

Helsinki facts and figures 2019

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Geography

Area

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

Population density in Helsinki is 2,986 people per sq km of land area.

Land ownership in Helsinki

	km ²	%
City of Helsinki	137.4	64.2
Finnish State	17.2	8.0
Private landowner	18.7	8.7
Housing company	19.1	9.0
Other	21.6	10.1
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**

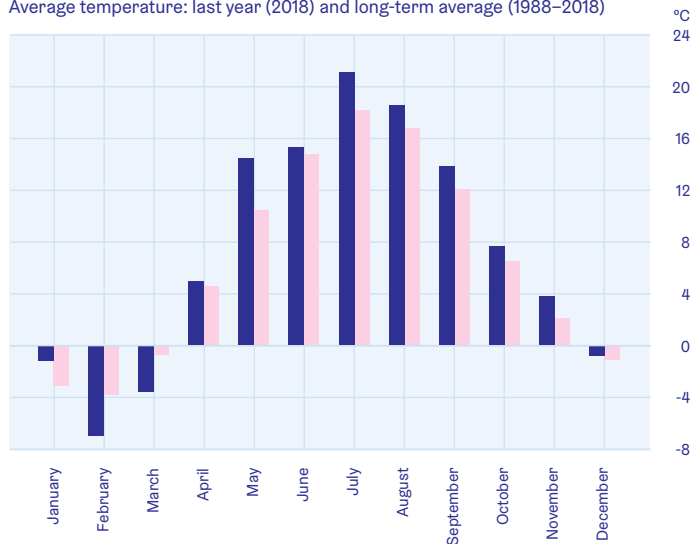
722.5 hectares



Temperature

The warmest daily average in 2018 was 30.4°C (July 17) and coldest -19.7°C (February 28).

Average temperature: last year (2018) and long-term average (1988–2018)



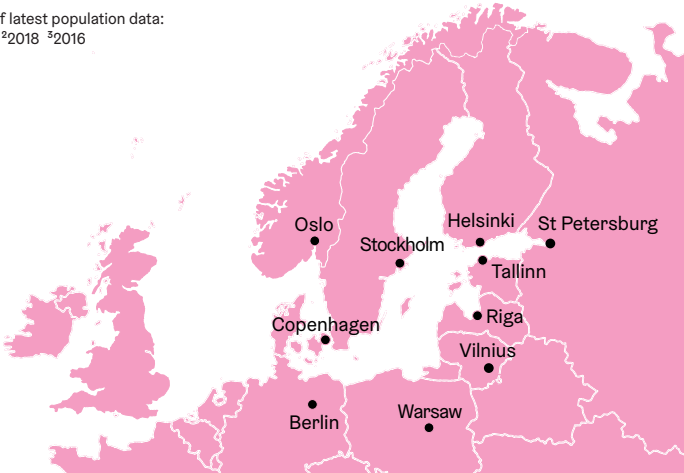
Helsinki in Europe

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 ¹	648,042	1,491,845	5.8	14.3	16.0
Stockholm ¹	962,154	2,339,640	5.4	17.2	14.5
Oslo ¹	681,071	1,305,126	5.2	17.0	12.2
Copenhagen ¹	623,404	2,084,921	7.4	15.3	10.3
Tallinn ²	430,805	589,610	6.1	15.9	18.1
Riga ²	637,971	637,971	−0.8	14.9	19.9
Vilnius ²	547,484	807,127	1.9	16.0	15.9
Warsaw ²	1,769,529	5,391,813	2.5	15.1	19.5
Berlin ³	3,613,000	3,61,3000	1.7	13.1	19.1
St Petersburg ³	5,281,600	5,281,600	7.2	13.7	15.9

Year of latest population data:

¹2019 ²2018 ³2016



Population

648,042

Population of
Helsinki Jan 1, 2019

Population

	Population Jan 1, 2019	(%) of the population of Finland
Helsinki	648,042	11.7
Helsinki Region	1,491,845	27.0

