

Key figures on population by Area, Information and Year, 1990-2022

	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2021	2022
North									
Population 31 Dec	350799	364443	372639	384808	398335	410054	413830	415603	416543
Ostrobothnia									
Increase of population	2507	2692	2812	3016	2825	1518	1000	1773	940
Increase of population, %	0,7	0,7	0,8	0,8	0,7	0,4	0,2	0,4	0,2
Share of persons aged under 15, %	23,8	22,8	21,4	20,7	20,4	20,3	18,9	18,5	18,0
Share of persons aged 15 to 64, %	65,1	65,1	65,8	65,7	64,8	62,2	61,0	61,0	61,1
Share of persons aged 65 or over, %	11,1	12,0	12,8	13,6	14,8	17,4	20,2	20,5	20,9
Demographic dependency ratio	53,6	53,5	51,9	52,2	54,3	60,7	64,0	64,0	63,7
Economic dependency ratio	138,9	190,0	153,3	151,5	149,5	162,0	152,5	144,5	.
Average age, both sexes	34,6	35,5	36,6	37,6	38,4	39,4	40,8	41,0	41,3
Average age, men	33,2	34,2	35,3	36,4	37,3	38,3	39,8	40,0	40,2
Average age, women	36,0	36,8	37,9	38,8	39,6	40,5	41,9	42,1	42,3
Finnish speakers	349567	362060	369266	380034	391050	399629	399994	400720	400351
Share of Finnish speakers, %	99,6	99,3	99,1	98,8	98,2	97,5	96,7	96,4	96,1
Swedish speakers	426	433	496	547	656	761	808	792	792
Share of Swedish speakers, %	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2
Sami speakers	26	31	55	87	112	137	173	176	173
Foreign-language speakers	780	1919	2822	4140	6517	9527	12855	13915	15227
Share of foreign-language speakers, %	0,2	0,5	0,8	1,1	1,6	2,3	3,1	3,3	3,7
Citizens of foreign countries	1041	2224	2864	3753	5558	7355	9208	10094	11114
Share of foreign citizens, %	0,3	0,6	0,8	1,0	1,4	1,8	2,2	2,4	2,7
Persons born abroad	4650	5838	6637	7993	10085	12801	15749	16756	17960
Share of persons born abroad, %	1,3	1,6	1,8	2,1	2,5	3,1	3,8	4,0	4,3
Persons with foreign background	1402	2521	3388	4682	7016	9874	13245	14291	15582
Share of persons with foreign background, %	0,4	0,7	0,9	1,2	1,8	2,4	3,2	3,4	3,7
Share of persons belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, %	92,6	91,2	90,8	89,6	85,5	81,1	77,1	76,1	74,9
Share of persons belonging to other religious groups, %	1,1	1,2	1,2	1,3	1,4	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,5
Share of persons with no religious affiliation, %	6,3	7,6	8,0	9,1	13,0	17,4	21,4	22,5	23,6
Land area, km ²	36848,00	36848,33	36839,01	36789,91	36806,59	36812,08	36828,32	36829,93	36830,22
Population density	9,5	9,9	10,1	10,5	10,8	11,1	11,2	11,3	11,3
Persons born in the area belonging to the population	397735	408577	415296	423549	434019	441804	441974	441606	440518
Persons born in their area of residence	286180	295105	296379	301636	308689	313948	312114	311846	310940
Persons born elsewhere than in their area of residence	64619	69338	76260	83172	89646	96106	101716	103757	105603
Share of persons born in the area of residence, %	81,6	81,0	79,5	78,4	77,5	76,6	75,4	75,0	74,6
Share of persons living in the area of birth, %	72,0	72,2	71,4	71,2	71,1	71,1	70,6	70,6	70,6
Share of persons in urban areas, %	45,8	47,3	50,5	53,0	54,7	56,5	58,6	58,9	59,3
Share of persons in inner urban area, %	17,2	17,4	19,0	18,9	18,8	19,5	20,5	20,8	21,2
Share of persons in outer urban area, %	19,4	20,3	21,3	22,8	24,0	25,1	26,3	26,4	26,4
Share of persons in peri-urban area, %	9,2	9,5	10,2	11,3	11,8	12,0	11,8	11,7	11,7
Share of persons in rural areas, %	53,0	51,9	48,9	46,7	45,0	42,9	40,7	40,3	39,8
Share of persons in local centres in rural areas, %	7,0	7,1	6,9	6,7	6,5	6,4	6,3	6,2	6,2
Share of persons in rural areas close to urban areas, %	7,6	7,9	7,8	8,3	8,8	9,0	8,8	8,8	8,7
Share of persons in rural heartland areas, %	24,8	24,0	22,6	21,2	20,2	19,1	17,8	17,6	17,4
Share of persons in sparsely populated rural areas, %	13,6	12,9	11,6	10,5	9,4	8,5	7,8	7,7	7,6

