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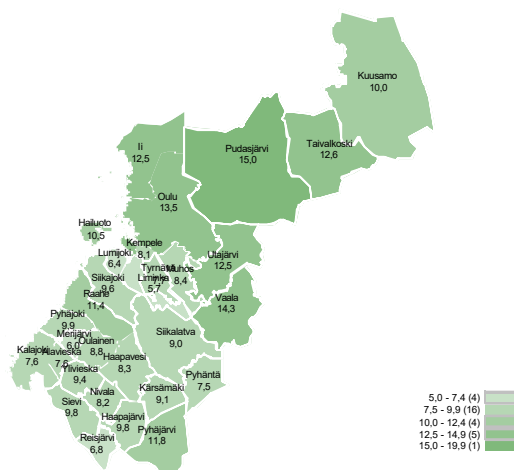
NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

Employment Bulletin

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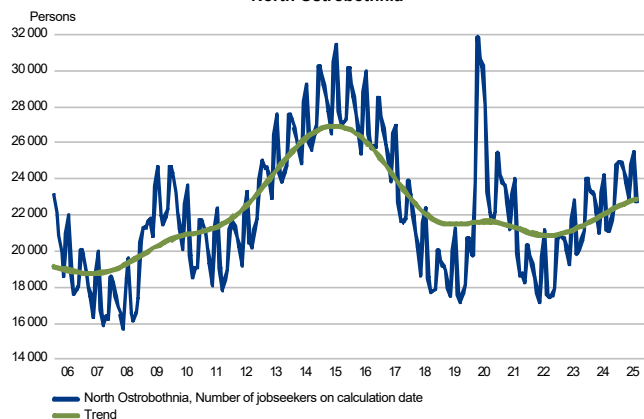
Unemployed jobseeker's percentage of the workforce

Unemployed jobseekers' percentage of the workforce by municipality

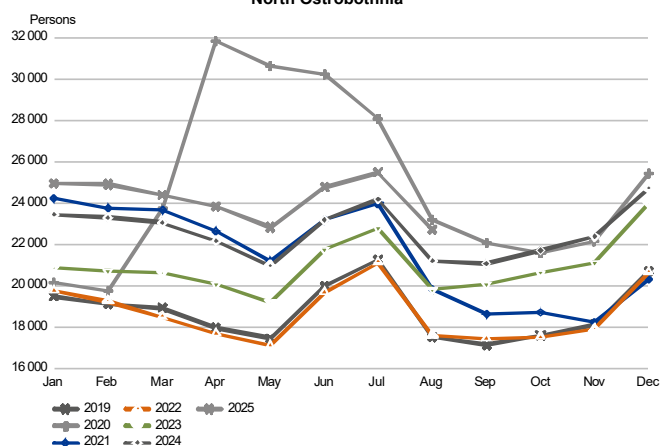


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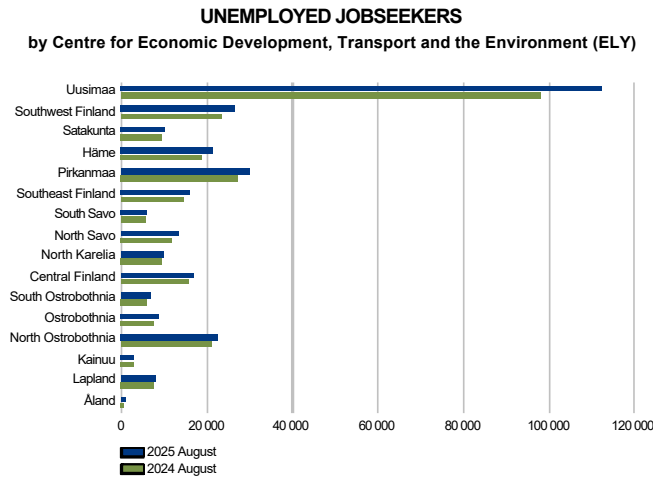
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND
North Ostrobothnia



UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS, MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON
North Ostrobothnia



