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NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

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Map of Finland showing the distribution of the number of lakes per 100 km² by region. The map is color-coded according to the legend, with darker shades of green representing higher lake density. Regions and their values are:

- Kuusamo: 12.2
- Taivassalo: 16.4
- Pudasjärvi: 16.6
- Oulu: 14.0
- Il: 15.3
- Halikko: 11.4
- Kemi: 9.7
- Uusikaupunki: 12.9
- Lempäälä: 7.5
- Tyrväjä: 10.8
- Säkylä: 11.3
- Rauma: 13.2
- Vasa: 17.0
- Pihlajoki: 12.3
- Merikari: 10.0
- Kalajo: 9.1
- Oulunsalo: 10.0
- Haapavesi: 10.6
- Jyväskylä: 10.4
- Nivala: 10.1
- Sievi: 11.6
- Reskärvi: 8.2
- Kärkölä: 12.3
- Pihlajärvi: 14.2
- Pihlinta: 7.4

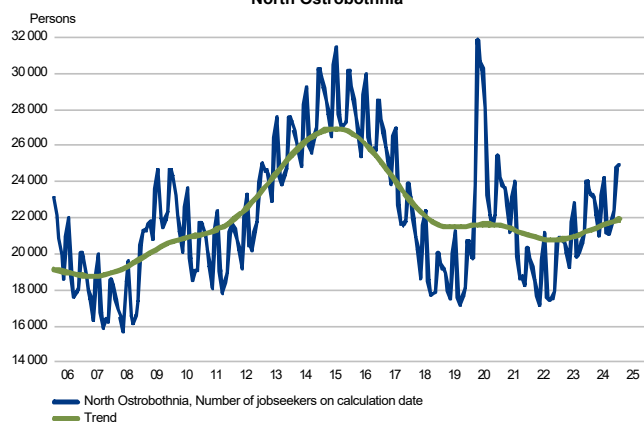
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Unemployed jobseekers

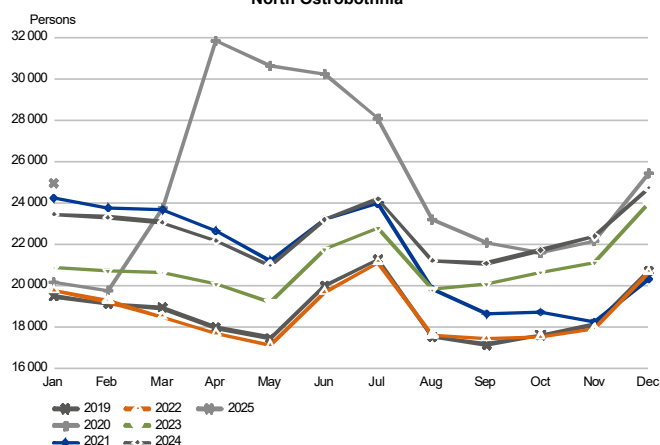
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS MONTHLY AND TREND

North Ostrobothnia

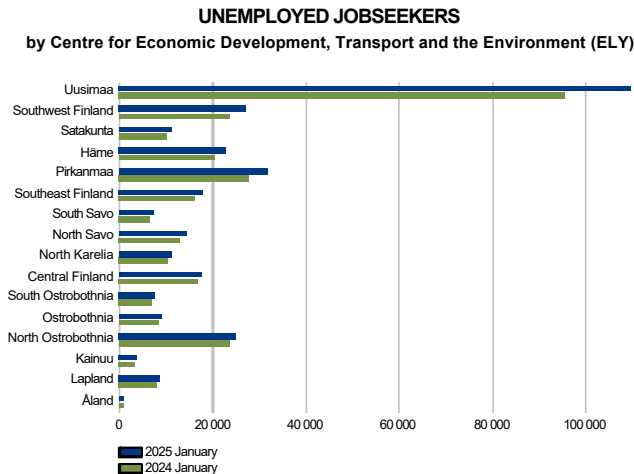


UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS, MONTH BY MONTH COMPARISON

