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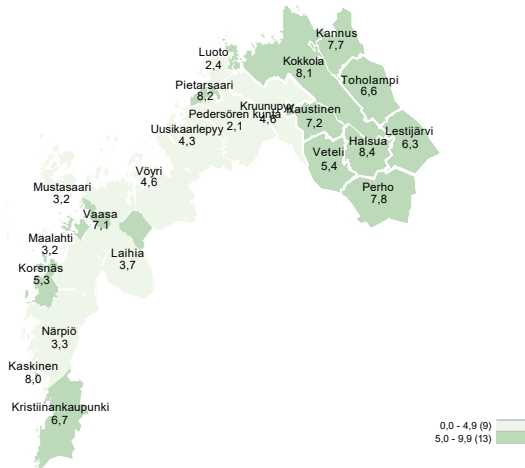
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# THE AREA OF ELY CENTRE FOR OSTROBOTHNIA Employment Bulletin

October 2023

# The unemployment is still increasing in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia

Unemployed jobseekers' percentage of the workforce by municipality



A total of 6 926 unemployed jobseekers were registered in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia at the end of October. This is 752 more than the previous year. The amount of unemployed was in October 191 more than the previous month.

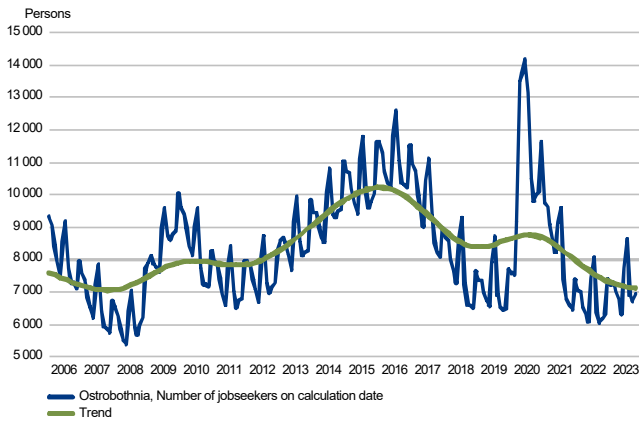
The share of the unemployed jobseekers out of the labour force in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia is the lowest (6,1 %) in the Mainland Finland. In the whole country the respective share out of the labour force is 9,7 %. Compared with September the unemployment rate increased by 0,1 % in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia and by 0,3 % in the rest of the country. The figures are from the Employment Service Statistics of the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment.

## Trends:

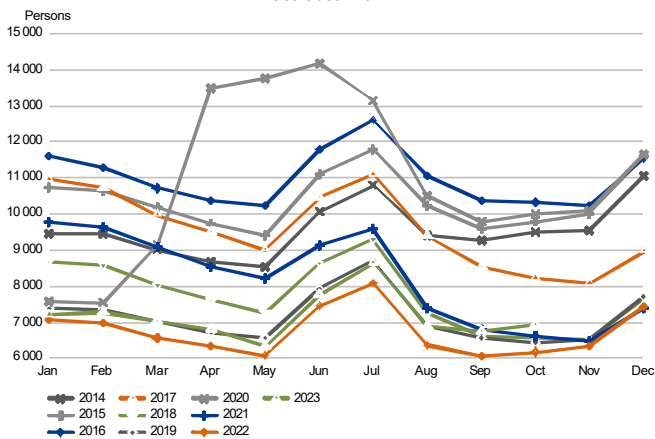
- The amount of unemployed was in the end of October 6 926 and 752 more (+ 12,2 %) than the previous year.
- The amount of fulltime laid-off was 687 i.e. 291 more (+ 73,5 %) than the previous year.
- Also, the amount of young unemployed people increased compared with the situation the year before. The amount of unemployed people under 25 years was 190 more (+ 28,8 %) than the previous year.
- The amount of long-term unemployed increased by 109 persons (+ 5,8 %) compared with the year before.
- The number of new open vacancies in October was 909 less (- 35,0 %) than the previous year.
- The number of people in employment-promoting services decreased compared with the year before. In the end of October the amount of participants in services was in total 4 387.

