

Helsinki facts and figures 2018

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Geography

Area

	km ²
Helsinki	719
Land area (including inland waters)	217
Sea area	502

Population density in Helsinki is 2,934 people per sq km of land area.

Land ownership in Helsinki

	km ²	%
City of Helsinki	136.7	63.9
Finnish State	17.2	8.0
Private landowner	19.4	9.1
Housing company	19.0	8.9
Other	21.7	10.2
Total	214.0	100



Shoreline
123 km



Islands
327



Nearly 40 per cent of Helsinki's land area consists of green space managed by the city.

Conservation areas **55**

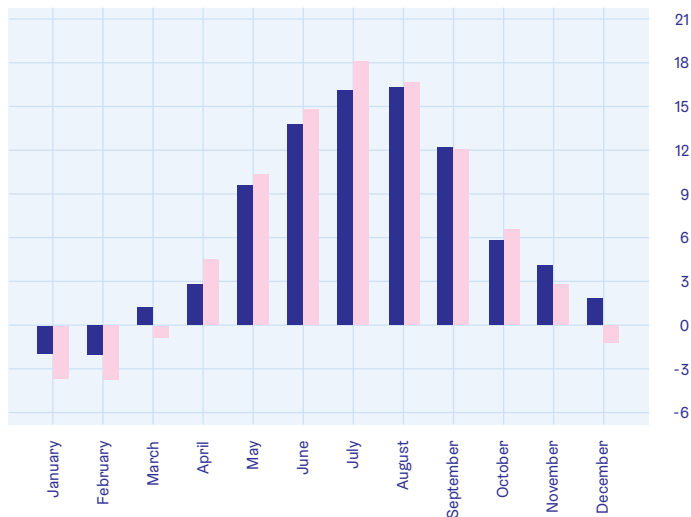
722.5 hectares



Temperature

The warmest daily average in 2017 was 24.2°C (June 17) and coldest -21°C (January 6).

Average temperature: last year (2017) and long-term average (1987–2017)



Helsinki in Europe

Comparison of cities in the Baltic Sea region

	Total population		Change (%) in 5 years	Proportion of population	
	City	Region	City	15 years or younger	65 years or older
Helsinki	643,272 ¹	1,475,095	6.5	14.1	16.7
Stockholm	949,761 ¹	2,308,143	7.8	17.2	14.5
Oslo	673,469 ¹	1,287,495	7.9	17.0	12.2
Copenhagen	613,288 ¹	2,030,718	9.6	15.3	10.3
Tallinn	426,538 ²	582,556	6.1	15.9	18.1
Riga	641,423 ²	641,423	−1.3	14.9	19.9
Vilnius	545,280 ²	805,173	2.1	16.0	15.9
Warsaw	1,764,615 ²	5,384,617	2.3	15.1	19.5
Berlin	3,520,800 ³	4,386,600	1.7	13.1	19.1
St Petersburg	5,281,600 ³	5,281,600	7.2	13.7	15.9

Year of latest population data:
¹2018 ²2017 ³2016



Population

643,272

Population of
Helsinki Jan 1, 2018

Population

	Population Jan 1, 2018	(%) of the population of Finland
Helsinki	643,272	11.7
Helsinki Region	1,475,095	26.8

Population by gender



52.5 %



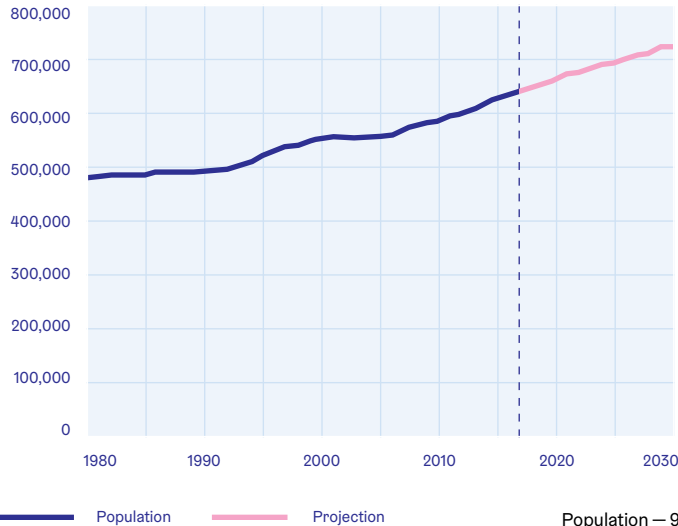
47.5 %

Population changes (2016)

