

# Helsinki facts and figures 2022

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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 3,034 people per sq km of land area.

## Land ownership in Helsinki

	km <sup>2</sup>	%
City of Helsinki	138.3	64.6
Finnish State	17.2	8.0
Private landowner	18.4	8.6
Housing company	19.2	9.0
Other	20.9	9.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>100</b>



**Shoreline**  
**131 km**



**Islands**  
**327**



● Helsinki Region

● Metropolitan area

● Helsinki

Nearly 34 per cent of Helsinki's land area consists of green space managed by the city.

Conservation areas **66**

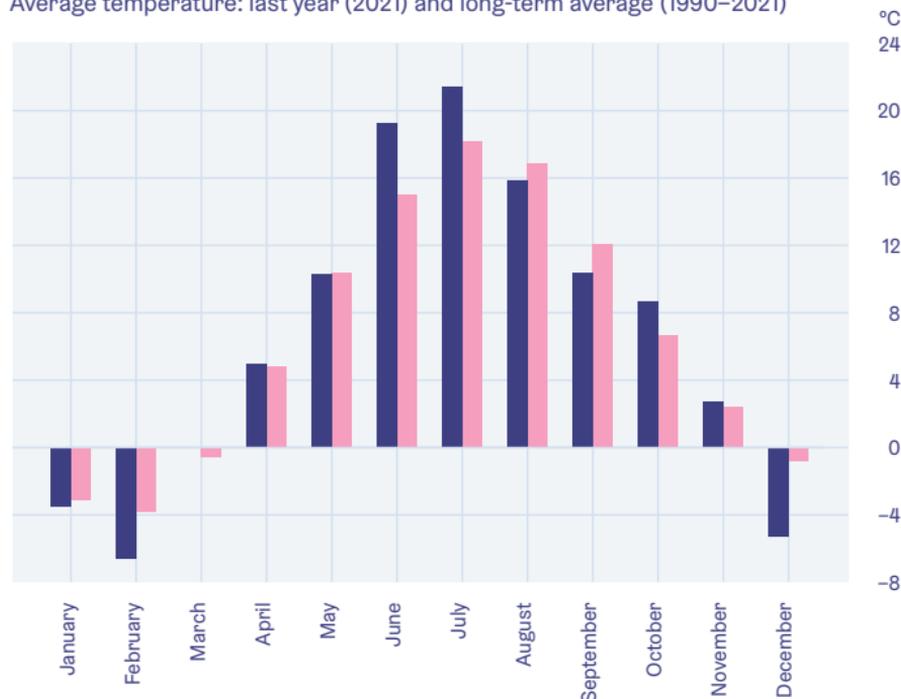
**1,247** hectares



## Temperature

The highest recorded temperature in 2021 was 30.2 °C (July 15) and lowest -21.2 °C (February 15).

Average temperature: last year (2021) and long-term average (1990–2021)

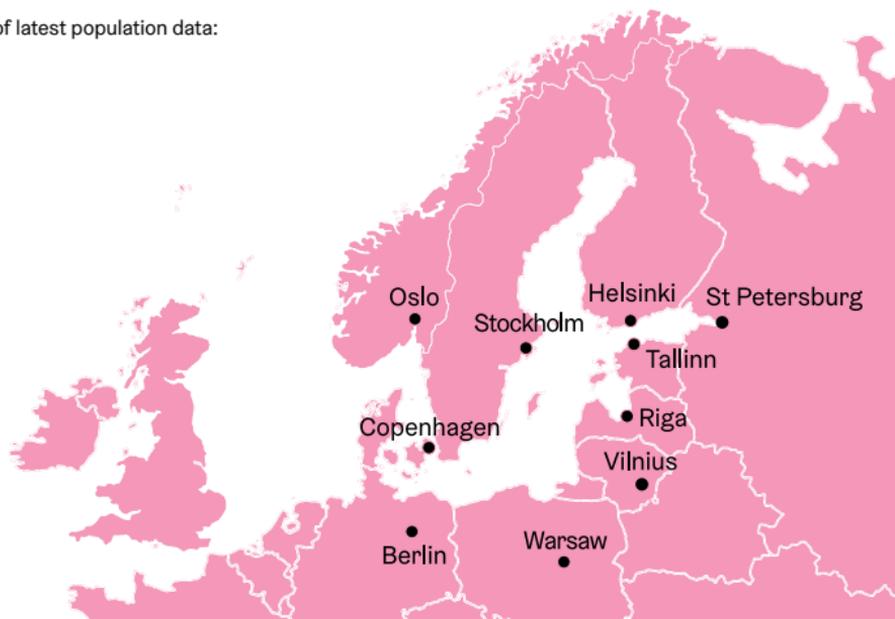


# Helsinki in Europe

## Comparison of cities in the Baltic Sea region

	Total population		Change (%)	Proportion of population	
	City	Region	in 5 years	15 years or younger	65 years or older
Helsinki <sup>1</sup>	658,457	1,536,139	3.7	14.3	17.6
Stockholm <sup>1</sup>	978,770	2,415,139	4.6	19.0	15.0
Oslo <sup>1</sup>	697,010	1,370,642	5.9	17.3	12.6
Copenhagen <sup>1</sup>	638,117	2,067,916	7.9	15.1	10.4
Tallinn <sup>1</sup>	438,341	608,856	2.8	15.7	18.9
Riga <sup>1</sup>	614,418	614,618	-4.2	15.4	21.4
Vilnius <sup>1</sup>	569,902	820,511	4.5	17.1	16.2
Warsaw <sup>1</sup>	1,795,000	5,450,000	2.6	15.4	19.4
Berlin <sup>1</sup>	3,570,570	3,570,570	1.2	13.9	19.2
St Petersburg <sup>1</sup>	5,384,300	5,384,300	3.0	14.0	16.0