## Unemployed jobseekers

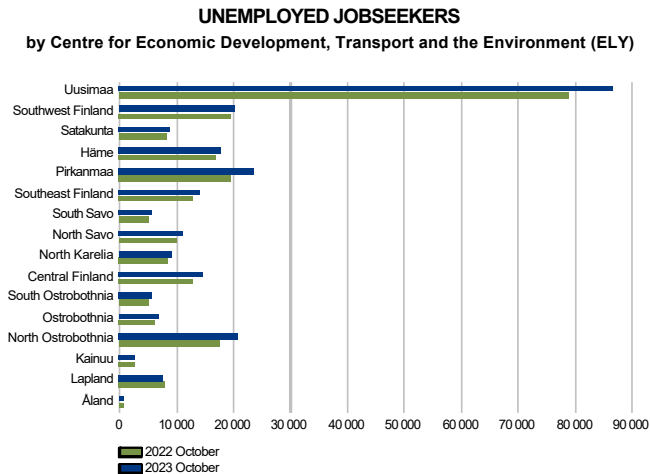
**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND**  
Ostrobothnia



**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS, MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON**  
Ostrobothnia



## Unemployed jobseekers by sub-regional unit



### Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant in Employment and Economic Development Office by sub-regional unit

Sub-regional unit	Unemployed jobseekers			Change		Of the Unemployed jobseekers' percentage fully laid off		Jobs vacant			Change	
	Oct 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2022	Oct 2023	Oct 2022	unemployed jobseekers	percentage fully laid off	Oct 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2022	Oct 2023	Oct 2022
Vaasa	3 031	2 922	2 734	297	11	196	5,8	736	965	1 550	-814	-53
Suupohjan rannikkoseutu	363	344	338	25	7	47	4,8	89	65	79	10	13
Pietarsaari	1 161	1 162	926	235	25	190	5,1	196	244	238	-42	-18
Kaustinen	413	409	381	32	8	81	6,9	66	59	89	-23	-26
Kokkola	1 958	1 898	1 795	163	9	173	8,1	333	370	577	-244	-42
Ostrobothnia	6 926	6 735	6 174	752	12	687	6,1	1 420	1 703	2 533	-1 113	-44

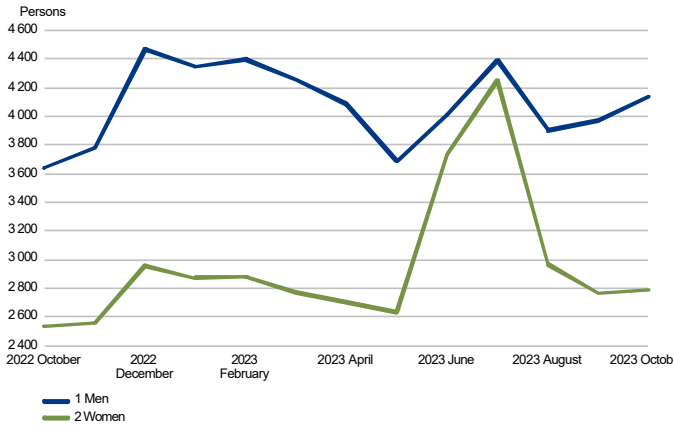
## Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

## Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant in Employment and Economic Development Office by municipality