Unemployed jobseekers by sub-regional unit



Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant by sub-regional unit

Sub-regional unit	Change			Of the Unemployed				Change			
	Aug 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2024	Aug 2025	Aug 2024	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce	Aug 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2024	Aug 2025
Sub-regional unit	Unemployed jobseekers			%		%		Jobs vacant		%	
Oulu	16 149	18 087	15 056	1 093	7	700	12,5	1 013	820	1 248	-235 -19
Oulunkaari	1 209	1 333	1 166	43	4	98	13,5	99	89	85	14 16
Raahe	1 446	1 613	1 364	82	6	72	11,0	102	97	105	-3 -3
Haapavesi-Siikalatva	458	514	427	31	7	39	8,5	96	61	36	60 167
Nivala-Haapajärvi	1 007	1 151	915	92	10	93	9,2	64	64	104	-40 -38
Ylivieska	1 613	1 857	1 457	156	11	174	8,6	181	164	464	-283 -61
Koillismaa	841	937	843	-2	0	65	10,5	312	301	412	-100 -24
North Ostrobothnia	22 723	25 492	21 228	1 495	7	1 241	11,7	1 867	1 596	2 454	-587 -24



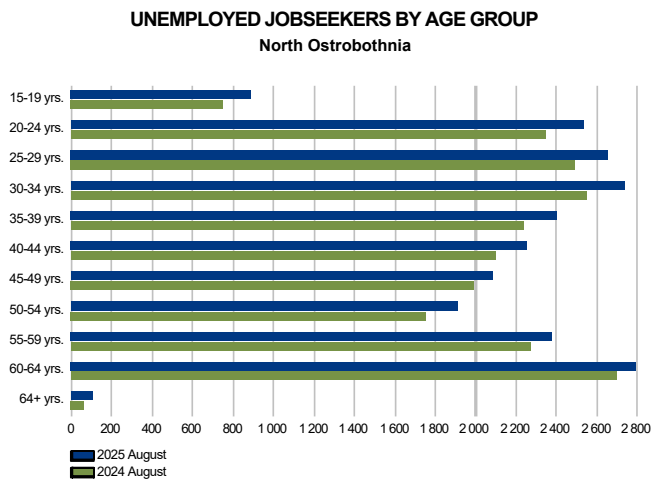
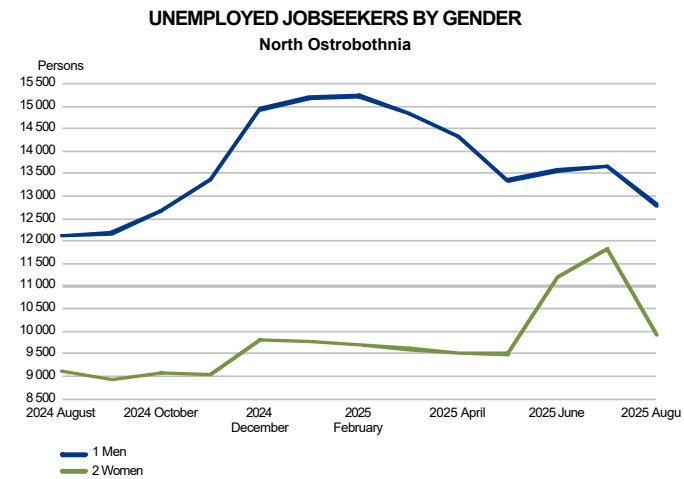
Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant by municipality

