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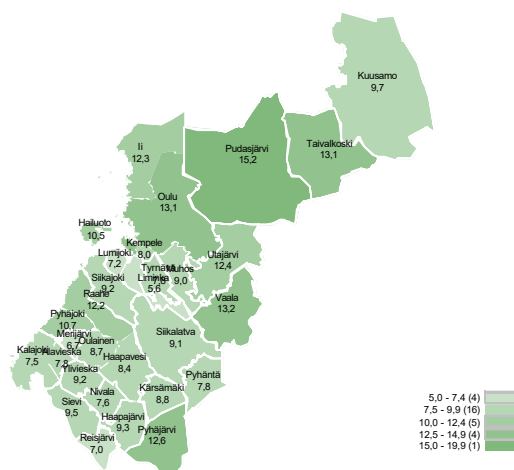
NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

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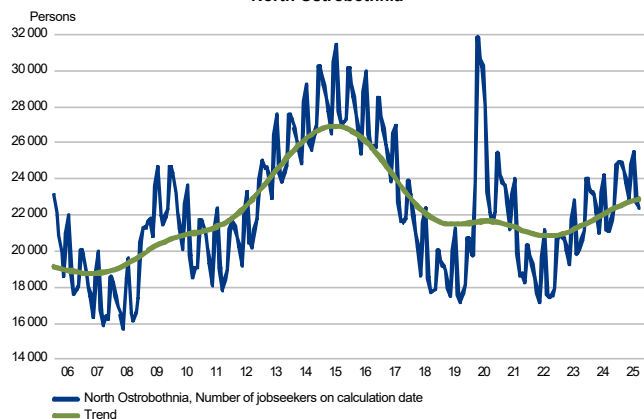
Unemployed jobseeker's percentage of the workforce

Unemployed jobseekers' percentage of the workforce by municipality

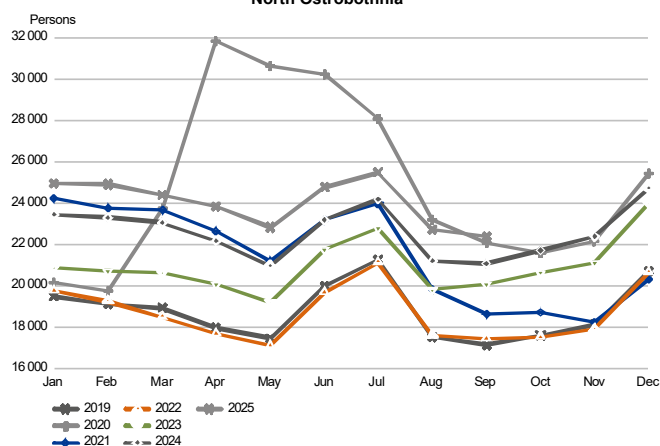


Unemployed jobseekers

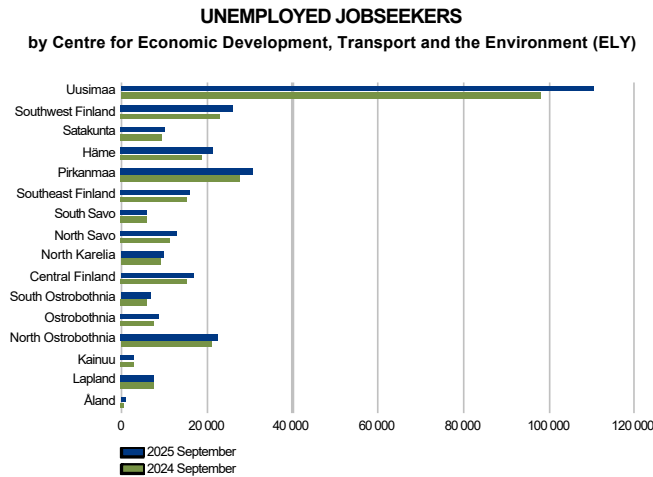
UNEEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND
North Ostrobothnia



UNEEMPLOYED 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	Unemployed jobseekers			Change		Of the Unemployed		Jobs vacant			Change	
	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Sep 2025	Sep 2024	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Sep 2025	Sep 2024
Oulu	15 821	16 149	14 743	1 078	7	716	12,2	965	1 013	1 320	-355	-27
Oulunkaari	1 197	1 209	1 177	20	2	98	13,3	66	99	71	-5	-7
Raahe	1 533	1 446	1 475	58	4	71	11,6	75	102	192	-117	-61
Haapavesi-Siikalatva	465	458	439	26	6	48	8,6	50	96	50	0	0
Nivala-Haapajärvi	978	1 007	930	48	5	89	8,9	73	64	60	13	22
Ylivieska	1 590	1 613	1 473	117	8	175	8,5	205	181	344	-139	-40
Koillismaa	828	841	860	-32	-4	77	10,3	309	312	210	99	47
North Ostrobothnia	22 412	22 723	21 097	1 315	6	1 274	11,5	1 743	1 867	2 247	-504	-22



