

Helsinki facts and figures 2025

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Geography

Area

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

Population density in Helsinki is 3,152 people per sq km of land area.

Land ownership in Helsinki

	km ²	%
City of Helsinki	139.2	65.0
Finnish State	18.2	8.5
Private landowner	18.2	8.5
Housing company	19.4	9.1
Other	19.0	8.9
Total	214	100



Shoreline
131 km



Islands
327



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

Conservation areas **80**

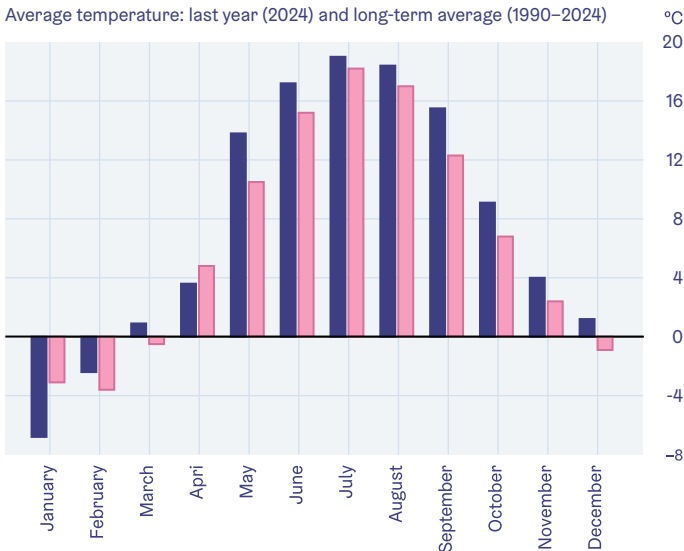
1,479 hectares



Temperature

The highest recorded temperature in 2024 was 26.6 °C (June 28) and lowest −21.2 °C (January 7).

Average temperature: last year (2024) and long-term average (1990–2024)



Helsinki in Europe

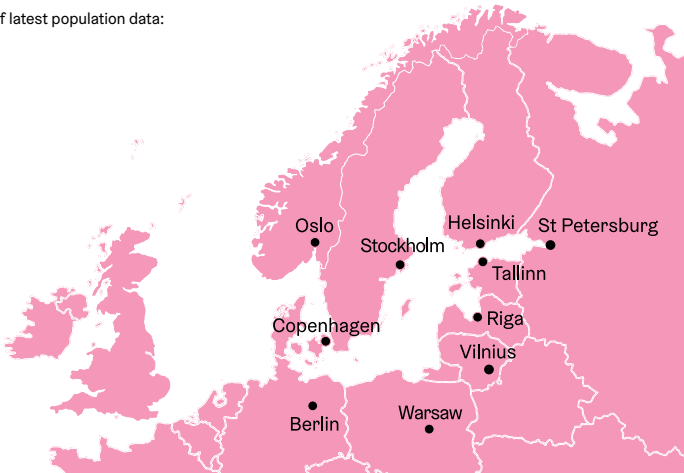
Comparison of cities in the Baltic Sea region

	Total population		Change (%) in 5 years		Proportion of population
	City	Region	City	15 years or younger	65 years or older
Helsinki ¹	684,018	1,605,262	4.1	14.9	17.6
Stockholm ¹	988,943	2,454,821	1.5	21.0	17.1
Oslo ¹	717,710	1,446,513	3.5	17.4	12.6
Copenhagen ¹	659,352	2,109,733 ¹	4.3	14.3	10.7
Tallinn ¹	457,572	646,315	4.6	15.3	18.7
Riga ¹	605,273	605,273	-2.5	15.2	21.8
Vilnius ¹	593,250	853,470	4.5	17.2	16.2
Warsaw ¹	1,862,400	5,508,300	1.9	15.3	19.4
Berlin ¹	3,780,000	3,780,000	1.9	13.9	19.2
St Petersburg ²	5,384,300	5,384,300	3.0	14.0	16.0

Year of latest population data:

¹2023

²2021



Population

684,018

Population
of Helsinki
Dec 31, 2024

Population

	Population Dec 31, 2024	(%) of the population of Finland
Helsinki	684,018	12.1
Helsinki Region	1,605,262	28.5