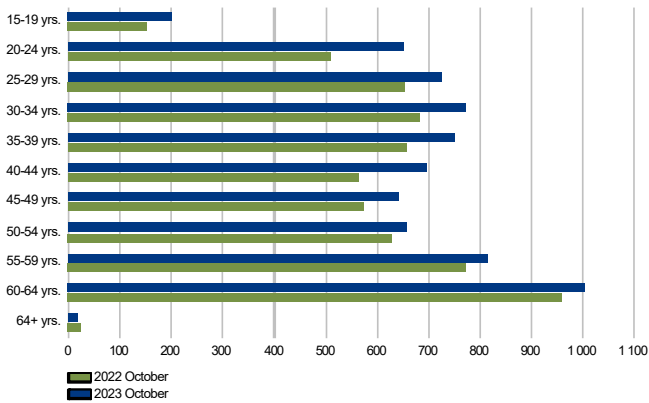
Municipality	Oct	Sep	Oct	Change		Of the Unemployed		Oct	Sep	Oct	Change	
	2023	2023	2022	Oct 2023	Oct 2022	unemployed	jobseekers'	2023	2023	2022	Oct 2023	Oct 2022
	Unemployed jobseekers					fully	percentage	Jobs vacant				
					%	laid off	of the					%
							workforce					
Halsua	36	43	35	1	3	12	8,4	...	0	...	...	...
Kannus	186	187	148	38	26	30	7,7	7	11	31	-24	-77
Kaskinen	41	50	38	3	8	10	8,0	7	5	14	-7	-50
Kaustinen	140	126	123	17	14	26	7,2	39	24	48	-9	-19
Kokkola	1 772	1 711	1 647	125	8	143	8,1	326	359	546	-220	-40
Korsnäs	51	46	45	6	13	10	5,3	...	...	6	...	...
Kristiinankaupunki	176	164	140	36	26	14	6,7	43	31	31	12	39
Kruunupyö	135	139	90	45	50	23	4,6	34	28	15	19	127
Laihia	135	127	169	-34	-20	15	3,7	44	49	34	10	29
Lestijärvi	17	14	22	-5	-23	...	6,3	...	...	...	...	...
Luoto	61	57	37	24	65	14	2,4	...	5	5	...	...
Maalahti	83	81	82	1	1	10	3,2	23	28	17	6	35
Mustasaari	303	291	248	55	22	38	3,2	45	56	93	-48	-52
Närpiö	146	130	160	-14	-9	23	3,3	39	29	34	5	15
Pedersören kunta	113	118	89	24	27	23	2,1	...	8	17	...	...
Perho	77	80	73	4	5	31	7,8	7	10	9	-2	-22
Pietarsaari	706	702	557	149	27	92	8,2	151	187	177	-26	-15
Toholampi	76	76	57	19	33	5	6,6	11	11	10	1	10
Uusikaarlepyy	146	146	153	-7	-5	38	4,3	...	16	24	...	...
Vaasa	2 330	2 254	2 082	248	12	111	7,1	599	805	1 386	-787	-57
Veteli	67	70	71	-4	-6	...	5,4	6	12	16	-10	-62
Vöyri	129	123	108	21	19	12	4,6	21	25	14	7	50
Ostrobothnia	6 926	6 735	6 174	752	12	687	6,1	1 420	1 703	2 533	-1 113	-44

## Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group

**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY GENDER**  
Ostrobothnia

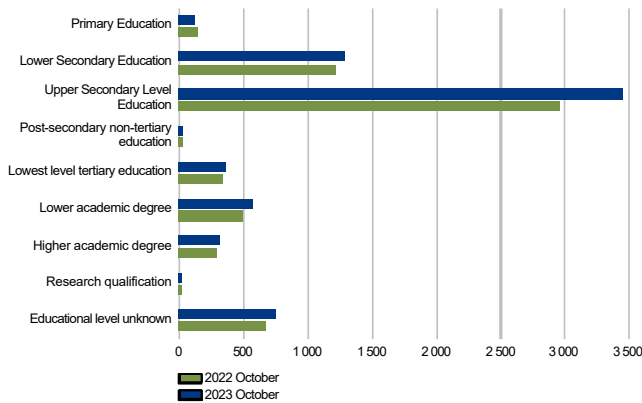


**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY AGE GROUP**  
Ostrobothnia

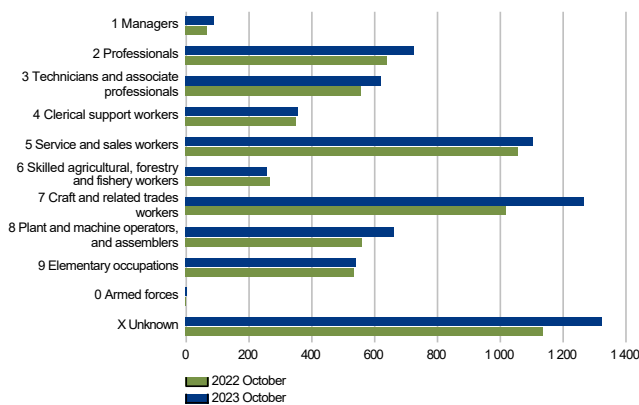


## Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

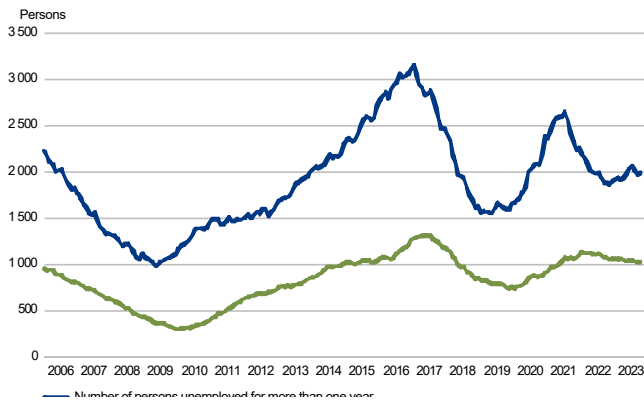
**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION**  
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**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP**  
Ostrobothnia

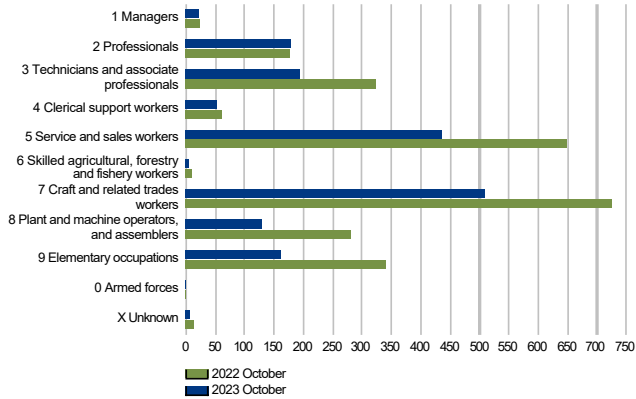


**LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED AT THE END OF THE MONTH**  
Ostrobothnia



## Jobs vacant

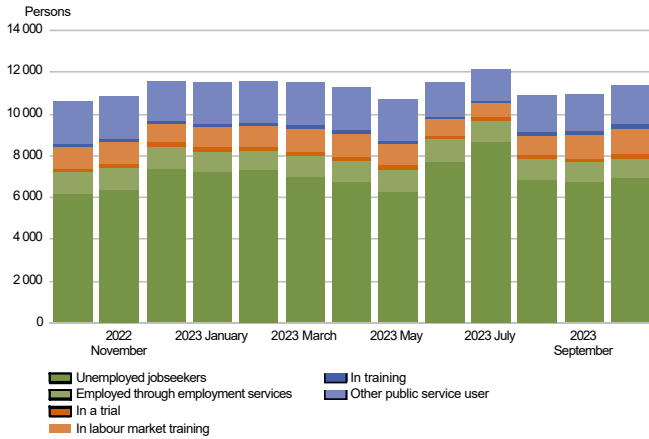
**NEW JOB VACANCIES**  
Ostrobothnia



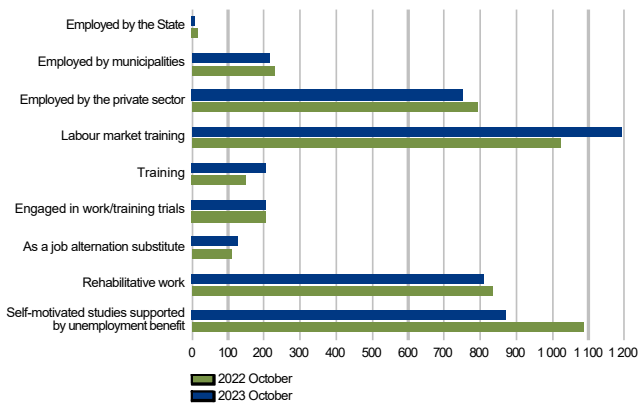


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**BROAD UNEMPLOYMENT**  
Ostrobothnia