Population by gender



52.5 %



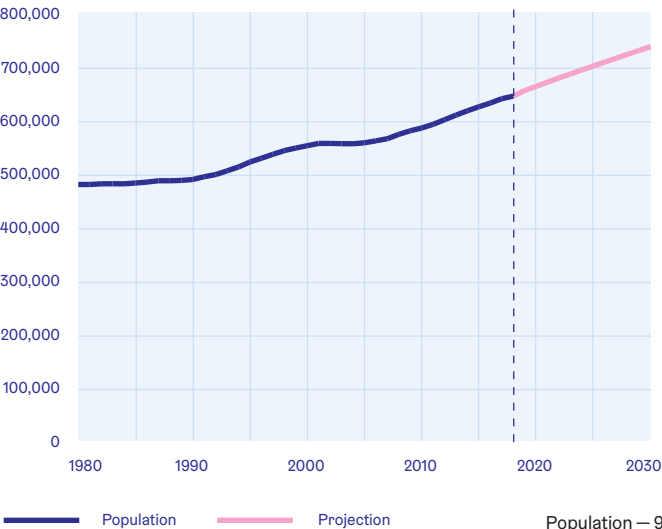
47.5 %

Population changes (2017)

	Helsinki	Helsinki Region
Births	6,566	15,152
Deaths	5,042	10,162
In-migrants	43,649	51,885
Out-migrants	36,531	37,505

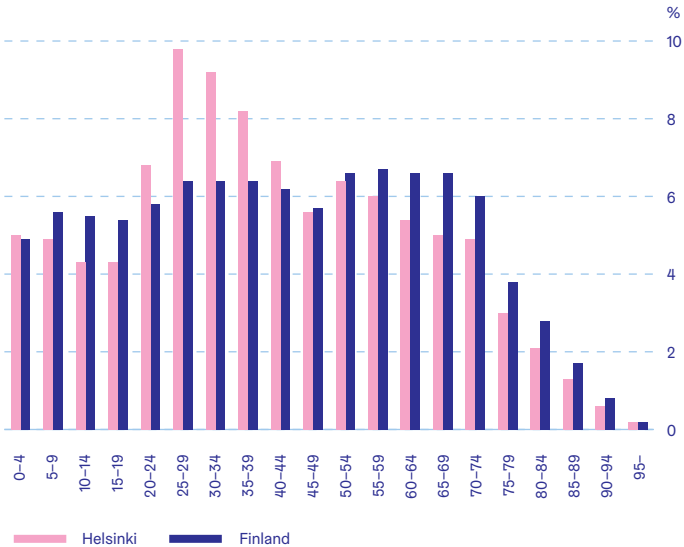
The population of Helsinki increased by 0.7 % in 2018.

Population of Helsinki 1980–2019 and projection to 2030



The largest age group in Helsinki are the 25–29-year-olds, who number 63,662.

Age groups



The average age of the population is 40.7 years in Helsinki, and 42.9 in Finland.

Population by mother tongue

	Helsinki	%	Finland	%
Finnish	509,684	78.7	4,835,778	87.7
Swedish	36,533	5.6	288,400	5.2
Other	101,825	15.7	391,746	7.1

In Helsinki, 16 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	18,506	2.9
Estonian	11,100	1.7
Somali	10,837	1.7
Arabic	7,465	1.2
English	6,726	1.0
Chinese	3,671	0.6
Kurdish	3,537	0.5
Spanish	2,916	0.4

Sixty-two thousand residents of Helsinki hold a foreign citizenship, compared to about 258,000 in all of Finland.

Housing

Households (2018, 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 (2017)

	Helsinki
Dwellings, total	361,866
% in detached or terraced houses	13.3
% in blocks of flats	85.5
1-2 rooms, %	59.2
3-4 rooms, %	34.2
5 or more rooms, %	6.2



- Owner-occupied
- Rented
- Other

Housing density in Helsinki is 34 m² of floor area per person, compared to 40.5 m² in all of Finland.

