

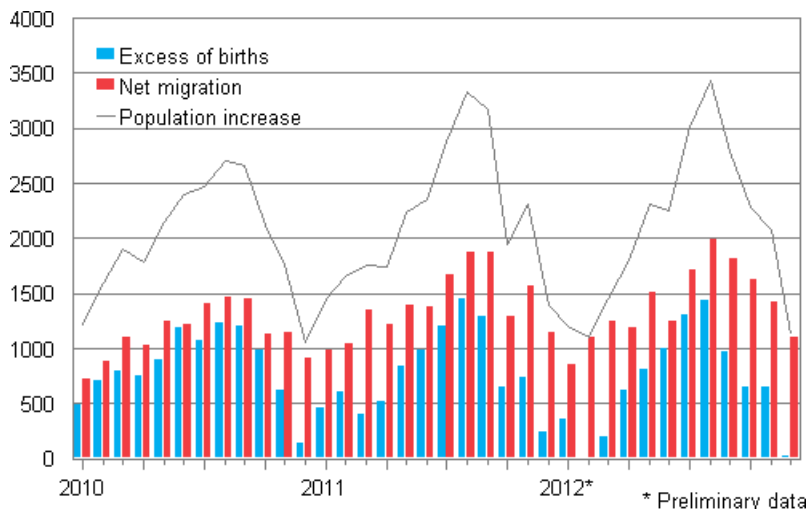
Preliminary population statistics

2012, December

Record number of immigrations in 2012

According to Statistics Finland's preliminary data in 2012, the number of immigrants into Finland was 30,420 of which foreign citizens represented 22,750. The migration gain from abroad was 16,800 persons, which is at the same level as one year earlier. Migration gain from abroad accounted for twice the population growth compared to the excess of births to deaths. The preliminary population figure at the end of 2012 was 5,426,090.

Population increase by month 2010–2012*



During 2012, Finland's population increased by 24,820 persons, which is 1,370 fewer than one year previously. The main reason for the population increase was migration gain from abroad: the number of immigrants was 16,800 higher than that of emigrants. Natural population increase, or excess of births to deaths, was 8,030 persons.

According to the preliminary statistics for 2012, 30,420 persons immigrated to Finland from abroad and 13,620 persons emigrated from Finland. The number of immigrants was 940 higher and the number of emigrants 960 higher than in the previous year. In all, 7,670 of the immigrants and 9,470 of the emigrants were Finnish citizens. Finland received migration gain from immigration of foreign citizens and migration loss from the emigration of Finnish citizens.

During 2012, 59,490 children were born, which was 470 fewer than in 2011. The number of deaths increased by 880 from the year before and amounted to 51,470. The excess of births to deaths was 8,030 persons, according to the preliminary data for 2012. Natural population increase was thus 1,350 lower than in 2011.

According to the preliminary data, the number of inter-municipal migrations totalled 279,180 in 2012. Inter-municipal migrations decreased by 2,360 persons compared to 2011 according to the municipal division of 2012.

A record number of Finnish citizenships were granted in 2012. A total of 8,840 new Finnish citizenships were granted, which is nearly double the number granted in 2011.

According to preliminary data by region, the population grew in absolute numbers most in the regions of Uusimaa and Pirkanmaa. The population increase in Uusimaa was 17,420 persons of which international and domestic migration represented 10,660 persons. The second biggest population increase was seen in Pirkanmaa, 3,840 persons. The relative population increase was also highest in Uusimaa 1.1 per cent and in Pirkanmaa 0.8 per cent. The preliminary population figure at the end of 2012 for Uusimaa was 1,566,480 and 495,310 for Pirkanmaa. Twenty nine per cent of Finland's population lived in Uusimaa and nine per cent in Pirkanmaa.

The growth in the size of the population accelerated most in the region of Uusimaa, where the population increase in 2012 was 670 persons more than in 2011. The next largest acceleration in population growth was seen in Pirkanmaa. There the population increase amounted to 240 persons more than in the previous year. Relative to the population, the population developed most positively in the regions of Kainuu and South Karelia.

According to the preliminary statistics, population loss was greatest in South Savo, where the population decreased by 1,070 persons. The population loss was created mostly from the drop in excess of births to deaths. The second biggest population loss was seen in Kainuu, 610 persons. Relative to the population, population loss was greatest in the same regions, but the relative loss in Kainuu was larger than in South Savo. The preliminary population figure at the end of 2012 for South Savo was 152,670 and 80,690 for Kainuu. Three per cent of Finland's population lived in South Savo and one and a half per cent in Kainuu.