Population by gender



52.2%



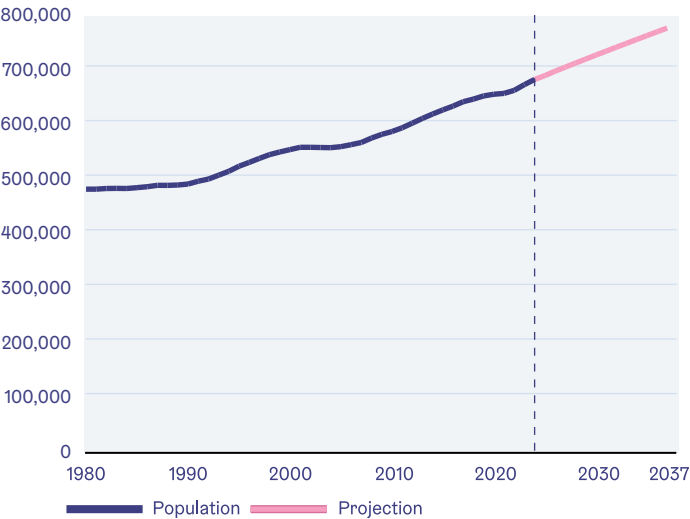
47.8%

Population changes (2023)

	Helsinki	Helsinki Region
Births	6,099	14,663
Deaths	5,740	12,208
In-migrants	48,253	64,323
Out-migrants	38,034	39,387

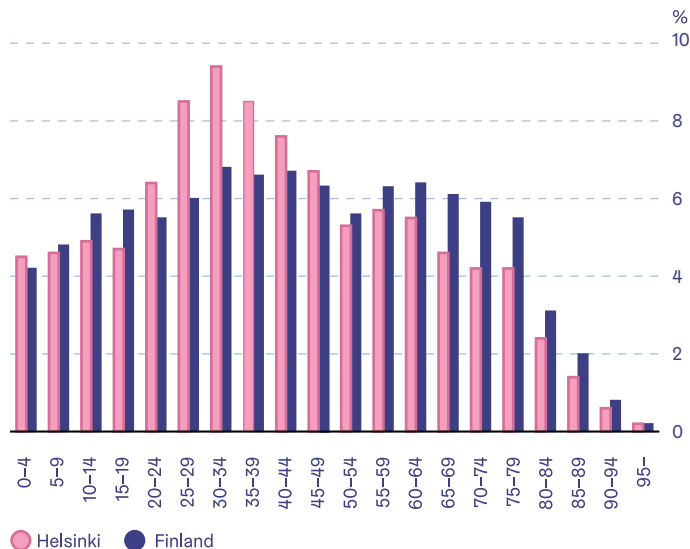
The population of Helsinki increased by 1.4% in 2024.

Population of Helsinki 1980–2024 and projection to 2037



The largest age group in Helsinki are the 30–34-year-olds, who number 64,325.

Age groups



The average age of the population is 41.2 years in Helsinki, and 44.0 in Finland.

Population by mother tongue

	Helsinki	%	Finland	%
Finnish and Sami	507,241	74.2	4,740,463	84.1
Swedish	36,945	5.4	285,360	5.1
Other	139,832	20.4	610,148	10.8

In Helsinki, 20 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	21,423	3.1
Somali	14,910	2.2
Arabic	10,998	1.6
English	10,522	1.5
Estonian	9,382	1.4
Chinese	5,004	0.7
Persian	4,615	0.7
Kurdish	4,265	0.6

84,400 residents of Helsinki hold a foreign citizenship, compared to about 411,100 in all of Finland.

Housing

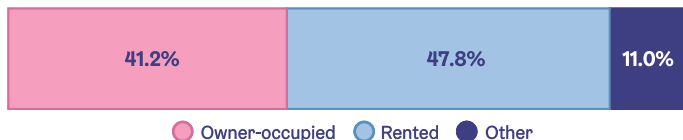
Households (Dec 31, 2024, proportion of all households in Helsinki)



The total number of households in Helsinki is 359,689, and the average size is 1.8 persons.

Housing stock (Dec 31, 2023)

	Helsinki
Dwellings, total	394,373
% in detached or terraced houses	12.4
% in blocks of flats	87.6
1–2 rooms, %	59.3
3–4 rooms, %	34.7
5 or more rooms, %	6.1



Housing density in Helsinki is 34.5 m² of floor area per person, compared to 41.7 m² in all of Finland.

Housing costs (2024)

	Helsinki	Finland
Average rent, €/m ² /month	19.5	15.5
Average price per sq m of old dwellings, €/m ²	5,278	2,688
Most expensive postcode area, €/m ²	9,275	9,275
Least expensive postcode area, €/m ²	1,909	506

Housing stock by construction year

Year	No. of dwellings	% of all dwellings
–1920	19,594	5.0
1921–1939	48,382	12.3
1940–1959	50,096	12.7
1960–1979	103,150	26.1
1980–1999	76,897	19.5
2000–2019	71,027	18.0
2020–	25,227	6.4

Education

Over 90 per cent of 3–6-year-old children in Helsinki take part in early childhood education.