Municipality	Change				Of the Unemployed				Change					
	Aug 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2024	Aug 2025	Aug 2024	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce	Aug 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2024	Aug 2025	Aug 2024		
	Unemployed jobseekers				%				Jobs vacant				%	
Alavieska	79	94	83	-4	-5	...	7,6	...	...	36	...	...
Haapajärvi	273	305	254	19	7	44	9,8	15	16	36	-21	-58		
Haapavesi	224	267	209	15	7	15	8,3	13	7	16	-3	-19		
Hailuoto	38	37	33	5	15	...	10,5	...	0	8	...	...
Ii	525	598	520	5	1	53	12,5	25	23	23	2	9		
Kalajoki	405	462	359	46	13	70	7,6	40	37	163	-123	-75		
Kempele	768	920	739	29	4	30	8,1	34	27	104	-70	-67		
Kuusamo	655	735	646	9	1	46	10,0	306	287	388	-82	-21		
Kärsämäki	88	94	82	6	7	...	9,1	5	5	8	-3	-37		
Liminka	263	361	281	-18	-6	22	5,7	9	5	16	-7	-44		
Lumijoki	56	74	76	-20	-26	7	6,4	...	...	...	...	...
Merijärvi	24	36	30	-6	-20	...	6,0	...	0	...	...	...
Muhos	323	366	330	-7	-2	22	8,4	16	7	32	-16	-50		
Nivala	364	438	315	49	16	34	8,2	37	36	42	-5	-12		
Oulainen	252	286	233	19	8	19	8,8	18	27	27	-9	-33		
Oulu	14 486	16 053	13 377	1109	8	600	13,5	947	768	1 072	-125	-12		
Pudasjärvi	418	459	400	18	5	22	15,0	47	48	27	20	74		
Pyhäjoki	122	150	115	7	6	7	9,9	...	9	5	...	...
Pyhäjärvi	211	229	210	1	0	9	11,8	...	6	8	...	...
Pyhäntä	50	48	48	2	4	8	7,5	73	40	8	65	813		
Raahe	1135	1257	1074	61	6	52	11,4	90	78	90	0	0		
Reisjärvi	71	85	54	17	31	...	6,8	...	...	10	...	...
Sievi	193	223	156	37	24	17	9,8	9	5	115	-106	-92		
Siikajoki	189	206	175	14	8	13	9,6	10	10	10	0	0		
Siikalatva	184	199	170	14	8	16	9,0	10	14	12	-2	-17		
Taivalkoski	186	202	197	-11	-6	19	12,6	6	14	24	-18	-75		
Tyrnävä	215	276	220	-5	-2	17	7,7	5	12	11	-6	-55		
Utajärvi	125	136	112	13	12	5	12,5	16	7	8	8	100		
Vaala	141	140	134	7	5	18	14,3	11	11	27	-16	-59		
Ylivieska	660	756	596	64	11	62	9,4	109	93	120	-11	-9		
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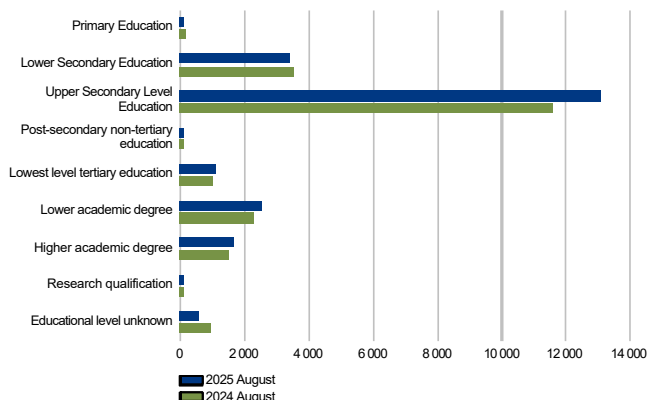
Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group



Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

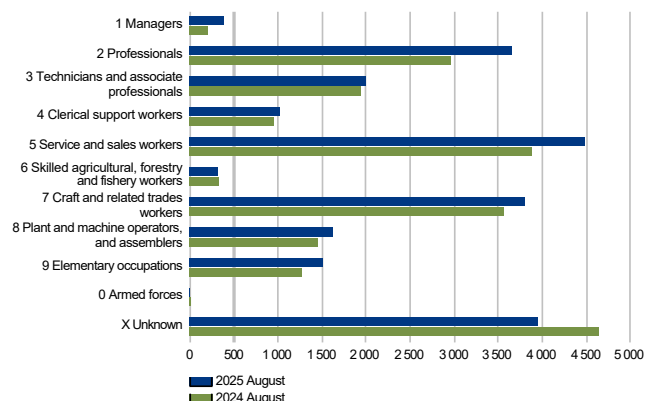
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION

North Ostrobothnia



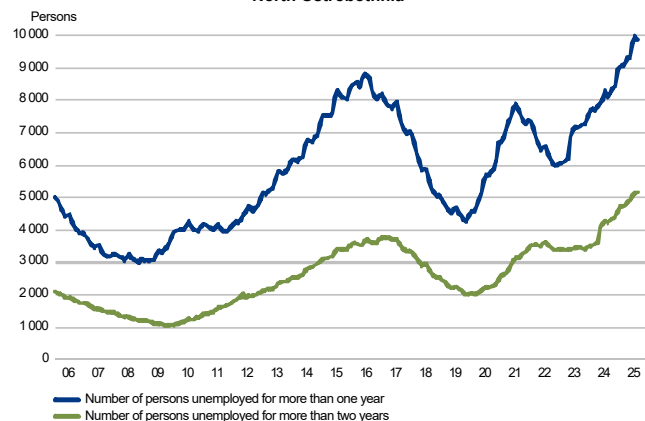
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP

North Ostrobothnia

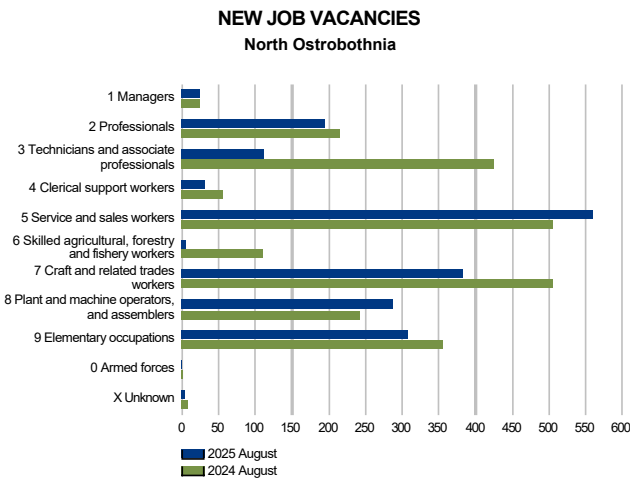


LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED AT THE END OF THE MONTH

North Ostrobothnia

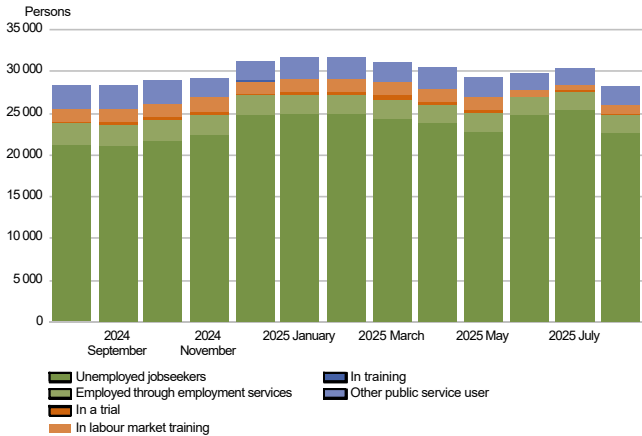


Jobs vacant

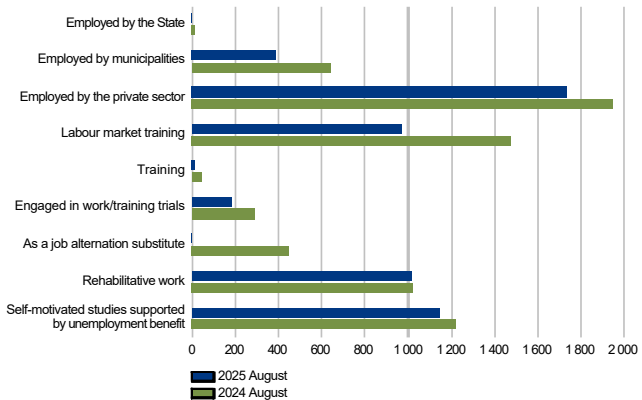


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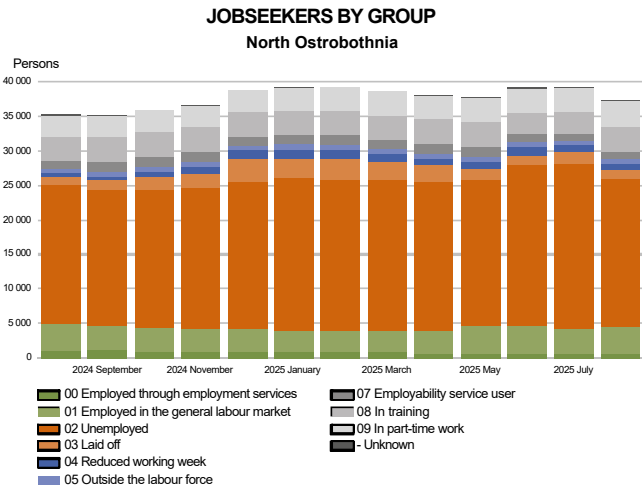
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PEOPLE COVERED BY SERVICES
North Ostrobothnia



All jobseekers



Summary table

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2025 AUGUST (I) AND
DURING AUGUST (II)
ELY CENTRE: NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Aug-25	Aug-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	22 723	21 228	1 495	7,0
of whom fully laid off	1 241	1 319	-78	-5,9
2. On reduced working week	910	513	397	77,4
3. Those who have work	8 327	8 247	80	1,0
of which in full-time work	3 753	3 962	-209	-5,3
of which in part-time work	3 887	3 194	693	21,7
of whom employed through employment services	687	1 091	-404	-37,0
4. Persons outside the labour force	5 342	5 230	112	2,1
of whom in services promoting employment	1 165	1 234	-69	-5,6
of whom in training	3 467	3 295	172	5,2
1-4 Total of jobseekers	37 302	35 218	2 084	5,9
B. LABOUR DEMAND				
1. Jobs vacant	1 867	2 454	-587	-23,9
of those notified for over a month	582	861	-279	-32,4
of those notified for over 2 months	291	460	-169	-36,7
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	13	-13	-100,0