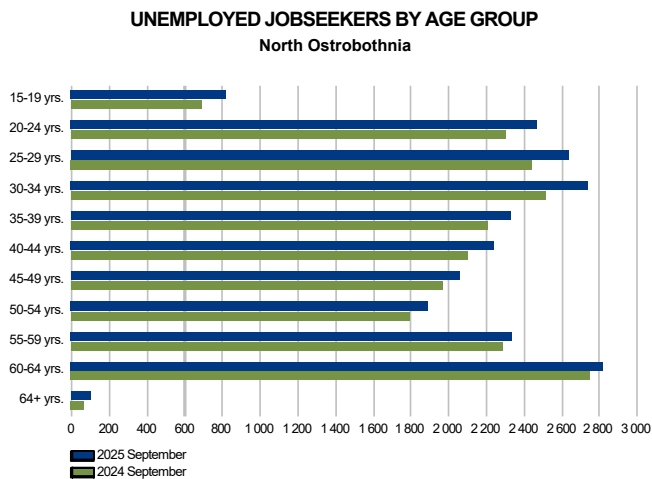
Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant by municipality

Municipality	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Change		Of the Unemployed		Sep 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2024	Change	
				Sep 2025	Sep 2024	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce				Sep 2025	Sep 2024
	Unemployed jobseekers			%			%	Jobs vacant			%	
Alavieska	81	79	83	-2	-2	6	7,8	0	...	10	-10	-100
Haapajärvi	259	273	261	-2	-1	38	9,3	8	15	21	-13	-62
Haapavesi	228	224	213	15	7	17	8,4	10	13	19	-9	-47
Hailuoto	38	38	35	3	9	...	10,5	...	...	19	...	...
Ii	520	525	517	3	1	43	12,3	11	25	18	-7	-39
Kalajoki	399	405	384	15	4	72	7,5	17	40	46	-29	-63
Kempele	759	768	731	28	4	39	8,0	29	34	69	-40	-58
Kuusamo	634	655	659	-25	-4	51	9,7	303	306	202	101	50
Kärsämäki	86	88	88	-2	-2	...	8,8	7	5	...	...	...
Liminka	259	263	286	-27	-9	20	5,6	19	9	14	5	36
Lumijoki	63	56	72	-9	-12	5	7,2	...	...	...	...	...
Merijärvi	27	24	27	0	0	...	6,7	...	...	0	...	...
Muhos	346	323	330	16	5	28	9,0	13	16	25	-12	-48
Nivala	335	364	317	18	6	27	7,6	49	37	28	21	75
Oulainen	247	252	229	18	8	11	8,7	22	18	39	-17	-44
Oulu	14 137	14 486	13 079	1 058	8	604	13,1	896	947	1 186	-290	-24
Pudasjärvi	423	418	416	7	2	40	15,2	45	47	32	13	41
Pyhäjoki	131	122	125	6	5	10	10,7	6	...	...	...	...
Pyhäjärvi	225	211	208	17	8	15	12,6	6	...	...	...	...
Pyhäntä	52	50	48	4	8	12	7,8	28	73	17	11	65
Raahe	1 220	1 135	1 168	52	4	50	12,2	65	90	176	-111	-63
Reisjärvi	73	71	56	17	30	5	7,0	...	...	5	...	...
Sievi	186	193	161	25	16	21	9,5	7	9	124	-117	-94
Siikajoki	182	189	182	0	0	11	9,2	...	10	13	...	...
Siikalatva	185	184	178	7	4	19	9,1	12	10	14	-2	-14
Taivalkoski	194	186	201	-7	-3	26	13,1	6	6	8	-2	-25
Tyrnävä	219	215	210	9	4	17	7,8	...	5	6	...	...
Utajärvi	124	125	110	14	13	...	12,4	6	16	...	...	...
Vaala	130	141	134	-4	-3	11	13,2	...	11	17	...	...
Ylivieska	650	660	589	61	10	64	9,2	158	109	125	33	26
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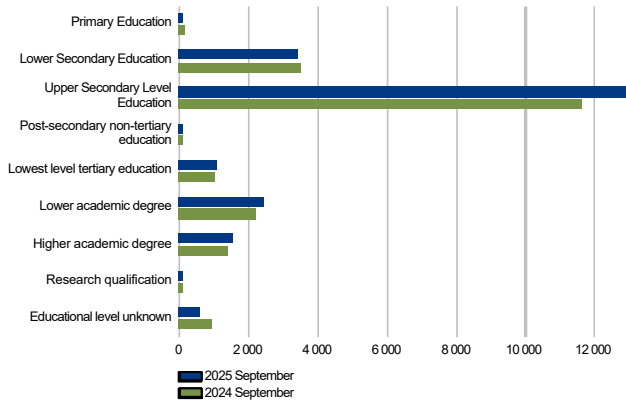


Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group

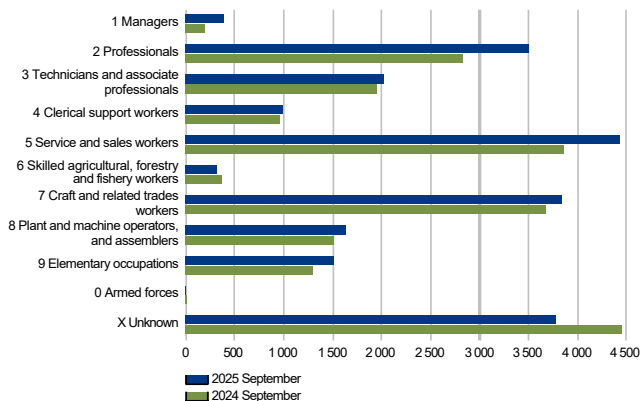


Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

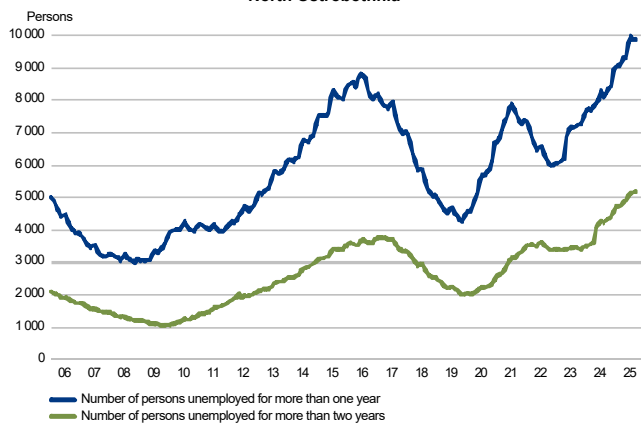
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
North Ostrobothnia



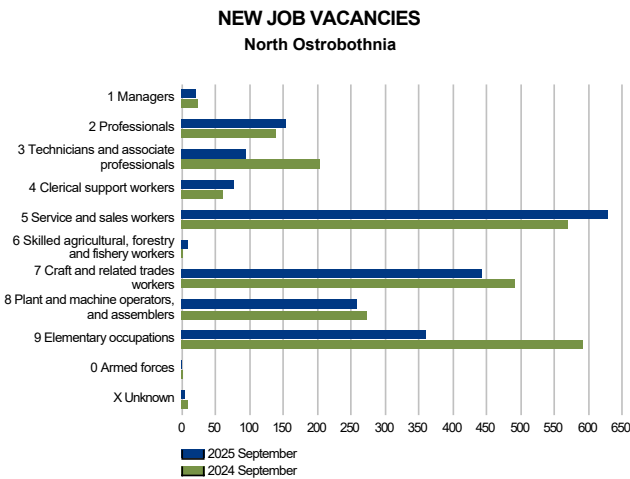
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP
North Ostrobothnia