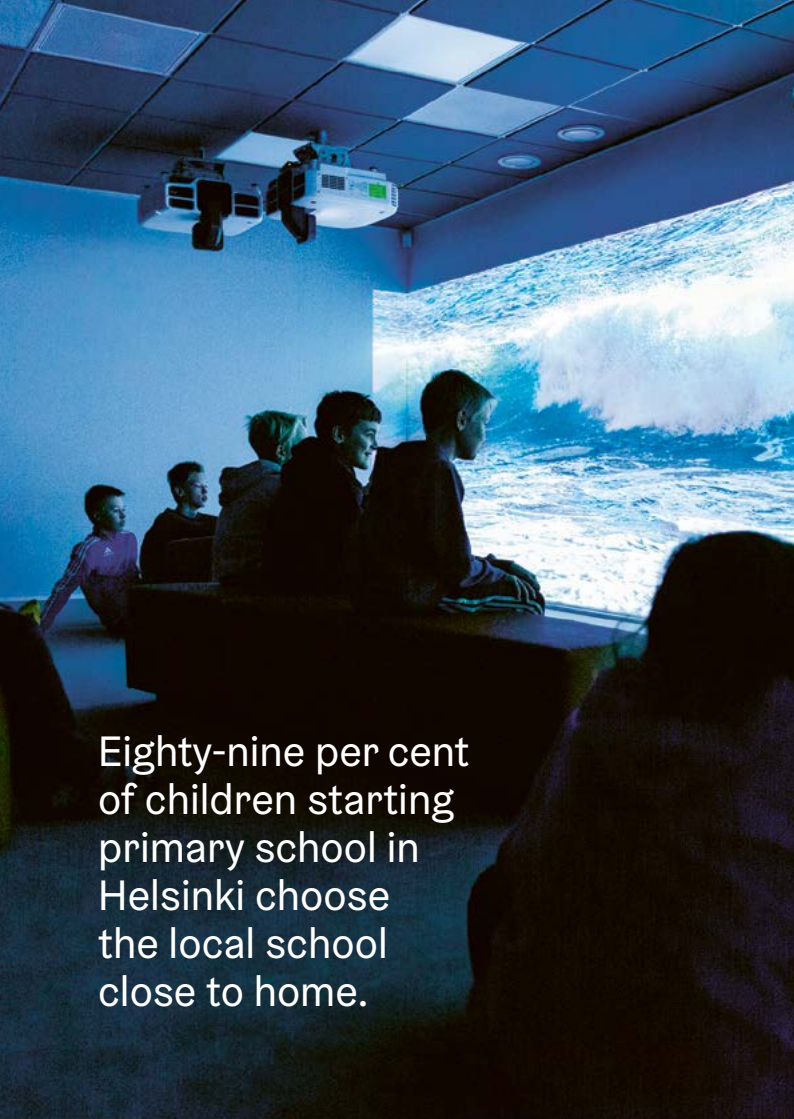
Number of students and schools at different educational levels

	No of students ¹		No of establishments ²	
	Total	City-owned	Total	
Early childhood education	27,500	325	463	
Comprehensive school	59,000	88	100	
General upper secondary	18,200	11	30	
Vocational education	42,700	1	8	
Universities of applied sciences	46,400		5	
University education	37,000		5	

Year of data: ¹ 2022, ² 2022.

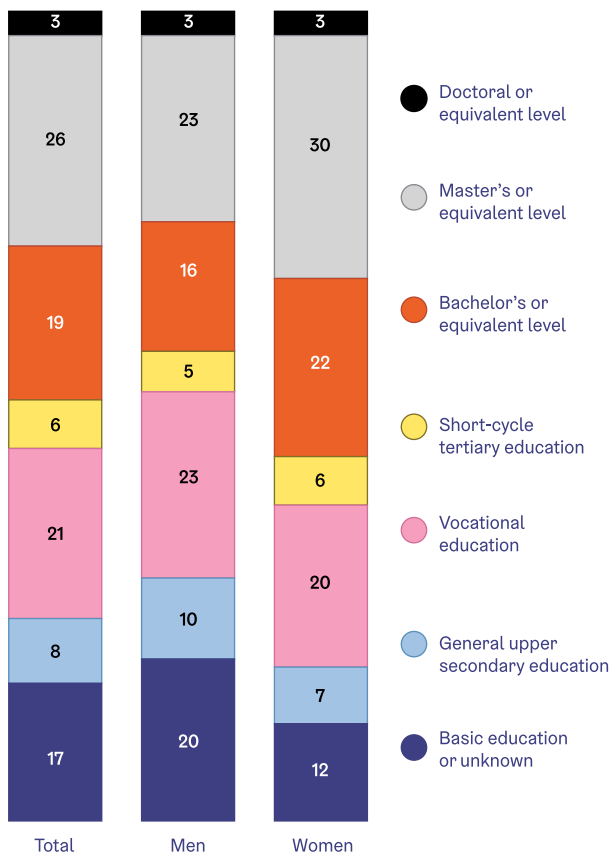
Universities in the Helsinki metropolitan area