Year of latest population data:  
<sup>1</sup>2021



# Population

# 658,457

Population  
of Helsinki  
Dec 31, 2021

## Population

	Population Dec 31, 2021	(%) of the population of Finland
Helsinki	658,457	11.9
Helsinki Region	1,536,139	27.7

## Population by gender



# 52.4%



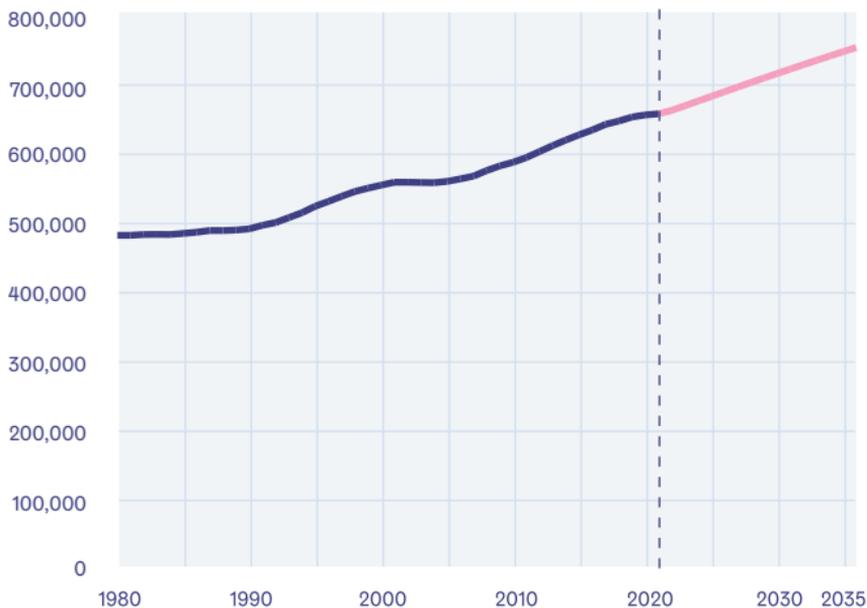
# 47.6%

## Population changes (2020)

	Helsinki	Helsinki Region
Births	6,650	24,994
Deaths	5,357	11,209
In-migrants	42,313	49,799
Out-migrants	40,429	40,095

The population of Helsinki increased by 0.2% in 2021.

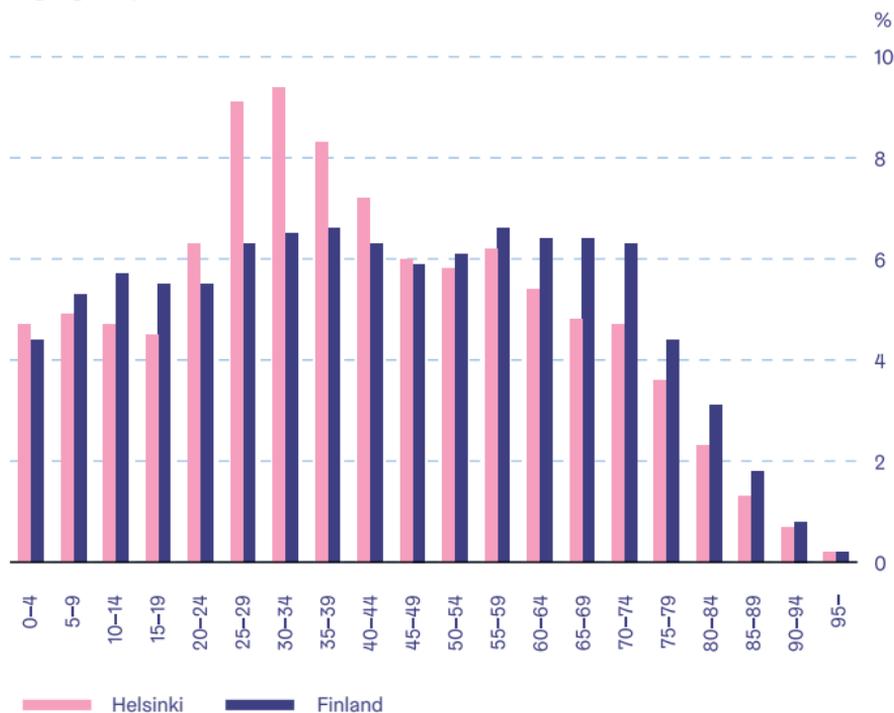
## Population of Helsinki 1980–2021 and projection to 2036



Population Projection

The largest age group in Helsinki are the 30–34-year-olds, who number 62,049.

### Age groups



The average age of the population is 41.1 years in Helsinki, and 43.6 in Finland.

## Population by mother tongue

	<b>Helsinki</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Finland</b>	<b>%</b>
Finnish	507,484	77.1	4,802,266	86.5
Swedish	36,856	5.6	287,933	5.2
Other	114,117	17.3	458,042	8.3

In Helsinki, 17 per cent of the population speak a mother tongue other than Finnish, Swedish or Sami.

## Most common foreign mother tongues in Helsinki

	<b>No. of speakers</b>	<b>%</b>
Russian	19,443	3.8
Somali	12,601	2.5
Estonian	10,156	2.0
Arabic	9,033	1.8
English	7,954	1.6
Chinese	4,135	0.8
Kurdish	3,729	0.7
Persian	3,543	0.7

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Sixty-eight thousand residents of Helsinki hold a foreign citizenship, compared to about 296,000 in all of Finland.

# Housing

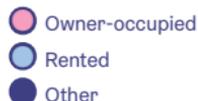
Households (Dec 31, 2020, proportion of all households in Helsinki)



The total number of households in Helsinki is 344,898, and the average size is 1.9 persons.