	Helsinki	Helsinki Region
Births	6,803	15,683
Deaths	5,130	10,172
In-migrants	42,562	51,022
Out-migrants	37,460	38,069

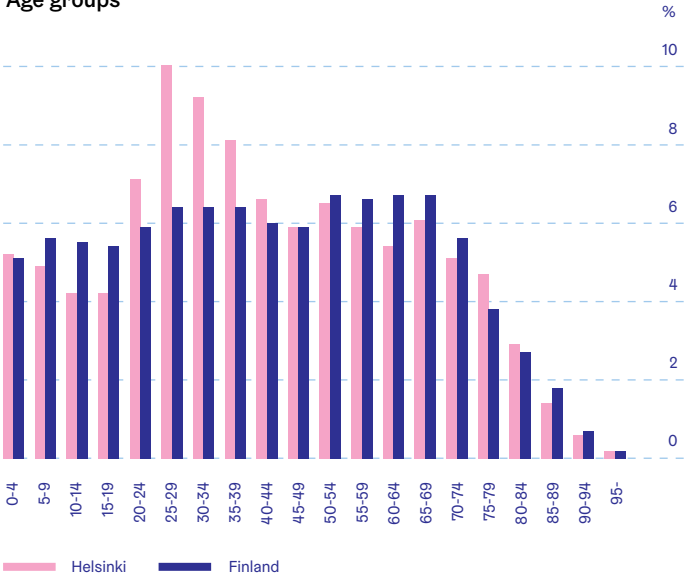
The population of Helsinki increased by 1.3% in 2017.

Population of Helsinki 1980–2018 and projection to 2030



The largest age group in Helsinki are the 25–29-year-olds, who number 64,017.

Age groups



The average age of the population is 40.6 years in Helsinki, and 42.7 in Finland.

Population by mother tongue

	Helsinki	%	Finland	%
Finnish	508,642	79.1	4,848,761	88.0
Swedish	36,361	5.7	289,052	5.2
Other	98,269	15.2	373,325	6.8

In Helsinki, 15 per cent of the population speak a mother tongue other than Finnish, Swedish or Sami.

Most common foreign mother tongues in Helsinki

	No. of speakers	%
Russian	17,814	2.8
Estonian	11,747	1.8
Somali	9,460	1.5
English	6,123	1.0
Arabic	5,632	0.9
Chinese	3,393	0.5
Kurdish	3,120	0.5
Spanish	2,704	0.4

Sixty-one thousand residents of Helsinki hold a foreign citizenship, compared to about 249,000 in all of Finland.

Housing

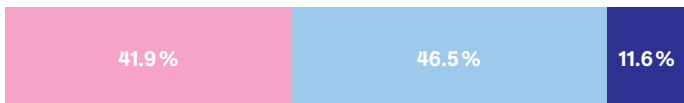
Households (2017, proportion of all households in Helsinki)



The total number of households in Helsinki is 330,933, and the average size is 1.9 persons.

Housing stock (2016)

	Helsinki
Dwellings, total	356,975
% in detached or terraced houses	13.3
% in blocks of flats	85.5
1-2 rooms, %	59.1
3-4 rooms, %	34.2
5 or more rooms, %	6.2



- Owner-occupied
- Rented
- Other

Housing density in Helsinki is 33.8 m² of floor area per person, compared to 40.3 m² in all of Finland.

Housing costs (2017)

	Helsinki	Finland
Average rent, €/m ² /month	16.6	12.9
Average price per sq m of old dwellings, €/m ²	4,275	2,341
Most expensive postcode area, €/m ²	7,592	7,592
Least expensive postcode area, €/m ²	1,908	349

Housing stock by construction year

Year	No. of dwellings	% of all dwellings
Before 1920	19,745	5.5
1920–1939	49,048	13.6
1940–1959	50,642	14.0
1960–1979	103,651	28.6
1980–1999	77,797	21.5
2000–2017	60,857	16.8

Education

Eighty-nine per cent of 3–6-year-old children in Helsinki take part in early childhood education.