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				
	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan 2025	unemployed	jobseekers'	Jan	Dec	Jan	Jan 2025		
	2025	2024	2024	Jan 2024	jobseekers	percentage	2025	2024	2024	Jan 2024		
					fully	of the						
					laid off	workforce						
Sub-regional unit	Unemployed jobseekers				%		%		Jobs vacant			
Oulu	17 107	16 976	15 750	1 357	9	1 672	13,2	2 316	1 060	4 644	-2 328	-50
Oulunkaari	1 460	1 446	1 371	89	6	236	16,2	157	102	166	-9	-5
Raahe	1 693	1 663	1 673	20	1	171	12,9	280	122	1 055	-775	-73
Haapavesi-Siikalatva	542	540	587	-45	-8	92	10,0	68	26	106	-38	-36
Nivala-Haapajärvi	1 229	1 207	1 135	94	8	290	11,2	127	70	332	-205	-62
Ylivieska	1 882	1 850	1 959	-77	-4	391	10,1	613	179	731	-118	-16
Koillismaa	1 043	1 059	1 006	37	4	131	13,0	235	66	223	12	5
North Ostrobothnia	24 956	24 741	23 481	1 475	6	2 983	12,8	3 796	1 625	7 257	-3 461	-48



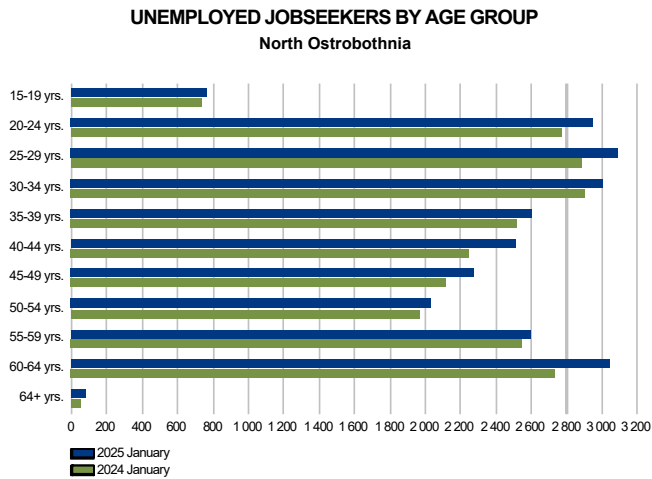
Unemployed jobseekers by municipality

Unemployed jobseekers and jobs vacant by municipality

Municipality	Jan 2025	Dec 2024	Jan 2024	Change Jan 2025 Jan 2024		Of the Unemployed unemployed jobseekers percentage fully laid off workforce		Jan 2025	Dec 2024	Jan 2024	Change Jan 2025 Jan 2024	
	Unemployed jobseekers				%		%	Jobs vacant				%
Alavieska	105	103	114	-9	-8	15	10,1	...	...	13	...	...
Haapajärvi	323	336	279	44	16	87	11,6	16	8	149	-133	-89
Haapavesi	288	284	271	17	6	53	10,6	24	13	49	-25	-51
Hailuoto	41	44	37	4	11	...	11,4	...	...	5	...	...
Ii	646	630	577	69	12	93	15,3	43	12	32	11	34
Kalajoki	487	481	509	-22	-4	124	9,1	127	30	211	-84	-40
Kempele	920	930	843	77	9	145	9,7	96	58	107	-11	-10
Kuusamo	800	785	786	14	2	103	12,2	227	55	209	18	9
Kärsämäki	120	110	107	13	12	29	12,3	8	6	21	-13	-62
Liminka	350	362	325	25	8	54	7,5	26	18	86	-60	-70
Lumijoki	66	75	85	-19	-22	12	7,5	6	0	6	0	0
Merijärvi	41	31	48	-7	-15	12	10,2	...	0	6	...	...
Muhos	414	420	398	16	4	73	10,8	76	18	98	-22	-22
Nivala	447	425	432	15	3	115	10,1	88	46	142	-54	-38
Oulainen	287	299	304	-17	-6	57	10,1	75	38	39	36	92
Oulu	15 043	14 884	13 817	1 226	9	1 317	14,0	2 101	964	4 321	-2 220	-51
Pudasjärvi	518	520	521	-3	-1	95	18,6	32	18	66	-34	-52
Pyhäjoki	151	145	143	8	6	18	12,3	...	9	10	...	...
Pyhäjärvi	253	255	244	9	4	38	14,2	15	9	11	4	36
Pyhäntä	49	51	91	-42	-46	...	7,4	36	6	31	5	16
Raahe	1 319	1 309	1 312	7	1	119	13,2	261	97	1 020	-759	-74
Reisjärvi	86	81	73	13	18	21	8,2	0	...	9	-9	-100
Sievi	228	209	239	-11	-5	53	11,6	32	11	147	-115	-78
Siikajoki	223	209	218	5	2	34	11,3	16	16	25	-9	-36
Siikalatva	205	205	225	-20	-9	35	10,0	8	7	26	-18	-69
Taivalkoski	243	274	220	23	10	28	16,4	8	11	14	-6	-43
Tyrvää	273	261	245	28	11	64	9,7	7	0	21	-14	-67
Utajärvi	129	131	125	4	3	18	12,9	12	5	11	1	9
Vaala	167	165	148	19	13	30	17,0	70	67	57	13	23
Ylivieska	734	727	745	-11	-1	130	10,4	374	97	315	59	19
North Ostrobothnia	24 956	24 741	23 481	1 475	6	2 983	12,8	3 796	1 625	7 257	-3 461	-48