## Housing stock (2020)

	Helsinki
Dwellings, total	376,065
% in detached or terraced houses	12.8
% in blocks of flats	85.9
1-2 rooms, %	59.3
3-4 rooms, %	34.4
5 or more rooms, %	6.1



Housing density in Helsinki is 34.5 m<sup>2</sup> of floor area per person, compared to 41.5 m<sup>2</sup> in all of Finland.

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### Housing costs (2021)

	<b>Helsinki</b>	<b>Finland</b>
Average rent, €/m <sup>2</sup> /month	18.6	14.1
Average price per sq m of old dwellings, €/m <sup>2</sup>	4,775	2,179
Most expensive postcode area, €/m <sup>2</sup>	9,355	9,355
Least expensive postcode area, €/m <sup>2</sup>	2,395	330

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### Housing stock by construction year

<b>Year</b>	<b>No. of dwellings</b>	<b>% of all dwellings</b>
-1920	19,435	5.2
1921-1939	48,418	12.9
1940-1959	50,288	13.4
1960-1979	103,322	27.5
1980-1999	77,034	20.2
2000-2019	70,768	18.8
2020-	6,358	1.7

# Education

Ninety-four 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

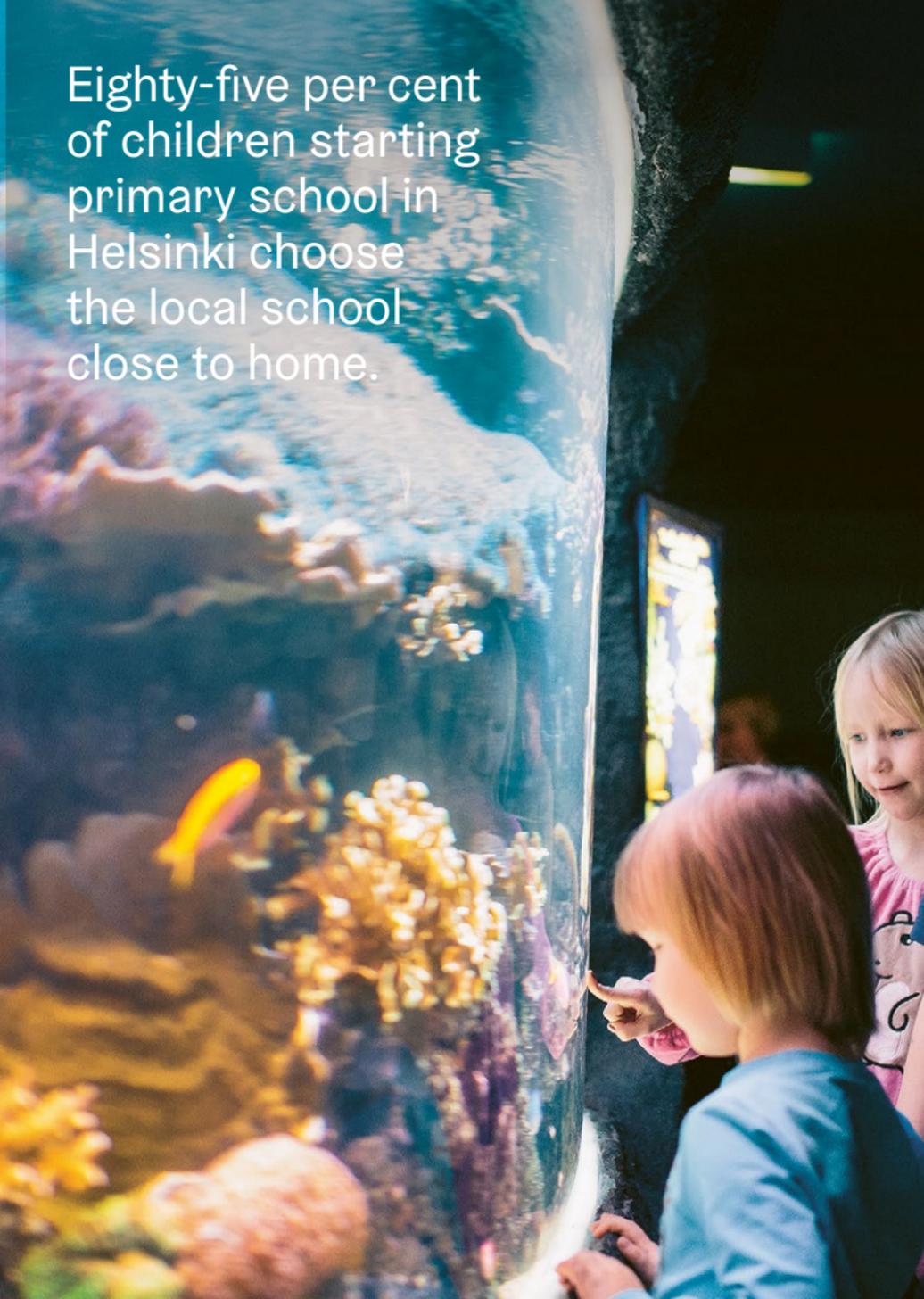
	No of students <sup>1</sup>		No of establishments <sup>2</sup>	
	Total	City-owned	Total	
Early childhood education	31,000	325	490	
Comprehensive school	56,000	100	127	
General upper secondary	17,000	15	39	
Vocational education	40,000	1	11	
Universities of applied sciences	23,000		3	
University education	38,000		5	

Year of data: <sup>1</sup> 2020, <sup>2</sup> 2021.

