

Job vacancy survey

2018, 2nd quarter

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

The number of open job vacancies was 49,500 in the second quarter of 2018, while the figure was 36,800 one year before. The number of open job vacancies grew in most industries. The data appear from Statistics Finland's statistics on open job vacancies and describe the situation on the first day of June.

Job vacancies 2017/II – 2018/II

	Year/Quarter			
	2017/II		2018/II	
	Number	Share, %	Number	Share, %
Job vacancies	36 800		49 500	
Part-time	4 800	13	9 300	19
Fixed term	12 100	33	19 200	39
Hard-to-fill vacancies	20 000	54	26 000	52

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 2018, in all, 37,000 or 75 per cent of the job vacancies were in establishments owned by private enterprises, while one year earlier the corresponding share was 71 per cent. Compared to the corresponding period of last year, the number of open job vacancies increased most in establishments with 10 to 49 employees (+ 4,900) and in the major region of Helsinki-Uusimaa (+ 5,300). Examined by the industry of the establishment, growth was biggest in the industry group of manufacturing, mining and quarrying and other industry (+ 2,900).

In the second quarter of the year, 19 per cent of all open job vacancies were part-time positions and 39 per cent were fixed-term. Both shares grew by six percentage points from one year ago. Employers estimated that around one-half of all open vacancies were hard-to-fill, as in the corresponding quarter of last year. For example, establishments in construction and manufacturing 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. 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 2017/II - 2018/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2017/II	2018/II	2017/II - 2018/II
Job vacancies			
Total	36 800	49 500	12 700
Unoccupied	22 000	26 700	4 700
Part-time	4 800	9 300	4 500
Fixed term	12 100	19 200	7 100
Hard to Fill	20 000	26 000	6 000

Appendix table 2. Job vacancies by size of the establishment 2017/II - 2018/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2017/II	2018/II	2017/II - 2018/II
Employees			
Total	36 800	49 500	12 700
1 to 4 persons	7 600	9 300	1 700
5 to 9 persons	7 000	9 500	2 500
10 to 49 persons	12 100	17 000	4 900
50 or more	10 200	13 800	3 600

Appendix table 3. Job vacancies by employer sector of the establishment 2017/II - 2018/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2017/II	2018/II	2017/II - 2018/II
Employer			
Total	36 800	49 500	12 700
Private enterprise	26 200	37 000	10 800
Local Government	5 900	7 000	1 100
Central Government	800	700	-100
Non-Profit Organization	900	2 500	1 600
Other	3 000	2 200	-800

Appendix table 4. Job vacancies by location (major region 2012) of the establishment 2017/II - 2018/II

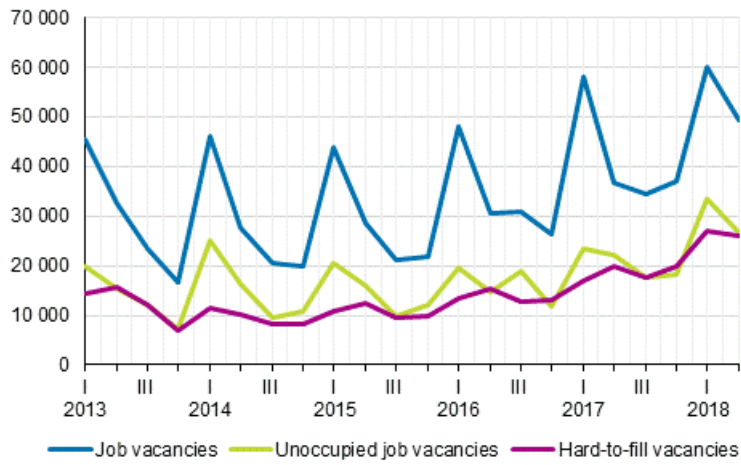
	Year/Quarter		Change
	2017/II	2018/II	2017/II - 2018/II
Major region			
Total (incl. Åland)	36 800	49 500	12 700
Helsinki-Uusimaa	13 500	18 800	5 300
Southern Finland	8 300	9 800	1 500
Western Finland	8 500	12 100	3 600
Northern and Eastern Finland	6 100	8 400	2 300

Appendix table 5. Job vacancies by industry (TOL 2008) of the establishment 2017/II - 2018/II

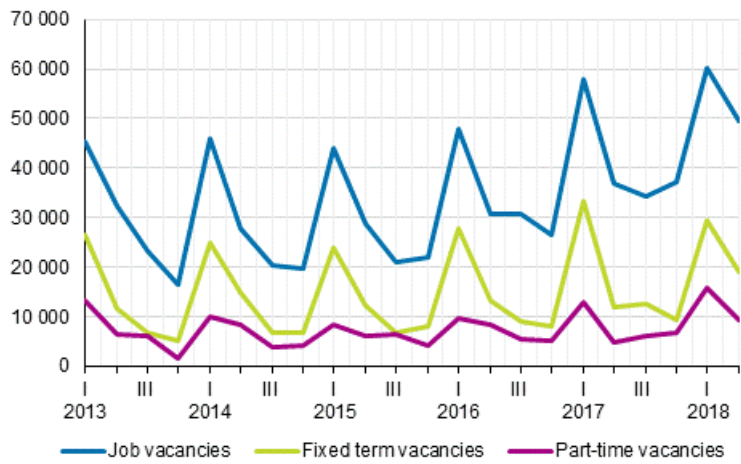
Industry (TOL 2008)	Year/Quarter		Change
	2017/II	2018/II	2017/II - 2018/II
Industry (TOL 2008)			
Total	36 800	49 500	12 700
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	900	600	-400
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	4 000	6 900	2 900
F Construction (41–43)	5 400	6 400	1 100
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	9 800	12 000	2 200
J Information and communication (58–63)	2 700	4 000	1 300
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	300	700	400
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	5 100	6 700	1 600
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	8 100	10 300	2 200
R,S Other service activities (90–96)	500	1 900	1 400

Appendix figures

Appendix figure 1. Job vacancies by quarter



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



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