

# Helsinki facts and figures 2020

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**Helsinki**

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# Geography

## Area

	km <sup>2</sup>
Helsinki	719
Land area (including inland waters)	217
Sea area	502

Population density in Helsinki is 2,993 people per sq km of land area.

## Land ownership in Helsinki

	km <sup>2</sup>	%
City of Helsinki	137.4	64.2
Finnish State	17.1	8.0
Private landowner	18.6	8.7
Housing company	19.2	9.0
Other	21.7	10.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>214.0</b>	<b>100</b>



**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**

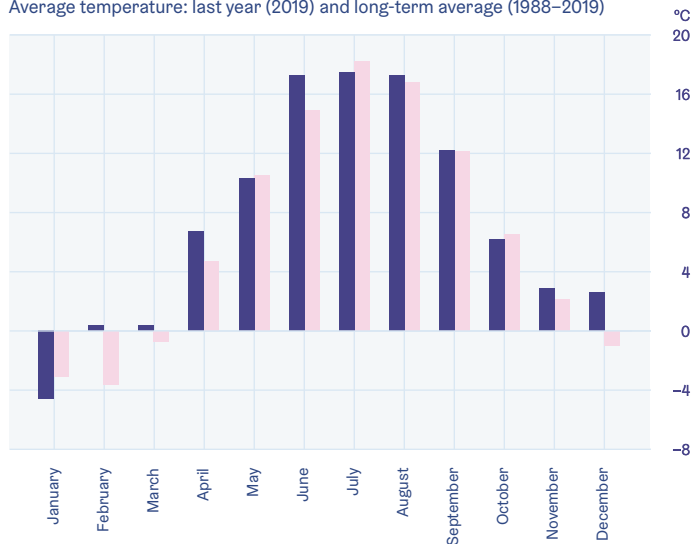
**722.5** hectares



## Temperature

The warmest daily average in 2019 was 33.2°C (July 28) and coldest -20.3°C (January 22).

Average temperature: last year (2019) and long-term average (1988–2019)

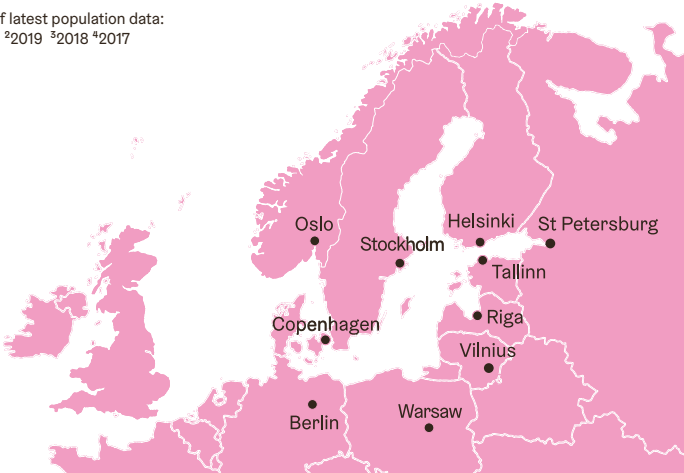


# Helsinki in Europe

## 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 <sup>1</sup>	653,835	1,511,337	4.1	14.3	17.2
Stockholm <sup>1</sup>	974,073	2,374,550	5.5	17.1	14.9
Oslo <sup>1</sup>	693,494	1,305,126 <sup>2</sup>	7.1	17.3	12.5
Copenhagen <sup>1</sup>	632,340	2,045,259	6.9	15.8	10.3
Tallinn <sup>2</sup>	434,562	598,059	5.7	16.0	18.4
Riga <sup>2</sup>	632,614	632,614	−1.7	15.5	20.4
Vilnius <sup>2</sup>	552,131	815,430	2.3	17.3	16.2
Warsaw <sup>2</sup>	1,790,658	5,423,168	3.0	15.4	19.4
Berlin <sup>3</sup>	3,644,826	3,644,826	5.0	13.9	19.2
St Petersburg <sup>4</sup>	5,281,600	5,281,600	7.2	13.7	15.9

Year of latest population data:  
<sup>1</sup>2020 <sup>2</sup>2019 <sup>3</sup>2018 <sup>4</sup>2017