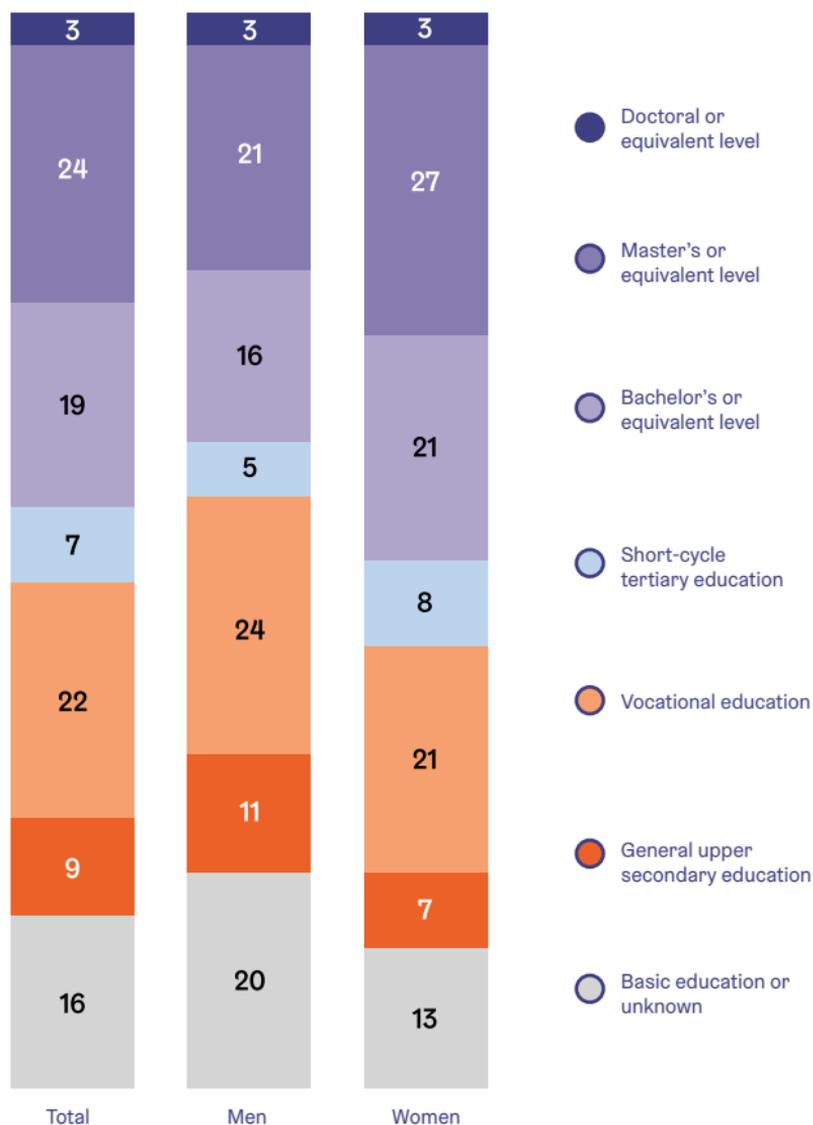
## Universities in the Helsinki metropolitan area

Name	No of students
University of Helsinki	31,570
Aalto University	18,285
Hanken School of Economics	2,555
University of the Arts	1,889
National Defence University	921

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



## Educational structure (Dec 31, 2019, %)



# Employment

# 74.1%

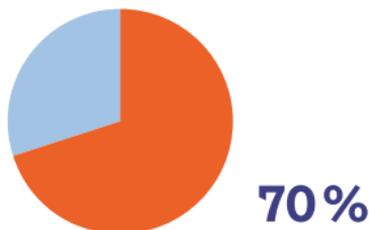
## Employment rate in Helsinki

### Employment (2021)

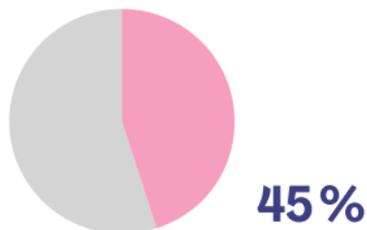
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Employed persons	342,900	783,100	2,554,600
Unemployed persons	33,300	65,300	211,900
Employment rate (15–64-year-olds), %	74.1	75.0	72.3
Unemployment rate (15–74-year-olds), %	8.9	7.7	7.7

# Welfare and health

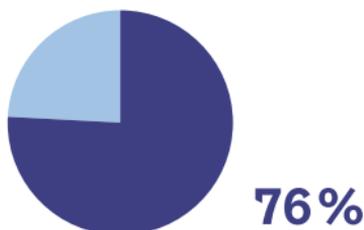
In Helsinki,



Feel at least fairly healthy (2021)



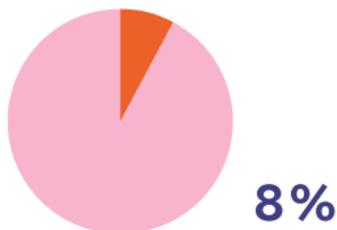
Feel happy at least fairly often (2021)



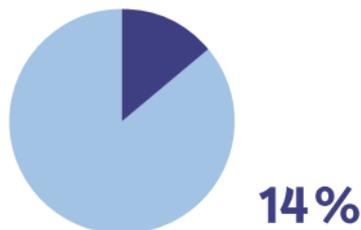
Feel safe in their neighbourhood on weekend evenings (2021)



Take exercise in their free time (2021)



Smoke daily (2021)



Feel lonely (2021)

## Life expectancy at birth (2021)

# 78.7

**Men (years)**

Helsinki (1978): **67.0**

Finland (2021): **79.2**



# 84.1

**Women (years)**

Helsinki (1978): **77.2**

Finland (2021): **84.5**

Helsinki residents are healthier than Finnish people on average.