Number of students and schools at different educational levels

	No of students	No of establishments	
	Total	City-owned	Total
Early childhood education	27,611	330	459
Comprehensive school	51,000	101	127
General upper secondary	15,788	15	38
Vocational education	35,149	2	33
Universities of applied sciences	23,093		5
University education	41,962		5

Year of data: 2017 (except 2016 for student numbers in secondary and university education)

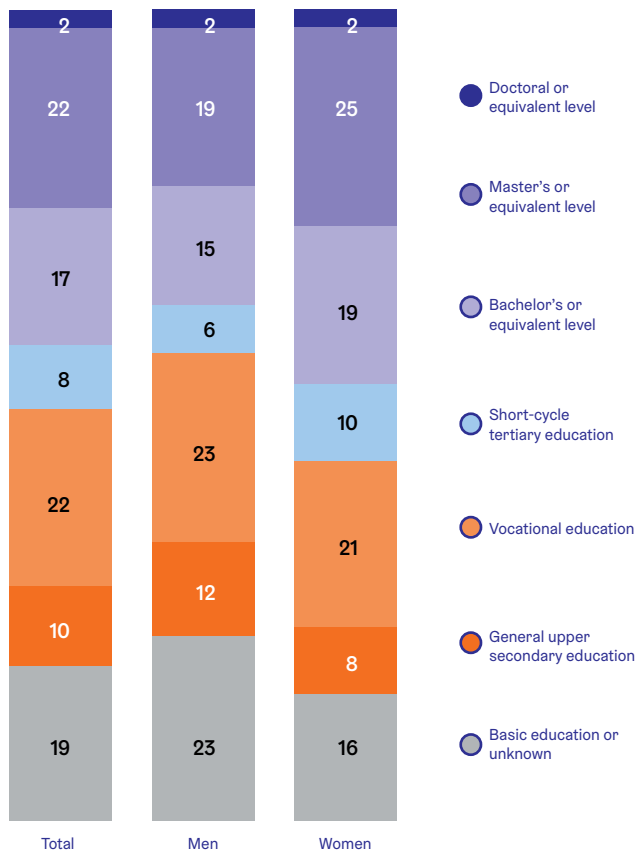
Universities in the Helsinki metropolitan area

Name	No of students
University of Helsinki	32,031
Aalto University	17,565
Hanken School of Economics	2,530
University of the Arts	1,984
National Defence University	912

Eighty-six per cent of children starting primary school in Helsinki choose the local school close to home.



Educational structure (Dec 31, 2016), %



Employment

72.4 %

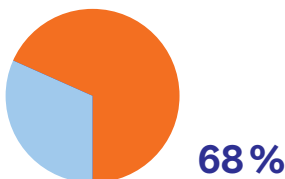
Employment rate in Helsinki

Employment (2017)

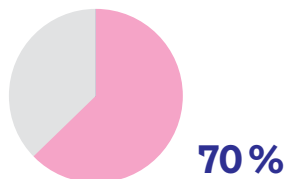
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Employed persons	328,900	734,800	2,473,000
Unemployed persons	30,200	56,580	234,000
Employment rate (15–64-year-olds), %	72.4	73.3	69.6
Unemployment rate (15–74-year-olds), %	8.4	7.7	8.6

Welfare and health

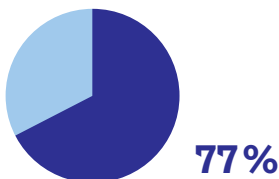
In Helsinki,



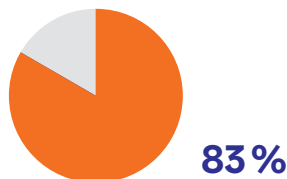
Feel at least fairly healthy (2015)



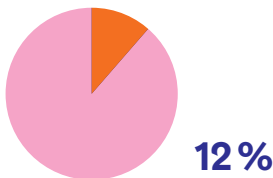
Feel happy at least fairly often (2015)



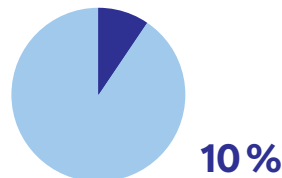
Feel safe in their neighbourhood on weekend evenings (2016)



Take exercise in their free time (2015)



Smoke daily (2015)



Feel lonely (2015)

Life expectancy at birth (2017)

78.4

Men (years)

Helsinki (1977): 67,2

Finland (2017): 78,4



84.3

Women (years)

Helsinki (1977): 77,0

Finland (2017): 84,1

Helsinki residents are healthier than Finnish people on average.

