

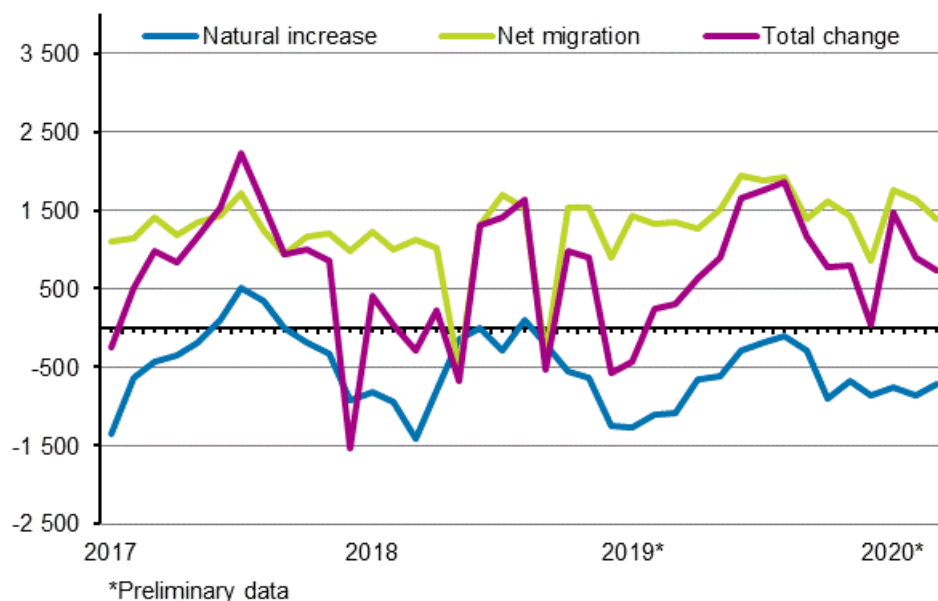
# Preliminary population statistics

2020, March

## More births in the early part of the year than in January to March last year

According to Statistics Finland's preliminary data, Finland's population at the end of March was 5,528,390. During January–March Finland's population increased by 3,098 persons. The reason for the population increase was migration gain from abroad: the number of immigrants was 4,763 higher than that of emigrants. The number of births was 2,337 lower than that of deaths.

### Population increase by month 2017–2019\*



According to the preliminary statistics for January–March a total of 11,407 children were born, which is 475 more than in the corresponding period 2019. On the other hand, slightly over one hundred children were born on leap day in 2020. The number of deaths was 13,744 which is 626 lower than one year earlier.

Altogether 7,689 persons immigrated to Finland from abroad and 2 926 persons emigrated from Finland during January–March. The number of immigrants was 210 higher and the number of emigrants 437 lower than in the previous year. In all, 1,992 of the immigrants and 1,897 of the emigrants were Finnish citizens.

According to the preliminary data, the number of inter-municipal migrations totalled 60,246 by the end of March. Compared with the previous year, the increase was 4,211 migrations according to the municipal division of 2020.

Same-sex marriages took legal effect in March 2017. During January–March 2020, same-sex partners entered into 96 marriages of which 62 were between two women and 34 between two men.

According to preliminary data by region, the population grew only in Uusimaa, Pirkanmaa, North Ostrobothnia, Southwest Finland, Kanta-Häme and Åland between January–March of 2020.

The population grew most in absolute numbers in Uusimaa, where it grew by 4,481 persons. The next largest increase in population was seen in Pirkanmaa, 665 persons. Relative to the population, population growth was highest in Uusimaa, 2.7 per mil, in Pirkanmaa, 1.3 per mil and in Åland, 1.0 per mil. Population loss was highest in absolute numbers in the region of North Karelia that lost 352 persons of its population. The population of Satakunta decreased by 310 persons, which was the second biggest population loss. Relative to the population, the biggest population loss was found in South Karelia and Kainuu, in the both regions 2.3 per mil.

Most migration gain from intramunicipal and international migration was collected by Uusimaa, 3,117 persons and Pirkanmaa, 744 persons. Most migration gain in relative terms based on total net migration was also attained by Uusimaa, 1.8 per mil and Pirkanmaa, 1.4 per mil.

In absolute numbers, migration loss from total net migration was biggest in the region of North Karelia, 95 persons. In the region of Ostrobothnia the loss was 75 persons. In relative terms, the biggest migration loss from total net migration was found in the region of North Karelia, 0.6 per mil of the population.