## Morbidity index (Finland=100)\*

	2017	2018	2019
Helsinki	89	88	87

## Median taxable income, euros

	2019	2020
Helsinki	29,584	29,828
Finland	25,706	26,077

## Prolonged poverty risk (% of dwelling population)

	2019	2020
Helsinki	6.1	5.9
Finland	7.7	7.5

# Culture and leisure

## Events

	Attendance (2021)
Helsinki Biennial	145,000
Kaivopuisto Airshow	130,000
Musica nova Helsinki	31,000
Helsinki Festival	25,442
Helsinki Cup	20,000

Helsinki Central Library  
Oodi registered 829,791  
visits in 2021.

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## Cinema



**Number of screens (2020)** 59

Visits per resident 1.4



## Restaurants

# 1,820



Restaurants in Helsinki with an alcohol serving licence

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## Theatres (2020)

<b>Number of professional theatres</b>	<b>11</b>
Performances	1,392
Total attendance, persons	220,157

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## Classical music (2021)

<b>National Opera</b>	
Performances	97
Tickets sold, total	95,109

<b>Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra*</b>	
Concerts	43
Total attendance, persons	18,955

<b>Radio Symphony Orchestra</b>	
Concerts	28
Total attendance, persons	21,385

## Museums (2021)

	Visits
Helsinki City Museum	126,740
Amos Rex	101,429
Helsinki Art Museum	57,397
Ateneum Art Museum	184,373
National Museum	59,792
Design Museum	41,416

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## City Library (2021)

Libraries and other service points	45
Books (1,000)	1,566
Other material (1,000)	219
Loans (1,000)	7,849
Visits (1,000)	4,388
Visits per resident	6.7

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## City of Helsinki culture and leisure services (2021)

Grants (millions of euros)	
Art and culture	23.0
Sport teams and groups	17.0
District cultural centres	
Performances	805
Total event attendance	83,066

# Helsinki has 33 official beaches.



**815**

Indoor sports facilities



**543 km**

Jogging tracks and footpaths



**17\***

Swimming halls



**93**

Dog parks



**13**

Indoor skating rinks



**63**

Outdoor recreation and excursion areas



**33**

Beaches



**168**

Skating rinks and artificial ice rinks



**16**

Winter swimming places



**1,300 km**

Cycling routes



**12,000**

Moorings for leisure boats

\* including outdoor swimming pools and a sea pool

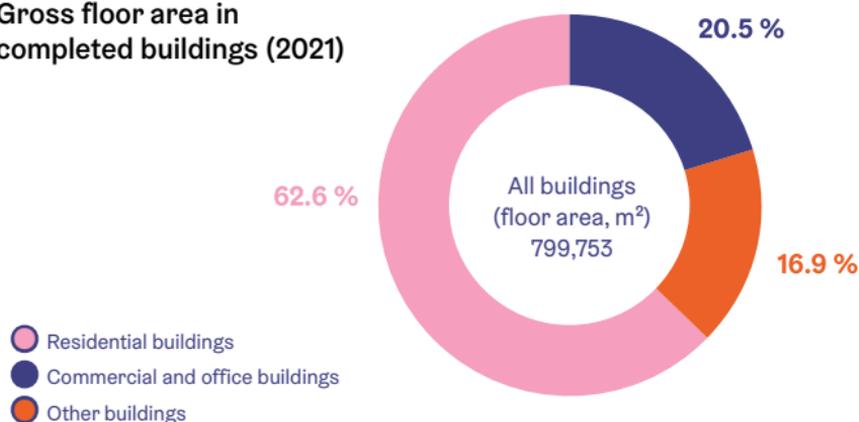
# Construction

# 6,815

Dwellings completed in  
Helsinki 2021

Average for 2013–2021: 4,959

Gross floor area in  
completed buildings (2021)



Construction starts (2021)

	Floor area, m <sup>2</sup>
<b>All buildings</b>	<b>879,746</b>
Residential	523,729
Other	356,017

# Economy

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

	Greater Helsinki	Finland
GDP (PPS, EU28=100) 2019	145	110

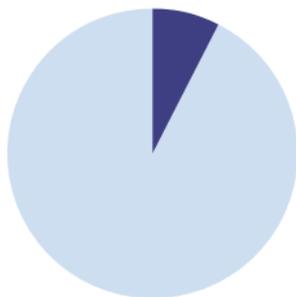
There are 453,600 jobs in Helsinki.

Jobs (2021)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
<b>All industries, total</b>	453,600	828,500	2,554,600
Primary production	0.1	0.5	4.2
Secondary production	10.4	15.3	21.1
Services, total	88.7	83.4	73.7
Market services	62.7	58.7	45.9
Public administration, welfare services	26.0	24.7	27.7
Other or unknown	0.7	0.8	1.0

7.7%

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



# Workplace self-sufficiency in Helsinki is 128.7%.

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## Enterprises (2020)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Turnover, bn euros	87.3	179.7	427.4
Personnel, total	278,741	525,360	1,500,251
Business establishments, total	53,787	106,740	403,295

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Helsinki has 26,214 entrepreneurs, compared to 61,187 in the Helsinki Region.

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## Largest enterprises in Helsinki (2019, by number of personnel)

Name of enterprise	Personnel
1. Nordea Bank Finland Abp	4,320
2. HOK-Elanto Liiketoiminta Oy	3,054
3. ABB Oy	3,030
4. SLP Group Oy	2,919
5. Posti Oy	2,294

## 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	2020	2021
Domestic, tonnes	1,611	2,035
International, tonnes	141,368	173,585



Helsinki had 67 hotels with a total of 23,897 bed places in 2021.



# Travel

Overnight stays in registered accommodation establishments

**1,953,858**

Total  
(+21% from 2020)



**1,449,578**

Foreign visitors



**504,280**

Finnish visitors

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Overnight stays, top 5 source markets



**#1**

Sweden  
41,027



**#2**

USA  
40,659



**#3**

Estonia  
40,169



**#4**

UK  
31,262



**#5**

France  
27,869

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Congresses (2021)

International congresses

143

Number of congress visitors

24 665

## Passenger traffic (millions of passengers)

	2020	2021
Airport	5	4
Port	5	4
Railway station	40	40

Passenger traffic to Helsinki was ground to a halt by the global COVID-19 pandemic.

