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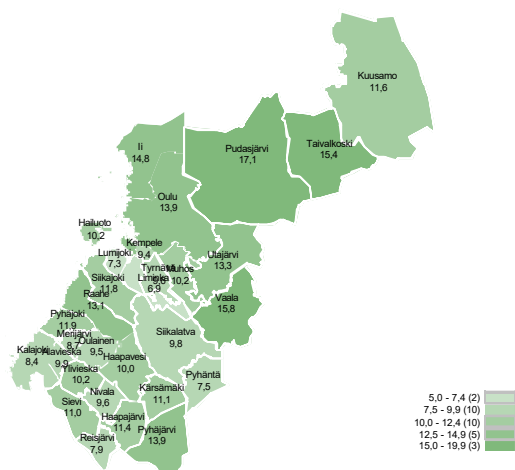
NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

# Employment Bulletin

March 2025

# Unemployed jobseeker's percentage of the workforce

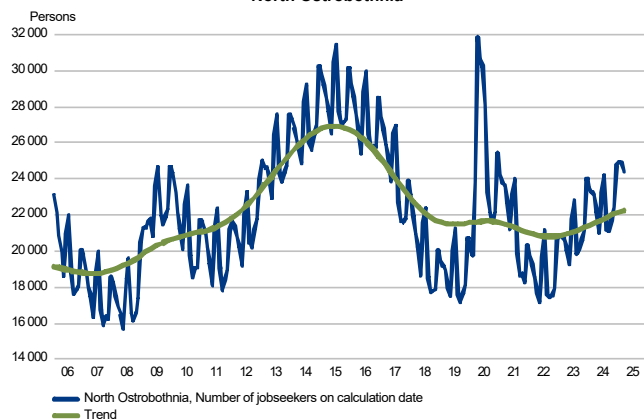
Unemployed jobseekers' percentage of the workforce by municipality



## Unemployed jobseekers

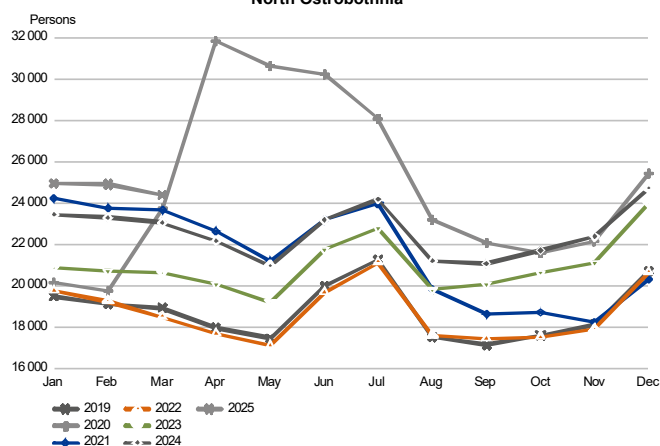
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND

North Ostrobothnia

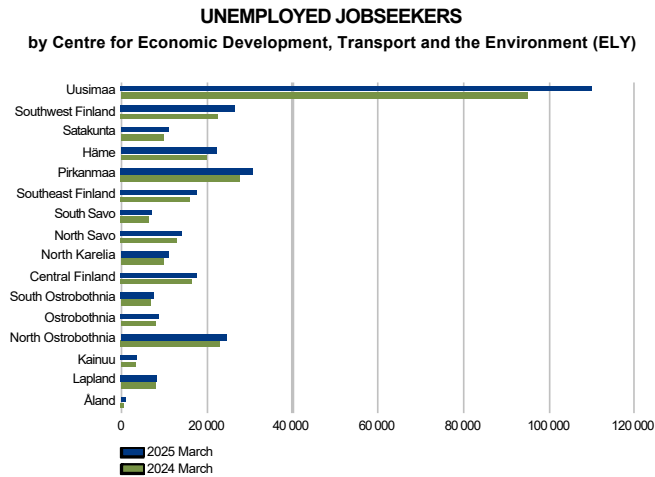


UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS, MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON

