

Job vacancy survey

2017, 2nd quarter

More open job vacancies in the second quarter than one year earlier

According to the Job Vacancy Survey of Statistics Finland, there were 36,800 open job vacancies in the second quarter of 2017, while the figure was 30,600 one year before. The number of job vacancies increased mainly in the major regions of Southern Finland and Helsinki-Uusimaa. The reference period of the data is 1 June.

Job vacancies 2016/II – 2017/II

	Year/Quarter			
	2016/II		2017/II	
	Number	Share, %	Number	Share, %
Job vacancies	30 600		36 800	
Part-time	8 400	27	4 800	13
Fixed term	13 300	43	12 100	33
Hard-to-fill vacancies	15 300	50	20 000	54

The sub-groups are not mutually exclusive so their sum does not correspond with the total number of open job vacancies.

In the second quarter of 2017, in all, 26,200 or 71 per cent of the job vacancies were in establishments owned by private enterprises. One year earlier, the corresponding share was 77 per cent. The number of open job vacancies increased compared to the previous year particularly in large establishments with at least 50 employees (+3,300). When examined by the industry of the establishment, job vacancies increased most in the industry groups of public administration, education, human health and social work activities (O-Q), and manufacturing, mining and quarrying and other manufacturing activities (B-E).

In the second quarter, 13 per cent of all job vacancies were part-time, which is 14 percentage points lower than one year earlier. The share of fixed-term positions in all open job vacancies was 33 per cent, which is 10 percentage points lower than in the same quarter one year ago. Employers estimated that 54 per cent of the open job vacancies were hard-to-fill, while one year earlier, such posts made up 50 per cent of open vacancies. For example, establishments in construction and trade had plenty of jobs considered hard to fill.

Statistics Finland has been collecting data on open job vacancies quarterly since 2002. The inquiry is directed to persons responsible for recruitment in private and public sector establishments. The data

provider can respond either using the web questionnaire or through a telephone interview. The data collection includes approximately 2,500 different establishments in every quarter. The statistics are based on Regulation (EC) No 453/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council. The objective is to produce up-to-date and comparable information about the number and structure of job openings on the labour markets of EU Member States.

More information about open job vacancies is available in the appendix tables of this release and in the database tables of the statistics (only in Finnish). The figures in the tables are rounded, for which reason the sums do not always amount to the totals. The accuracy of figures and standard errors are explained in the [quality description](#) of the statistical release (only in Finnish).

[Latest data on open job vacancies published by the EU](#) can be found on Eurostat's home page <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat>

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Appendix table 1. Job vacancies by the quarters 2016/II - 2017/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2016/II	2017/II	2016/II - 2017/II
Job vacancies			
Total	30 600	36 800	6 200
Unoccupied	14 700	22 000	7 300
Part-time	8 400	4 800	-3 600
Fixed term	13 300	12 100	-1 200
Hard to Fill	15 300	20 000	4 700

Appendix table 2. Job vacancies by size of the local kind of activity unit 2016/II - 2017/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2016/II	2017/II	2016/II - 2017/II
Employees			
Total	30 600	36 800	6 200
1-4 persons	7 700	7 600	-100
5-9 persons	4 900	7 000	2 000
10-49 persons	11 100	12 100	1 000
50 or more	6 900	10 200	3 300

Appendix table 3. Job vacancies by employer sector of the local kind of activity unit 2016/II - 2017/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2016/II	2017/II	2016/II - 2017/II
Employer			
Total	30 600	36 800	6 200
Private enterprise	23 400	26 200	2 700
Local Government	4 600	5 900	1 300
Central Government	300	800	400
Non-Profit Organization	1 000	900	-100
Other	1 200	3 000	1 800

Appendix table 4. Job vacancies by location (major region 2012) of the local kind of activity unit 2016/II - 2017/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2016/II	2017/II	2016/II - 2017/II
Major region			
Total (incl. Åland)	30 600	36 800	6 200
Helsinki-Uusimaa	11 300	13 500	2 100
Southern Finland	4 800	8 300	3 500
Western Finland	8 200	8 500	300
Northern and Eastern Finland	5 800	6 100	200

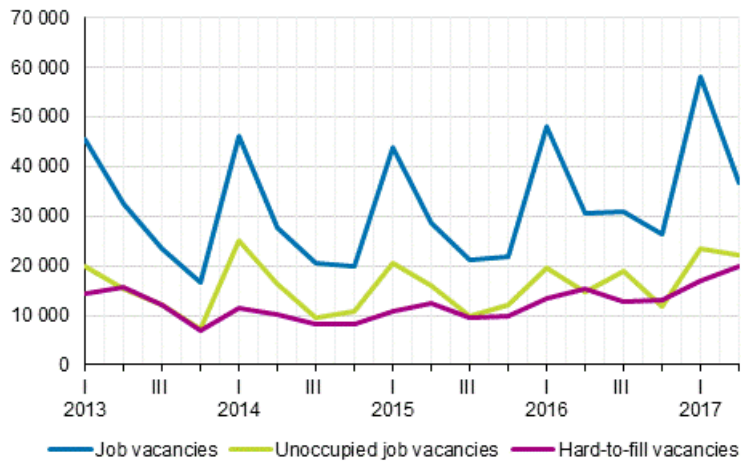
Appendix table 5. Job vacancies by industry (TOL 2008) of the local kind of activity unit 2016/II - 2017/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2016/II	2017/II	2016/II - 2017/II
Industry (TOL 2008)			
Total	30 600	36 800	6 200
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	0 ¹⁾	900	900
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	2 500	4 000	1 500
F Construction (41–43)	4 300	5 400	1 000
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	8 800	9 800	1 000
J Information and communication (58–63)	2 200	2 700	500
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	1 400	300	-1 100
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	5 000	5 100	100
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	6 000	8 100	2 000
R,S Other service activities (90–96)	300	500	100

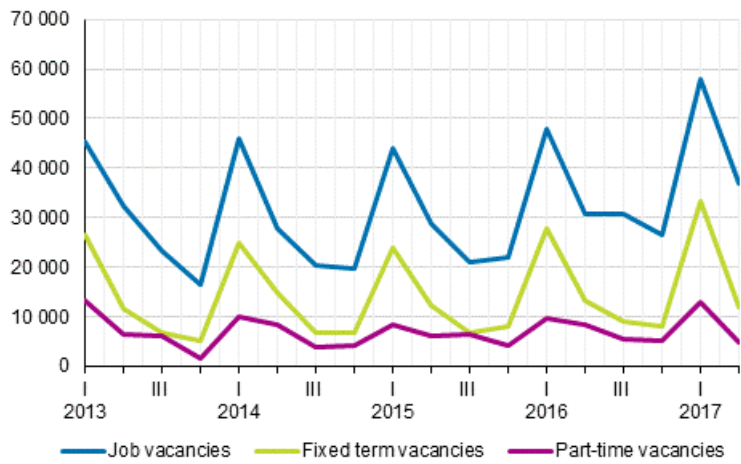
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Appendix figure 1. Job vacancies by quarter



Appendix figure 2. Job vacancies by quarter by type of employment relationship



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