Name	No of students
University of Helsinki	31,465
Aalto University	20,579
Hanken School of Economics	2,648
University of the Arts	1,931
National Defence University	1,190



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

Educational structure (Dec 31, 2023, %)



Employment

73.3%

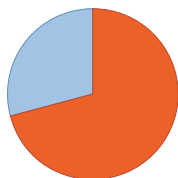
Employment rate in Helsinki

Employment (2023)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Employed persons	324,589	753,805	2,417,365
Unemployed persons	40,370	86,848	294,368
Employment rate (20–64-year-olds), %	73.3	75.1	73.9
Unemployment rate, %	11.1	10.3	10.9

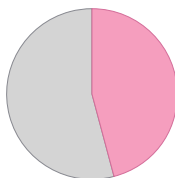
Welfare and health

In Helsinki,



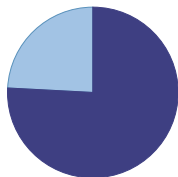
71%

Feel at least fairly healthy (2023)



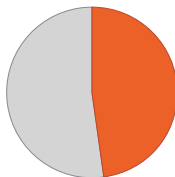
46%

Feel happy at least fairly often (2023)



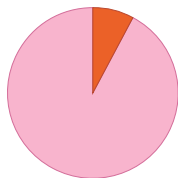
76%

Feel safe in their neighbourhood on weekend evenings (2021)



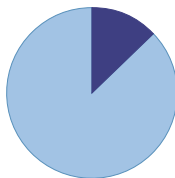
48%

Meet the recommendations for physical activity (2023)



8%

Smoke daily (2023)



13%

Feel lonely (2023)

Life expectancy at birth (2024)

79.9

Men (years)

Helsinki (1978): **67.0**
Finland (2024): **79.6**



84.5

Women (years)

Helsinki (1978): **77.2**
Finland (2024): **84.8**

Median taxable income, euros

	2022	2023
Helsinki	31,779	33,305
Finland	27,579	29,074

Prolonged poverty risk (% of dwelling population)

	2022	2023
Helsinki	6.4	6.6
Finland	7.8	7.8

Culture and leisure

Events

	Attendance (2024)
Helsinki Festival	228,292
Lux Helsinki	300,000
Flow Festival	92,000
Tuska Open Air Metal Festival	60,000
World Village Festival	44,000

Helsinki Central Library Oodi registered almost two and a half million visits in 2024.

Cinema



Number of screens (2023)

66

Visits per resident

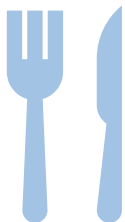
1.7



Restaurants

1,975

Restaurants in Helsinki with an alcohol serving licence



Theatres (2023)

Number of professional theatres	13
Performances	2,623
Total attendance, persons	566,239

Classical music (2023)

National Opera	
Performances	229
Tickets sold, total	189,989

Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra*	
Concerts	115
Total attendance, persons	93,480

Radio Symphony Orchestra	
Concerts	69
Total attendance, persons	84,775

*includes open full rehearsals and international performances

Museums (2024)

	Visits
Helsinki City Museum	330,312
Amos Rex	228,303
Helsinki Art Museum	141,927
Ateneum Art Museum	581,667
Design Museum	114,710

City Library (2024)

Libraries and other service points	47
Books (1,000)	1,581
Other material (1,000)	177
Loans (1,000)	9,557
Visits (1,000)	8,230
Visits per resident	13,7

City of Helsinki culture and leisure services (2024)

Grants (millions of euros)	
Art and culture	25.0
Sport teams and groups	10.1

Helsinki has 36 official beaches.