2. Employed by municipalities	386	637	-251	-39,4
3. Employed by the private sector	1 731	1 950	-219	-11,2
1-3 Total number of employed people	2 117	2 600	-483	-18,6
4. Labour market training	966	1 476	-510	-34,6
5. Training	14	43	-29	-67,4
6. Engaged in work/training trials	179	291	-112	-38,5
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	453	-453	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	1 015	1 020	-5	-0,5
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	1 142	1 225	-83	-6,8
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	5 433	7 108	-1 675	-23,6
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	9 919	9 104	815	9,0
2. Unemployed men	12 799	12 124	675	5,6
3. Under 25 years old	3 421	3 091	330	10,7
4. Over 50 years old	7 177	6 777	400	5,9
5. Unemployed over a year	9 857	8 106	1 751	21,6
6. Foreign unemployed	1 419	1 328	91	6,9
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	7 329	8 085	-756	-9,4
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	26 818	25 726	1 092	4,2
2. Other jobseekers	13 683	13 134	549	4,2
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	40 501	38 860	1 641	4,2
3. Vacancies during a month	3 284	4 333	-1 049	-24,2
New vacancies during a month	1 908	2 448	-540	-22,1
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	1 854	253	1 601	632,8
4. Started spell of unemployment	2 429	2 774	-345	-12,4
5. Completed spell of unemployment	4 456	4 648	-192	-4,1
6. New jobs found through employment services	126	221	-95	-43,0
7. New entrants to labour market training	276	308	-32	-10,4