Population growth slowed down most in 2012 in Ostrobothnia. There the population grew by 560 persons, that is, population increase remained 650 persons lower than in the previous year. Population growth slowed down the second most in Kanta-Häme, where the population increase in 2012 was 230 persons, which is 460 persons less than in the previous year. Relative to the population, population growth slowed down most in Åland and in Ostrobothnia.

During 2012, migrations between regions numbered 124,780, which is 1,770 lower than one year before. In absolute numbers, the biggest gain from migrations between regions was seen in Uusimaa and in relative terms, the biggest gain was seen in Åland. The migration gain in Uusimaa was 3,080 persons and 100 persons in Åland. In absolute numbers, the highest loss from migrations between regions was seen in Lapland and in relative terms in Kainuu. The migration loss in Lapland was 850 persons and 540 persons in Kainuu.

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Appendix table 1. Preliminary data on vital statistics by month of occurrence 2012

Month/quarter	Live births	Deaths	Excess of births	Inter-municipal migration	Immigration	Emigration	Net migration	Population increase	Population
Total	59 490	51 465	8 025	279 176	30 420	13 622	16 798	24 823	5 426 090
January	4 995	4 642	353	20 364	2 190	1 342	848	1 201	5 402 468
February	4 736	4 736	-	16 748	1 995	893	1 102	1 102	5 403 570
March	5 067	4 863	204	17 491	2 071	826	1 245	1 449	5 405 019
1. quarter	14 798	14 241	557	54 603	6 256	3 061	3 195	3 752	5 405 019
April	4 826	4 205	621	19 054	1 935	753	1 182	1 803	5 406 822
May	5 008	4 195	813	23 284	2 380	877	1 503	2 316	5 409 138
June	5 052	4 052	1 000	27 805	2 712	1 461	1 251	2 251	5 411 389
2. quarter	14 886	12 452	2 434	70 143	7 027	3 091	3 936	6 370	5 411 389
July	5 388	4 089	1 299	25 156	2 794	1 086	1 708	3 007	5 414 396
August	5 386	3 948	1 438	38 778	3 991	2 000	1 991	3 429	5 417 825
September	4 984	4 009	975	29 750	3 421	1 608	1 813	2 788	5 420 613
3. quarter	15 758	12 046	3 712	93 684	10 206	4 694	5 512	9 224	5 420 613
October	4 826	4 180	646	22 070	2 762	1 134	1 628	2 274	5 422 887
November	4 751	4 095	656	18 533	2 292	871	1 421	2 077	5 424 964
December	4 471	4 451	20	20 143	1 877	771	1 106	1 126	5 426 090
4. quarter	14 048	12 726	1 322	60 746	6 931	2 776	4 155	5 477	5 426 090

Appendix table 2. Vital statistics, final data 2005–2011 and preliminary data 2012*

Year/change	Quarter	Live births	Deaths	Excess of births	Intermunicipal migration ¹⁾	Immigration	Emigration	Net migration	Population increase ²⁾	Marriages	Divorces
2012*	I-IV	59 490	51 465	8 025	279 176	30 420	13 622	16 798	24 823	28 993	13 035
Change ³⁾		-471	880	-1 351	-2 361	939	962	-23	-1 374	585	-434
2011	I	14 734	13 257	1 477	54 445	6 232	2 845	3 387	4 864	4 316	3 575
2011	II	14 938	12 601	2 337	69 626	6 662	2 665	3 997	6 334	6 405	3 337
2011	III	16 017	12 082	3 935	95 368	9 753	4 322	5 431	9 366	11 762	3 380
2011	IV	14 272	12 645	1 627	62 098	6 834	2 828	4 006	5 633	5 925	3 177
2011	I-IV	59 961	50 585	9 376	281 537	29 481	12 660	16 821	26 197	28 408	13 469
2010	I	15 037	13 035	2 002	50 751	5 321	2 607	2 714	4 716	4 453	3 432
2010	II	15 162	12 321	2 841	67 980	5 922	2 429	3 493	6 334	6 848	3 415
2010	III	15 993	12 492	3 501	91 273	8 517	4 182	4 335	7 836	12 661	3 517
2010	IV	14 788	13 039	1 749	60 684	5 876	2 687	3 189	4 963	5 990	3 255
2010	I-IV	60 980	50 887	10 093	270 688	25 636	11 905	13 731	23 849	29 952	13 619
2009	I	14 792	13 610	1 182	50 739	6 304	2 878	3 426	4 608	4 615	3 449
2009	II	15 286	12 259	3 027	65 176	6 267	2 727	3 540	6 567	7 249	3 314
2009	III	15 780	11 403	4 377	89 147	8 357	3 913	4 444	8 821	13 144	3 453
2009	IV	14 572	12 611	1 961	58 584	5 771	2 633	3 138	5 117	4 828	3 311
2009	I-IV	60 430	49 883	10 547	263 646	26 699	12 151	14 548	25 113	29 836	13 527
2008	I-IV	59 530	49 094	10 436	268 524	29 114	13 657	15 457	25 830	31 014	13 471
2007	I-IV	58 729	49 077	9 652	278 907	26 029	12 443	13 586	23 529	29 497	13 224
2006	I-IV	58 840	48 065	10 775	272 280	22 451	12 107	10 344	21 375	28 236	13 255
2005	I-IV	57 745	47 928	9 817	274 642	21 355	12 369	8 986	18 969	29 283	13 383