Kainuu	Population 31 Dec	92459	90781	85736	81585	78703	75324	71664	71255	70521
	Increase of population	1	-569	-1207	-629	-531	-795	-642	-409	-734
	Increase of population, %	0,0	-0,6	-1,4	-0,8	-0,7	-1,0	-0,9	-0,6	-1,0
	Share of persons aged under 15, %	20,9	19,5	17,5	16,0	14,8	14,4	13,7	13,6	13,4
	Share of persons aged 15 to 64, %	67,1	66,1	65,8	65,0	64,2	60,7	57,1	56,6	56,3
	Share of persons aged 65 or over, %	12,0	14,4	16,7	19,0	21,0	24,9	29,2	29,8	30,4
	Demographic dependency ratio	49,0	51,2	51,9	53,8	55,9	64,8	75,2	76,5	77,7
	Economic dependency ratio	147,7	214,1	186,4	181,7	166,3	177,7	164,5	160,2	.
	Average age, both sexes	36,6	38,1	40,5	42,7	44,3	45,9	47,4	47,6	47,8
	Average age, men	35,3	36,9	39,2	41,3	42,9	44,5	46,0	46,2	46,4
	Average age, women	37,8	39,4	41,8	44,1	45,7	47,3	48,9	49,0	49,2
	Finnish speakers	92266	90392	85085	80387	77033	73356	69345	68614	67565
	Share of Finnish speakers, %	99,8	99,6	99,2	98,5	97,9	97,4	96,8	96,3	95,8
	Swedish speakers	43	48	54	59	60	69	80	73	77
	Share of Swedish speakers, %	0,0	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1
	Sami speakers	6	7	4	5	5	3	2	2	3
	Foreign-language speakers	144	334	593	1134	1605	1896	2237	2566	2876
	Share of foreign-language speakers, %	0,2	0,4	0,7	1,4	2,0	2,5	3,1	3,6	4,1
	Citizens of foreign countries	153	356	595	1050	1354	1357	1473	1795	2055
	Share of foreign citizens, %	0,2	0,4	0,7	1,3	1,7	1,8	2,1	2,5	2,9
	Persons born abroad	661	802	984	1474	1878	2129	2422	2740	3048
	Share of persons born abroad, %	0,7	0,9	1,1	1,8	2,4	2,8	3,4	3,8	4,3
	Persons with foreign background	284	467	729	1260	1701	1956	2299	2620	2928
	Share of persons with foreign background, %	0,3	0,5	0,9	1,5	2,2	2,6	3,2	3,7	4,2
	Share of persons belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, %	91,6	90,6	90,0	88,3	84,9	80,8	76,8	75,6	74,4
	Share of persons belonging to other religious groups, %	2,3	2,4	2,5	2,6	2,7	2,7	2,5	2,4	2,4
	Share of persons with no religious affiliation, %	6,1	7,0	7,4	9,0	12,4	16,5	20,7	22,0	23,3
	Land area, km ²	20247,82	20247,44	20247,61	20203,38	20198,94	20197,41	20197,26	20197,63	20198,17
	Population density	4,6	4,5	4,2	4,0	3,9	3,7	3,5	3,5	3,5
	Persons born in the area belonging to the population	116247	116713	115674	113810	111751	108944	104915	104027	102912
	Persons born in their area of residence	73809	72663	68136	64077	60948	57425	53589	52918	52110
	Persons born elsewhere than in their area of residence	18650	18118	17600	17508	17755	17899	18075	18337	18411
	Share of persons born in the area of residence, %	79,8	80,0	79,5	78,5	77,4	76,2	74,8	74,3	73,9
	Share of persons living in the area of birth, %	63,5	62,3	58,9	56,3	54,5	52,7	51,1	50,9	50,6
	Share of persons in urban areas, %	37,3	38,4	40,0	41,4	43,0	44,5	45,6	45,7	45,9
	Share of persons in inner urban area, %	19,1	18,3	19,1	19,9	20,4	21,3	22,0	21,9	22,1
	Share of persons in outer urban area, %	15,3	16,9	17,5	17,8	18,5	18,8	19,2	19,3	19,3
	Share of persons in peri-urban area, %	3,0	3,1	3,4	3,7	4,1	4,4	4,4	4,4	4,5
	Share of persons in rural areas, %	61,7	60,6	59,5	58,2	56,4	54,7	53,3	53,2	52,9
	Share of persons in local centres in rural areas, %	14,7	15,0	15,2	15,2	15,4	15,6	15,7	15,8	15,8
	Share of persons in rural areas close to urban areas, %	3,5	3,5	3,8	3,9	4,1	4,1	4,1	4,1	4,0
	Share of persons in rural heartland areas, %	5,5	5,4	5,5	5,7	5,7	5,5	5,5	5,5	5,5
	Share of persons in sparsely populated rural areas, %	38,0	36,7	35,1	33,4	31,2	29,5	28,0	27,8	27,5

