

## Comprehensive schools had 561,100 pupils in 2008

According to Statistics Finland, comprehensive schools had 561,100 pupils in 2008. The number of pupils in comprehensive school fell by 1.7 per cent from the year before. Forty-nine per cent of the pupils in comprehensive school were girls and 51 per cent were boys.

There were 3,174 active comprehensive schools in autumn 2008, which was 89 schools fewer than in the year before. Municipalities ran 97 per cent of the comprehensive schools.

Pupils in comprehensive school by region in 2008

Region of school	Active comprehensive schools	Change from the year before	Pupils total	Boys %	Girls %
<b>Whole country, total</b>	<b>3 174</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>561 061</b>	<b>51,2</b>	<b>48,8</b>
<b>Mainland Finland</b>	<b>3 149</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>558 142</b>	<b>51,2</b>	<b>48,8</b>
Uusimaa	552	-1	143 478	51,1	48,9
Itä-Uusimaa	87	-4	11 669	51,4	48,6
Varsinais-Suomi	269	-4	46 883	51,6	48,4
Satakunta	159	-9	23 319	51,5	48,5
Kanta-Häme	116	-1	18 686	51,0	49,0
Pirkanmaa	247	-6	49 011	51,1	48,9
Päijät-Häme	101	-1	20 512	50,4	49,6
Kymenlaakso	105	-2	18 307	51,1	48,9
South Karelia	72	0	12 948	50,5	49,5
Etelä-Savo	124	-5	15 482	51,1	48,9
Pohjois-Savo	147	-10	25 787	51,1	48,9
North Karelia	110	-4	16 814	51,4	48,6
Central Finland	173	-11	28 710	51,1	48,9
South Ostrobothnia	187	-6	22 002	51,7	48,3
Ostrobothnia	159	-2	19 595	51,7	48,3
Central Ostrobothnia	65	-2	8 450	50,2	49,8
North Ostrobothnia	283	-9	48 983	51,6	48,4
Kainuu	57	-4	8 519	50,3	49,7
Lapland	136	-8	18 987	51,1	48,9
<b>Åland</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2 919</b>	<b>51,6</b>	<b>48,4</b>
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