During January–March 2020, migration between regions numbered 25,835. The positive gain from migration between regions was seen in Uusimaa, Pirkanmaa, Kanta-Häme, Päijät-Häme, Lapland, South Savo and Åland. In absolute numbers, the highest gain from migration between regions was received by Uusimaa, 854 persons. The relative migration gain was highest in Kanta-Häme, 0.9 per mil of the population.

Migration loss from migration between regions was biggest in absolute numbers in the region of Ostrobothnia, 277 persons. Migration loss from migration between regions was biggest in relative terms in the region of Ostrobothnia, 1.5 per mil of the population.

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# Appendix tables

**Appendix table 1. Preliminary data on vital statistics by month of occurrence 2020**

Month / Quarter	Live births	Deaths	Natural increase	Inter-municipal migration <sup>1)</sup>	Immigration	Emigration	Net migration	Total change <sup>2)</sup>	Population
Total	11 407	13 744	-2 337	60 246	7 689	2 926	4 763	3 098	5 528 390
January	3 900	4 666	-766	21 367	2 974	1 222	1 752	1 478	5 526 770
February	3 619	4 479	-860	18 620	2 589	962	1 627	893	5 527 663
March	3 888	4 599	-711	20 259	2 126	742	1 384	727	5 528 390
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1) These statistics apply the regional division of 1 January 2020

2) Includes population correction

**Appendix table 2. Preliminary vital statistics by region 2020 and change compared to 2019 preliminary data, quarter 1**

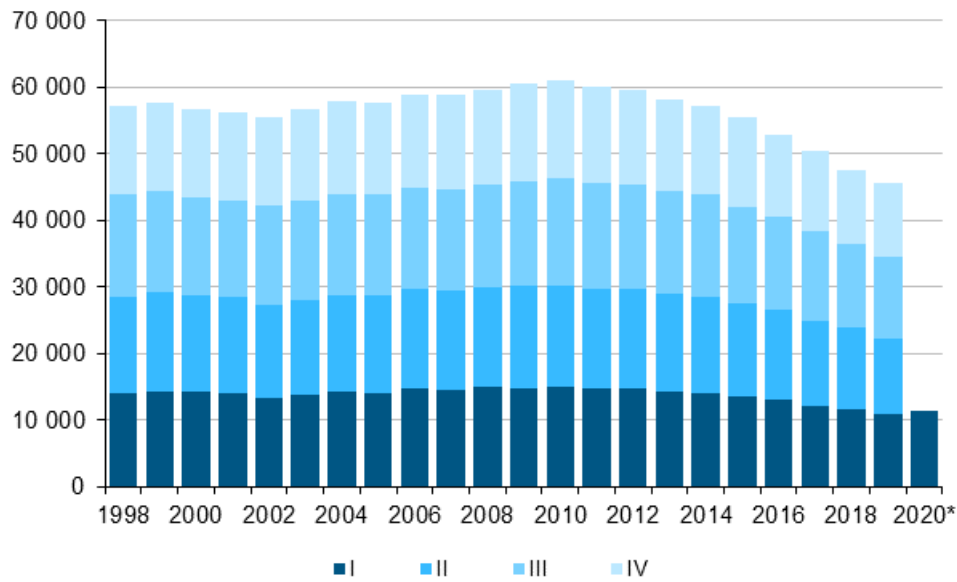
Area/region 1)	Natural increase		Net migration between regions <sup>1)</sup>		Net immigration		Total change	
	2020*	Change	2020*	Change	2020*	Change	2020*	Change <sup>2)</sup>
WHOLE COUNTRY	-2 337	1 101	-	-	4 763	647	3 098	2 991
MAINLAND FINLAND	-2 332	1 125	-1	4	4 762	672	3 068	3 002
Uusimaa	899	637	854	-747	2 263	224	4 481	832
Southwest Finland	-311	-28	-56	-15	428	115	98	147
Satakunta	-358	-34	-87	178	120	-39	-310	128
Kanta-Häme	-195	30	151	190	77	27	33	259
Pirkanmaa	-132	76	412	64	332	47	665	273
Päijät-Häme	-203	91	30	52	121	29	-47	190
Kymenlaakso	-316	41	-120	-18	134	67	-299	100
South Karelia	-270	7	-102	-50	79	-2	-291	-29
South Savo	-310	32	8	234	106	40	-196	329
North Savo	-273	35	-126	68	109	19	-292	153
North Karelia	-260	12	-180	-63	85	-1	-352	-40
Central Finland	-176	54	-146	32	136	32	-211	115
South Ostrobothnia	-207	-20	-25	74	72	-1	-162	60
Ostrobothnia	-78	38	-277	-57	202	-11	-94	61
Central Ostrobothnia	-15	-5	-18	-2	27	-3	-6	-4
North Ostrobothnia	193	122	-235	-57	272	84	248	217
Kainuu	-138	-6	-103	-69	72	20	-165	-49
Lapland	-182	43	19	190	127	25	-32	260
ÅLAND	-5	-24	1	-4	1	-25	30	-11