Housing costs (2018)

	Helsinki	Finland
Average rent, €/m ² /month	16.7	12.9
Average price per sq m of old dwellings, €/m ²	4,208	2,075
Most expensive postcode area, €/m ²	7,988	7,988
Least expensive postcode area, €/m ²	2,057	390

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

Ninety-one 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	28,000	331	473
Comprehensive school	52,600	101	128
General upper secondary	15,500	15	38
Vocational education	34,121	1	31
Universities of applied sciences	41,245		6
University education	41,240		5

Year of data: 2018 (except 2017 for student numbers in secondary and university education)

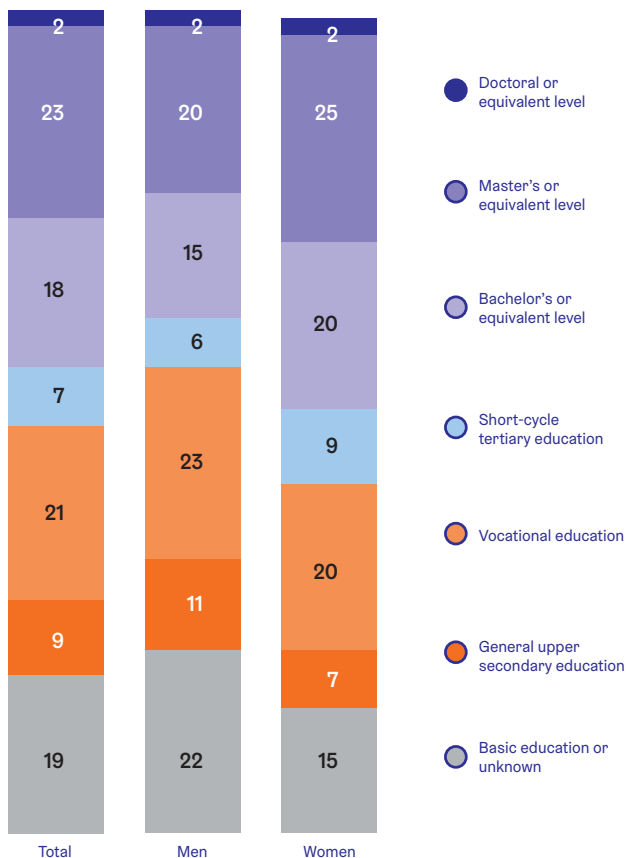
Universities in the Helsinki metropolitan area

Name	No of students
University of Helsinki	31,331
Aalto University	17,346
Hanken School of Economics	2,545
University of the Arts	1,968
National Defence University	963

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



Educational structure (Dec 31, 2017), %



Employment

74 %

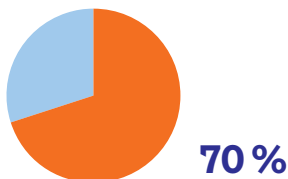
Employment rate in Helsinki

Employment (2018)

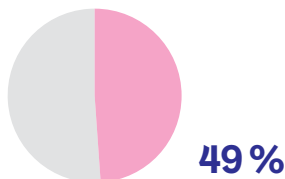
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Employed persons	336,900	753,200	2,540,000
Unemployed persons	29,100	57,900	202,000
Employment rate (15–64-year-olds), %	74.0	74.3	71.7
Unemployment rate (15–74-year-olds), %	7.9	7.1	7.4

Welfare and health

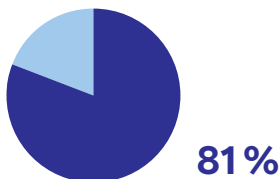
In Helsinki,



Feel at least fairly healthy (2018)



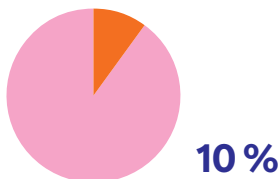
Feel happy at least fairly often (2018)



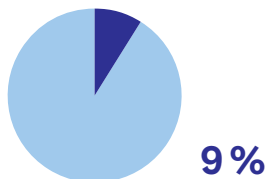
Feel safe in their neighbourhood on weekend evenings (2018)



Take exercise in their free time (2018)



Smoke daily (2018)



Feel lonely (2018)

Life expectancy at birth (2018)

78.7

Men (years)

Helsinki (1978): **67,0**

Finland (2018): **78,9**



84.1

Women (years)