Morbidity index (Finland=100)*

	2015	2016	2017
Helsinki	88.5	88.8	89.2

*When the index value is below 100, the population is healthier than the Finnish average.

Median taxable income, euros

	2015	2016
Helsinki	27,191	27,162
Finland	24,098	23,906

Prolonged poverty risk (% of dwelling population)

	2015	2016
Helsinki	6.0	6.2
Finland	7.5	7.7

Culture and leisure

Events

	Attendance (2017)
Helsinki Festival	212,836
World Village Festival	78,000
Flow Festival	75,000
Tuska Open Air Metal Festival	37,000
Weekend Festival	70,000

Restaurant Day is a global pop-up food festival that started in Helsinki and attracted 1.6 million visitors around the world in 2017.

Cinema



Number of screens

42

Visits per resident

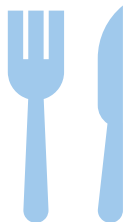
3.0

Flow Festival attracted 75,000
music lovers in 2017.



Restaurants

1,444



Restaurants in Helsinki with an alcohol serving licence

Theatres (2017)

Number of professional theatres	11
Performances	2,736
Total attendance, persons	633,317

Classical music (2017)

National Opera	
Performances	270
Tickets sold, total	216,645

Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra*	
Concerts	113
Total attendance, persons	111,939

Radio Symphony Orchestra	
Concerts	57
Total attendance, persons	81,221

Museums (2017)

	Visits
Helsinki City Museum	433,969
Helsinki Art Museum	203,734
National Gallery	
• Ateneum Art Museum	440,834
• Kiasma Museum of Modern Art	295,802
National Museum	184,332
Design Museum	112,144

City Library (2017)

Libraries and other service points	48
Books (1,000)	1,561
Other material (1,000)	286
Loans (1,000)	8,944
Visits (1,000)	6,546
Visits per resident	10.3

City of Helsinki culture and leisure services (2017)

Grants (millions of euros)	
Art and culture	17.7
Youth groups	2.2
Sport teams and groups	7.6
District cultural centres	
Performances	1,421
Total event attendance	447,449

Helsinki has 25 official beaches.



818

Indoor sports facilities



216 km

Jogging tracks and footpaths



16*

Swimming halls



91

Dog parks



13

Indoor skating rinks



60

Outdoor recreation and excursion areas



25

Beaches



172

Skating rinks and artificial ice rinks



14

Winter swimming places



1200 km

Cycling routes



11,930

Moorings for leisure boats

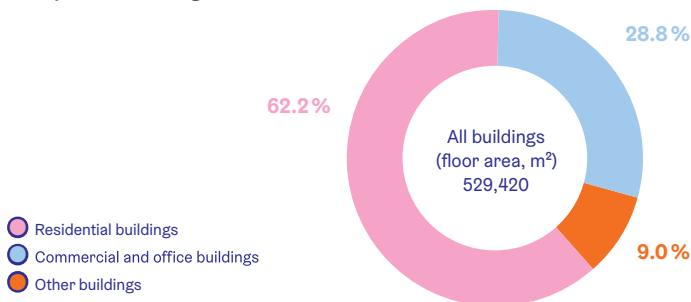
Construction

4,520

Dwellings completed in
Helsinki in 2017

Average for 2013–2017: 4,044

Gross floor area in completed buildings (2017)



Construction starts (2017)

	Floor area, m ²	%
All buildings	672,469	100.0
Residential	331,182	49.2
Other	341,287	50.8

Economy

Gross domestic product per capita, index (EU28=100)

	Greater Helsinki	Finland
GDP (PPS, EU28=100), 2015	148.3	109.0

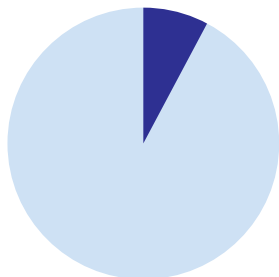
There are 421,470 jobs in Helsinki.