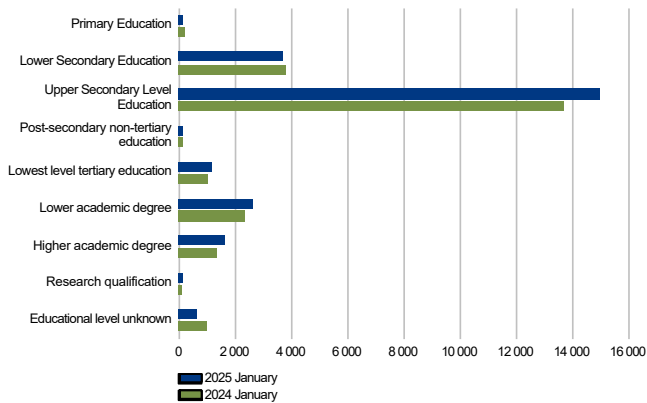


Unemployed jobseekers by gender and age-group

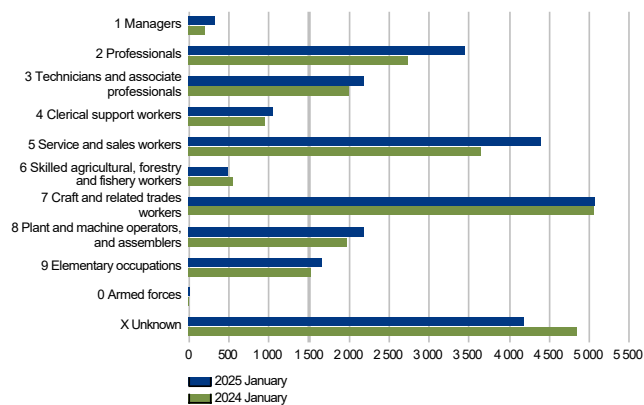


Unemployed jobseekers by levels of education and occupational group

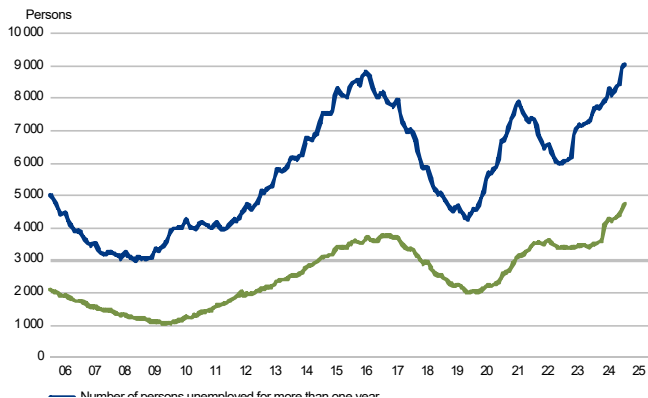
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
North Ostrobothnia