Lapland	Population 31 Dec	200674	201411	191768	185800	183488	180858	176665	176494	175795
	Increase of population	701	-914	-2584	-643	-260	-890	-496	-171	-699
	Increase of population, %	0,4	-0,5	-1,3	-0,3	-0,1	-0,5	-0,3	-0,1	-0,4
	Share of persons aged under 15, %	21,2	20,3	18,4	16,6	15,5	15,3	14,8	14,6	14,4
	Share of persons aged 15 to 64, %	67,5	66,8	66,6	66,1	65,6	62,0	59,2	58,7	58,5
	Share of persons aged 65 or over, %	11,3	12,9	15,0	17,2	18,9	22,6	26,0	26,6	27,1
	Demographic dependency ratio	48,1	49,8	50,2	51,2	52,5	61,2	68,8	70,2	71,0
	Economic dependency ratio	136,0	207,3	179,0	167,6	157,6	164,9	158,4	147,8	.
	Average age, both sexes	35,9	37,2	39,4	41,5	42,9	44,2	45,5	45,7	45,8
	Average age, men	34,8	36,2	38,3	40,3	41,8	43,2	44,6	44,8	44,9
	Average age, women	37,0	38,3	40,6	42,6	44,1	45,2	46,4	46,6	46,7
	Finnish speakers	198370	198374	188568	182144	178456	174515	169482	169071	167882
	Share of Finnish speakers, %	98,9	98,5	98,3	98,0	97,3	96,5	95,9	95,8	95,5
	Swedish speakers	258	304	291	301	364	419	481	504	502
	Share of Swedish speakers, %	0,1	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,3	0,3	0,3
	Sami speakers	1624	1595	1543	1482	1501	1557	1549	1550	1558
	Foreign-language speakers	422	1138	1366	1873	3167	4367	5153	5369	5853
	Share of foreign-language speakers, %	0,2	0,6	0,7	1,0	1,7	2,4	2,9	3,0	3,3
	Citizens of foreign countries	763	1570	1715	2033	3153	3827	4064	4246	4628
	Share of foreign citizens, %	0,4	0,8	0,9	1,1	1,7	2,1	2,3	2,4	2,6
	Persons born abroad	4055	4734	4443	4664	6034	7111	7815	8031	8479
	Share of persons born abroad, %	2,0	2,4	2,3	2,5	3,3	3,9	4,4	4,6	4,8
	Persons with foreign background	1165	1844	2030	2488	3794	4850	5630	5861	6328
	Share of persons with foreign background, %	0,6	0,9	1,1	1,3	2,1	2,7	3,2	3,3	3,6
	Share of persons belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, %	89,9	88,4	88,1	87,0	83,1	78,7	74,5	73,3	72,1
	Share of persons belonging to other religious groups, %	1,3	1,4	1,4	1,4	1,5	1,6	1,6	1,6	1,6
	Share of persons with no religious affiliation, %	8,8	10,2	10,5	11,6	15,4	19,6	23,9	25,1	26,3
	Land area, km ²	93056,61	93056,61	93002,81	92856,39	92660,99	92666,98	92673,82	92678,06	92683,24
	Population density	2,2	2,2	2,1	2,0	2,0	2,0	1,9	1,9	1,9
	Persons born in the area belonging to the population	218730	223665	225226	224928	224940	223302	218706	217633	216123
	Persons born in their area of residence	159238	159656	152297	146418	142462	138024	131884	130707	129186
	Persons born elsewhere than in their area of residence	41436	41755	39471	39382	41026	42834	44781	45787	46609
	Share of persons born in the area of residence, %	79,4	79,3	79,4	78,8	77,6	76,3	74,7	74,1	73,5
	Share of persons living in the area of birth, %	72,8	71,4	67,6	65,1	63,3	61,8	60,3	60,1	59,8
	Share of persons in urban areas, %	48,2	49,7	51,9	53,6	55,6	56,8	57,9	57,9	57,9
	Share of persons in inner urban area, %	11,4	11,6	12,7	13,4	14,6	15,6	16,7	16,6	16,7
	Share of persons in outer urban area, %	26,7	27,7	28,5	29,1	30,0	30,3	30,4	30,4	30,4
	Share of persons in peri-urban area, %	10,2	10,4	10,7	11,1	11,0	10,9	10,8	10,9	10,9
	Share of persons in rural areas, %	50,6	49,4	47,5	45,9	43,8	42,0	40,4	40,3	40,2
	Share of persons in local centres in rural areas, %	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
	Share of persons in rural areas close to urban areas, %	4,1	4,1	4,1	4,1	4,1	4,0	4,0	4,0	4,0
	Share of persons in rural heartland areas, %	9,3	9,2	8,9	8,5	8,0	7,5	7,1	7,0	7,0
	Share of persons in sparsely populated rural areas, %	37,2	36,1	34,4	33,3	31,7	30,4	29,3	29,3	29,2