1) Inter-municipal migration: 2012 regional division

2) Population increase includes correction of population in final data for the last quarter in 2005–2011.

3) Change: 2012* quarter I-IV – 2011 quarter I-IV

Appendix table 3. Comparison between preliminary vital statistics in 2012 and 2011

Year/change	Quarter	Live births	Deaths	Excess of births	Intermunicipal migration	Immigration	Emigration	Net migration	Population increase	Marriages	Divorces
2012*	I	14 798	14 241	557	54 603	6 256	3 061	3 195	3 752	4 535	3 476
2012*	II	14 886	12 452	2 434	70 143	7 027	3 091	3 936	6 370	6 948	3 305
2012*	III	15 758	12 046	3 712	93 684	10 206	4 694	5 512	9 224	11 502	3 367
2012*	IV	14 048	12 726	1 322	60 746	6 931	2 776	4 155	5 477	6 008	2 887
2012*	I-IV	59 490	51 465	8 025	279 176	30 420	13 622	16 798	24 823	28 993	13 035
2011*	I	14 756	13 313	1 443	53 956	5 921	2 914	3 007	4 450	4 449	3 617
2011*	II	14 950	12 611	2 339	68 889	6 403	2 660	3 743	6 082	6 492	3 367
2011*	III	16 016	12 070	3 946	94 513	9 369	4 254	5 115	9 061	11 783	3 375
2011*	IV	14 234	12 440	1 794	61 102	6 554	2 646	3 908	5 702	5 834	3 135
2011*	I-IV	59 956	50 434	9 522	278 460	28 247	12 474	15 773	25 295	28 558	13 494
2012* – 2011*		-466	1 031	-1 497	716	2 173	1 148	1 025	-472	435	-459

Appendix table 4. Preliminary vital statistics by region 2012 and change compared to 2011 final data, quarters 1–4

Area/region ¹⁾	Excess of births		Net migration between regions		Net immigration		Population increase	
	2012*	Change	2012*	Change	2012*	Change	2012*	Change
WHOLE COUNTRY	8 025	-1 351	-	-	16 798	-23	24 823	-1 374
MAINLAND FINLAND	8 045	-1 323	-101	-28	16 740	179	24 684	-1 172
Uusimaa	6 762	-476	3 077	899	7 584	250	17 423	673
Varsinais-Suomi	147	-227	298	-283	1 219	103	1 664	-407
Satakunta	-528	-119	-364	65	502	140	-390	86
Kanta-Häme	-87	-160	-233	-474	545	171	225	-463
Pirkanmaa	1 297	219	1 657	196	888	-173	3 842	242
Päijät-Häme	-228	35	102	-192	427	37	301	-120
Kymenlaakso	-641	-66	-450	149	655	29	-436	112
South Karelia	-410	-26	-240	201	436	0	-214	175
Etelä-Savo	-908	-224	-558	-22	395	96	-1 071	-150
Pohjois-Savo	-452	-191	-7	66	569	53	110	-72
North Karelia	-263	-158	-293	8	396	-57	-160	-207
Central Finland	286	-10	-65	-65	513	44	734	-31
South Ostrobothnia	174	138	-299	-63	426	-7	301	68
Ostrobothnia	403	19	-556	-379	715	-294	562	-654
Central Ostrobothnia	228	-25	-240	-2	135	-7	123	-34
North Ostrobothnia	2 737	116	-545	-146	607	-155	2 799	-185
Kainuu	-282	43	-537	134	210	-7	-609	170
Lapland	-190	-211	-848	-120	518	-44	-520	-375
ÅLAND	-20	-28	101	28	58	-202	139	-202

