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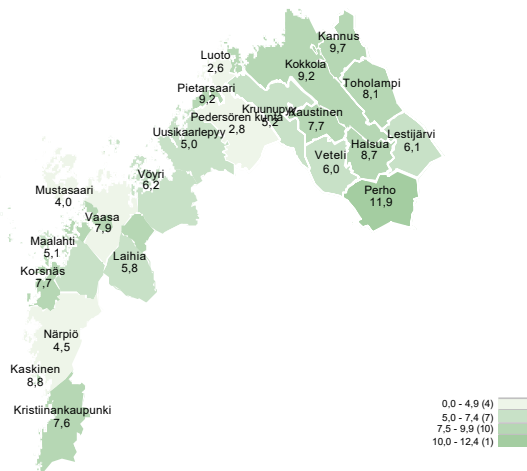
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# THE AREA OF ELY CENTRE FOR OSTROBOTHNIA Employment Bulletin

January 2024

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

### Unemployed jobseekers' percentage of the workforce by municipality



A total of 8 150 unemployed jobseekers were registered in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia at the end of January. This is 935 more than the previous year. The amount of unemployed was in January 471 more than the previous month.

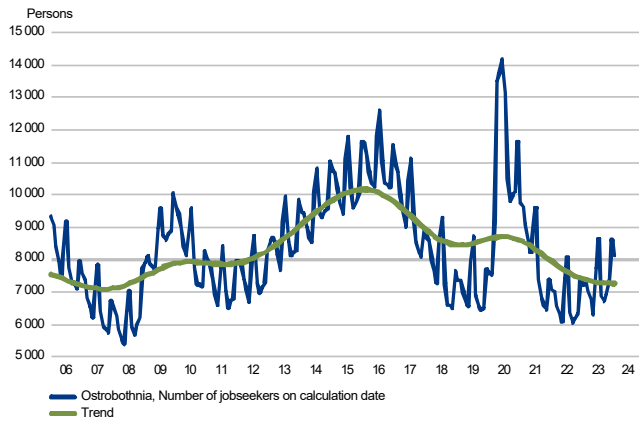
The share of the unemployed jobseekers out of the labour force in the area of ELY Centre for Ostrobothnia is the lowest (7,1 %) in the Mainland Finland. In the whole country the respective share out of the labour force is 10,9 %. Compared with December the unemployment rate decreased by 0,5 % in the 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.

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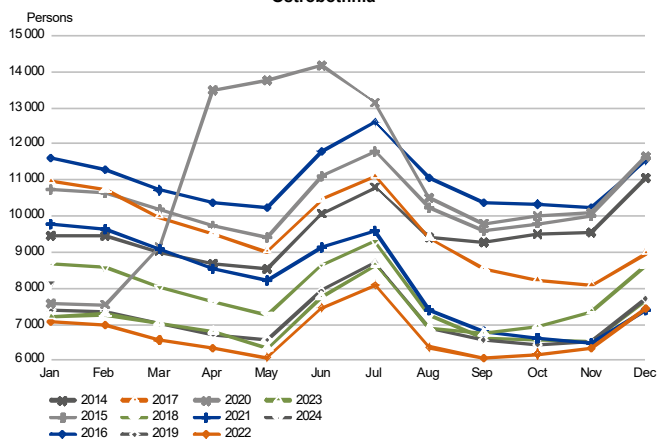
- The amount of unemployed was in the end of January 8 150 and 935 more (+ 13,0 %) than the previous year.
- The amount of fulltime laid-off was 1 217 i.e. 366 more (+ 43,0 %) than the previous year.
- Also, the amount of young unemployed people increased compared with the situation the year before. The amount of unemployed people under 25 years was 129 more (+ 14,6 %) than the previous year.
- The amount of long-term unemployed increased by 129 persons (+ 6,7 %) compared with the year before.
- The number of new open vacancies in January was 2 472 less (- 31,3 %) than the previous year.
- The number of people in employment-promoting services decreased compared with the year before. In the end of January the amount of participants in services was in total 4 201.