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				
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Mar 2025	unemployed	jobseekers'	Mar	Feb	Mar	Mar 2025		
	2025	2025	2024	Mar 2024	jobseekers	percentage	2025	2025	2024	Mar 2024		
					fully	of the						
					laid off	workforce						
Sub-regional unit	Unemployed jobseekers			%		%		Jobs vacant			%	
Oulu	16 874	17 078	15 662	1 212	8	1 494	13,0	1 961	2 278	3 761	-1 800	-48
Oulunkaari	1 391	1 449	1 315	76	6	207	15,5	101	120	148	-47	-32
Raahe	1 681	1 691	1 601	80	5	172	12,8	323	371	176	147	84
Haapavesi-Siikalatva	520	553	570	-50	-9	77	9,6	157	140	98	59	60
Nivala-Haapajärvi	1 177	1 243	1 077	100	9	242	10,7	232	209	277	-45	-16
Ylivieska	1 798	1 892	1 905	-107	-6	342	9,6	700	757	665	35	5
Koillismaa	986	1 015	954	32	3	112	12,3	198	196	305	-107	-35
North Ostrobothnia	24 427	24 921	23 084	1 343	6	2 646	12,5	3 672	4 071	5 430	-1 758	-32





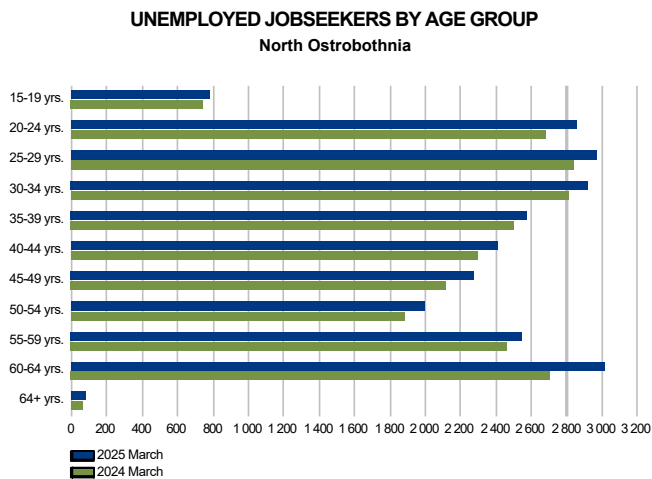
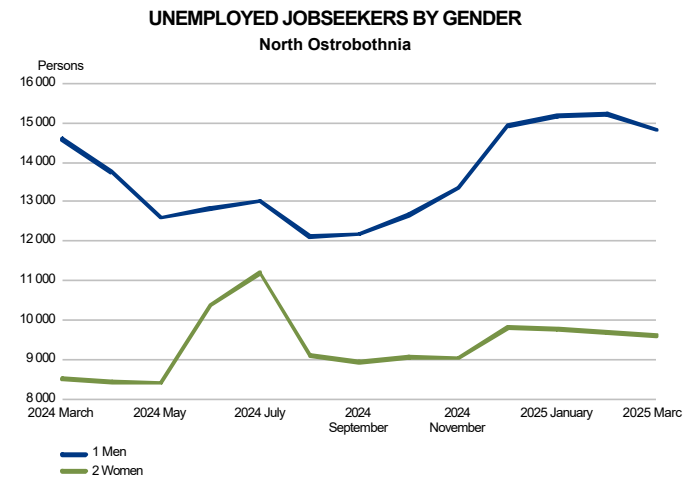
## Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

### Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant by municipality

Municipality	Mar		Mar	Change		Of the Unemployed		Mar	Feb		Mar	Change	
	2025	2025		Mar 2025	Mar 2024	unemployed jobseekers fully laid off	jobseekers' percentage of the workforce		2025	2025		Mar 2025	Mar 2024
	Unemployed jobseekers								Jobs vacant				
					%		%						%
Alavieska	103	107	109	-6	-6	18	9,9	12	7	12	0	0	
Haapajärvi	317	336	283	34	12	76	11,4	67	92	60	7	12	
Haapavesi	271	298	280	-9	-3	42	10,0	74	70	88	-14	-16	
Hailuoto	37	40	40	-3	-7	5	10,2	13	6	14	-1	-7	
Ii	625	646	581	44	8	103	14,8	33	28	43	-10	-23	
Kalajoki	451	483	482	-31	-6	120	8,4	102	178	134	-32	-24	
Kempele	885	912	840	45	5	118	9,4	108	152	152	-44	-29	
Kuusamo	758	787	751	7	1	89	11,6	190	193	291	-101	-35	
Kärsämäki	108	117	101	7	7	18	11,1	12	9	19	-7	-37	
Liminka	318	336	306	12	4	38	6,9	19	55	56	-37	-66	
Lumijoki	64	65	90	-26	-29	9	7,3	...	8	...	...	...	
Merijärvi	35	40	36	-1	-3	8	8,7	...	0	5	...	...	
Muhos	392	409	382	10	3	69	10,2	27	50	84	-57	-68	
Nivala	422	459	395	27	7	102	9,6	113	91	134	-21	-16	
Oulainen	271	290	289	-18	-6	39	9,5	88	92	19	69	363	
Oulu	14 909	15 031	13 760	1 149	8	1 203	13,9	1 776	1 992	3 441	-1 665	-48	
Pudasjärvi	477	510	467	10	2	64	17,1	40	35	47	-7	-15	
Pyhäjoki	146	161	138	8	6	20	11,9	59	60	6	53	883	
Pyhäjärvi	247	245	229	18	8	32	13,9	25	16	39	-14	-36	
Pyhäntä	50	51	78	-28	-36	5	7,5	58	56	...	...	...	
Raahe	1 303	1 299	1 268	35	3	113	13,1	247	295	147	100	68	
Reisjärvi	83	86	69	14	20	14	7,9	15	...	25	-10	-40	
Sievi	216	225	252	-36	-14	41	11,0	120	41	142	-22	-15	
Siikajoki	232	231	195	37	19	39	11,8	17	16	23	-6	-26	
Siikalatva	199	204	212	-13	-6	30	9,8	25	14	7	18	257	
Taivalkoski	228	228	203	25	12	23	15,4	8	...	14	-6	-43	
Tyrnävä	269	285	244	25	10	52	9,6	15	15	13	2	15	
Utajärvi	133	134	116	17	15	16	13,3	...	8	10	...	...	
Vaala	156	159	151	5	3	24	15,8	25	49	48	-23	-48	
Ylivieska	722	747	737	-15	-2	116	10,2	374	439	353	21	6	
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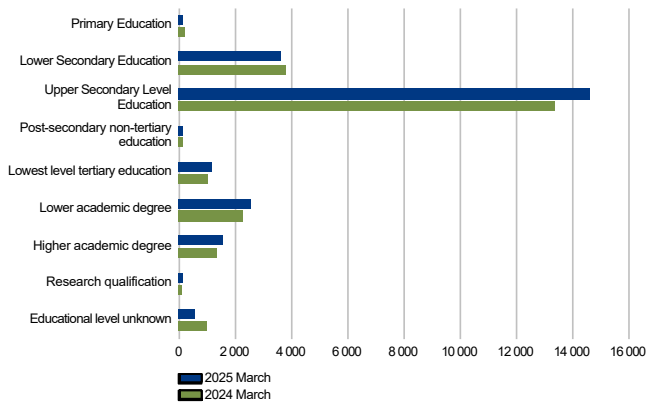


Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group

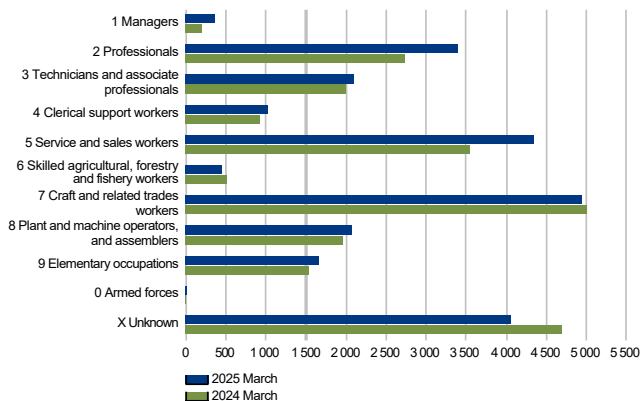


## Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

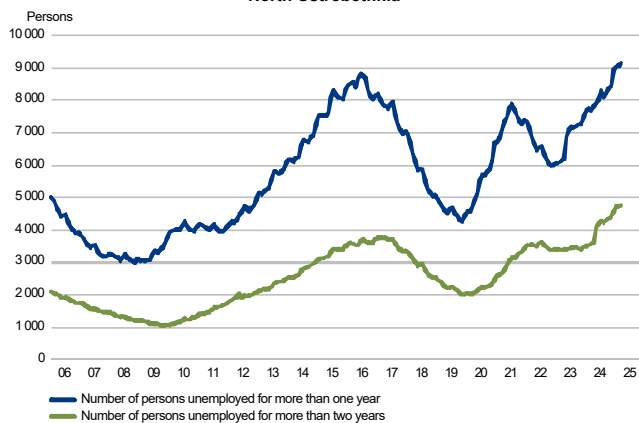
**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION**  
North Ostrobothnia



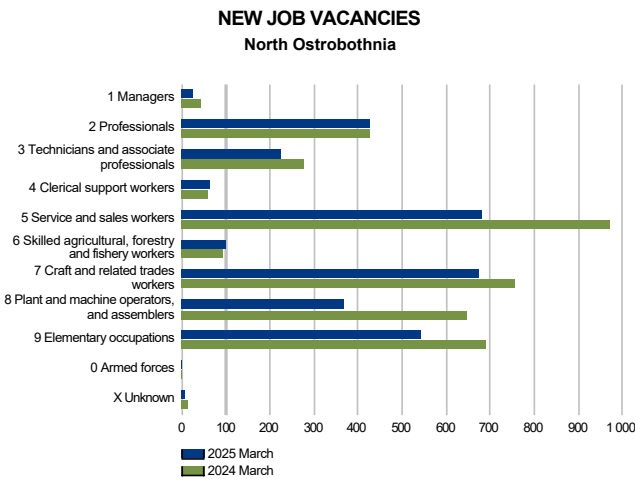
**UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP**  
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**LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED AT THE END OF THE MONTH**  
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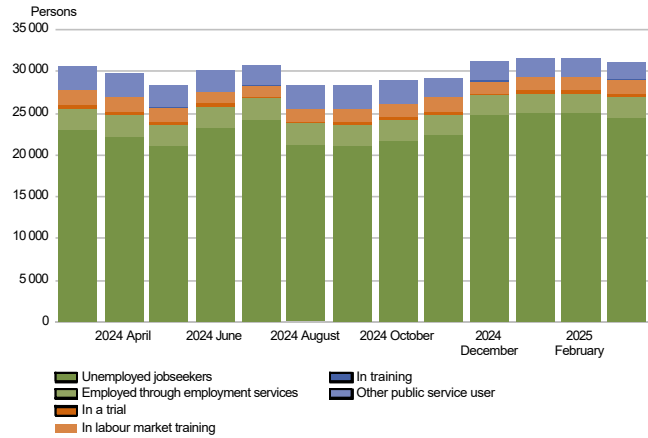
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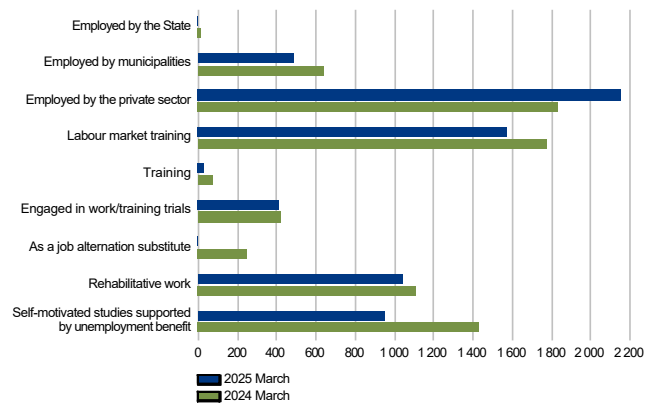