1) Regional division 1.1.2012

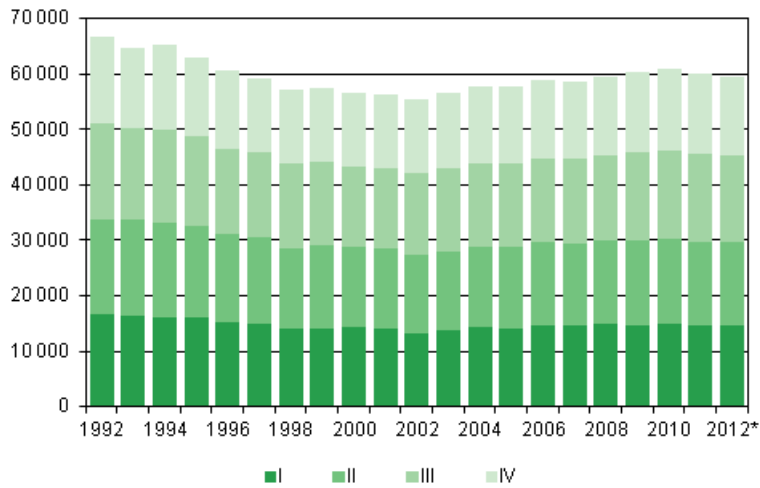
Appendix table 5. Preliminary data by region on immigrants and emigrants according to country of departure/destination 2012, quarters 1–4

Area/region ¹⁾	Immigration			Emigration			Net migration		
	Total	EU 27	Nordic countries	Total	EU 27	Nordic countries	Total	EU 27	Nordic countries
Whole country	30 420	15 084	3 452	13 622	8 546	3 600	16 798	6 538	-148
MAINLAND FINLAND	29 911	14 665	3 102	13 171	8 130	3 222	16 740	6 535	-120
Uusimaa	14 200	7 766	1 234	6 616	4 102	1 379	7 584	3 664	-145
Varsinais-Suomi	2 304	1 236	282	1 085	706	341	1 219	530	-59
Satakunta	735	496	71	233	157	66	502	339	5
Kanta-Häme	723	428	33	178	130	40	545	298	-7
Pirkanmaa	1 966	905	185	1 078	625	190	888	280	-5
Päijät-Häme	739	338	58	312	188	65	427	150	-7
Kymenlaakso	938	326	44	283	159	42	655	167	2
South Karelia	669	200	29	233	138	39	436	62	-10
Etelä-Savo	522	182	40	127	81	17	395	101	23
Pohjois-Savo	790	298	44	221	138	38	569	160	6
North Karelia	564	206	68	168	95	51	396	111	17
Central Finland	882	383	95	369	248	78	513	135	17
South Ostrobothnia	599	337	54	173	124	31	426	213	23
Ostrobothnia	1 592	578	304	877	510	384	715	68	-80
Central Ostrobothnia	217	86	43	82	50	33	135	36	10
North Ostrobothnia	1 314	402	177	707	380	182	607	22	-5
Kainuu	273	92	27	63	42	16	210	50	11
Lapland	884	406	314	366	257	230	518	149	84
Åland	509	419	350	451	416	378	58	3	-28