# Population

# 653,835

Population  
of Helsinki  
Dec 31, 2019

## Population

	Population Dec 31, 2019	(%) of the population of Finland
Helsinki	653,835	11.8
Helsinki Region	1,511,337	27.4

## Population by gender



# 52.5 %



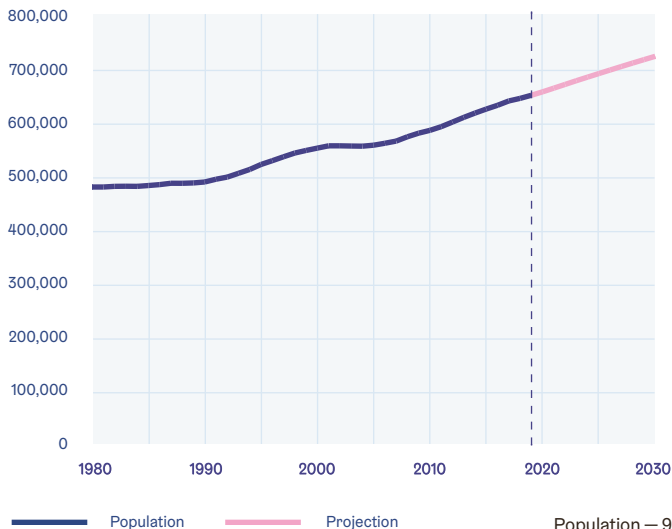
# 47.5 %

## Population changes (2018)

	Helsinki	Helsinki Region
Births	6,388	14,763
Deaths	5,191	10,416
In-migrants	42,286	51,860
Out-migrants	38,526	39,237

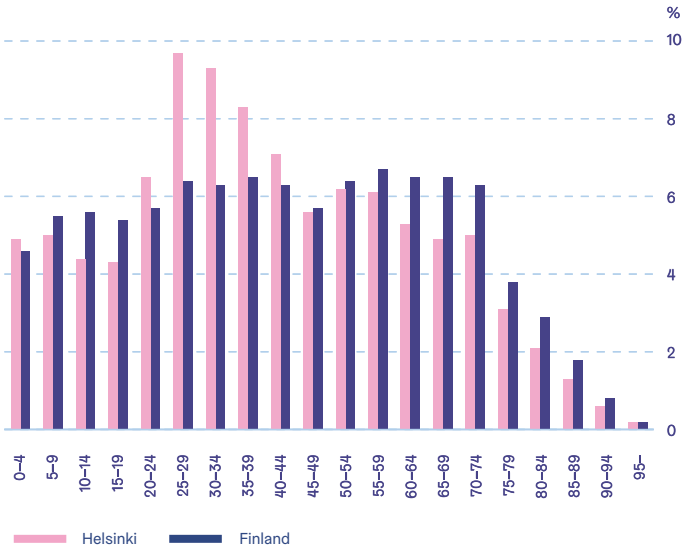
The population of Helsinki increased by 0.9% in 2019.

## Population of Helsinki 1980–2019 and projection to 2030



The largest age group in Helsinki are the 25–29-year-olds, who number 63,131.

Age groups



The average age of the population in 40.8 years in Helsinki, and 43.2 in Finland.

## Population by mother tongue

	Helsinki	%	Finland	%
Finnish	511,111	78.2	4,822,690	87.3
Swedish	36,665	5.6	287,954	5.2
Other	106,059	16.2	412,644	7.5

In Helsinki, 16 per cent of the population speak a mother tongue other than Finnish, Swedish or Sami.

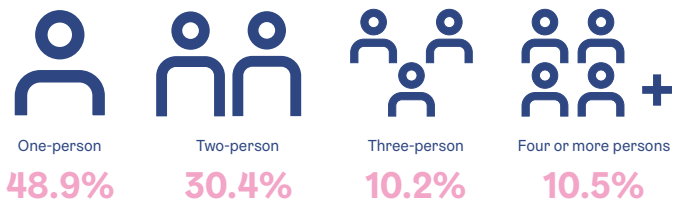
## Most common foreign mother tongues in Helsinki

	No. of speakers	%
Russian	18,869	2.9
Somali	11,466	1.8
Estonian	10,620	1.6
Arabic	7,963	1.2
English	7,121	1.1
Chinese	3,820	0.6
Kurdish	3,580	0.5
Persian	3,139	0.5

Sixty-three thousand residents of Helsinki hold a foreign citizenship, compared to about 268,000 in all of Finland.