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Area:

These statistics apply the regional division of 1 January 2023 to the whole time series. Data for merged municipalities have been combined. Partial municipal mergers have not been taken into account in the years
Information:

Population 31 Dec: Population at the end of the statistical reference period.

Increase of population: Increase of population, or total change is the difference between the population of two consecutive statistical reference periods.

Increase of population, %: Increase of population, or total change is the difference between the population of two consecutive statistical reference periods. The difference has been divided by the population of the
Demographic dependency ratio: The demographic dependency ratio is calculated as the total number of persons age 0-14 and the number of persons aged 65 and older divided by the number of persons aged 15-64.

Economic dependency ratio: The economic dependency ratio is calculated by dividing the number of non-employed, that is, unemployed and inactive population, by the number of employed persons. The figure

Average age, both sexes: The average age is calculated by summing the ages of the persons and dividing the amount by the number of persons. The age of a person is defined as a person's age in whole years plus

Average age, men: The average age is calculated by summing the ages of the persons and dividing the amount by the number of persons. The age of a person is defined as a person's age in whole years plus 0.5

Average age, women: The average age is calculated by summing the ages of the persons and dividing the amount by the number of persons. The age of a person is defined as a person's age in whole years plus 0.5

Finnish speakers: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Share of Finnish speakers, %: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Swedish speakers: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Share of Swedish speakers, %: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Sami speakers: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Foreign-language speakers: Languages (ISO 639-1) The foreign languages are other than Finnish, Swedish and Sami

Share of foreign-language speakers, %: Languages (ISO 639-1)

Share of foreign-language speakers, %:

Citizens of foreign countries: Countries (ISO 3166)

Share of foreign citizens, %: Countries (ISO 3166)

Persons born abroad: Countries (ISO 3166)

Share of persons born abroad, %: Countries (ISO 3166)

Persons with foreign background: The origin and background country data are explained in the Concepts webpage, see link.

Share of persons with foreign background, %: The origin and background country data are explained in the Concepts webpage, see

Share of persons belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, %: The religious community is formed at Statistics Finland based on parish data.

Share of persons belonging to other religious groups, %: The religious community is formed at Statistics Finland based on parish data.

Land area, km²: Source: National Land Survey of Finland

Population density: Inhabitants / km²

Persons born in the area belonging to the population: Persons born in the area belonging to the population of Finland at the end of the year