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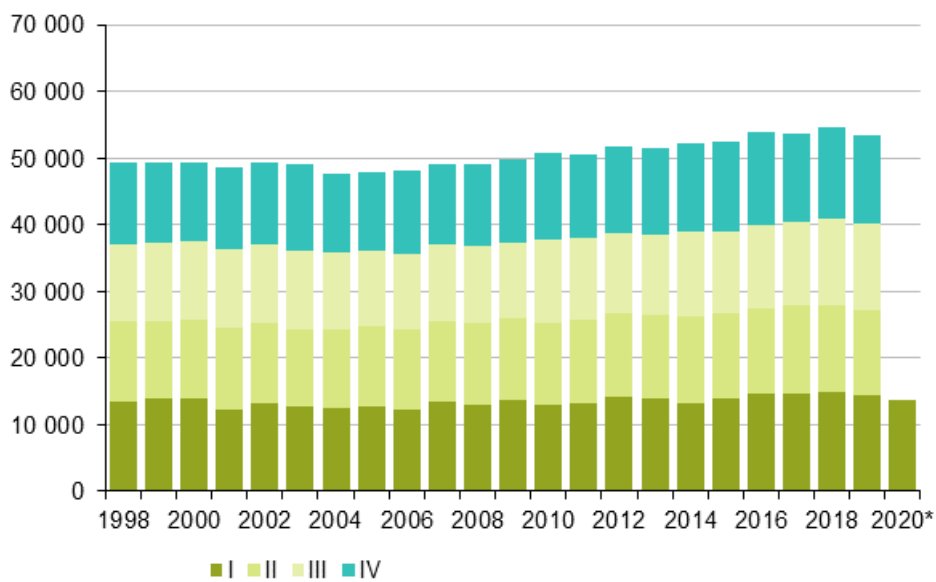
2) In the preliminary data, the total change includes the monthly correction term. In the final data, the correction term is only at the end of the year.

# Appendix figures

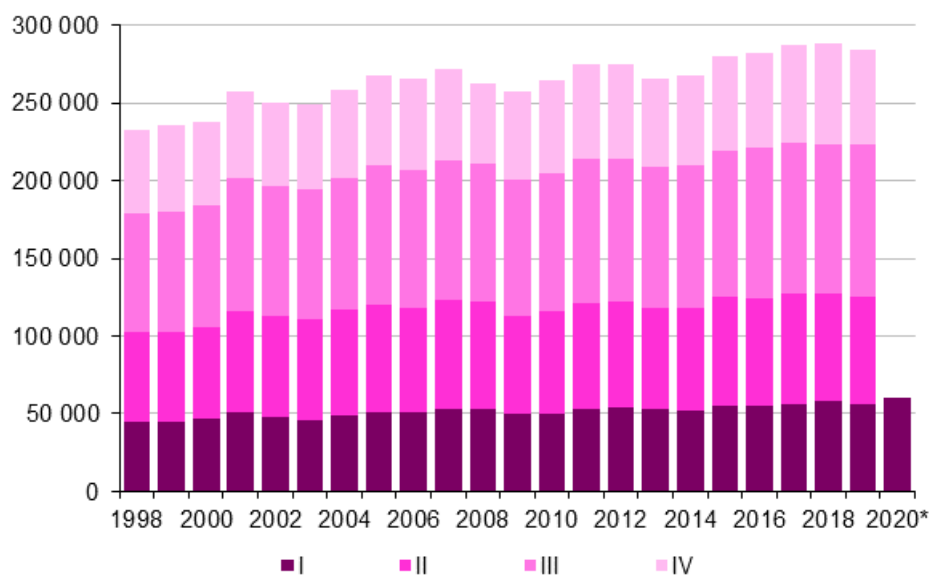
**Appendix figure 1. Live births by quarter 1998–2018 and preliminary data 2019 and 2020**