843

Indoor sports facilities



606 km

Jogging tracks and footpaths



16*

Swimming halls



92

Dog parks



13

Indoor skating rinks



72

Outdoor recreation and excursion areas



36

Beaches



160

Skating rinks and artificial ice rinks



20

Winter swimming places



2,196 km

Cycling routes



12,000

Moorings for leisure boats

* including outdoor swimming pools and a sea pool

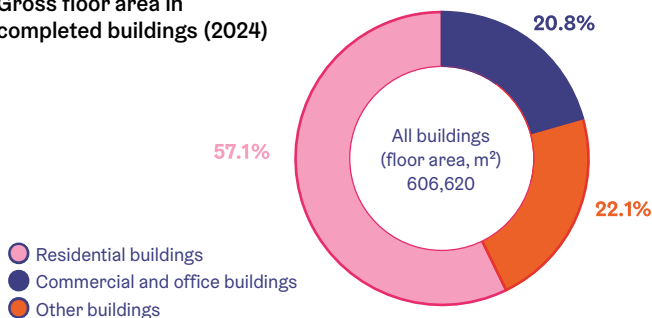
Construction

4,068

Dwellings completed in
Helsinki 2024

Average for 2018–2024: 6,317

Gross floor area in completed buildings (2024)



Construction starts (2024)

	Floor area, m ²
All buildings	473,108
Residential	239,107
Other	234,001

Economy

Gross domestic product per capita, index (EU27=100)

	Greater Helsinki	Finland
GDP (PPS, EU27=100) 2022	135	107

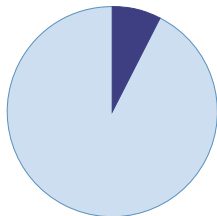
There are 430,886 jobs in Helsinki.

Jobs (2023)

	Helsinki	Region	Finland
All industries, total	430,886	803,995	2,417,365
Primary production	0.1	0.3	2.7
Secondary production	9.6	14.8	20.0
Services, total	88.8	83.4	75.8
Market services	61.2	57.5	45.5
Public administration, welfare services	27.6	25.9	30.3
Other or unknown	1.5	1.6	1.5

7.7%

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



Workplace self-sufficiency in Helsinki is 132.7%.

Enterprises (2023)

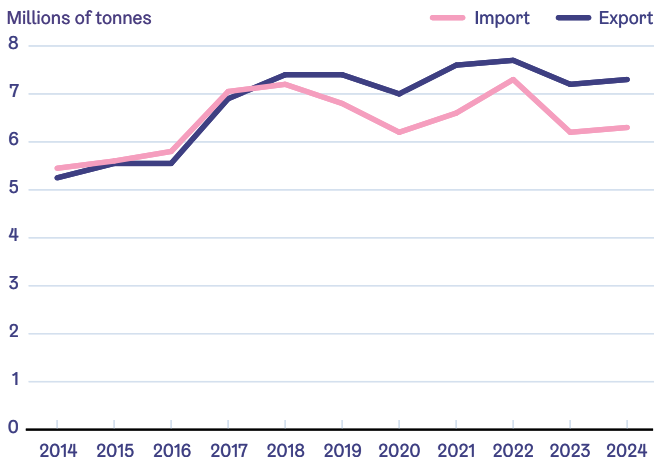
	Helsinki	Region	Finland
Turnover, bn euros	109.3	217.2	528.2
Personnel, total	288,879	544,783	1 513,137
Business establishments, total	81,451	162,579	615,780

Helsinki has 29,419 entrepreneurs, compared to 68,795 in the Helsinki Region.

Largest enterprises in Helsinki (2022, by number of personnel)

Name of enterprise	Personnel
1. Nordea Bank Finland Abp	3,688
2. ABB Oy	2,993
3. HOK-Elanto Liiketoiminta Oy	2,652
4. Ukko yrittäjyyspalvelut Oy	2,485
5. Free-laskutus Oy	2,156

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	2023	2024
Domestic, tonnes	2,013	1,315
International, tonnes	172,108	181,033



Helsinki had 79 hotels with a total of 27,522 bed places in 2024.

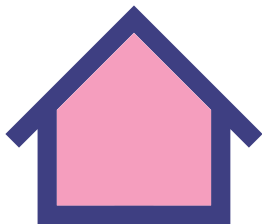


Travel

Overnight stays in registered accommodation establishments

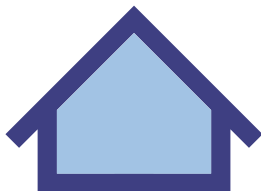
4,331,247

Total
(+9.6% from 2023)



2,237,455

Foreign visitors



2,093,792

Finnish visitors

Overnight stays, top 5 source markets



#1

USA
254,459



#2

Germany
198,081



#3

UK
145,789



#4

Sweden
136,126



#5

Japan
85,852

Congresses (2024)