# Housing

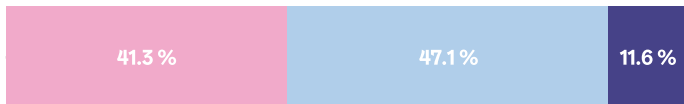
Households (Dec 31, 2018, proportion of all households in Helsinki)



The total number of households in Helsinki is 335,061, and the average size is 1.9 persons.

## Housing stock (2018)

	Helsinki
Dwellings, total	367,680
% 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





Housing density in Helsinki is 34.0 m<sup>2</sup> of floor area per person, compared to 40.4 m<sup>2</sup> in all of Finland.

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### Housing costs (2019)

	Helsinki	Finland
Average rent, €/m <sup>2</sup> /month	17.6	13.8
Average price per sq m of old dwellings, €/m <sup>2</sup>	4,333	2,091
Most expensive postcode area, €/m <sup>2</sup>	8,327	8,327
Least expensive postcode area, €/m <sup>2</sup>	2,037	439

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### Housing stock by construction year

Year	No. of dwellings	% of all dwellings
Before 1920	19,829	5.4
1920–1939	49,264	13.4
1940–1959	50,795	13.8
1960–1979	103,985	28.3
1980–1999	78,120	21.3
2000–2018	65,566	17.8

# Education

Ninety-three 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	336	475	
Comprehensive school	54,000	101	128	
General upper secondary	16,000	15	38	
Vocational education	42,600	1	17	
Universities of applied sciences	21,700		3	
University education	39,700		5	

Year of data 2019

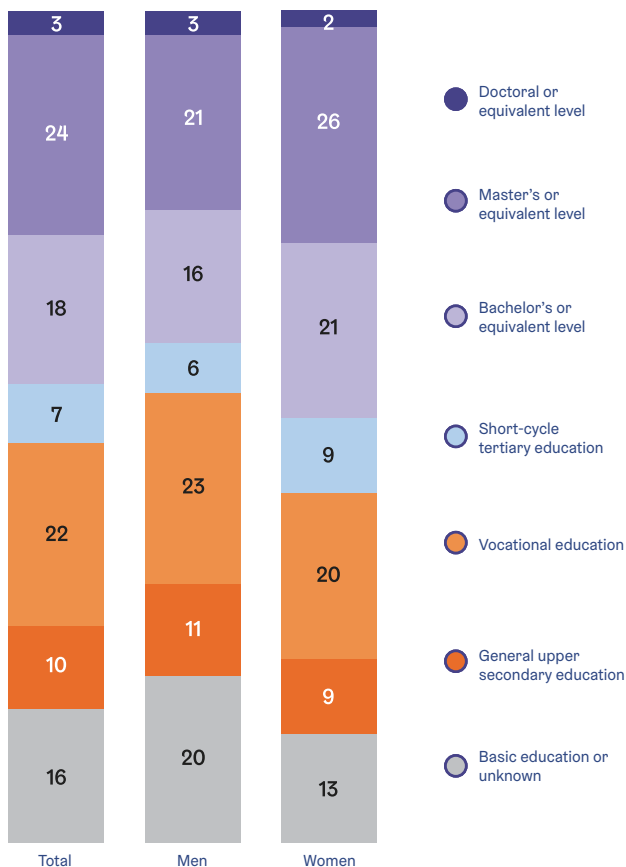
## Universities in the Helsinki metropolitan area

Name	No of students
University of Helsinki	31,476
Aalto University	17,625
Hanken School of Economics	2,505
University of the Arts	1,947
National Defence University	975

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



## Educational structure (Dec 31, 2018, %)



# Employment

# 74.7%

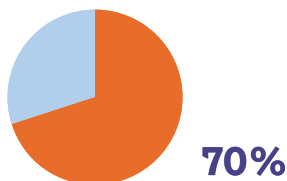
## Employment rate in Helsinki

### Employment (2019)

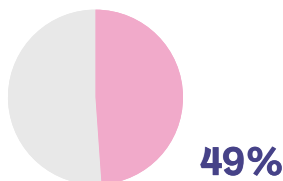
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Employed persons	338,400	767,300	2,565,600
Unemployed persons	24,000	54,500	184,100
Employment rate (15–64-year-olds), %	74.7	74.8	72.6
Unemployment rate (15–74-year-olds), %	6.6	6.6	6.7