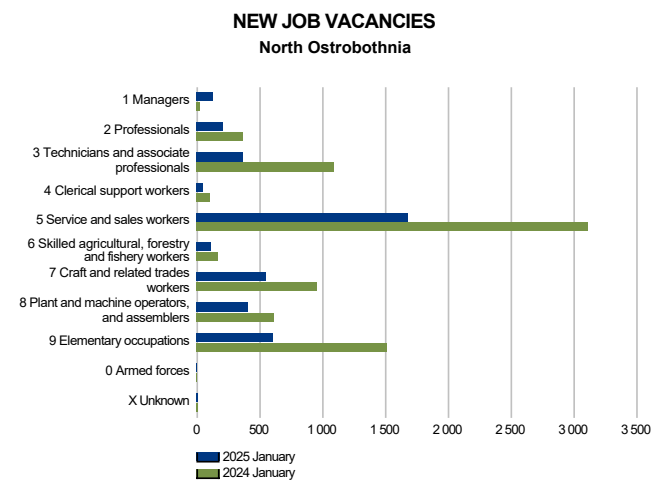
UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP
North Ostrobothnia



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

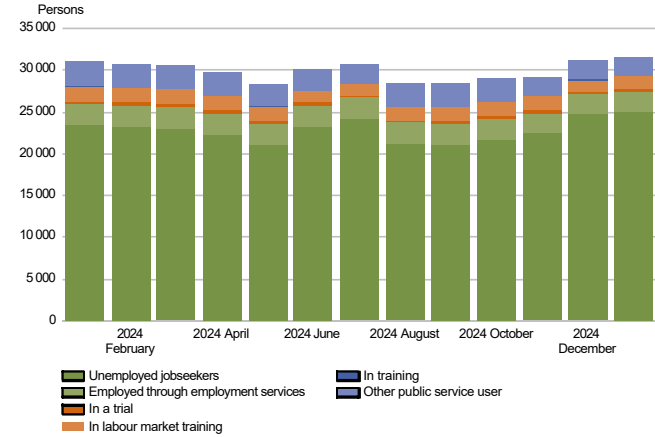


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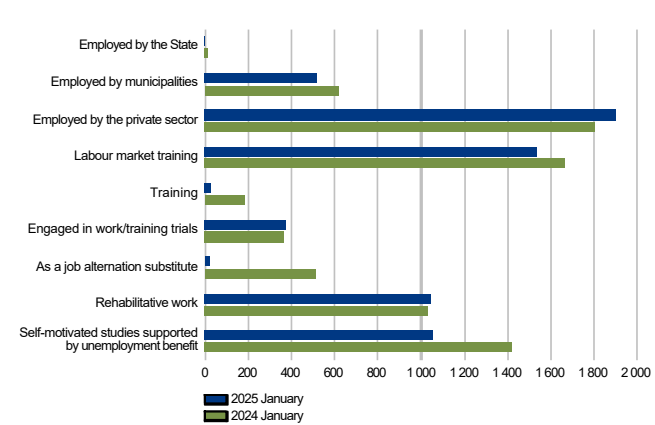


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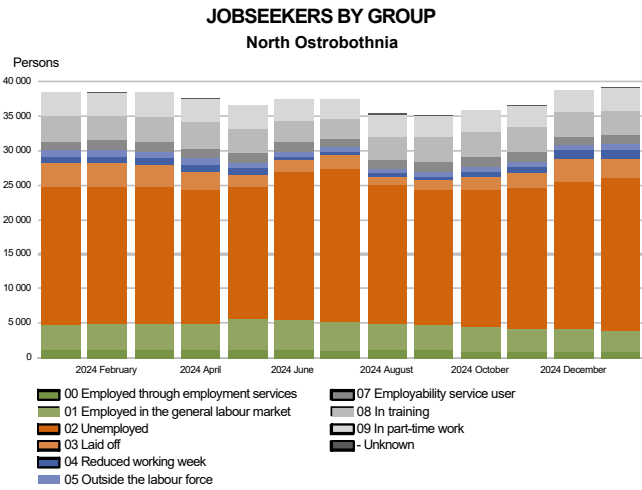
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North Ostrobothnia