## Unemployed jobseekers

**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND**  
Ostrobothnia

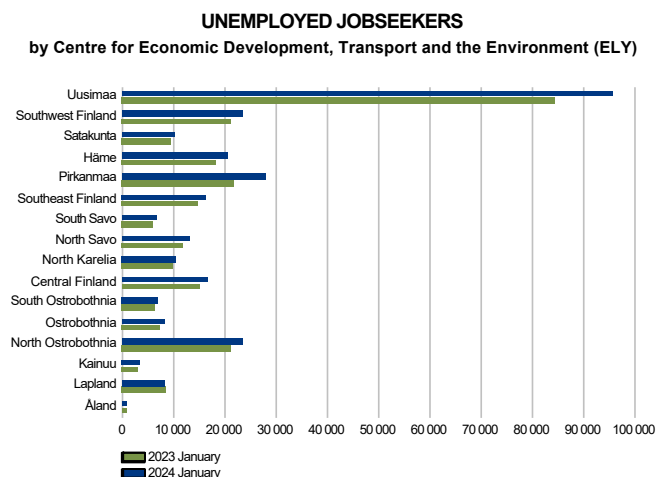


**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS, MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON**  
Ostrobothnia





## Unemployed jobseekers by sub-regional unit



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

Sub-regional unit	Change			Of the Unemployed		Change						
	Jan 2024	Dec 2023	Jan 2023	Jan 2024	Jan 2023	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce	Jan 2024	Dec 2023	Jan 2023	Jan 2024	Jan 2023
Sub-regional unit	Unemployed jobseekers			%		%		Jobs vacant				
Vaasa	3 604	3 755	3 167	437	14	425	6,8	1 883	765	4 417	-2 534	-57
Suupohjan rannikkoseutu	441	468	486	-45	-9	92	5,8	117	70	130	-13	-10
Pietarsaari	1 340	1 452	1 027	313	30	270	5,8	1 500	648	1 091	409	37
Kaustinen	491	547	463	28	6	143	8,1	174	80	82	92	112
Kokkola	2 274	2 399	2 072	202	10	287	9,2	2 303	745	2 922	-619	-21
Ostrobothnia	8 150	8 621	7 215	935	13	1 217	7,1	5 977	2 308	8 642	-2 665	-31

## Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

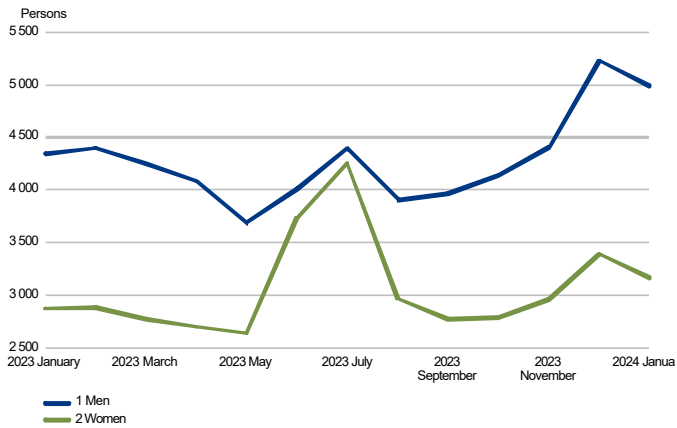
## Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant in Employment and Economic Development Office by municipality