# Welfare and health

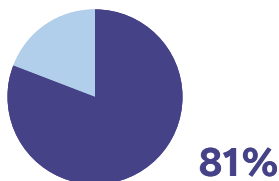
In Helsinki,



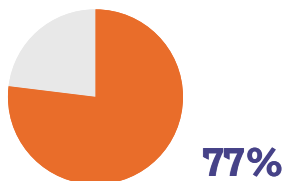
**Feel at least fairly healthy (2018)**



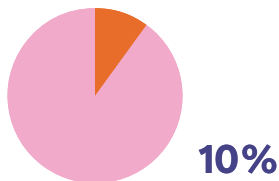
**Feel happy at least fairly often (2018)**



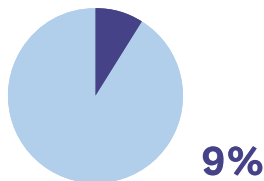
**Feel safe in their neighbourhood on weekend evenings (2018)**



**Take exercise in their free time (2018)**



**Smoke daily (2018)**



**Feel lonely (2018)**

## Life expectancy at birth (2019)

# 79.0

**Men (years)**

Helsinki (1978): **67.0**

Finland (2019): **78.2**



# 84.4

**Women (years)**

Helsinki (1978): **77.2**

Finland (2019): **84.5**

## Helsinki residents are healthier than Finnish people on average.

### Morbidity index (Finland=100)\*

	2016	2017	2018
Helsinki	88.8	88.6	87.8

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

### Median taxable income, euros

	2017	2018
Helsinki	27,602	25,158
Finland	24,433	28,620

### Prolonged poverty risk (% of dwelling population)

	2017	2018
Helsinki	5.9	5.9
Finland	7.4	7.5

# Culture and leisure

## Events

	Attendance (2019)
Helsinki Festival	242,787
Flow Festival	83,000
Weekend Festival	50,000
World Village Festival	45,000
Tuska Open Air Metal Festival	43,000

Helsinki Central Library  
Oodi registered almost  
3 102 000 visits in 2019.

## Cinema



**Number of screens**

**59**

Visits per resident

3.2

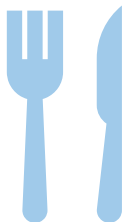




## Restaurants

# 1,735

**Restaurants in Helsinki with an alcohol serving licence**



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## Theatres (2019)

<b>Number of professional theatres</b>	<b>11</b>
Performances	3,731
Total attendance, persons	664,722

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## Classical music (2019)

<b>National Opera</b>	
Performances	297
Tickets sold, total	226,468

<b>Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra*</b>	
Concerts	76
Total attendance, persons	111,090

<b>Radio Symphony Orchestra</b>	
Concerts	65
Total attendance, persons	84,272

\*includes open full rehearsals and international performances

## Museums (2019)

	Visits
Helsinki City Museum	445,028
Amos Rex	315,235
Helsinki Art Museum	188,065
National Gallery	
• Ateneum Art Museum	361,182
• Kiasma Museum of Modern Art	378,509
National Museum	188,477
Design Museum	143,230

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## City Library (2019)

Libraries and other service points	46
Books (1,000)	1,591
Other material (1,000)	262
Loans (1,000)	9,406
Visits (1,000)	9,012
Visits per resident	13.9

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## City of Helsinki culture and leisure services (2019)

Grants (millions of euros)	
Art and culture	23.0
Sport teams and groups	14.0
District cultural centres	
Performances	2,228
Total event attendance	862,497