Jobs (2016)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
All industries, total	421,470	766,923	2,448,093
Primary production	0.1	0.4	4.1
Secondary production	10.5	15.7	21.8
Services, total	88.7	83.1	73.3
Market services	61.5	58.1	45.0
Public administration, welfare services	27.2	25.0	28.3
Other or unknown	0.7	0.8	0.8

7.7%

Research and development jobs
(proportion of all jobs in the Helsinki Region)



Workplace self-sufficiency in Helsinki is 129.9%.

Enterprises (2015)

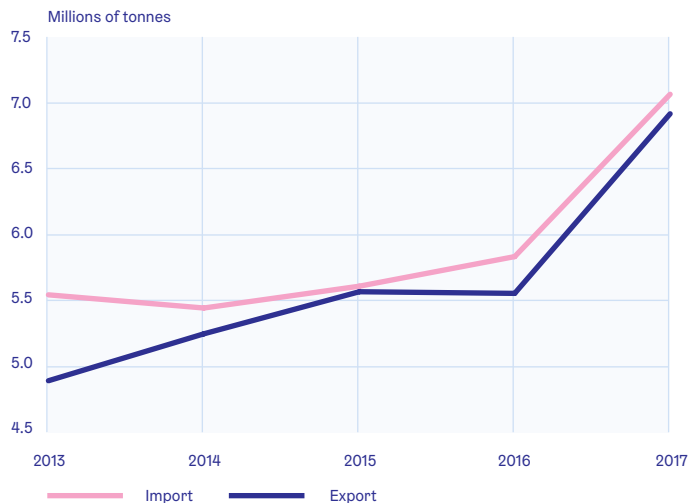
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Turnover, bn euros	74.8	164.9	379.8
Personnel, total	246,086	480,218	1,421,907
Business establishments, total	45,203	89,784	360,296

Helsinki has 21,430 entrepreneurs, compared to 51,710 in the Helsinki Region.

Largest enterprises in Helsinki (2017, by number of personnel)

Name of enterprise	Personnel
1. Nordea Bank Finland Abp	3,749
2. Posti Oy	3,457
3. HOK-Elanto Liiketoiminta Oy	3,076
4. ISS Palvelut Oy	2,703
5. SOL Palvelut Oy	2,146

Import and export through Port of Helsinki



The Port of Helsinki is Finland's largest cargo port in terms of the value of goods.

Air freight

Helsinki Airport	2016	2017
Domestic, tonnes	1,381	1,590
International, tonnes	170,492	183,027



Helsinki had 69 hotels with a total of 20,535 bed places in 2017.

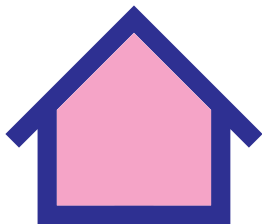


Travel

Overnight stays in registered accommodation establishments

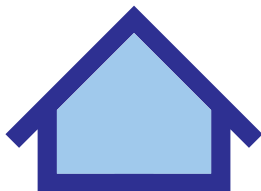
4,175,012

Total
(+16.7% from 2016)



2,258,512

Foreign visitors



1,916,500

Finnish visitors

Overnight stays, top 5 source markets



#1

Russia
195,716



#2

Germany
172,259



#3

UK
167,464



#4

USA
163,334



#5

Sweden
162,080

Congresses (2017)

International congresses

367

Number of congress visitors

71,734

Passenger traffic (millions of passengers)

	2016	2017
Airport	17	19
Port	12	13
Railway station	53	71

Helsinki is the world's busiest passenger port.