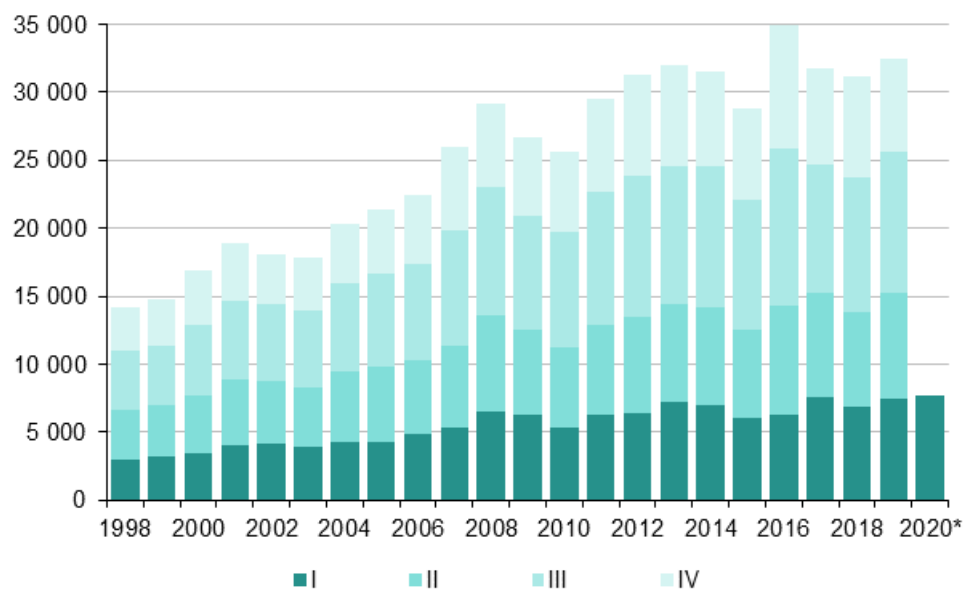
**Appendix figure 2. Deaths by quarter 1998–2018 and preliminary data 2019 and 2020**



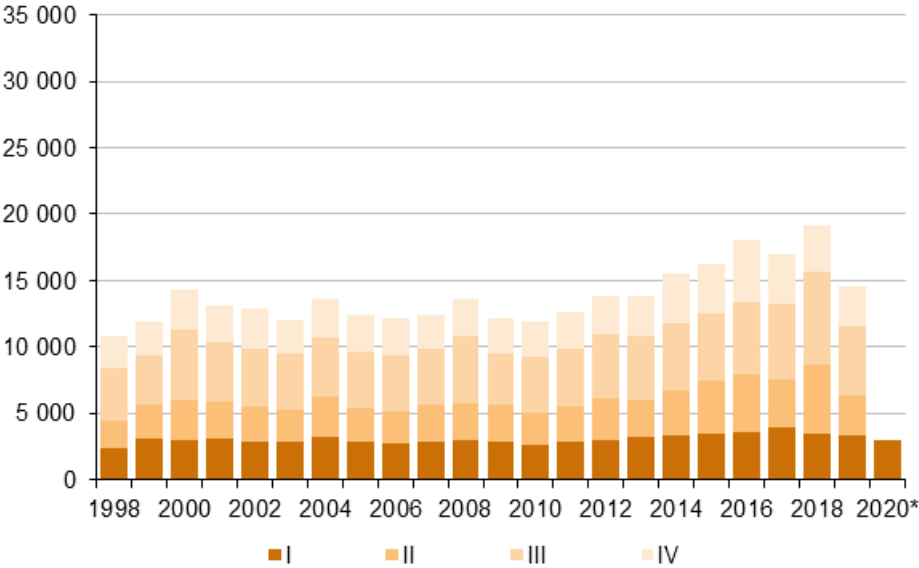
**Appendix figure 3. Intermunicipal migration by quarter 1998–2018 and preliminary data 2019 and 2020**



**Appendix figure 4. Immigration by quarter 1998–2018 and preliminary data 2019 and 2020**



**Appendix figure 5. Emigration by quarter 1998–2018 and preliminary data 2019 and 2020**





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