International congresses

187

Number of congress visitors

63,438

Passenger traffic (millions of passengers)

	2022	2024
Airport	13	16
Port	8	9
Railway station	50	50

Popular tourist attractions

#1

Linnanmäki
Amusement
Park



#2

Suomenlinna



#3

Korkeasaari
Zoo



#4

Temppeli-
aukio Church



#5

Uspenski
Cathedral



#5

Helsinki
Cathedral
and Crypt

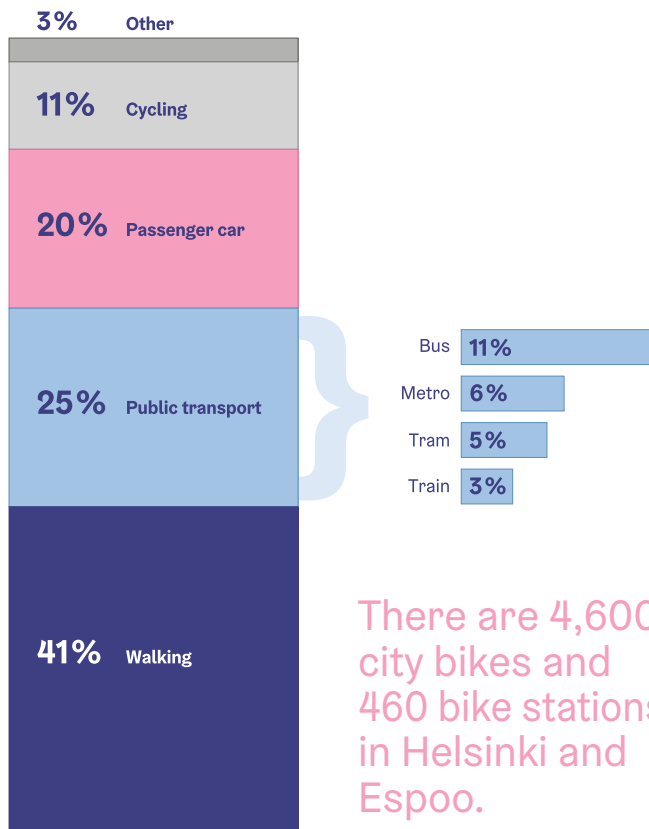


	Visitors
Linnanmäki Amusement Park	1,000,000
Suomenlinna	991,000
Korkeasaari Zoo	545,912
Temppeliaukio Church	437,078
Uspenski Cathedral	350,000
Helsinki Cathedral and Crypt	350,000



Transport

Modal split (% of all journeys in Helsinki, 2024)



There are 4,600 city bikes and 460 bike stations in Helsinki and Espoo.

The total number of cruise passengers visiting Helsinki in 2024 was 139,000.

Public transport in Helsinki

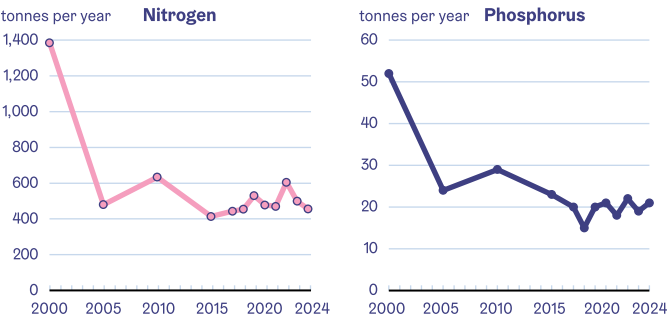
	2023	2024
Journeys, total, millions	248	248
Bus	63	63
Tram	44	44
Metro	79	79
Ferry	2	2
Commuter train	60	61