Helsinki (1978): **77,2**

Finland (2018): **84,3**

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

	2016	2017
Helsinki	27,162	27,602
Finland	23,906	24,433

Prolonged poverty risk (% of dwelling population)

	2016	2017
Helsinki	6.1	5.9
Finland	7.5	7.4

Culture and leisure

Events

	Attendance (2018)
Helsinki Festival	236,007
World Village Festival	84,000
Flow Festival	80,000
Weekend Festival	75,000
Tuska Open Air Metal Festival	37,000

Helsinki Central Library Oodi opened on 5 Dec. 2018. That month, the library had 300 000 visits.

Cinema



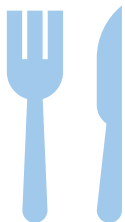
Number of screens	55
Visits per resident	3.0



Restaurants

1,605

Restaurants in Helsinki with an alcohol serving licence



Theatres (2018)

Number of professional theatres	11
Performances	3,434
Total attendance, persons	738,280

Classical music (2018)

National Opera	
Performances	293
Tickets sold, total	291,295

Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra*	
Concerts	108
Total attendance, persons	127,702

Radio Symphony Orchestra	
Concerts	64
Total attendance, persons	85,274

Museums (2018)

	Visits
Helsinki City Museum	444,898
Helsinki Art Museum	170,359
National Gallery	
• Ateneum Art Museum	322,912
• Kiasma Museum of Modern Art	295,397
National Museum	225,272
Design Museum	162,205

City Library (2018)

Libraries and other service points	48
Books (1,000)	1,610
Other material (1,000)	281
Loans (1,000)	8,981
Visits (1,000)	6,476
Visits per resident	10.1

City of Helsinki culture and leisure services (2018)

Grants (millions of euros)	
Art and culture	24.3
Sport teams and groups	9.5
District cultural centres	
Performances	1,981
Total event attendance	669,844

Helsinki has 27 official beaches.



818

Indoor sports facilities



216 km

Jogging tracks and footpaths



16*

Swimming halls



92

Dog parks



14

Indoor skating rinks



63

Outdoor recreation and excursion areas



27

Beaches



169

Skating rinks and artificial ice rinks



13

Winter swimming places



1,200 km

Cycling routes



12,000

Moorings for leisure boats

* including outdoor swimming pools and a sea pool

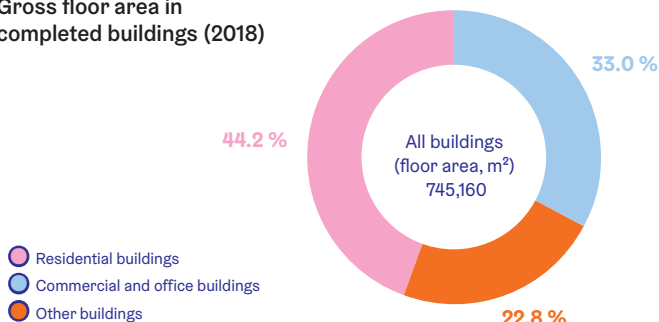
Construction

4,538

Dwellings completed in
Helsinki 2018

Average for 2013–2018: 4,127

Gross floor area in completed buildings (2018)



Construction starts (2018)

	Floor area, m ²	%
All buildings	912,680	100.0
Residential	543,096	59.5
Other	369,472	40.5

Economy

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

	Greater Helsinki	Finland
BKT (PPS, EU28=100) 2016	148	110

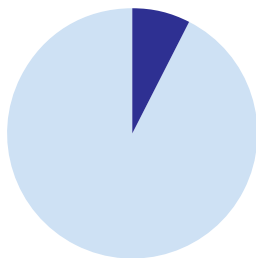
There are 426,500 jobs in Helsinki.

Jobs (2017)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
All industries, total	426,500	778,600	2,473,200
Primary production	0.1	0.3	4.0
Secondary production	11.6	16.2	21.9
Services, total	87.7	83	73.4
Market services	61.7	58.3	45.1
Public administration, welfare services	26	24.7	28.3
Other or unknown	0.6	0.5	0.7

7.5%

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



Workplace self-sufficiency in Helsinki is 129.5 %.