## Popular tourist attractions

#1



Linnanmäki  
Amusement  
Park

#2



Suomenlinna

#3



Korkeasaari  
Zoo

#4



Tempeliaukio Church

#5



Uspenski  
Cathedral

#5



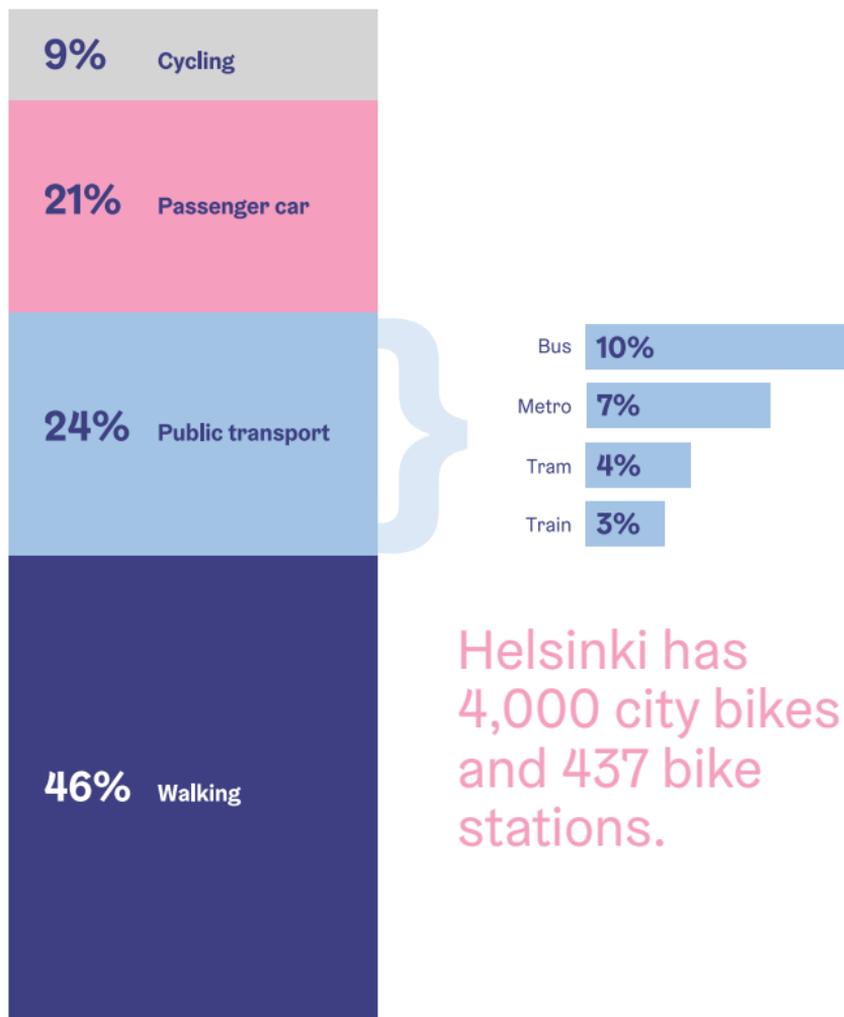
Helsinki  
Cathedral  
and Crypt

	Visitors
Linnanmäki Amusement Park	700,000
Suomenlinna	563,000
Korkeasaari Zoo	397,286
Tempeliaukio Church	55,383
Uspenski Cathedral	50,000
Helsinki Cathedral and Crypt	50,000



# Transport

Modal split  
(% of all journeys in Helsinki, 2021)



Helsinki has  
4,000 city bikes  
and 437 bike  
stations.

The total number of cruise passengers visiting Helsinki in 2021 was 11,000.

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## Public transport in Helsinki

	2020	2021
<b>Journeys, total, millions</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>174</b>
Bus	45	43
Tram	35	32
Metro	60	56
Ferry	1	1
Commuter train	47	42

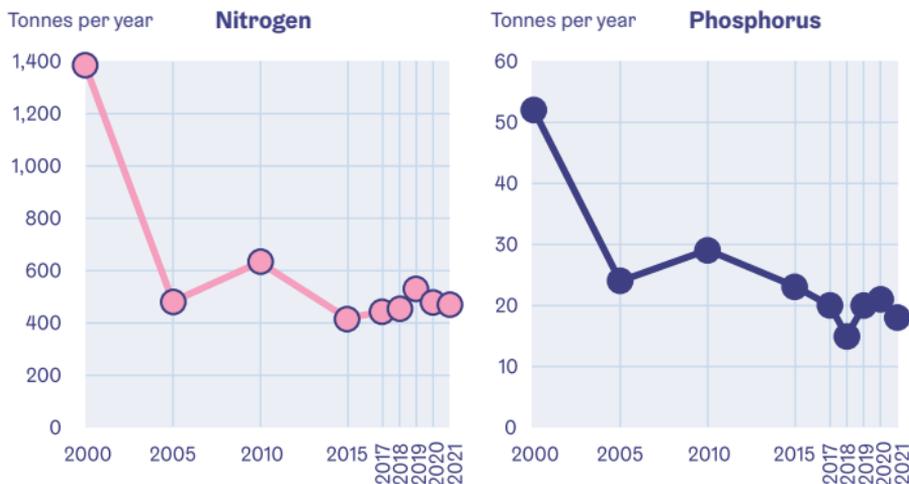
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## Passenger cars