Passenger cars

	2024
Vehicles in traffic use, total	213,056
Petrol	127,173
Diesel	36,167
Hybrid	24,677
Electric	21,890
Other	3,149

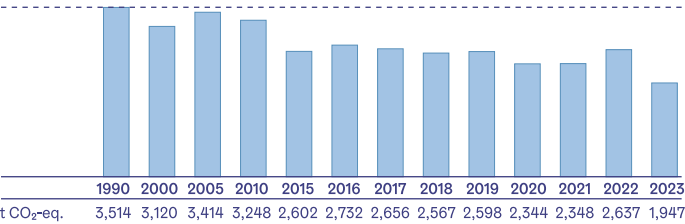
Environment

Emissions from wastewater treatment



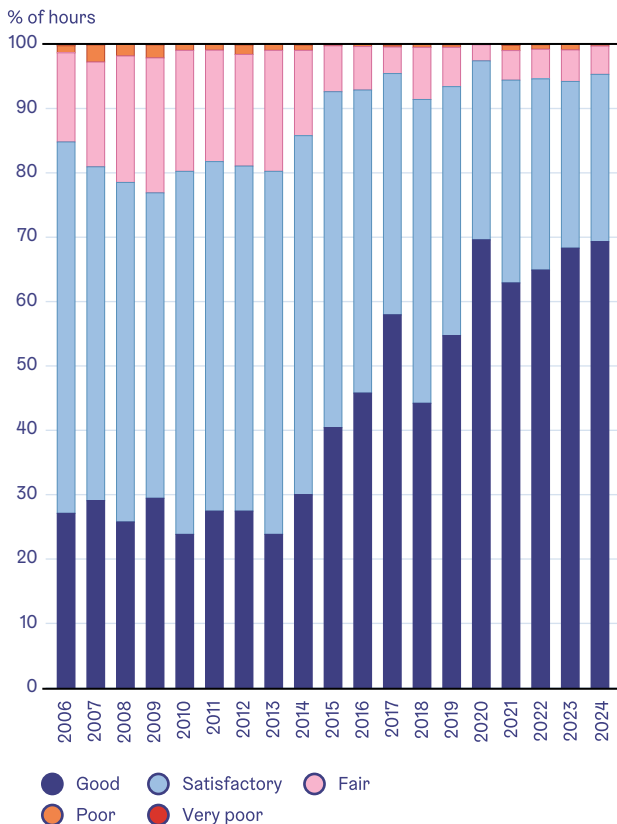
Greenhouse emissions

The emissions of greenhouse gases have been cut down by 45% since 1990 in Helsinki.



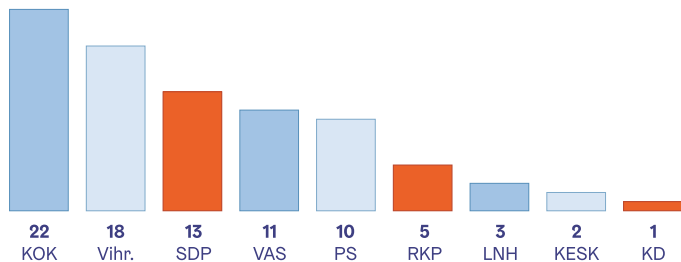
Air quality was good or satisfactory 95% of the time in Helsinki in 2024.

Air quality in city centre



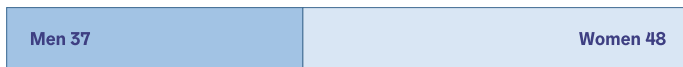
City administration and economy

City council (January 1, 2025)

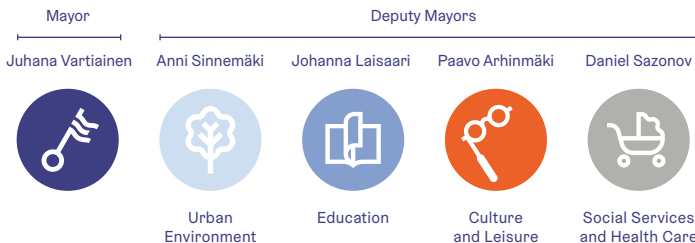


(KOK) National Coalition Party • (Vihr.) Green League • (SDP) Social Democratic Party • (VAS) Left Alliance • (PS) Finns Party • (RKP) Swedish People's Party • (LNH) Liike Nyt Helsinki • (KESK) Centre Party • (KD) Christian Democrats

Councillors



Mayors

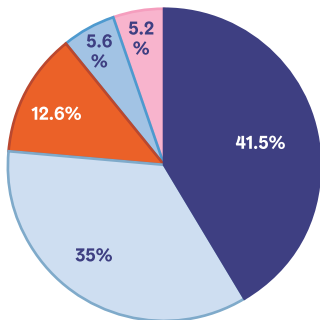






The City of Helsinki employs 38,595 people.