Enterprises (2016)

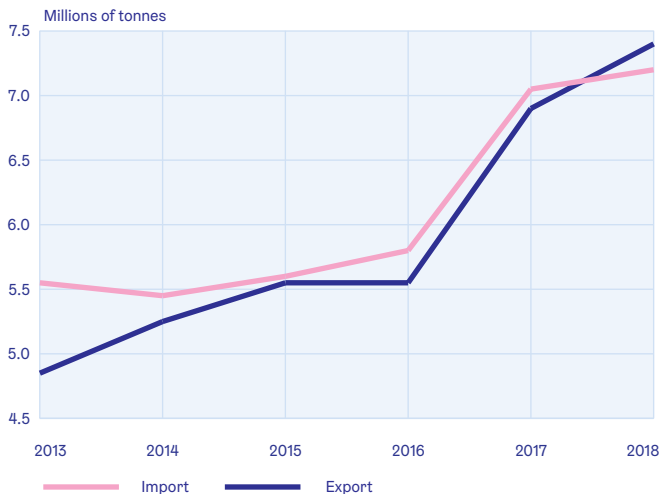
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Turnover, bn euros	79.8	175.8	411.2
Personnel, total	254,553	499,873	1,449,147
Business establishments, total	45,934	100,285	3,97,882

Helsinki has 22,840 entrepreneurs, compared to 54,500 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	2017	2018
Domestic, tonnes	1,590	1,560
International, tonnes	183,027	174,780



Helsinki had 70 hotels with a total of 21,127 bed places in 2018.

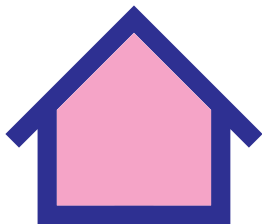


Travel

Overnight stays in registered accommodation establishments

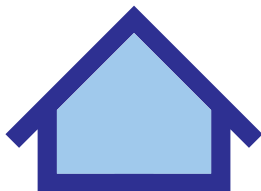
4,167,982

Total
(-0,2 % from 2017)



2,309,040

Foreign visitors



1,858,942

Finnish visitors

Overnight stays, top 5 source markets



#1

Russia
209,205



#2

Germany
189,454



#3

USA
176,753



#4

UK
159,054



#5

Sweden
147,615

Congresses (2018)

International congresses

329

Number of congress visitors

46,844

Passenger traffic (millions of passengers)

	2017	2018
Airport	19	21
Port	13	13
Railway station	71	72

Helsinki is the world's busiest passenger port.