Municipality	Jan 2024	Dec 2023	Jan 2023	Change		Of the Unemployed		Jan 2024	Dec 2023	Jan 2023	Change	
				Jan 2024	Jan 2023	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce				Jan 2024	Jan 2023
	Unemployed jobseekers				%		%	Jobs vacant				%
Halsua	37	38	42	-5	-12	9	8,7	47	0	...	...	...
Kannus	233	235	189	44	23	43	9,7	101	55	146	-45	-31
Kaskinen	43	49	49	-6	-12	...	8,8	15	5	9	6	67
Kaustinen	151	200	136	15	11	40	7,7	62	32	65	-3	-5
Kokkola	2 041	2 164	1 883	158	8	244	9,2	2 202	690	2 776	-574	-21
Korsnäs	73	65	77	-4	-5	27	7,7	...	...	...	...	...
Kristiinankaupunki	198	196	176	22	13	23	7,6	39	30	37	2	5
Kruunupyä	152	185	123	29	24	33	5,2	23	30	14	9	64
Laihia	208	222	208	0	0	44	5,8	120	22	44	76	173
Lestijärvi	16	15	21	-5	-24	...	6,1	...	5	...	...	...
Luoto	66	76	51	15	29	15	2,6	14	...	...	...	...
Maalahti	132	119	114	18	16	30	5,1	11	29	7	4	57
Mustasaari	386	387	290	96	33	89	4,0	83	35	116	-33	-28
Närpiö	200	223	261	-61	-23	62	4,5	63	35	84	-21	-25
Pedersören kunta	150	158	99	51	52	42	2,8	344	304	369	-25	-7
Perho	118	103	106	12	11	64	11,9	16	...	...	...	...
Pietarsaari	804	868	624	180	29	128	9,2	1 000	202	692	308	45
Toholampi	94	87	71	23	32	10	8,1	9	13	5	4	80
Uusikaarlepyy	168	165	130	38	29	52	5,0	119	108	14	105	750
Vaasa	2 628	2 803	2 340	288	12	194	7,9	1 660	673	4 236	-2 576	-61
Veteli	75	104	87	-12	-14	19	6,0	36	26	7	29	414
Vöyri	177	159	138	39	28	41	6,2	8	5	13	-5	-38
Ostrobothnia	8 150	8 621	7 215	935	13	1 217	7,1	5 977	2 308	8 642	-2 665	-31