All jobseekers



Summary table

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF 2025 JANUARY (I) AND
DURING JANUARY (II)

ELY CENTRE: NORTH OSTROBOTHNIA

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Jan-25	Jan-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	24 956	23 481	1 475	6,3
of whom fully laid off	2 983	3 383	-400	-11,8
2. On reduced working week	1 241	933	308	33,0
3. Those who have work	7 285	8 018	-733	-9,1
of which in full-time work	3 151	3 552	-401	-11,3
of which in part-time work	3 295	3 345	-50	-1,5
of whom employed through employment services	839	1 121	-282	-25,2
4. Persons outside the labour force	5 644	5 955	-311	-5,2
of whom in services promoting employment	1 291	1 318	-27	-2,0
of whom in training	3 604	3 694	-90	-2,4
1-4 Total of jobseekers	39 126	38 387	739	1,9
B. LABOUR DEMAND				
1. Jobs vacant	3 796	7 257	-3 461	-47,7
of those notified for over a month	1 054	2 430	-1 376	-56,6
of those notified for over 2 months	295	445	-150	-33,7
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	11	-11	-100,0
2. Employed by municipalities	517	617	-100	-16,2
3. Employed by the private sector	1 902	1 806	96	5,3
1-3 Total number of employed people	2 419	2 434	-15	-0,6
4. Labour market training	1 535	1 667	-132	-7,9
5. Training	29	183	-154	-84,2
6. Engaged in work/training trials	375	361	14	3,9
7. As a job alternation substitute	19	513	-494	-96,3
8. Rehabilitative work	1 048	1 030	18	1,7
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	1 053	1 423	-370	-26,0
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	6 478	7 611	-1 133	-14,9
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	9 772	8 679	1 093	12,6
2. Unemployed men	15 183	14 802	381	2,6
3. Under 25 years old	3 714	3 511	203	5,8
4. Over 50 years old	7 753	7 297	456	6,2
5. Unemployed over a year	9 041	7 686	1 355	17,6
6. Foreign unemployed	1 435	1 313	122	9,3
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	10 189	10 474	-285	-2,7
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	27 737	27 432	305	1,1
2. Other jobseekers	13 661	14 100	-439	-3,1
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	41 398	41 532	-134	-0,3
3. Vacancies during a month	5 923	10 652	-4 729	-44,4
New vacancies during a month	4 077	7 929	-3 852	-48,6
Vacancies filled during a month	167	940	-773	-82,2
of those filled with job-seekers at the Employment Service	102	693	-591	-85,3
Vacancies application period ended or sufficient number of applicants	844	1 911	-1 067	-55,8
Vacancies cancelled or could not be filled	1 262	656	606	92,4
4. Started spell of unemployment	3 433	4 118	-685	-16,6
5. Completed spell of unemployment	2 250	4 438	-2 188	-49,3
6. New jobs found through employment services	131	375	-244	-65,1
7. New entrants to labour market training	178	307	-129	-42,0