Popular tourist attractions

#1

Linnanmäki
Amusement
Park



#2

Suomenlinna



#3

Temppeli-
aukio Church



#4

Uspenski
Cathedral



#4

Helsinki
Cathedral
and Crypt



#6

Korkeasaari
Zoo

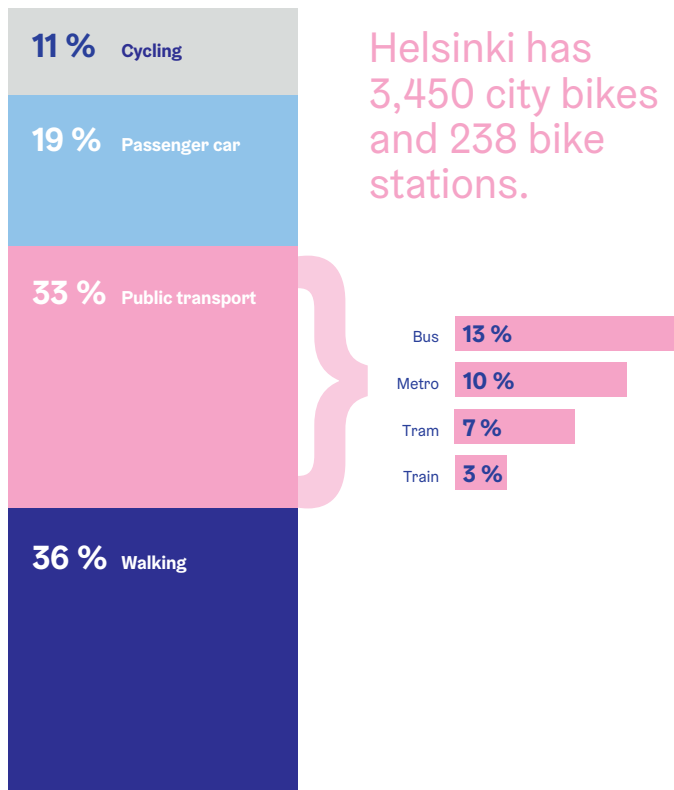


	Visitors
Linnanmäki Amusement Park	1,100,000
Suomenlinna	1,090,000
Temppeliaukio Church	847,400
Uspenski Cathedral	500,000
Helsinki Cathedral and Crypt	500,000
Korkeasaari Zoo	455,100



Transport

Modal split
(% of all journeys in Helsinki, 2018)



The total number of cruise passengers visiting Helsinki in 2018 was 520,000, or 9 % more than in the previous season.

Public transport in Helsinki

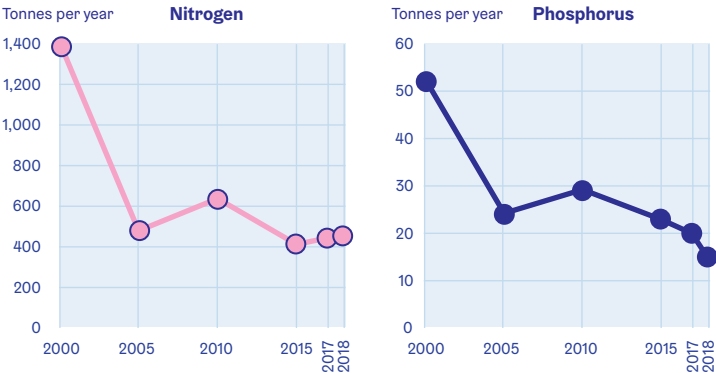
	2017	2018
Journeys, total, millions	276	296
Bus	81.2	77.7
Tram	60.2	61.5
Metro	67.5	88.4
Ferry	2.1	2.2
Commuter train	64.8	66.5