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

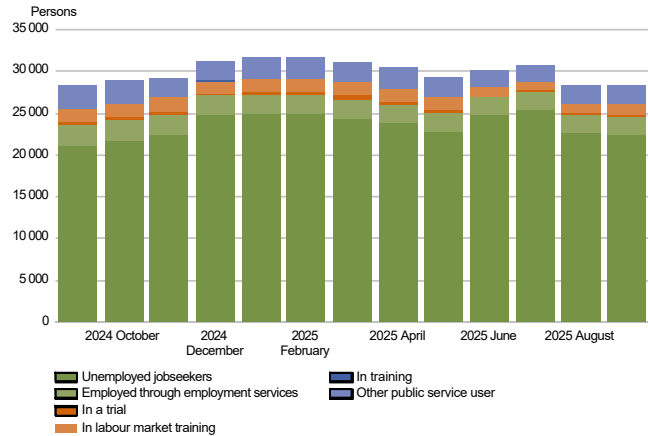


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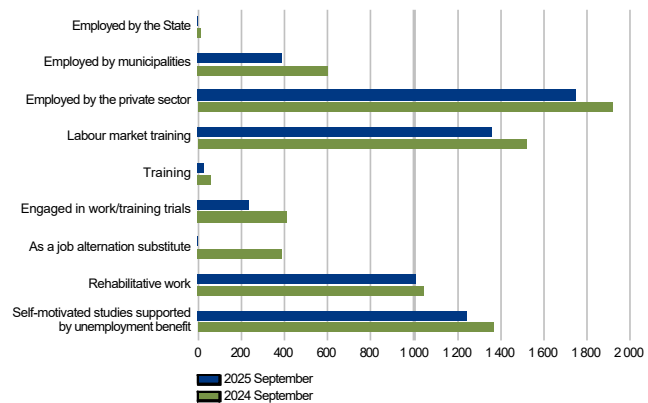


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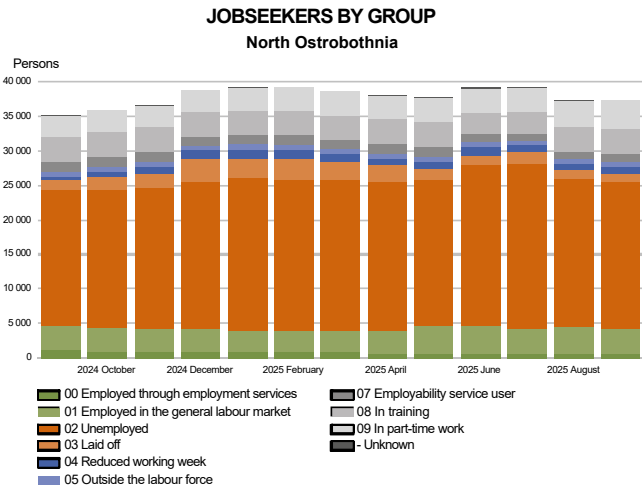
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PEOPLE COVERED BY SERVICES
North Ostrobothnia



All jobseekers



Summary table

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2025 SEPTEMBER (I) AND

DURING SEPTEMBER (II)

ELY CENTRE: NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Sep-25	Sep-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	22 412	21 097	1 315	6,2
of whom fully laid off	1 274	1 467	-193	-13,2
2. On reduced working week	941	608	333	54,8
3. Those who have work	8 367	7 808	559	7,2
of which in full-time work	3 628	3 599	29	0,8
of which in part-time work	4 038	3 167	871	27,5
of whom employed through employment services	701	1 042	-341	-32,7
4. Persons outside the labour force	5 571	5 565	6	0,1
of whom in services promoting employment	1 253	1 407	-154	-10,9
of whom in training	3 608	3 466	142	4,1
1-4 Total of jobseekers	37 291	35 078	2 213	6,3
B. LABOUR DEMAND				
1. Jobs vacant	1 743	2 247	-504	-22,4
of those notified for over a month	579	787	-208	-26,4
of those notified for over 2 months	355	379	-24	-6,3
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	13	-13	-100,0
2. Employed by municipalities	389	604	-215	-35,6
3. Employed by the private sector	1 746	1 918	-172	-9,0
1-3 Total number of employed people	2 135	2 535	-400	-15,8
4. Labour market training	1 356	1 521	-165	-10,8
5. Training	27	62	-35	-56,5
6. Engaged in work/training trials	233	408	-175	-42,9
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	389	-389	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	1 006	1 044	-38	-3,6
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	1 242	1 366	-124	-9,1
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	5 999	7 325	-1 326	-18,1
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	9 627	8 922	705	7,9
2. Unemployed men	12 779	12 175	604	5,0
3. Under 25 years old	3 284	2 991	293	9,8
4. Over 50 years old	7 139	6 883	256	3,7
5. Unemployed over a year	9 871	8 236	1 635	19,9
6. Foreign unemployed	1 360	1 278	82	6,4
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	7 287	8 209	-922	-11,2
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	24 375	23 647	728	3,1
2. Other jobseekers	14 555	13 627	928	6,8
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	38 930	37 274	1 656	4,4
3. Vacancies during a month	3 473	4 610	-1 137	-24,7
New vacancies during a month	2 046	2 361	-315	-13,3
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	2 073	429	1 644	383,2
4. Started spell of unemployment	2 855	2 972	-117	-3,9
5. Completed spell of unemployment	2 143	2 983	-840	-28,2
6. New jobs found through employment services	133	154	-21	-13,6
7. New entrants to labour market training	316	254	62	24,4