# Helsinki has 27 official beaches.



**819**

Indoor sports facilities



**219**

Jogging tracks and footpaths



**17\***

Swimming halls



**92**

Dog parks



**12**

Indoor skating rinks



**63**

Outdoor recreation and excursion areas



**27**

Beaches



**170**

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

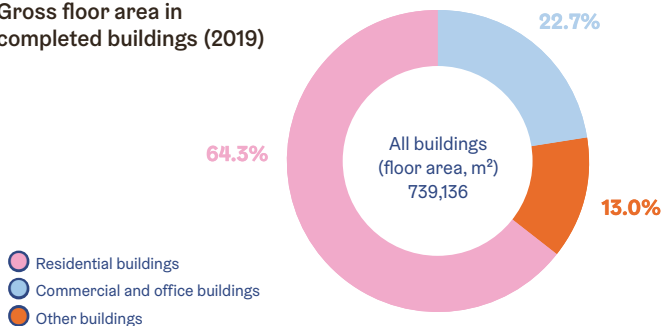
# Construction

# 6,156

Dwellings completed in  
Helsinki 2019

Average for 2013–2019: 4,417

## Gross floor area in completed buildings (2019)



## Construction starts (2019)

	Floor area, m <sup>2</sup>	%
<b>All buildings</b>	<b>714,145</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Residential	501,850	70.3
Other	212,295	29.7

# Economy

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

	Greater Helsinki	Finland
BKT (PPS, EU28=100) 2017	146	110

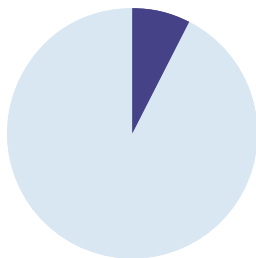
There are 434,400 jobs in Helsinki.

Jobs (2018)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
<b>All industries, total</b>	434,400	800,100	2,539,800
Primary production	0.1	0.3	3
Secondary production	10.2	14.9	20.8
Services, total	88.3	83.3	74.3
Market services	61.1	58.2	45.6
Public administration, welfare services	27.2	25.1	28.7
Other or unknown	1.4	1.5	1.7

7.5%

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



# Workplace self-sufficiency in Helsinki is 128%.

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## Enterprises (2017)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Turnover, bn euros	87.9	186.9	436.0
Personnel, total	274,819	519,985	1,494,445
Business establishments, total	50,358	99,935	394,872

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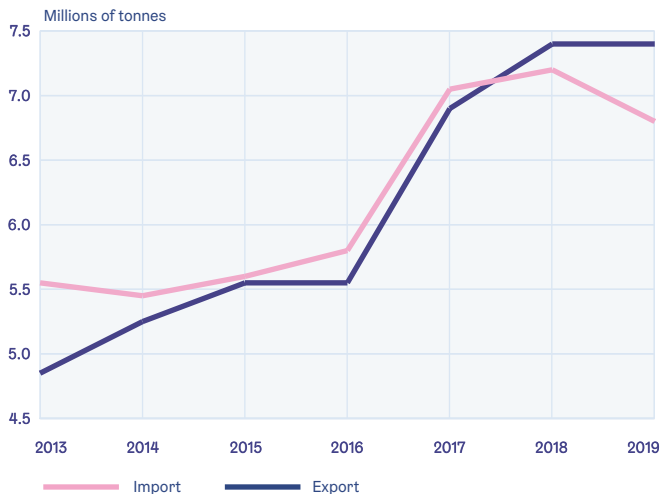
Helsinki has 25,642 entrepreneurs, compared to 54,509 in the Helsinki Region.

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## Largest enterprises in Helsinki (2018, by number of personnel)

Name of enterprise	Personnel
1. Nordea Bank Finland Abp	5,259
2. ABB Oy	3,065
3. HOK-Elanto Liiketoiminta Oy	2,987
4. Posti Oy	2,703
5. SLP Group Oy	2,277

## 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	2018	2019
Domestic, tonnes	1,560	1,637
International, tonnes	174,780	214,786





Helsinki had 68 hotels with a total of 20,871 bed places in 2019.