Passenger cars

	2018
Vehicles in traffic use, total	213,386
Petrol	151,891
Diesel	56,776
Hybrid	2,915
Electric	447
Other	1,357

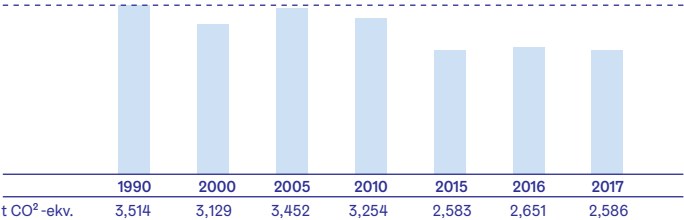
Environment

Emissions from wastewater treatment



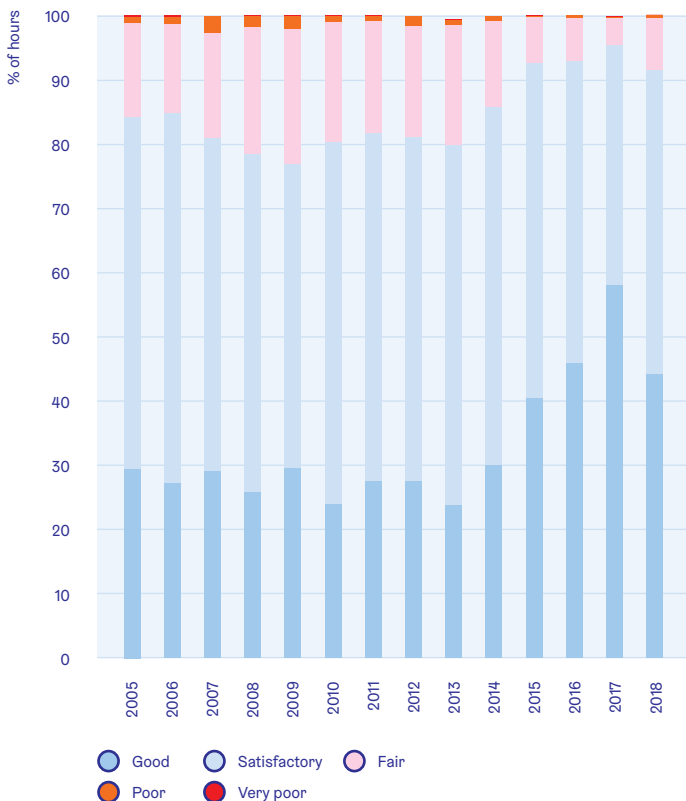
Greenhouse emissions

The emissions of greenhouse gases have been cut down by 26 % since 1990 in Helsinki.



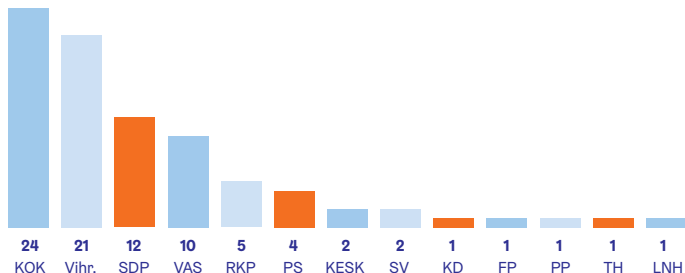
Air quality was good or satisfactory
91 % of the time in Helsinki in 2018.

Air quality in city centre



City administration and economy

City council (Dec 31, 2018)

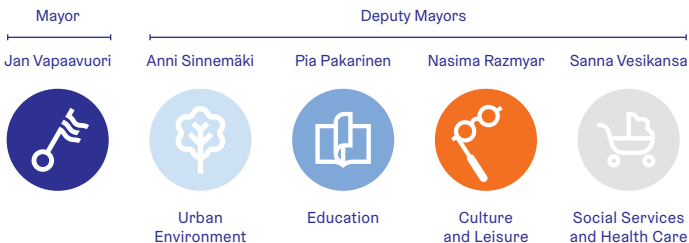


(KOK) National Coalition Party • (Vihr.) Green League • (SDP) Social Democratic Party • (VAS) Left Alliance • (RKP) Swedish People's Party • (PS) Finns Party • (KESK) Centre Party • (SV) Blue Reform • (KD) Christian Democrats • (FP) Feminist Party • (PP) Pirate Party • (TH) Terve Helsinki • (LNH) Liike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

Councillors



Mayors

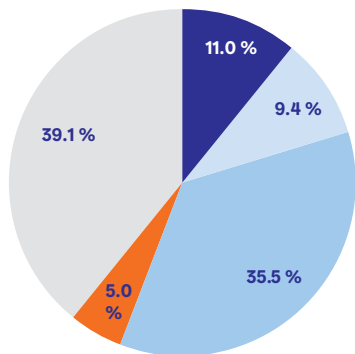






The City of Helsinki employs 37,656 people.

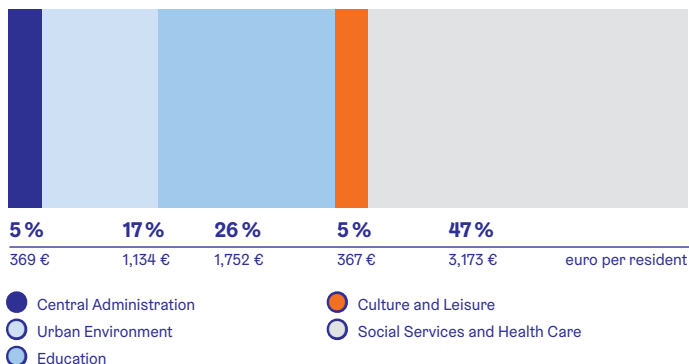
Personnel by division



Personnel, most common job titles

# 1	Childminder	# 6	Instructor
	3,301		1,231
# 2	Practical nurse	# 7	Part-time teacher
	3,107		924
# 3	Nurse	# 8	Public health nurse
	2,260		896
# 4	Kindergarten teacher	# 9	Social services instructor
	1,853		721
# 5	Class teacher	# 10	Comprehensive school full-time teacher
	1,528		682