Foreigners' summary table

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

I EMPLOYMENT SITUATION AT THE END OF MONTH	Jan-25	Jan-24	CHANGE NUMBER	CHANGE %
A. JOBSEEKERS				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 435	1 313	122	9,3
of whom fully laid off	140	164	-24	-14,6
2. On reduced working week	126	30	96	320,0
3. Those who have work	530	542	-12	-2,2
of which in full-time work	269	304	-35	-11,5
of which in part-time work	215	191	24	12,6
of whom employed through employment services	46	47	-1	-2,1
4. Persons outside the labour force	1 467	1 456	11	0,8
of whom in services promoting employment	63	73	-10	-13,7
of whom in training	1 312	1 274	38	3,0
1-4 Total of jobseekers	3 558	3 341	217	6,5
C. PARTICIPATING IN SERVICES				
1. Employed by the State	0	0	0	0,0
2. Employed by municipalities	16	23	-7	-30,4
3. Employed by the private sector	106	85	21	24,7
1-3 Total number of employed people	122	108	14	13,0
4. Labour market training	587	612	-25	-4,1
5. Training	0	45	-45	-100,0
6. Engaged in work/training trials	56	44	12	27,3
7. As a job alternation substitute	0	6	-6	-100,0
8. Rehabilitative work	12	15	-3	-20,0
9. Self-motivated studies supported by unemployment benefit	383	501	-118	-23,6
1-9 Total number of people participating in services	1 160	1 331	-171	-12,8
D. STRUCTURE OF UNEMPLOYMENT				
1. Unemployed women	722	617	105	17,0
2. Unemployed men	712	696	16	2,3
3. Under 25 years old	104	105	-1	-1,0
4. Over 50 years old	303	266	37	13,9
5. Unemployed over a year	340	296	44	14,9
E. UNEMPLOYMENT SECURITY				
1. Unemployed members of employees' unemployment funds	276	292	-16	-5,5
II EMPLOYMENT SITUATION DURING THE MONTH				
1. Unemployed jobseekers	1 583	1 569	14	0,9
2. Other jobseekers	2 035	1 900	135	7,1
1-2 Total number of jobseekers	3 618	3 469	149	4,3
4. Started spell of unemployment	195	260	-65	-25,0
5. Completed spell of unemployment	139	271	-132	-48,7
6. New jobs found through employment services	8	12	-4	-33,3
7. New entrants to labour market training	37	122	-85	-69,7



Regional table

UNEMPLOYED JOBSEEKERS AND JOBS VACANT BY MUNICIPALITY AT THE END OF 2025 JANUARY
ELY CENTRE: NORTH 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			
									Unemployed over a year		
Alavieska	1 036	10,1	105	66	39	...	17	38	36	11	...
Haapajärvi	2 787	11,6	323	220	103	6	46	122	89	47	16
Haapavesi	2 710	10,6	288	176	112	...	27	98	69	38	24
Hailuoto	361	11,4	41	25	16	...	...	20	15	7	...
Ii	4 211	15,3	646	416	230	26	82	254	206	107	43
Kalajoki	5 343	9,1	487	286	201	13	45	198	127	41	127
Kempele	9 438	9,7	920	526	394	29	137	298	309	101	96
Kuusamo	6 543	12,2	800	505	295	19	74	333	254	94	227
Kärsämäki	972	12,3	120	88	32	...	14	51	34	15	8
Liminka	4 636	7,5	350	205	145	21	59	94	81	25	26
Lumijoki	875	7,5	66	39	27	...	12	28	17	...	6
Merijärvi	402	10,2	41	32	9	...	9	10	10	...	...
Muhos	3 843	10,8	414	269	145	15	67	125	112	44	76
Nivala	4 415	10,1	447	273	174	7	62	111	116	40	88
Oulainen	2 854	10,1	287	196	91	11	43	94	65	31	75
Oulu	107 587	14,0	15 043	9 011	6 031	478	2 413	4 077	6 013	1 335	2 101
Pudasjärvi	2 791	18,6	518	358	160	5	36	283	208	93	32
Pyhäjoki	1 229	12,3	151	89	62	6	26	57	41	17	...
Pyhäjärvi	1 783	14,2	253	153	100	...	22	112	85	35	15
Pyhäntä	664	7,4	49	28	21	...	...	19	12	6	36
Raahe	9 974	13,2	1 319	755	564	49	234	441	428	183	261
Reisjärvi	1 046	8,2	86	54	32	...	9	39	25	11	0
Sievi	1 967	11,6	228	146	82	9	45	77	64	27	32
Siikajoki	1 968	11,3	223	133	90	7	28	74	69	37	16
Siikalatva	2 041	10,0	205	131	74	...	14	102	75	35	8
Taivalkoski	1 482	16,4	243	170	73	...	20	120	82	28	8
Tyrvävä	2 801	9,7	273	158	115	10	24	102	80	27	7
Utajärvi	998	12,9	129	86	43	...	12	69	48	15	12
Vaala	985	17,0	167	126	41	...	9	86	53	30	70
Ylivieska	7 054	10,4	734	463	271	27	119	221	218	75	374
Total	194 796	12,8	24 956	15 183	9 772	764	3 714	7 753	9 041	2 565	3 796



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