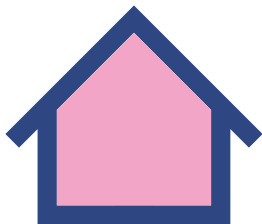


# Travel

Overnight stays in registered accommodation establishments

**4,489,741**

Total  
(+7.7% from 2018)



**2,411,696**

Foreign visitors



**2,078,045**

Finnish visitors

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Overnight stays, top 5 source markets



**#1**

Russia  
215,441



**#2**

Germany  
202,716



**#3**

USA  
181,660



**#4**

UK  
157,687



**#5**

Sweden  
145,645

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Congresses (2019)

International congresses

395

Number of congress visitors

84,114

## Passenger traffic (millions of passengers)

	2018	2019
Airport	21	22
Port	12	12
Railway station	71	70

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

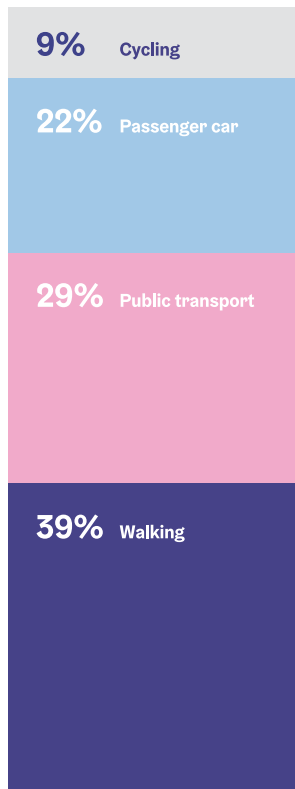


	Visitors
Linnanmäki Amusement Park	1,100,000
Suomenlinna	1,067,000
Temppeliaukio Church	938,000
Uspenski Cathedral	500,000
Helsinki Cathedral and Crypt	500,000
Korkeasaari Zoo	498,266

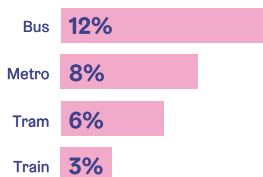


# Transport

Modal split  
(% of all journeys in Helsinki, 2019)



Helsinki has  
3,450 city bikes  
and 241 bike  
stations.



The total number of cruise passengers visiting Helsinki in 2019 was 605,000, or 16% more than in the previous season.

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### Public transport in Helsinki

	2018	2019
<b>Journeys, total, millions</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>299</b>
Bus	77.7	78.0
Tram	61.5	56.8
Metro	88.4	92.6
Ferry	2.2	2.2
Commuter train	66.5	69.8

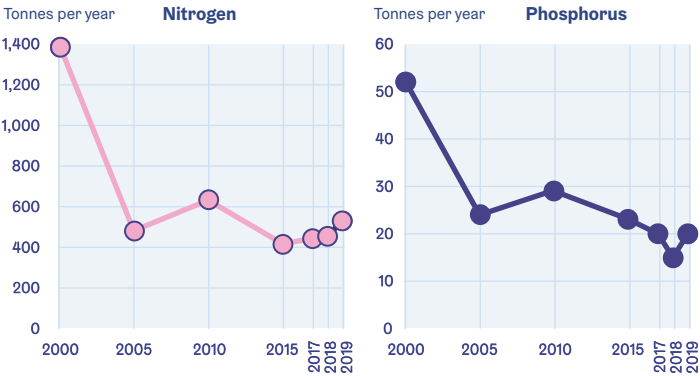
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### Passenger cars

	2019
<b>Vehicles in traffic use, total</b>	<b>214,590</b>
Petrol	151,533
Diesel	55,224
Hybrid	5,129
Electric	886
Other	1,818