Popular tourist attractions

#1



Linnanmäki
Amusement Park

#2



Suomenlinna

#3



Temppeliaukio
Church

#4



Uspenski
Cathedral

#4



Helsinki
Cathedral and Crypt

#6



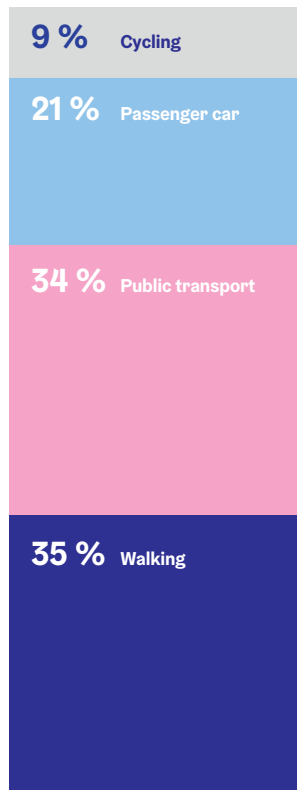
Korkeasaari
Zoo

	Visitors
Linnanmäki Amusement Park	1,100,000
Suomenlinna	1,042,000
Temppeliaukio Church	880,700
Uspenski Cathedral	500,000
Helsinki Cathedral and Crypt	500,000
Korkeasaari Zoo	448,900

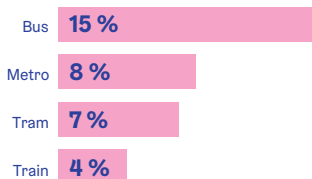


Transport

Modal split
(% of all journeys in Helsinki, 2017)



Helsinki has
2,550 city bikes
and 150 bike
stations.



The total number of cruise passengers visiting Helsinki in 2017 was 478,000, or 17% more than in the previous season.

Public transport in Helsinki

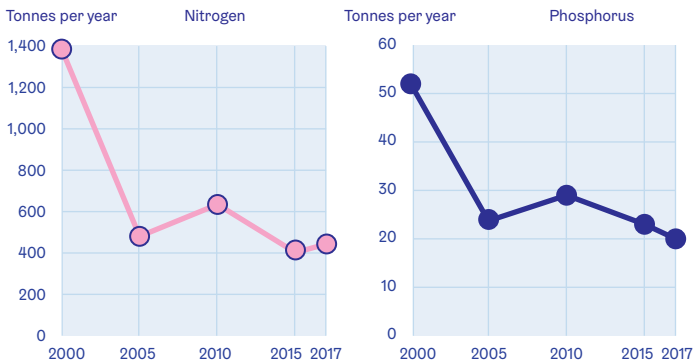
	2016	2017
Journeys, total, millions	205.4	211
Bus	81.2	81.2
Tram	56.6	60.2
Metro	64.1	67.5
Ferry	2.2	2.1
Commuter train	63.1	64.8