Persons born in their area of residence: Persons born in the area belonging to the population of Finland at the end of the year and living permanently in the area. That is, the persons area of birth is the same as the

Persons born elsewhere than in their area of residence: Persons not born in the area belonging to the population of Finland at the end of the year and living permanently in the area. That is, the persons area of birth

Share of persons born in the area of residence, %: "Share of permanent inhabitants born in the area among the permanent population in the area.

Share of persons living in the area of birth, %: "Share of permanent inhabitants born in the area among all persons born in the area belonging to the population at the end of the year.

Share of persons in urban areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the link.

Share of persons in inner urban area, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the link.

Share of persons in outer urban area, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the link.

Share of persons in peri-urban area, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the link.

Share of persons in rural areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the link.

Share of persons in local centres in rural areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the

Share of persons in rural areas close to urban areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the

Share of persons in rural heartland areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the

Share of persons in sparsely populated rural areas, %: Urban-rural classification is explained on the Concepts webpage, see the

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Units:

Population 31 Dec: Number

Increase of population: Number

Increase of population, %: %

Share of persons aged under 15, %: %
Share of persons aged 15 to 64, %: %
Share of persons aged 65 or over, %: %
Demographic dependency ratio: Ratio
Economic dependency ratio: Ratio
Average age, both sexes: Year
Average age, men: Year
Average age, women: Year
Finnish speakers: Number
Share of Finnish speakers, %: %
Swedish speakers: Number
Share of Swedish speakers, %: %
Sami speakers: Number
Foreign-language speakers: Number
Share of foreign-language speakers, %: %
Citizens of foreign countries: Number
Share of foreign citizens, %: %
Persons born abroad: Number
Share of persons born abroad, %: %
Persons with foreign background: Number
Share of persons with foreign background, %: %
Share of persons belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Church, %: %
Share of persons belonging to other religious groups, %: %
Share of persons with no religious affiliation, %: %
Land area, km²: Square kilometer
Population density: Persons per square kilometer
Persons born in the area belonging to the population: Number
Persons born in their area of residence: Number
Persons born elsewhere than in their area of residence: Number
Share of persons born in the area of residence, %: %
Share of persons living in the area of birth, %: %
Share of persons in urban areas, %: %
Share of persons in inner urban area, %: %
Share of persons in outer urban area, %: %
Share of persons in peri-urban area, %: %
Share of persons in rural areas, %: %
Share of persons in local centres in rural areas, %: %
Share of persons in rural areas close to urban areas, %: %
Share of persons in rural heartland areas, %: %
Share of persons in sparsely populated rural areas, %: %