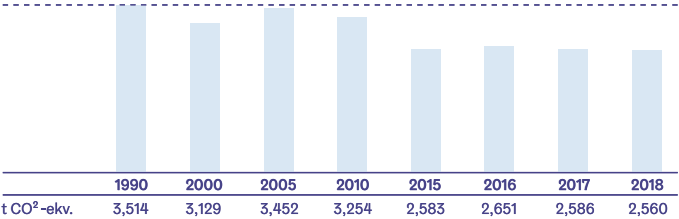
# Environment

## Emissions from wastewater treatment



## Greenhouse emissions

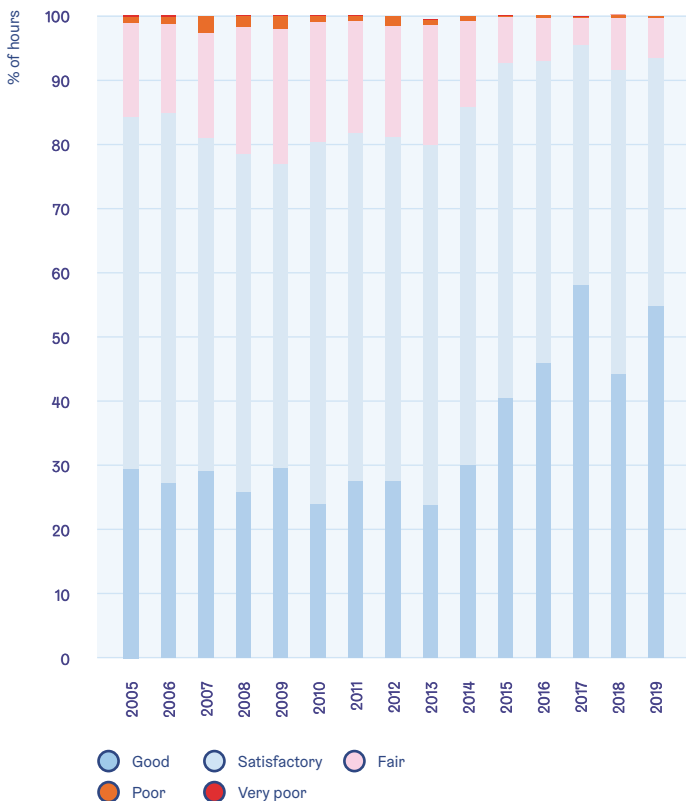
The emissions of greenhouse gases have been cut down by 27% since 1990 in Helsinki.





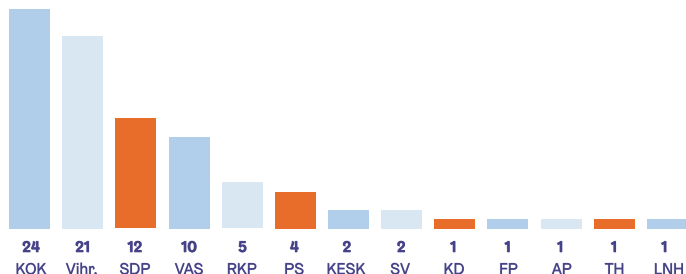
# Air quality was good or satisfactory 93% of the time in Helsinki in 2019.

## Air quality in city centre



# City administration and economy

City council (Dec 31, 2019)



(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 • (AP) Open Party • (TH) Terve Helsinki • (LNH) Liike Nyt Helsinki

## Councillors



## Mayors



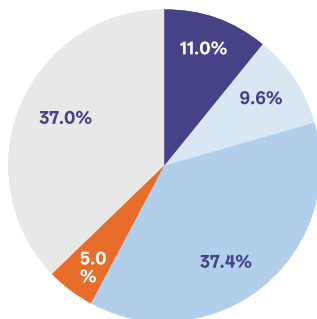




# The City of Helsinki employs 37,458 people.

## Personnel by division

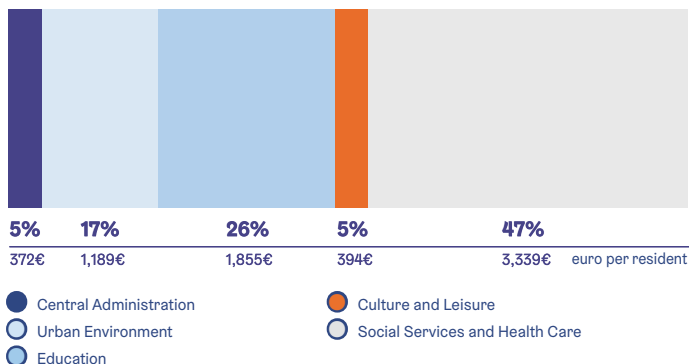
- Central Administration
- Urban Environment
- Education
- Culture and Leisure
- Social Services and Health Care



## Personnel, most common job titles

- |     |  |       |      |  |       |
|-----|--|-------|------|--|-------|
| # 1 | Practical nurse                                  | 3,105 | # 6  | Instructor                             | 1,181 |
| # 2 | Childcarer in early childhood education and care | 2,996 | # 7  | Part-time teacher                      | 1,056 |
| # 3 | Teacher in early childhood education and care    | 2,250 | # 8  | Public health nurse                    | 876   |
| # 4 | Nurse  | 1,825 | # 9  | Social services instructor             | 705   |
| # 5 | Class teacher                                    | 1,574 | # 10 | Comprehensive school full-time teacher | 690   |