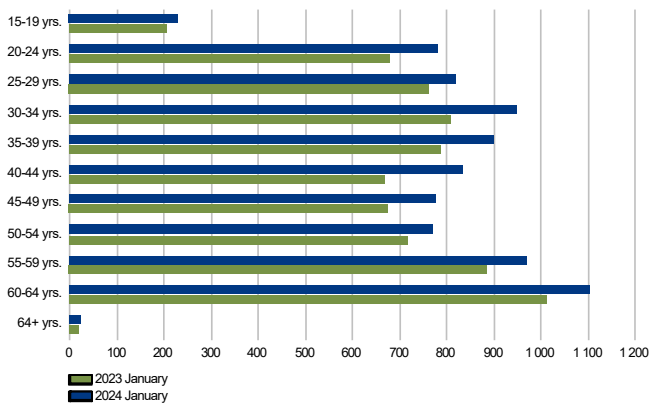


## Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group

**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY GENDER**  
Ostrobothnia

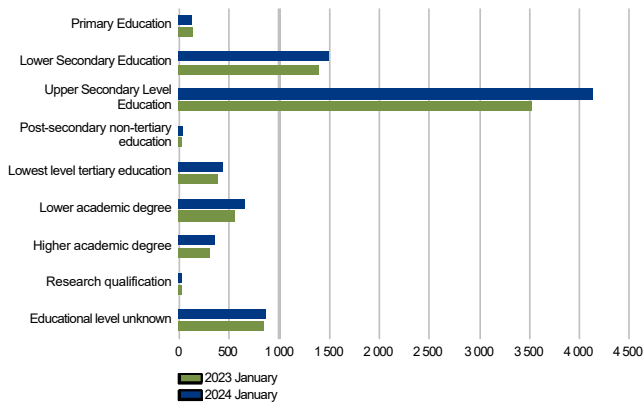


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Ostrobothnia

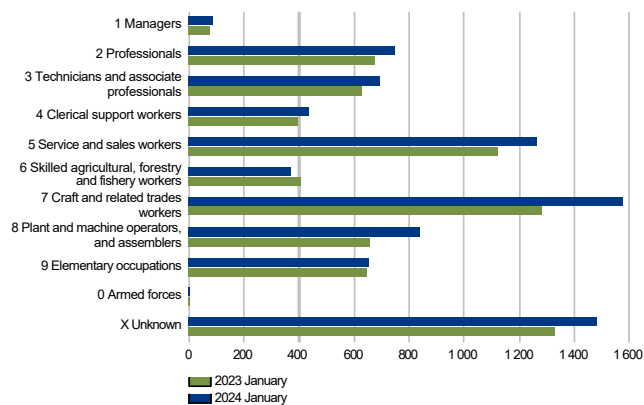


## Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

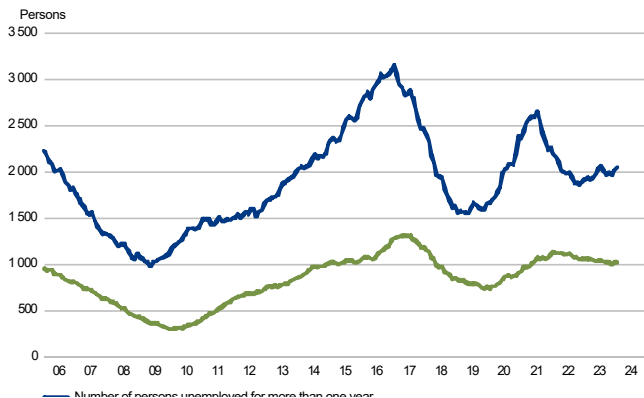
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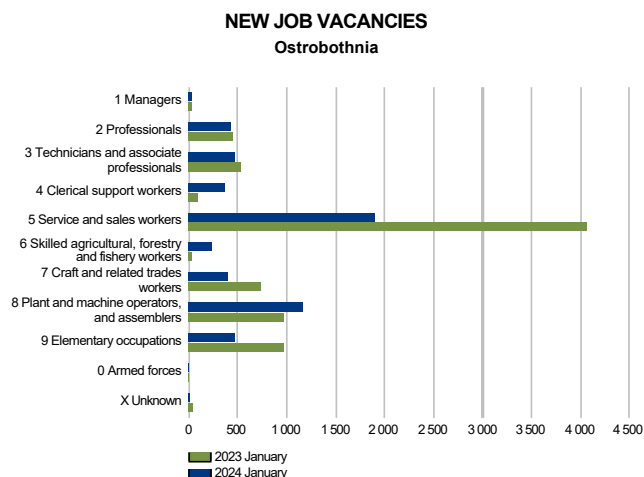
**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP**  
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**LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED AT THE END OF THE MONTH**  
Ostrobothnia



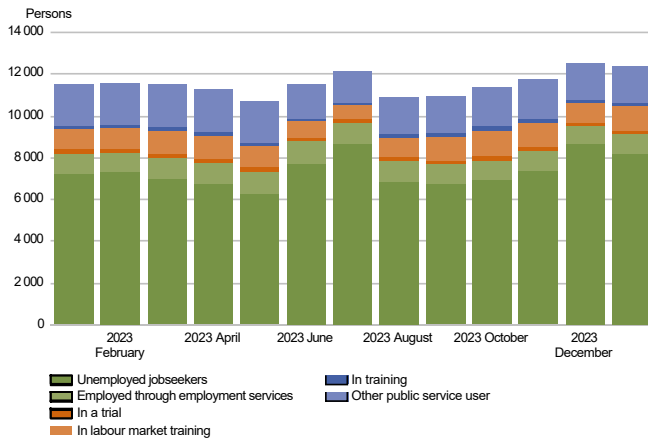
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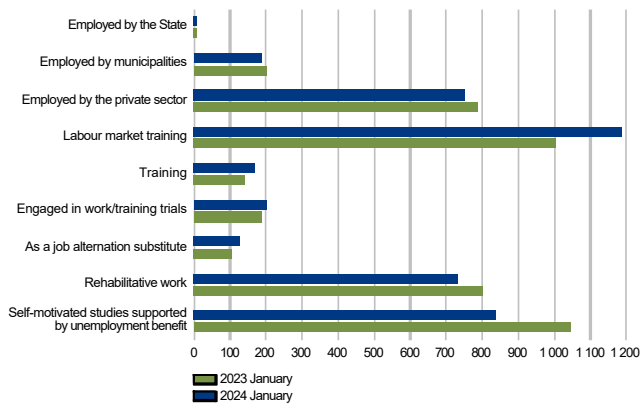