Foreigners' summary table

FOREIGNERS' EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2025 AUGUST (I) AND
DURING AUGUST (II)
ELY CENTRE: NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Aug-25	Aug-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 419	1 328	91	6,9
of whom fully laid off	64	62	2	3,2
2. On reduced working week	121	15	106	706,7
3. Those who have work	590	556	34	6,1
of which in full-time work	289	324	-35	-10,8
of which in part-time work	266	188	78	41,5
of whom employed through employment services	35	44	-9	-20,5
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 419	1 355	64	4,7
of whom in services promoting employment	48	55	-7	-12,7
of whom in training	1 280	1 220	60	4,9
1-4 Total of jobseekers	3 549	3 254	295	9,1
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	0	0	0,0
2. Employed by municipalities	15	22	-7	-31,8
3. Employed by the private sector	80	100	-20	-20,0
1-3 Total number of employed people	95	122	-27	-22,1
4. Labour market training	511	604	-93	-15,4
5. Training	...	...	...	...
6. Engaged in work/training trials	21	35	-14	-40,0
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	7	-7	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	14	11	3	27,3
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	374	400	-26	-6,5
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	1 017	1 180	-163	-13,8
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	790	720	70	9,7
2. Unemployed men	624	608	16	2,6
3. Under 25 years old	109	116	-7	-6,0
4. Over 50 years old	301	283	18	6,4
5. Unemployed over a year	382	305	77	25,2
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	209	229	-20	-8,7
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 702	1 672	30	1,8
2. Other jobseekers	1 921	1 719	202	11,8
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	3 623	3 391	232	6,8
4. Started spell of unemployment	183	209	-26	-12,4
5. Completed spell of unemployment	309	338	-29	-8,6
6. New jobs found through employment services	8	5	3	60,0
7. New entrants to labour market training	111	101	10	9,9



Regional table

UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS AND JOBS VACANT BY MUNICIPALITY AT THE END OF 2025 AUGUST

ELY CENTRE: NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

Municipality	Workforce		Unemployed jobseekers					Disabled			Jobs vacant
		% of workforce	Total	Men	Women	Under 20 years old	Under 25 years old	Over 50 years old	Unemployed over a year	and chron. ill	
Alavieska	1 036	7,6	79	46	33	...	11	25	40	9	...
Haapajärvi	2 787	9,8	273	166	107	9	36	124	100	53	15
Haapavesi	2 710	8,3	224	119	105	...	18	70	88	37	13
Hailuoto	361	10,5	38	23	15	0	...	18	18	7	...
Ii	4 211	12,5	525	316	208	15	49	227	223	110	25
Kalajoki	5 343	7,6	405	229	176	12	44	181	141	47	40
Kempele	9 438	8,1	768	387	381	38	119	278	337	87	34
Kuusamo	6 543	10,0	655	357	298	21	61	257	227	102	306
Kärsämäki	972	9,1	88	58	30	...	8	43	45	17	5
Liminka	4 636	5,7	263	138	125	21	50	74	72	30	9
Lumijoki	875	6,4	56	24	32	5	12	25	12	...	...
Merijärvi	402	6,0	24	15	9	...	...	6	10	...	...
Muhos	3 843	8,4	323	184	139	14	48	116	101	43	16
Nivala	4 415	8,2	364	178	186	17	49	101	144	51	37
Oulainen	2 854	8,8	252	144	108	13	38	93	73	37	18
Oulu	107 587	13,5	14 486	8 213	6 269	585	2 402	3 962	6 644	1 589	947
Pudasjärvi	2 791	15,0	418	262	156	10	26	224	227	91	47
Pyhäjoki	1 229	9,9	122	65	57	...	17	43	42	15	...
Pyhäjärvi	1 783	11,8	211	119	92	...	10	104	88	40	...
Pyhäntä	664	7,5	50	32	18	...	7	16	15	8	73
Raahe	9 974	11,4	1 135	576	559	55	181	417	471	228	90
Reisjärvi	1 046	6,8	71	32	39	...	6	38	22	14	...
Sievi	1 967	9,8	193	103	90	9	31	70	68	31	9
Siikajoki	1 968	9,6	189	108	81	8	24	73	72	31	10
Siikalatva	2 041	9,0	184	103	81	...	9	94	66	41	10
Taivalkoski	1 482	12,6	186	119	67	...	13	95	69	33	6
Tyrnävä	2 801	7,7	215	116	99	10	26	71	77	19	5
Utajärvi	998	12,5	125	86	39	...	15	66	57	20	16
Vaala	985	14,3	141	104	37	...	9	72	49	28	11
Ylivieska	7 054	9,4	660	377	283	24	98	194	259	74	109
Total	194 796	11,7	22 723	12 799	9 919	890	3 421	7 177	9 857	2 899	1 867



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