## City of Helsinki expenses by division (2019)

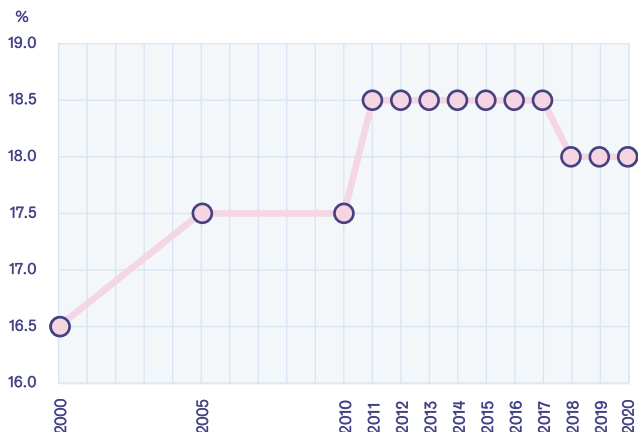


## Profit and loss account

	million euros
Operating profit	1,205
Production for own use	177
Operating expenses	-4,500
<b>Operating profit margin</b>	<b>-3,118</b>
Tax revenue	3,494
State subsidies	233
Financing income	150
Financing expenses	-17
<b>Annual contribution margin</b>	<b>741</b>
Depreciations and impairment	-364
<b>Result for the financial period</b>	<b>377</b>
Appropriations	2
<b>Surplus/deficit (-) for the financial period</b>	<b>379</b>

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

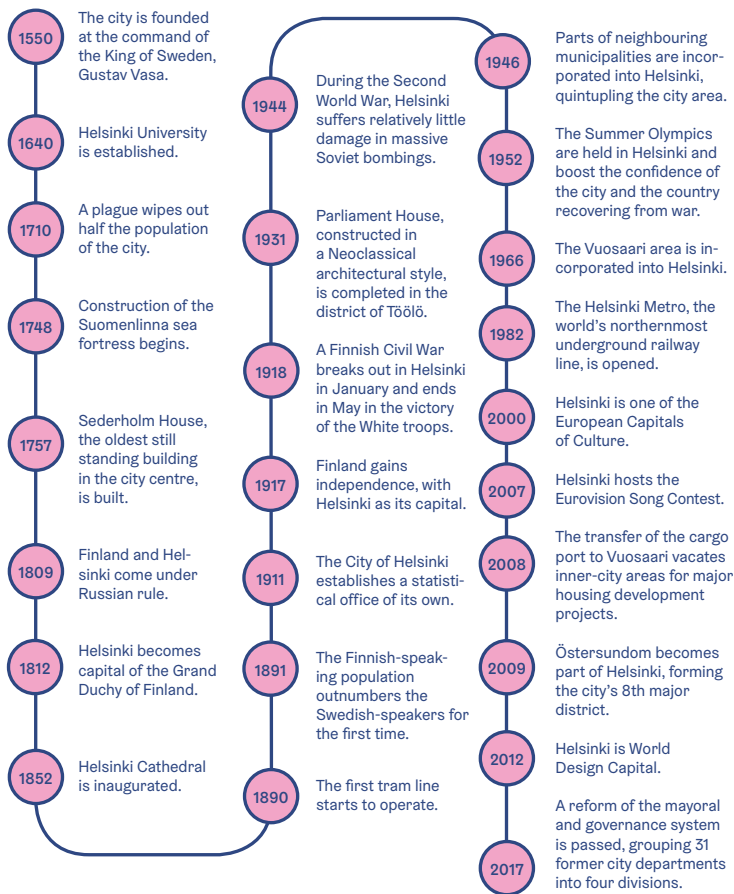
## Municipal tax rate



## Loan stock

	Dec 31, 2019	Dec 31, 2010
<b>City</b>		
Loans at interest, euro per resident	1,551	1,989
<b>City group</b>		
Loans, euro per resident	7,914	6,917

# History of Helsinki







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