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Ostrobothnia

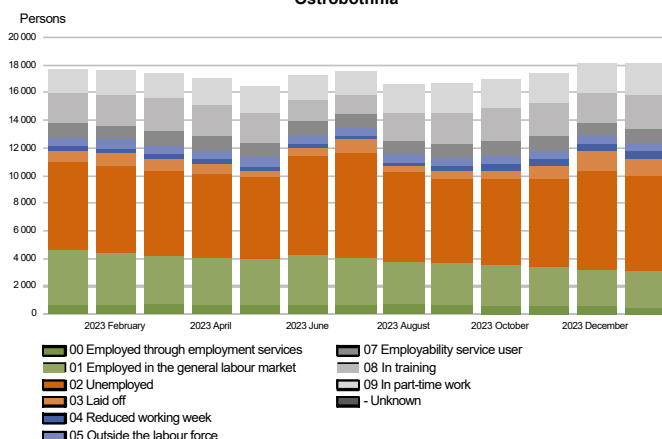


**PEOPLE COVERED BY SERVICES**  
Ostrobothnia



## All jobseekers

**JOBSEEKERS BY GROUP**  
Ostrobothnia



## Summary table

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2024 JANUARY (I) AND  
ACTIVITIES OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICES DURING JANUARY (II)  
ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

	Jan-24	Jan-23	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH</b>				
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	8 150	7 215	935	13,0
of whom fully laid off	1 217	851	366	43,0
2. On reduced working week	577	310	267	86,1
3. Those who have work	5 335	6 321	-986	-15,6
of which in full-time work	2 622	3 985	-1 363	-34,2
of which in part-time work	2 212	1 675	537	32,1
of whom employed through employment services	501	661	-160	-24,2
4. Persons outside the labour force	4 068	3 872	196	5,1
of whom in services promoting employment	962	982	-20	-2,0
of whom in training	2 537	2 254	283	12,6
<b>1-4 Total of jobseekers</b>	<b>18 130</b>	<b>17 718</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>2,3</b>
<b>B. LABOUR DEMAND</b>				
1. Jobs vacant	5 977	8 642	-2 665	-30,8
of those notified for over a month	1 454	2 234	-780	-34,9
of those notified for over 2 months	292	153	139	90,8
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	6	7	-1	-14,3
2. Employed by municipalities	189	203	-14	-6,9
3. Employed by the private sector	752	789	-37	-4,7
<b>1-3 Total number of employed people</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>999</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>-5,2</b>
4. Labour market training	1 187	1 004	183	18,2
5. Training	168	142	26	18,3
6. Engaged in work/training trials	203	185	18	9,7
7. As a job alternation substitute	126	106	20	18,9
8. Rehabilitative work	733	800	-67	-8,4
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	837	1 046	-209	-20,0
<b>1-9 Total number of people participating in services</b>	<b>4 201</b>	<b>4 282</b>	<b>-81</b>	<b>-1,9</b>
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	3 162	2 870	292	10,2
2. Unemployed men	4 988	4 345	643	14,8
3. Under 25 years old	1 010	881	129	14,6
4. Over 50 years old	2 866	2 632	234	8,9
5. Unemployed over a year	2 056	1 927	129	6,7
6. Foreign unemployed	1 395	1 270	125	9,8
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	3 255	2 711	544	20,1
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	10 018	8 706	1 312	15,1
2. Other jobseekers	9 256	10 082	-826	-8,2
<b>1-2 Total number of jobseekers</b>	<b>19 274</b>	<b>18 788</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>2,6</b>
3. Vacancies during a month	7 660	10 889	-3 229	-29,7
New vacancies during a month	5 425	7 897	-2 472	-31,3
Vacancies filled during a month	221	207	14	6,8
of those filled with job-seekers at the Employment Service	35	42	-7	-16,7
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	776	1 839	-1 063	-57,8
Vacancies cancelled or could not be filled	792	381	411	107,9
4. Started spell of unemployment	1 747	1 596	151	9,5
5. Completed spell of unemployment	2 114	1 724	390	22,6
6. New jobs found through employment services	196	249	-53	-21,3
7. New entrants to labour market training	366	305	61	20,0