City of Helsinki expenses by division (2018)



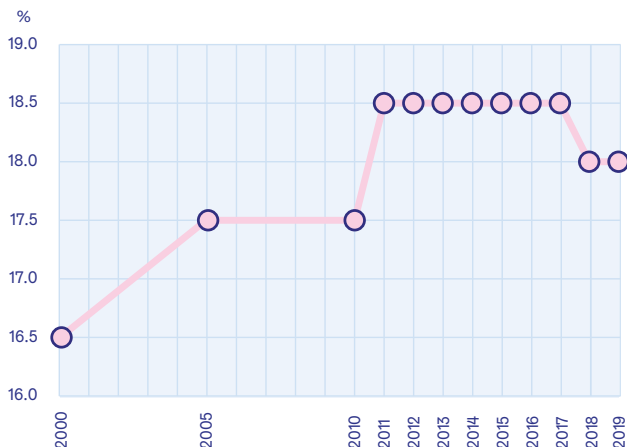
Profit and loss account

million euros

Operating profit	1,155
Production for own use	163
Operating expenses	-4,293
Operating profit margin	-2,975
Tax revenue	3,417
State subsidies	197
Financing income	130
Financing expenses	-17
Annual contribution margin	752
Depreciations and impairment	-347
Result for the financial period	387
Appropriations	-2
Surplus/deficit (-) for the financial period	407

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

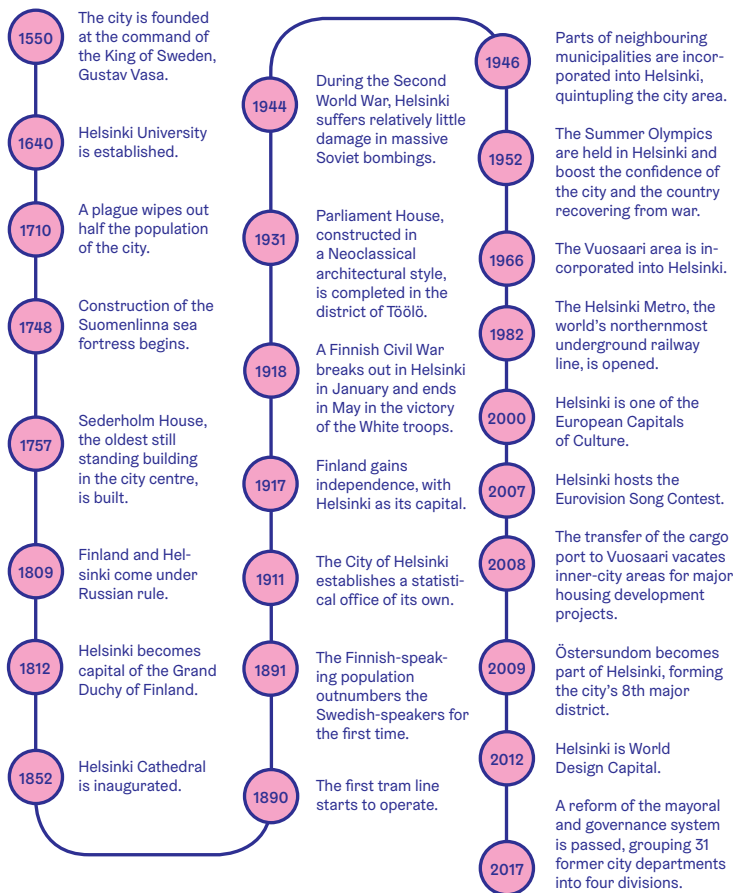
Municipal tax rate



Loan stock

	Dec 31, 2018	Dec 31, 2010
City		
Loans at interest, euro per resident	1,693	1,989
City group		
Loans, euro per resident	7,670	6,917

History of Helsinki





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