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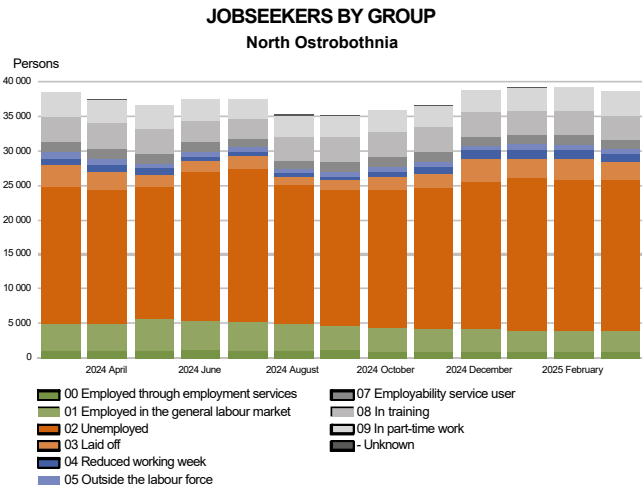
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PEOPLE COVERED BY SERVICES  
North Ostrobothnia



All jobseekers



## Summary table

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

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Mar-25	Mar-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	24 427	23 084	1 343	5,8
of whom fully laid off	2 646	3 180	-534	-16,8
2. On reduced working week	1 159	1 002	157	15,7
3. Those who have work	7 292	8 275	-983	-11,9
of which in full-time work	3 128	3 729	-601	-16,1
of which in part-time work	3 366	3 405	-39	-1,1
of whom employed through employment services	798	1 141	-343	-30,1
4. Persons outside the labour force	5 701	5 979	-278	-4,6
of whom in services promoting employment	1 328	1 435	-107	-7,5
of whom in training	3 608	3 733	-125	-3,3
1-4 Total of jobseekers	38 579	38 340	239	0,6
<b>B. LABOUR DEMAND</b>				
1. Jobs vacant	3 672	5 430	-1 758	-32,4
of those notified for over a month	1 557	2 913	-1 356	-46,5
of those notified for over 2 months	808	1 555	-747	-48,0
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	0	12	-12	-100,0
2. Employed by municipalities	490	636	-146	-23,0
3. Employed by the private sector	2 155	1 828	327	17,9
1-3 Total number of employed people	2 645	2 476	169	6,8
4. Labour market training	1 571	1 774	-203	-11,4
5. Training	35	78	-43	-55,1
6. Engaged in work/training trials	412	415	-3	-0,7
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	249	-249	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	1 043	1 107	-64	-5,8
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	951	1 426	-475	-33,3
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	6 657	7 525	-868	-11,5
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	9 595	8 498	1 097	12,9
2. Unemployed men	14 831	14 586	245	1,7
3. Under 25 years old	3 636	3 425	211	6,2
4. Over 50 years old	7 644	7 114	530	7,5
5. Unemployed over a year	9 138	7 691	1 447	18,8
6. Foreign unemployed	1 392	1 382	10	0,7
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	9 485	10 044	-559	-5,6
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	26 830	25 753	1 077	4,2
2. Other jobseekers	13 822	14 911	-1 089	-7,3
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	40 652	40 664	-12	0,0
3. Vacancies during a month	6 931	10 703	-3 772	-35,2
New vacancies during a month	3 110	3 975	-865	-21,8
Vacancies filled during a month	455	817	-362	-44,3
of those filled with job-seekers	380	440	-60	-13,6
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	734	3 469	-2 735	-78,8
Vacancies cancelled or could not be filled	2 086	1 454	632	43,5
4. Started spell of unemployment	2 401	3 096	-695	-22,4
5. Completed spell of unemployment	1 901	3 075	-1 174	-38,2
6. New jobs found through employment services	137	150	-13	-8,7