Passenger cars

	2017
Vehicles in traffic use, total	219,708
Petrol	157,998
Diesel	57,870
Hybrid	2,381
Electric	370
Other	1,089

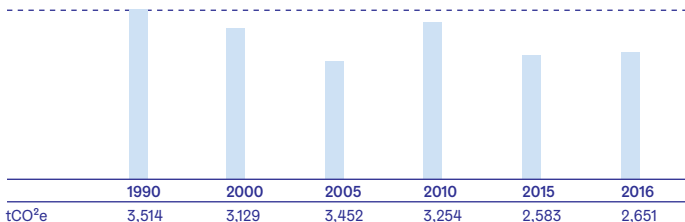
Environment

Emissions from wastewater treatment



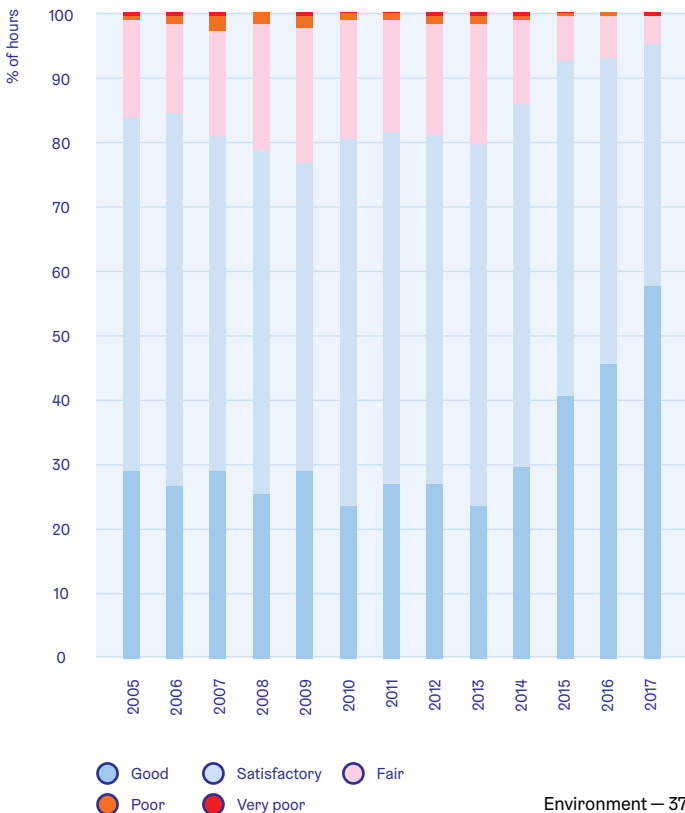
Greenhouse emissions

The emissions of greenhouse gases have been cut down by 25% since 1990 in Helsinki.



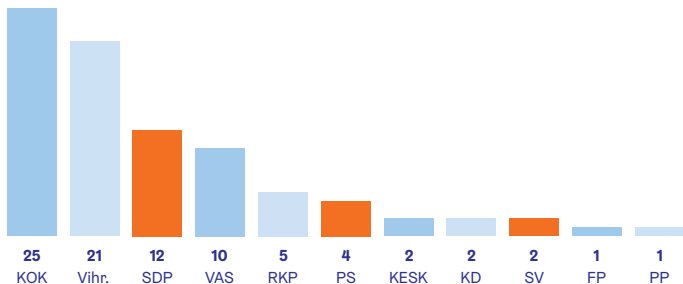
Air quality was good or satisfactory 95% of the time in Helsinki in 2017.

Air quality in city centre



City administration and economy

City council (Dec 31, 2017)

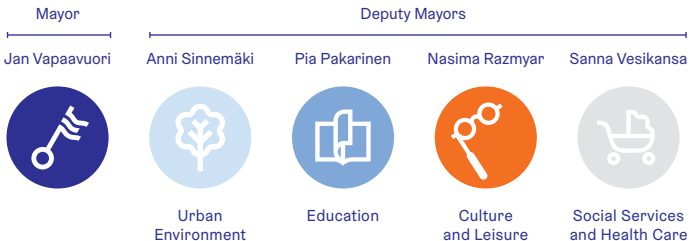


KOK (National Coalition Party) • Vihr (Green League) • SDP (Social Democratic Party) • VAS (Left Alliance) • RKP (Swedish People's Party) • PS (Finns Party) • KESK (Centre Party) • KD (Christian Democrats) • SV (Blue Reform) • FP (Feminist Party) • PP (Pirate Party)

Councillors 85



Mayors

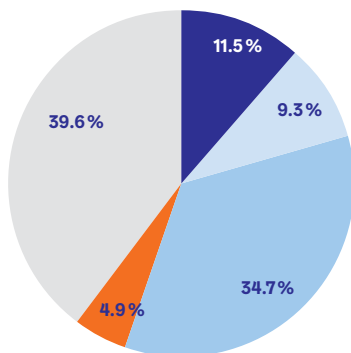






The City of Helsinki employs 37,090 people.

Personnel by division



Personnel, most common job titles

#1 Childminder
3,021

#2 Nurse
2,240

#3 Practical nurse
(lähihoitaja) 2,053

#4 Kindergarten teacher
1,908

#5 Class teacher
1,445

#6 Instructor
1,236

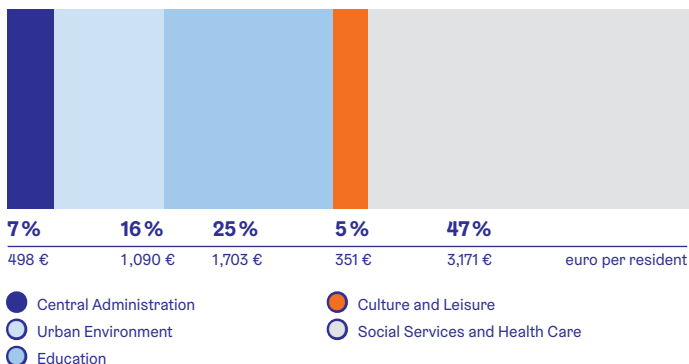
#7 Care worker
1,148

#8 Practical nurse
(perushoitaja) 895

#9 Public health nurse
874

#10 Part-time teacher
873

City of Helsinki expenses by division (2017)



