

Job vacancy survey

2019, 2nd quarter

Approximately as many open job vacancies in the second quarter as one year earlier

The number of open job vacancies was 50,900 in the second quarter of 2019, while the figure was 49,500 one year before. The shares of fixed-term and part-time vacancies of all open vacancies decreased compared to the previous year. These data derive from Statistics Finland's statistics on open job vacancies and describe the situation on the first day of June.

Job vacancies 2018/II – 2019/II

	Year/Quarter			
	2018/II		2019/II	
	Number	Share, %	Number	Share, %
Job vacancies	49 500		50 900	
Part-time	9 300	19	6 600	13
Fixed term	19 200	39	16 900	33
Hard-to-fill vacancies	26 000	52	30 400	60

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 2019, in all, 37,700 or 74 per cent of the job vacancies were in establishments owned by private enterprises, which is almost the same share as one year earlier. Compared with the corresponding period of the previous year, the number of open job vacancies increased in [establishments](#) with fewer than five employees (+ 4,500). When examined by the industry of the establishment, job vacancies increased most in the industry group of public administration, education, human health and social work activities (O-Q) and decreased in construction (F). The number of open job vacancies decreased in the major region of Southern Finland but increased in the major regions of Helsinki-Uusimaa and Northern and Eastern Finland.

In the second quarter of the year, 13 per cent of all open job vacancies were part-time positions and 33 per cent were fixed-term. Both shares decreased by six percentage points compared with the corresponding period of the year before. Of all job vacancies, employers estimated that 60 per cent were hard to fill, while the corresponding share one year earlier was 52 per cent. For example, establishments in wholesale and retail trade (G), manufacturing (C) and human health and social work (Q) 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 or 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 2018/II - 2019/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2018/II	2019/II	2018/II - 2019/II
Job vacancies			
Total	49 500	50 900	1 400
Unoccupied	26 700	29 300	2 700
Part-time	9 300	6 600	-2 700
Fixed term	19 200	16 900	-2 300
Hard to Fill	26 000	30 400	4 400

Appendix table 2. Job vacancies by size of the establishment 2018/II - 2019/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2018/II	2019/II	2018/II - 2019/II
Employees			
Total	49 500	50 900	1 400
1 to 4 persons	9 300	13 800	4 500
5 to 9 persons	9 500	9 500	100
10 to 49 persons	17 000	14 600	-2 400
50 or more	13 800	12 900	-900

Appendix table 3. Job vacancies by employer sector of the establishment 2018/II - 2019/II

	Year/Quarter		Change
	2018/II	2019/II	2018/II - 2019/II
Employer			
Total	49 500	50 900	1 400
Private enterprise	37 000	37 700	700
Local Government	7 000	8 500	1 500
Central Government	700	1 600	900
Non-Profit Organization	2 500	1 800	-800
Other	2 200	1 300	-1 000

Appendix table 4. Job vacancies by location (major region 2012) of the establishment 2018/II - 2019/II

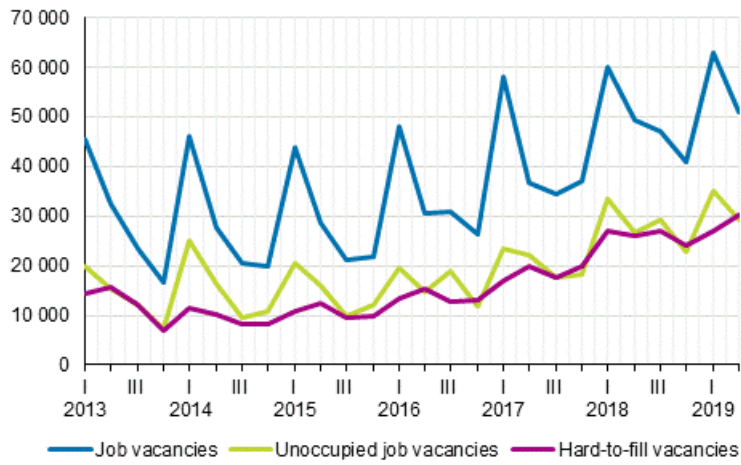
	Year/Quarter		Change
	2018/II	2019/II	2018/II - 2019/II
Major region			
Total (incl. Åland)	49 500	50 900	1 400
Helsinki-Uusimaa	18 800	21 100	2 300
Southern Finland	9 800	7 000	-2 800
Western Finland	12 100	12 000	-200
Northern and Eastern Finland	8 400	10 600	2 200

Appendix table 5. Job vacancies by industry (TOL 2008) of the establishment 2018/II - 2019/II

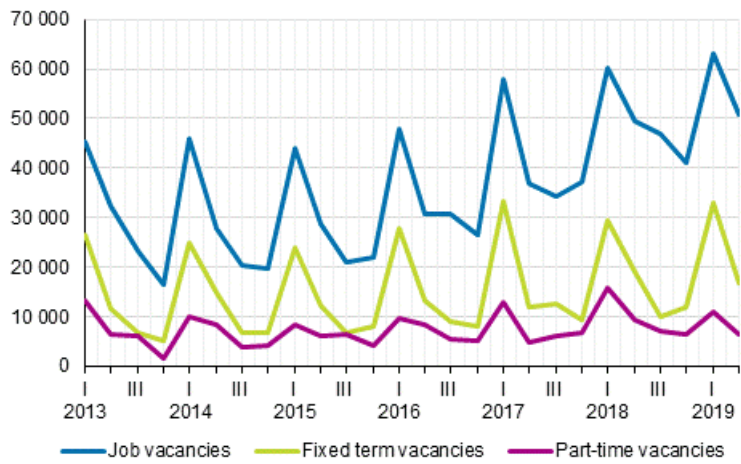
Industry (TOL 2008)	Year/Quarter		Change
	2018/II	2019/II	2018/II - 2019/II
Industry (TOL 2008)			
Total	49 500	50 900	1 400
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	600	1 400	800
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	6 900	6 800	-100
F Construction (41–43)	6 400	4 800	-1 600
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	12 000	12 700	700
J Information and communication (58–63)	4 000	3 900	-200
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	700	1 400	700
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	6 700	6 700	0
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	10 300	12 000	1 700
R,S Other service activities (90–96)	1 900	1 100	-700

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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