	2021
<b>Vehicles in traffic use, total</b>	<b>221,253</b>
Petrol	149,813
Diesel	48,495
Hybrid	15,149
Electric	5,128
Other	2,668

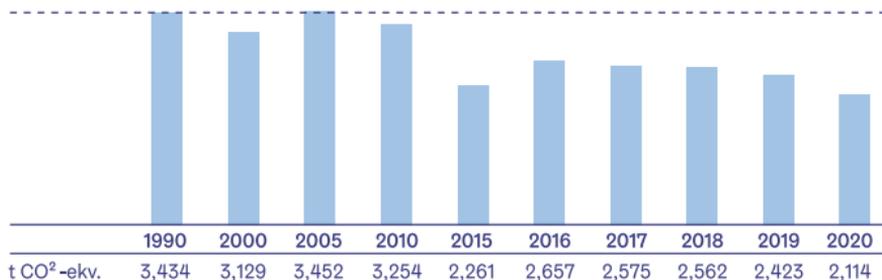
# Environment

## Emissions from wastewater treatment



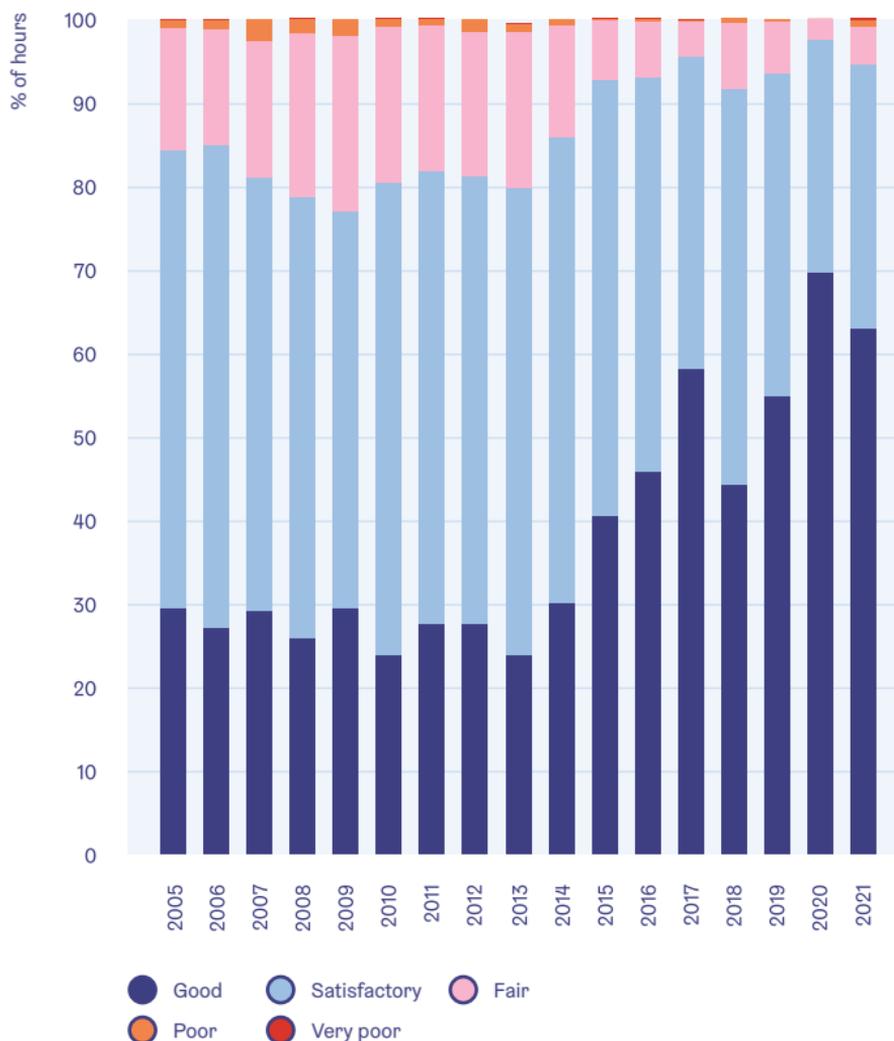
## Greenhouse emissions

The emissions of greenhouse gases have been cut down by 38% since 1990 in Helsinki.



# Air quality was good or satisfactory 94% of the time in Helsinki in 2019.

## Air quality in city centre



# City administration and economy

## City council (Dec 31, 2021)



(KOK) National Coalition Party · (Vihr.) Green League · (SDP) Social Democratic Party · (VAS) Left Alliance · (PS) Finns Party · (RKP) Swedish People's Party · (LNH) Liike Nyt Helsinki · (KESK) Centre Party · (KD) Christian Democrats