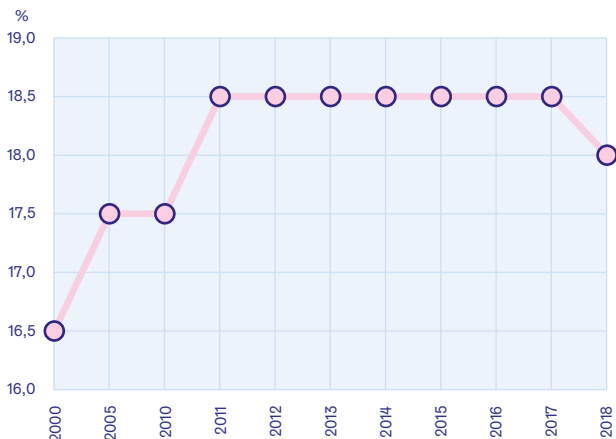
Profit and loss account

million euros

Operating profit	1,180
Production for own use	135
Operating expenses	-4,175
Operating profit margin	-2,860
Tax revenue	3,381
State subsidies	220
Financing income	116
Financing expenses	-19
Annual contribution margin	838
Depreciations and impairment	-355
Result for the financial period	483
Appropriations	-2
Surplus/deficit (-) for the financial period	481

Tax revenues received by Helsinki equal 80% of the total expenses of the City.

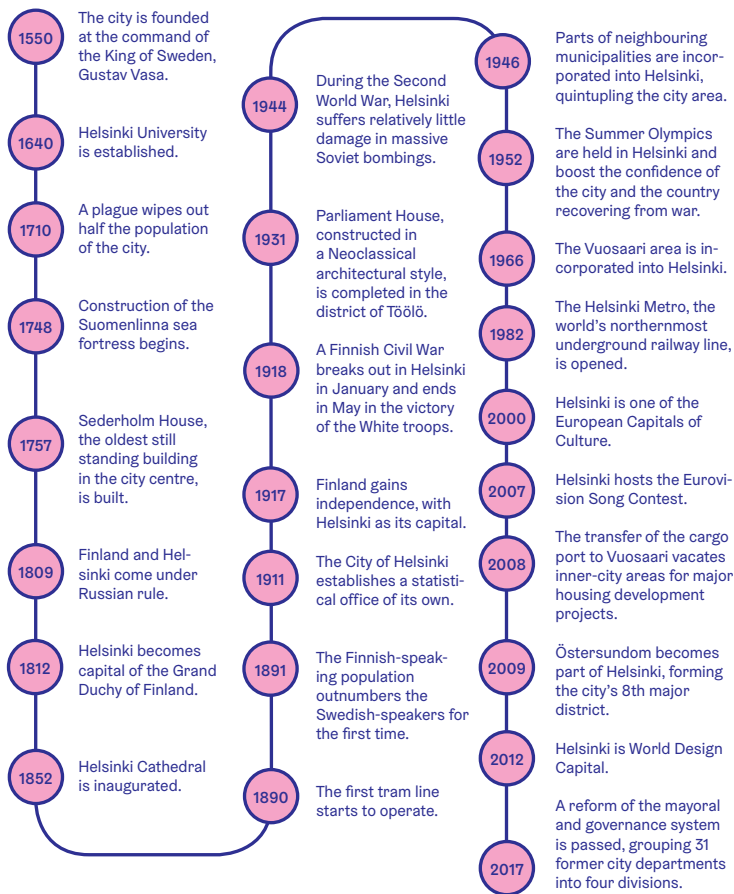
Municipal tax rate



Loan stock

	Dec 31, 2017	Dec 31, 2010
City		
Loans at interest, euro per resident	2,157	1,989
City group		
Loans, euro per resident	7,772	6,917

History of Helsinki





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