Metropolitan Area welfare survey

1. Controller

City of Helsinki: Chief Strategy Officer (City Executive Office/Strategies)
City of Vantaa: The city executive board
City of Espoo: The Controller duties have been delegated to the Head of Research, Administration and Development/Strategy, Mayor’s Office.
City of Kauniainen: Director of Social and Health Services, Social and health services

2. Person in charge of the register

Job title

City of Helsinki: Director, Urban research and statistics (City Executive Office/Strategies/Urban Research and Statistics)
City of Vantaa: Strategy and Research Manager (City Strategy and Management, Finance and Strategy/Strategy and Reasearch)
City of Espoo: Head of Research (Mayor’s Office, Administration and Development/Strategy)
City of Kauniainen: Chief physician, Social and health services

3. Contact person for the register

Job title

City of Helsinki: Statistics and Information Services Manager, Urban research and statistics (City Executive Office/Strategies/Urban Research and Statistics)
City of Vantaa: Planner (Finance and strategy, Strategy and research/ Research and information service team)
City of Espoo: Information Services Manager (Mayor’s Office, Administration and Development/Strategy)
City of Kauniainen: Chief physician, Social and health services
4. Purpose of personal data processing and legal basis for the processing

Purposes of the processing

The municipalities of the Metropolitan area (Helsinki, Espoo, Vantaa and Kauniainen) carry out a joint survey by mail and on the web to collect information about the living conditions, quality of life, engagement, functional ability and ways of life of the population. A common register for the municipalities of the Metropolitan area is formed for the duration of the survey’s compilation of data, formulation of the research material and its quality assurance. The joint controllership stops when the research material has been formulated and its quality has been assured.

The municipalities that carry out the survey keep processing personal data after the phase described above. In terms of this processing, they act as an independent controller and define their own purposes of personal data processing and legal basis for the processing.

Legal basis for the processing

Article 6, paragraph 1 a of the EU General Data Protection Regulation: the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes.

Special categories of personal data are processed in the register.

The processing is legitimate on the grounds of the grounds of the EU General Data Protection Regulation, Article 9, Section 2(j), according to which processing data is allowed, if processing is necessary for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes in accordance with Article 89(1) based on Union or Member State law which shall be proportionate to the aim pursued, respect the essence of the right to data protection and provide for suitable and specific measures to safeguard the fundamental rights and the interests of the data subject.

Essential legislation

- EU General Data Protection Regulation (679/2016)
- Data Protection Act (1050/2018)
- Statistics Act (280/2004)
- Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999)
5. Data content of the register

Person’s name, address, postal code and post office, native language (Finnish, Swedish, Russian, English/other), age, gender, civil status, municipality of residence and response material, which includes data about the health and well-being of the respondents reported by the respondents themselves.

6. Regular transfers of personal data

Helsinki: The register data are transferred to the data register of the statistics and research function of the City of Helsinki.

Vantaa: The register data are transferred to the data register of the statistics and research of the City of Vantaa

Espoo: The register data are transferred to the register of the statistics and research function of the City of Espoo.

Kauniainen: The register data are transferred to the patient register for health care

Data contained in the register is not transferred outside the EU or the EEA.

7. Data storage periods

The data are stored until 31 December 2021.

8. Sources of personal data

The Digital and Population Data Services Agency and the people participating in the survey.