Foreigners' summary table

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

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Sep-25	Sep-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 360	1 278	82	6,4
of whom fully laid off	73	59	14	23,7
2. On reduced working week	111	19	92	484,2
3. Those who have work	601	545	56	10,3
of which in full-time work	289	307	-18	-5,9
of which in part-time work	272	194	78	40,2
of whom employed through employment services	40	44	-4	-9,1
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 496	1 461	35	2,4
of whom in services promoting employment	55	74	-19	-25,7
of whom in training	1 347	1 308	39	3,0
1-4 Total of jobseekers	3 568	3 303	265	8,0
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	0	0	0,0
2. Employed by municipalities	15	21	-6	-28,6
3. Employed by the private sector	85	101	-16	-15,8
1-3 Total number of employed people	100	122	-22	-18,0
4. Labour market training	651	610	41	6,7
5. Training	12	5	7	140,0
6. Engaged in work/training trials	23	49	-26	-53,1
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	5	-5	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	13	13	0	0,0
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	437	455	-18	-4,0
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	1 236	1 259	-23	-1,8
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	731	676	55	8,1
2. Unemployed men	623	602	21	3,5
3. Under 25 years old	97	110	-13	-11,8
4. Over 50 years old	296	273	23	8,4
5. Unemployed over a year	393	309	84	27,2
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	203	224	-21	-9,4
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 543	1 485	58	3,9
2. Other jobseekers	2 105	1 925	180	9,4
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	3 648	3 410	238	7,0
4. Started spell of unemployment	200	216	-16	-7,4
5. Completed spell of unemployment	195	227	-32	-14,1
6. New jobs found through employment services	12	8	4	50,0
7. New entrants to labour market training	86	44	42	95,5



Regional table

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

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	7,8	81	44	37	...	11	28	42	9	0
Haapajärvi	2 787	9,3	259	152	107	5	23	107	101	49	8
Haapavesi	2 710	8,4	228	123	105	...	18	70	91	37	10
Hailuoto	361	10,5	38	22	16	0	...	21	20	7	...
Ii	4 211	12,3	520	317	203	14	54	223	229	110	11
Kalajoki	5 343	7,5	399	240	159	13	44	174	145	46	17
Kempele	9 438	8,0	759	396	363	42	123	270	328	79	29
Kuusamo	6 543	9,7	634	355	279	22	63	255	224	106	303
Kärsämäki	972	8,8	86	57	29	...	5	49	51	17	7
Liminka	4 636	5,6	259	144	115	19	51	78	71	28	19
Lumijoki	875	7,2	63	30	33	...	13	26	10	...	...
Merijärvi	402	6,7	27	17	10	...	...	7	9	...	...
Muhos	3 843	9,0	346	196	150	10	58	115	100	43	13
Nivala	4 415	7,6	335	167	168	16	44	92	139	49	49
Oulainen	2 854	8,7	247	137	110	12	35	96	76	39	22
Oulu	107 587	13,1	14 137	8 112	6 019	513	2 221	3 921	6 638	1 593	896
Pudasjärvi	2 791	15,2	423	265	158	9	26	228	221	91	45
Pyhäjoki	1 229	10,7	131	73	58	5	22	47	48	16	6
Pyhäjärvi	1 783	12,6	225	126	99	5	14	108	89	44	6
Pyhäntä	664	7,8	52	35	17	0	8	16	15	8	28
Raahe	9 974	12,2	1 220	632	588	71	227	421	482	229	65
Reisjärvi	1 046	7,0	73	34	39	...	6	39	24	13	...
Sievi	1 967	9,5	186	101	85	5	24	75	72	30	7
Siikajoki	1 968	9,2	182	106	76	9	22	68	74	32	...
Siikalatva	2 041	9,1	185	106	79	...	9	96	67	41	12
Taivalkoski	1 482	13,1	194	126	68	...	13	102	65	33	6
Tyrnävä	2 801	7,8	219	119	100	8	23	76	74	17	...
Utajärvi	998	12,4	124	82	42	...	13	64	55	21	6
Vaala	985	13,2	130	94	36	0	8	65	51	26	...
Ylivieska	7 054	9,2	650	371	279	23	102	202	260	71	158
Total	194 796	11,5	22 412	12 779	9 627	819	3 284	7 139	9 871	2 893	1 743



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