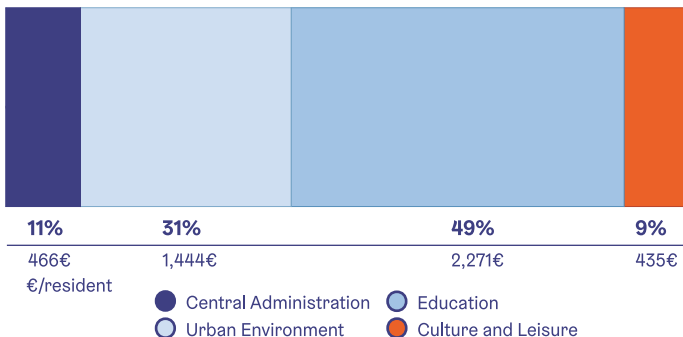
Personnel by division



Personnel, most common job titles

# 1	Practical nurse 3,213	# 6	Comprehensive school full-time teacher 1,715
# 2	Childcarer in early childhood education and care 3,066	# 7	Comprehensive school lecturer 1,200
# 3	Teacher in early childhood education and care 2,716	# 8	Instructor 981
# 4	Nurse 1,911	# 9	Social services instructor 976
# 5	Part-time teacher 1,771	# 10	Public health nurse 841

City of Helsinki expenses by division (2024)



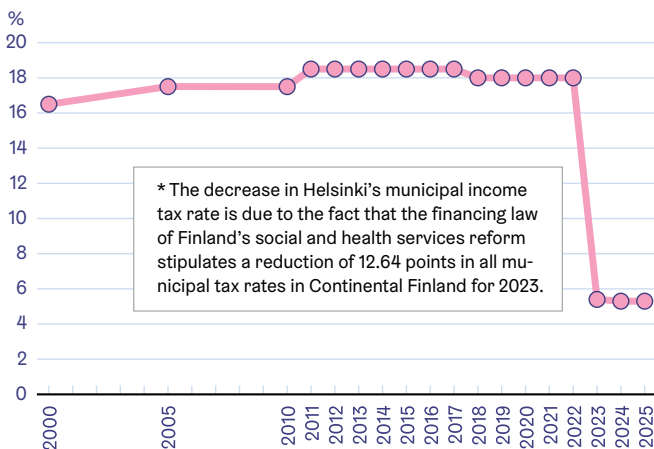
Profit and loss account

million euros

Operating profit	1,263
Production for own use	116
Operating expenses	-5,639
Operating profit margin	-4,260
Tax revenue and state subsidies	4,871
Financing income and expenses	143
Annual contribution margin	754
Depreciations and impairment	-389
Result for the financial period	365
Appropriations	-2
Surplus/deficit (-) for the financial period	363

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

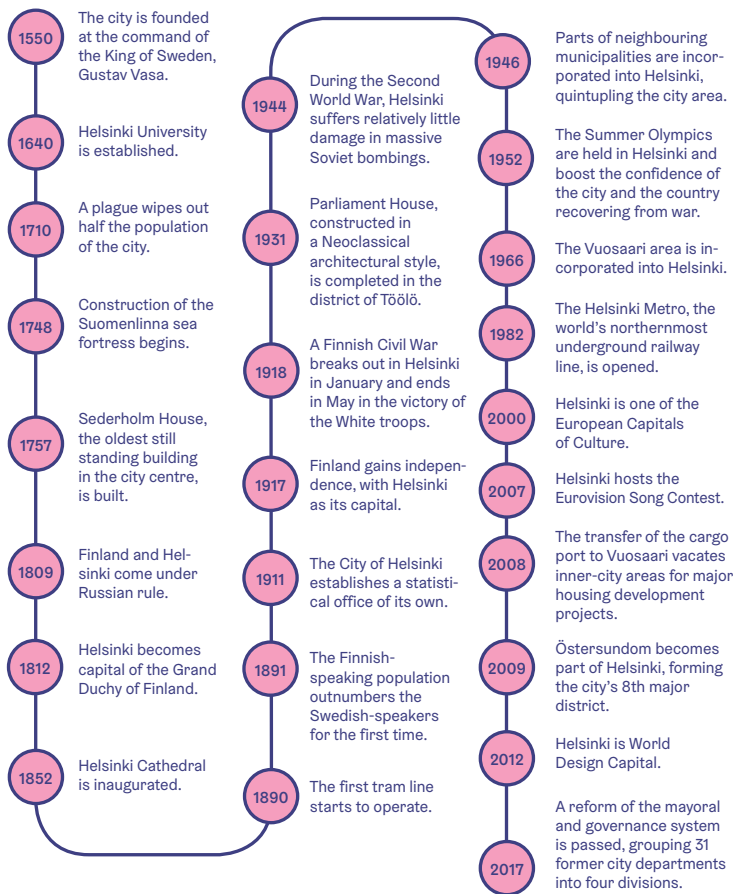
Municipal tax rate*



Loan stock

	Dec 31, 2024	Dec 31, 2010
City		
Loans at interest, euro per resident	1,245	1,989
City group		
Loans, euro per resident	12,036	6,917

History of Helsinki





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