## Foreigners' summary table

FOREIGNERS' EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2024 JANUARY (I) AND  
ACTIVITIES OF EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICES DURING JANUARY (II)  
ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Jan-24	Jan-23	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 395	1 270	125	9,8
of whom fully laid off	145	198	-53	-26,8
2. On reduced working week	84	26	58	223,1
3. Those who have work	832	855	-23	-2,7
of which in full-time work	541	588	-47	-8,0
of which in part-time work	238	197	41	20,8
of whom employed through employment services	53	70	-17	-24,3
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 673	1 362	311	22,8
of whom in services promoting employment	137	107	30	28,0
of whom in training	1 424	1 161	263	22,7
<b>1-4 Total of jobseekers</b>	<b>3 984</b>	<b>3 513</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>13,4</b>
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	0	0	0	0,0
2. Employed by municipalities	11	12	-1	-8,3
3. Employed by the private sector	53	60	-7	-11,7
<b>1-3 Total number of employed people</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-11,1</b>
4. Labour market training	617	481	136	28,3
5. Training	19	14	5	35,7
6. Engaged in work/training trials	60	37	23	62,2
7. As a job alternation substitute	...	...	...	...
8. Rehabilitative work	60	68	-8	-11,8
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	499	604	-105	-17,4
<b>1-9 Total number of people participating in services</b>	<b>1 323</b>	<b>1 280</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3,4</b>
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	685	616	69	11,2
2. Unemployed men	710	654	56	8,6
3. Under 25 years old	134	123	11	8,9
4. Over 50 years old	301	267	34	12,7
5. Unemployed over a year	198	142	56	39,4
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	277	304	-27	-8,9
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 851	1 579	272	17,2
2. Other jobseekers	2 279	2 049	230	11,2
<b>1-2 Total number of jobseekers</b>	<b>4 130</b>	<b>3 628</b>	<b>502</b>	<b>13,8</b>
4. Started spell of unemployment	295	308	-13	-4,2
5. Completed spell of unemployment	477	348	129	37,1
6. New jobs found through employment services	14	27	-13	-48,1
7. New entrants to labour market training	170	140	30	21,4





## Regional table

UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS AND JOBS VACANT BY MUNICIPALITY AT THE END OF 2024 JANUARY  
ELY CENTRE: OSTROBOTHNIA

Municipality	Workforce Unemployed jobseekers								Disabled and chron. ill	Jobs vacant	
		% of workforce	Total	Men	Women	Under 20	Under 25	Over 50			
						years old	years old	years old			
Halsua	426	8,7	37	26	...	...	...	14	11	7	47
Kannus	2 396	9,7	233	157	76	5	30	93	65	24	101
Kaskinen	487	8,8	43	28	15	0	...	18	8	5	15
Kaustinen	1 954	7,7	151	90	61	5	23	55	27	31	62
Kokkola	22 213	9,2	2 041	1 293	748	75	325	654	669	289	2 202
Korsnäs	942	7,7	73	46	27	...	...	24	7	6	...
Kristiinankaupunki	2 591	7,6	198	113	85	...	14	82	41	23	39
Kruunupyä	2 949	5,2	152	88	64	...	15	60	32	15	23
Laihia	3 599	5,8	208	128	80	...	19	97	40	60	120
Lestijärvi	263	6,1	16	13	...	0	...	9	5	5	...
Luoto	2 570	2,6	66	36	30	0	12	26	10	7	14
Maalahti	2 583	5,1	132	87	45	...	16	42	31	13	11
Mustasaari	9 608	4,0	386	232	154	8	36	167	90	42	83
Närpiö	4 493	4,5	200	132	68	...	14	67	23	23	63
Pedersören kunta	5 337	2,8	150	85	65	5	20	67	29	34	344
Perho	990	11,9	118	88	30	9	20	35	15	11	16
Pietarsaari	8 762	9,2	804	470	334	24	98	294	169	93	1 000
Toholampi	1 156	8,1	94	58	36	...	11	40	19	13	9
Uusikaarlepyy	3 388	5,0	168	103	65	...	23	58	28	13	119
Vaasa	33 344	7,9	2 628	1 553	1 075	71	296	857	680	314	1 660
Veteli	1 245	6,0	75	41	34	...	9	35	19	14	36
Vöyri	2 842	6,2	177	121	56	5	16	72	38	17	8
Total	114 138	7,1	8 150	4 988	3 162	231	1 010	2 866	2 056	1 059	5 977



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