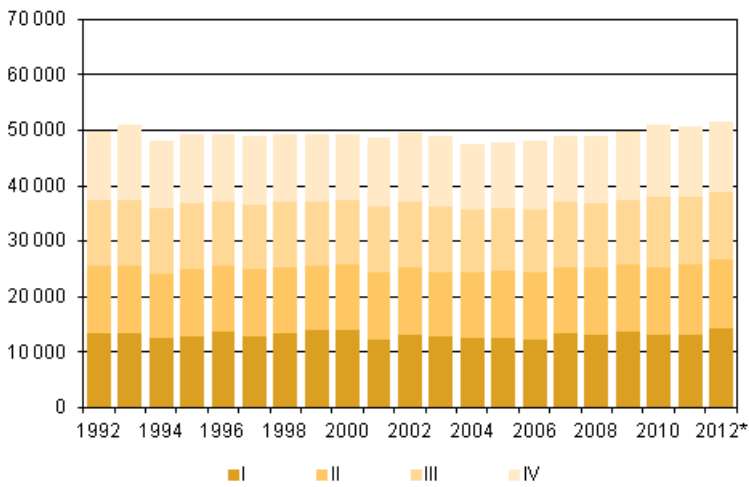
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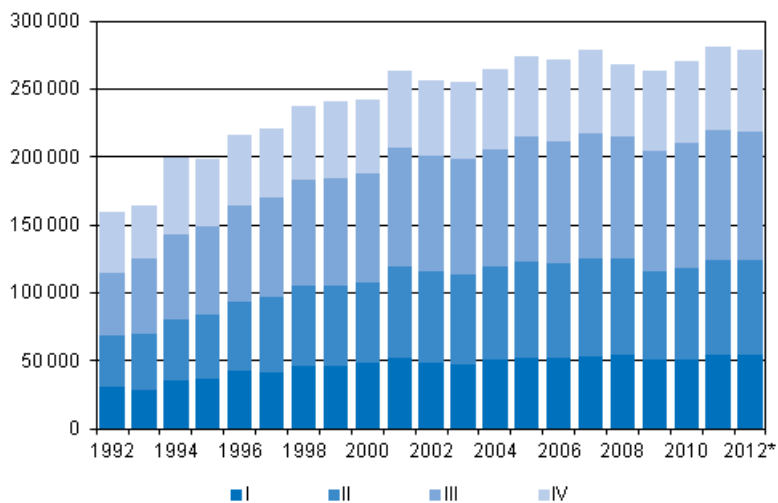
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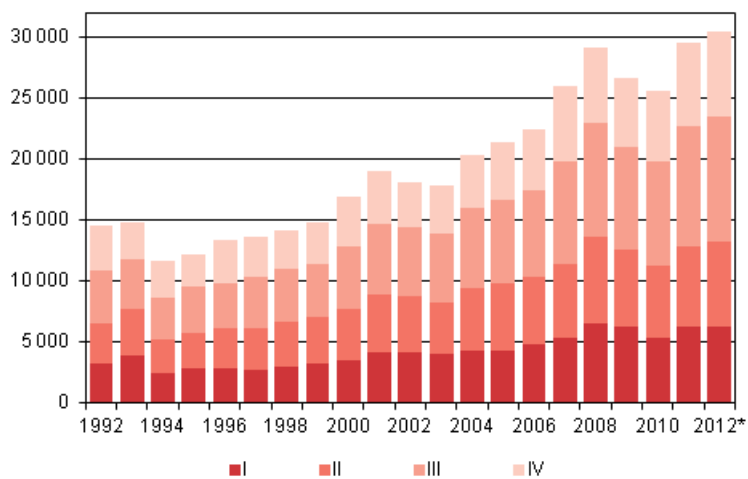
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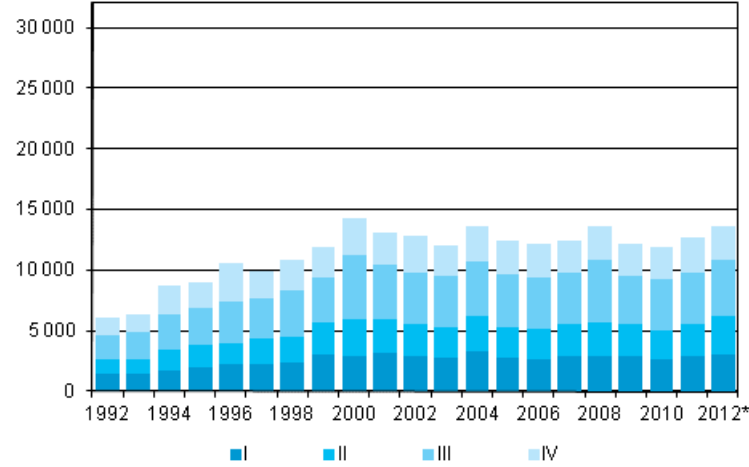
Appendix figure 3. Intermunicipal migration by quarter 1992–2011 and preliminary data 2012



Appendix figure 4. Immigration by quarter 1992–2011 and preliminary data 2012



Appendix figure 5. Emigration by quarter 1992–2011 and preliminary data 2012



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