### Councillors



### Mayors

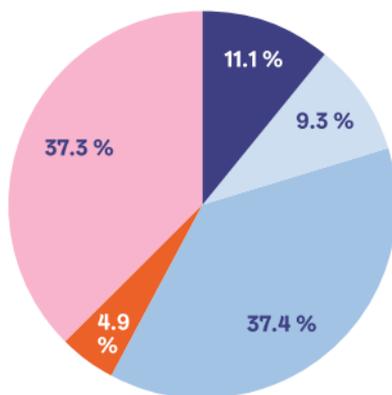






# The City of Helsinki employs 39,255 people.

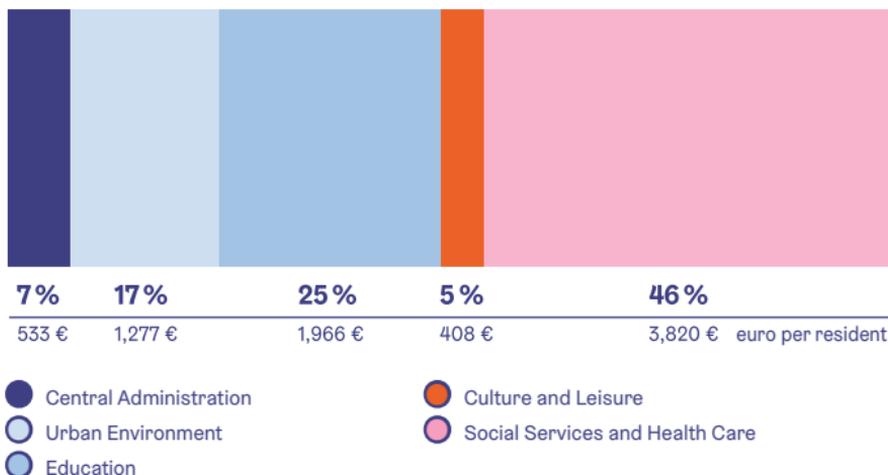
## Personnel by division



## Personnel, most common job titles

# 1	Practical nurse	# 6	Instructor
	3,270		1,123
# 2	Childcarer in early childhood education and care	# 7	Part-time teacher
	3,005		1,054
# 3	Teacher in early childhood education and care	# 8	Public health nurse
	2,512		891
# 4	Nurse	# 9	Social services instructor
	1,976		807
# 5	Class teacher	# 10	Comprehensive school full-time teacher
	1,667		724

## City of Helsinki expenses by division (2021)



## Profit and loss account

million euros

Operating profit	1,325
Production for own use	147
Operating expenses	-4,662
<b>Operating profit margin</b>	<b>-527</b>
Tax revenue	3,829
State subsidies	330
Financing income	170
Financing expenses	-16
<b>Annual contribution margin</b>	<b>757</b>
Depreciations and impairment	-408
<b>Result for the financial period</b>	<b>350</b>
Appropriations	7
<b>Surplus/deficit (-) for the financial period</b>	<b>357</b>

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

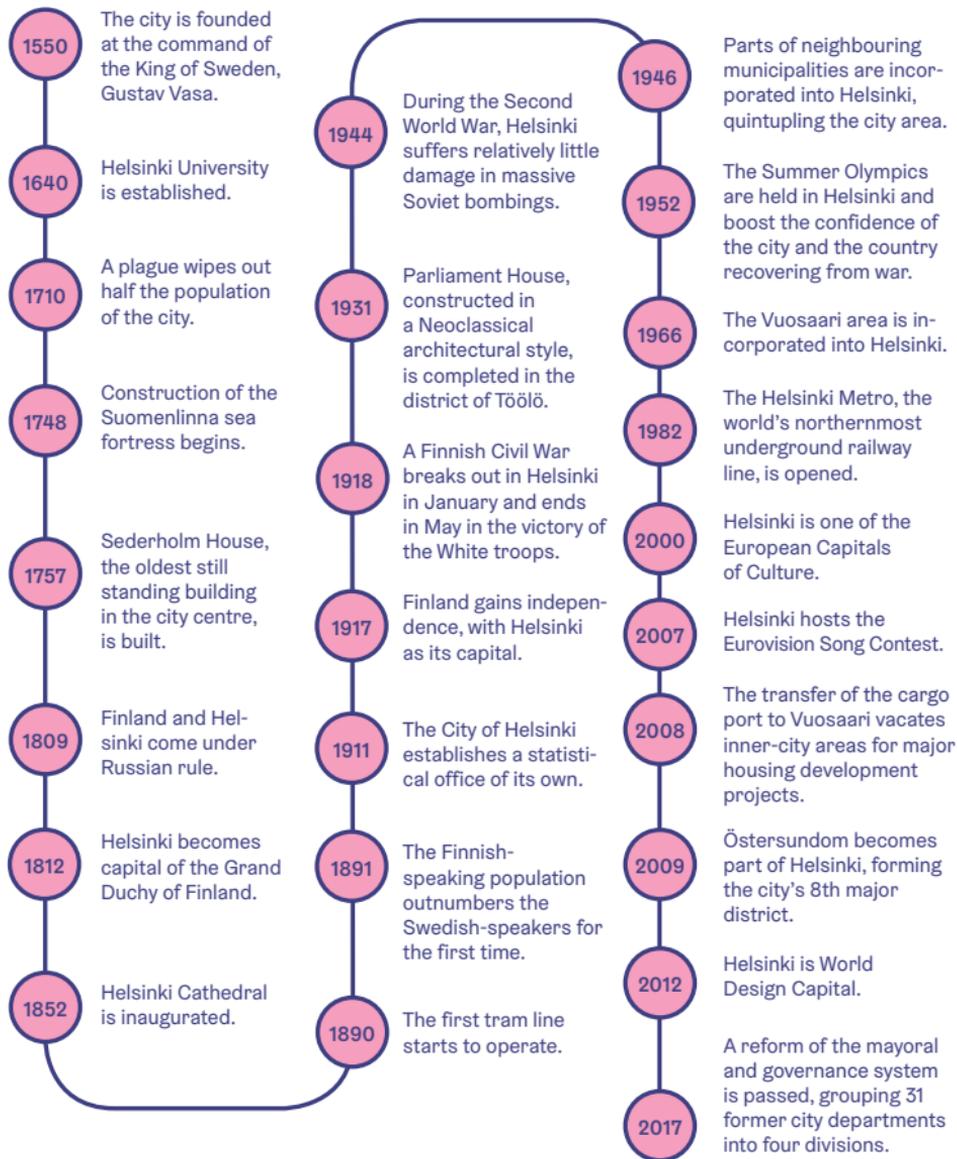
## Municipal tax rate



## Loan stock

	Dec 31, 2021	Dec 31, 2010
<b>City</b>		
Loans at interest, euro per resident	1,386	1,989
<b>City group</b>		
Loans, euro per resident	8,941	6,917

# History of Helsinki





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