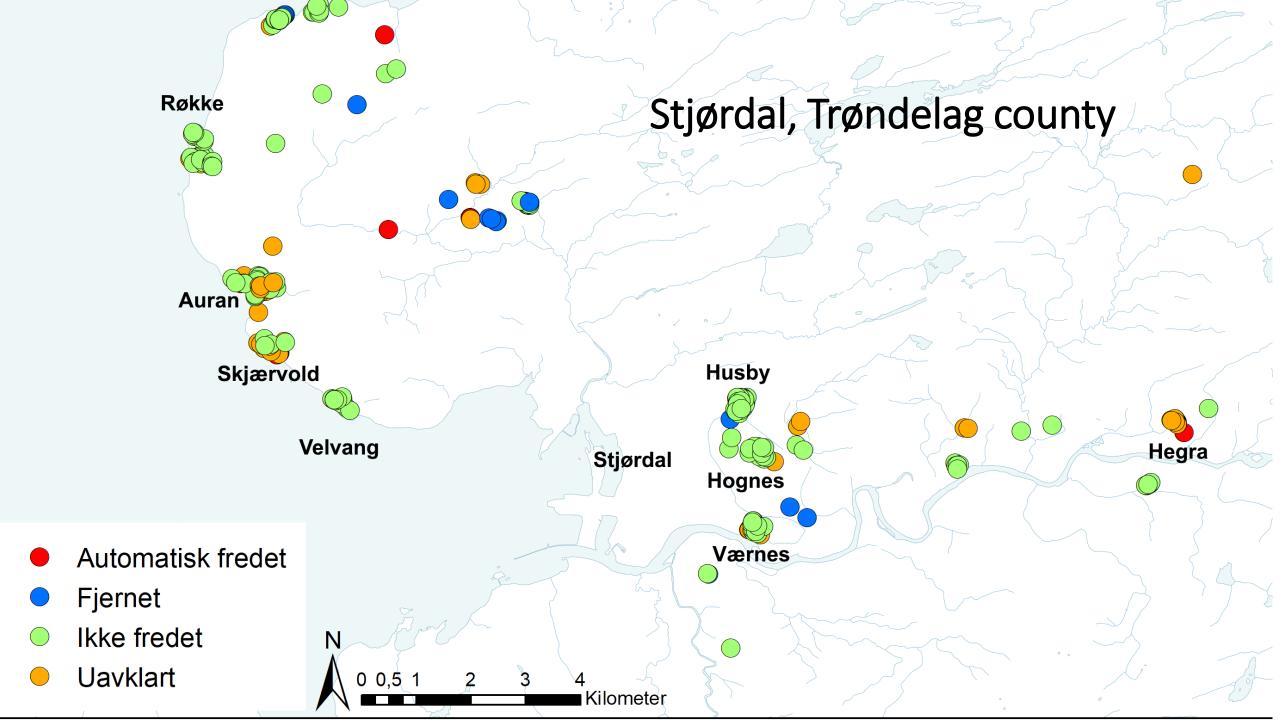




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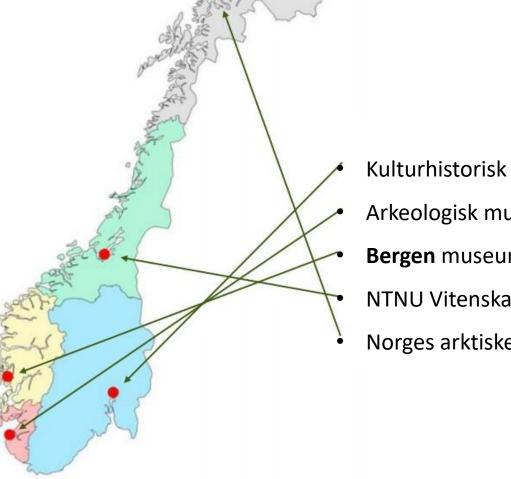








Five university museums – Five databases



- Kulturhistorisk museum (Oslo)
- Arkeologisk museum (Stavanger)
- Bergen museum
 - NTNU Vitenskapsmuseet (Trondheim)
- Norges arktiske universitetsmuseum (**Tromsø**)

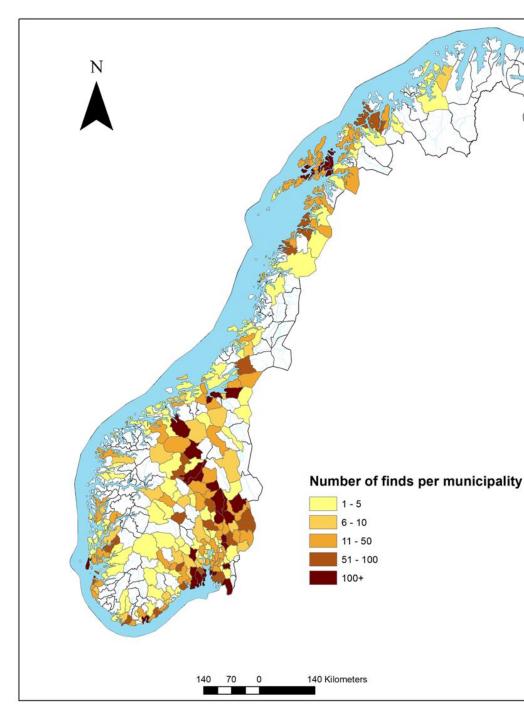
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Summary

- The most common find types are coins, brooches, spindle whorls, weights and mounts
- It is impossible to quantitatively determine time period ranges from the datasets
- There are more finds in counties where sites are labelled as "not protected"
- The majority of finds come from central agricultural counties (Innlandet, Viken and Vestfold og Telemark
- Except for these areas, there are clusters of finds in areas with especially prolific detectorists
- There are generally few finds in managemental border areas





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