## Foreigners' summary table

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

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Mar-25	Mar-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
<b>A. JOBSEEKERS</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 392	1 382	10	0,7
of whom fully laid off	112	200	-88	-44,0
2. On reduced working week	127	88	39	44,3
3. Those who have work	512	524	-12	-2,3
of which in full-time work	262	287	-25	-8,7
of which in part-time work	213	188	25	13,3
of whom employed through employment services	37	49	-12	-24,5
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 493	1 466	27	1,8
of whom in services promoting employment	63	79	-16	-20,3
of whom in training	1 338	1 292	46	3,6
1-4 Total of jobseekers	3 524	3 460	64	1,8
<b>C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES</b>				
1. Employed by the State	0	0	0	0,0
2. Employed by municipalities	18	24	-6	-25,0
3. Employed by the private sector	103	81	22	27,2
1-3 Total number of employed people	121	105	16	15,2
4. Labour market training	598	644	-46	-7,1
5. Training	0	21	-21	-100,0
6. Engaged in work/training trials	53	57	-4	-7,0
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	6	-6	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	12	18	-6	-33,3
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	336	478	-142	-29,7
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	1 120	1 329	-209	-15,7
<b>D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT</b>				
1. Unemployed women	704	670	34	5,1
2. Unemployed men	687	712	-25	-3,5
3. Under 25 years old	105	97	8	8,2
4. Over 50 years old	297	277	20	7,2
5. Unemployed over a year	348	300	48	16,0
<b>E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY</b>				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	262	333	-71	-21,3
<b>II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH</b>				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 556	1 573	-17	-1,1
2. Other jobseekers	2 039	2 034	5	0,2
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	3 595	3 607	-12	-0,3
4. Started spell of unemployment	155	268	-113	-42,2
5. Completed spell of unemployment	162	174	-12	-6,9
6. New jobs found through employment services	...	7	...	...
7. New entrants to labour market training	90	47	43	91,5



## Regional table

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

## 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	9,9	103	67	36	0	13	33	37	11	12
Haapajärvi	2 787	11,4	317	207	110	10	46	127	96	50	67
Haapavesi	2 710	10,0	271	155	116	...	23	92	70	39	74
Hailuoto	361	10,2	37	22	15	...	...	17	14	6	13
Ii	4 211	14,8	625	411	214	14	52	256	203	116	33
Kalajoki	5 343	8,4	451	283	168	13	43	192	134	39	102
Kempele	9 438	9,4	885	491	394	33	141	289	311	94	108
Kuusamo	6 543	11,6	758	472	286	16	72	323	256	95	190
Kärsämäki	972	11,1	108	77	31	...	9	49	36	16	12
Liminka	4 636	6,9	318	180	138	20	61	79	84	25	19
Lumijoki	875	7,3	64	36	28	...	13	26	15	6	...
Merijärvi	402	8,7	35	28	7	...	8	8	9	5	...
Muhos	3 843	10,2	392	246	146	14	63	117	100	49	27
Nivala	4 415	9,6	422	256	166	10	61	111	117	42	113
Oulainen	2 854	9,5	271	175	96	11	40	94	68	29	88
Oulu	107 587	13,9	14 909	8 924	5 985	473	2 371	4 071	6 095	1 409	1 776
Pudasjärvi	2 791	17,1	477	331	146	11	33	262	213	87	40
Pyhäjoki	1 229	11,9	146	89	57	7	25	53	39	15	59
Pyhäjärvi	1 783	13,9	247	152	95	...	22	117	87	41	25
Pyhäntä	664	7,5	50	31	19	0	...	19	13	6	58
Raahe	9 974	13,1	1 303	761	541	55	233	443	435	194	247
Reisjärvi	1 046	7,9	83	48	35	...	7	39	22	14	15
Sievi	1 967	11,0	216	133	83	6	38	76	64	29	120
Siikajoki	1 968	11,8	232	146	86	11	33	75	69	35	17
Siikalatva	2 041	9,8	199	128	71	...	12	104	80	36	25
Taivalkoski	1 482	15,4	228	164	64	...	16	121	75	25	8
Tyrnävä	2 801	9,6	269	159	110	10	26	97	72	25	15
Utajärvi	998	13,3	133	87	46	...	13	68	51	16	...
Vaala	985	15,8	156	117	39	...	9	80	55	28	25
Ylivieska	7 054	10,2	722	455	267	36	145	206	218	75	374
Total	194 796	12,5	24 427	14 831	9 595	777	3 636	7 644	9 138	2 657	3 672





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