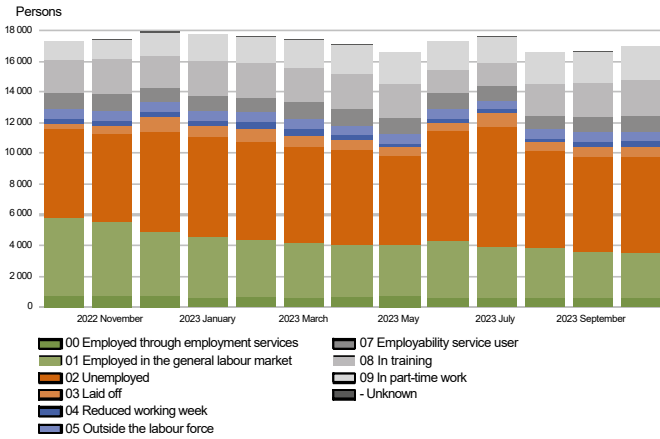


**PEOPLE COVERED BY SERVICES**  
Ostrobothnia



## All jobseekers

**JOBSEEKERS BY GROUP**  
Ostrobothnia



## Summary table

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2023 OCTOBER (I) AND  
ACTIVITIES OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICES DURING OCTOBER (II)  
ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Oct-23	Oct-22	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	6 926	6 174	752	12,2
of whom fully laid off	687	396	291	73,5
2. On reduced working week	417	305	112	36,7
3. Those who have work	5 596	6 955	-1 359	-19,5
of which in full-time work	2 902	5 032	-2 130	-42,3
of which in part-time work	2 099	1 195	904	75,6
of whom employed through employment services	595	728	-133	-18,3
4. Persons outside the labour force	4 022	3 913	109	2,8
of whom in services promoting employment	1 070	1 027	43	4,2
of whom in training	2 388	2 231	157	7,0
<b>1-4 Total of jobseekers</b>	<b>16 961</b>	<b>17 347</b>	<b>-386</b>	<b>-2,2</b>
<b>B. LABOUR DEMAND</b>				
1. Jobs vacant	1 420	2 533	-1 113	-43,9
of those notified for over a month	497	928	-431	-46,4
of those notified for over 2 months	287	653	-366	-56,0
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	10	18	-8	-44,4
2. Employed by municipalities	216	227	-11	-4,8
3. Employed by the private sector	751	791	-40	-5,1
<b>1-3 Total number of employed people</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>1 036</b>	<b>-59</b>	<b>-5,7</b>
4. Labour market training	1 191	1 021	170	16,7
5. Training	207	148	59	39,9
6. Engaged in work/training trials	205	204	1	0,5
7. As a job alternation substitute	128	109	19	17,4
8. Rehabilitative work	810	835	-25	-3,0
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	869	1 085	-216	-19,9
<b>1-9 Total number of people participating in services</b>	<b>4 387</b>	<b>4 438</b>	<b>-51</b>	<b>-1,1</b>
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	2 787	2 535	252	9,9
2. Unemployed men	4 139	3 639	500	13,7
3. Under 25 years old	850	660	190	28,8
4. Over 50 years old	2 493	2 384	109	4,6
5. Unemployed over a year	1 996	1 887	109	5,8
6. Foreign unemployed	1 195	1 019	176	17,3
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	2 490	2 114	376	17,8
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	8 215	7 084	1 131	16,0
2. Other jobseekers	9 611	10 987	-1 376	-12,5
<b>1-2 Total number of jobseekers</b>	<b>17 826</b>	<b>18 071</b>	<b>-245</b>	<b>-1,4</b>
3. Vacancies during a month	3 225	5 343	-2 118	-39,6
New vacancies during a month	1 689	2 598	-909	-35,0
Vacancies filled during a month	301	323	-22	-6,8
of those filled with job-seekers at the Employment Service	30	44	-14	-31,8
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	1 302	2 313	-1 011	-43,7
Vacancies cancelled or could not be filled	276	341	-65	-19,1
4. Started spell of unemployment	1 822	1 251	571	45,6
5. Completed spell of unemployment	1 601	1 122	479	42,7
6. New jobs found through employment services	64	93	-29	-31,2
7. New entrants to labour market training	268	178	90	50,6



## Foreigners' summary table

FOREIGNERS' EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2023 OCTOBER (I) AND  
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ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Oct-23	Oct-22	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 195	1 019	176	17,3
of whom fully laid off	72	83	-11	-13,3
2. On reduced working week	70	46	24	52,2
3. Those who have work	892	880	12	1,4
of which in full-time work	586	690	-104	-15,1
of which in part-time work	233	132	101	76,5
of whom employed through employment services	73	58	15	25,9
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 612	1 313	299	22,8
of whom in services promoting employment	169	117	52	44,4
of whom in training	1 341	1 093	248	22,7
<b>1-4 Total of jobseekers</b>	<b>3 769</b>	<b>3 258</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>15,7</b>
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	0	...	...	...
2. Employed by municipalities	19	13	6	46,2
3. Employed by the private sector	61	50	11	22,0
<b>1-3 Total number of employed people</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25,0</b>
4. Labour market training	610	448	162	36,2
5. Training	52	14	38	271,4
6. Engaged in work/training trials	55	42	13	31,0
7. As a job alternation substitute	...	...	...	...
8. Rehabilitative work	65	75	-10	-13,3
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	529	590	-61	-10,3
<b>1-9 Total number of people participating in services</b>	<b>1 395</b>	<b>1 237</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>12,8</b>
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	607	520	87	16,7
2. Unemployed men	588	499	89	17,8
3. Under 25 years old	120	97	23	23,7
4. Over 50 years old	257	233	24	10,3
5. Unemployed over a year	195	129	66	51,2
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	204	191	13	6,8
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 418	1 210	208	17,2
2. Other jobseekers	2 424	2 157	267	12,4
<b>1-2 Total number of jobseekers</b>	<b>3 842</b>	<b>3 367</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>14,1</b>
4. Started spell of unemployment	274	278	-4	-1,4
5. Completed spell of unemployment	264	213	51	23,9
6. New jobs found through employment services	8	8	0	0,0
7. New entrants to labour market training	112	55	57	103,6

## Regional table

UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS AND JOBS VACANT BY MUNICIPALITY AT THE END OF 2023 OCTOBER  
ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

Municipality	Workforce	Unemployed jobseekers							Disabled and chron. ill	Jobs vacant	
		% of workforce	Total	Men	Women	Under 20 years old	Under 25 years old	Over 50 years old			
Halsua	429	8,4	36	27	9	...	...	15	13	5	...
Kannus	2 404	7,7	186	120	66	6	25	78	61	22	7
Kaskinen	511	8,0	41	29	12	0	...	14	7	...	7
Kaustinen	1 951	7,2	140	81	59	...	14	50	29	34	39
Kokkola	21 832	8,1	1 772	1 092	680	64	268	584	658	283	326
Korsnäs	960	5,3	51	32	19	...	...	20	8	...	...
Kristiinankaupunki	2 632	6,7	176	97	79	...	18	65	43	14	43
Kruunupyö	2 959	4,6	135	78	57	5	19	53	29	13	34
Laihia	3 634	3,7	135	70	65	...	14	70	43	49	44
Lestijärvi	270	6,3	17	12	5	0	...	9	6	5	...
Luoto	2 519	2,4	61	34	27	...	11	21	6	5	...
Maalathi	2 585	3,2	83	52	31	0	11	38	30	11	23
Mustasaari	9 457	3,2	303	184	119	17	32	138	71	34	45
Närpiö	4 449	3,3	146	84	62	5	15	52	24	17	39
Pedersören kunta	5 288	2,1	113	69	44	5	14	51	31	26	...
Perho	985	7,8	77	45	32	0	6	26	20	10	7
Pietarsaari	8 643	8,2	706	413	293	25	89	249	161	77	151
Toholampi	1 151	6,6	76	45	31	...	7	38	21	11	11
Uusikaarlepyy	3 416	4,3	146	82	64	...	18	45	27	12	...
Vaasa	32 771	7,1	2 330	1 377	953	49	256	799	649	283	599
Veteli	1 237	5,4	67	39	28	...	8	26	22	15	6
Vöyri	2 835	4,6	129	77	52	...	16	52	37	16	21
Total	112 918	6,1	6 926	4 139	2 787	200	850	2 493	1 996	949	1 420



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- **Comparison between the statistics of Statistics Finland and the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment:**

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