

Job vacancy survey

2009, 4th quarter

Fewer job vacancies in the fourth quarter than one year earlier

According to the Job Vacancy Survey of Statistics Finland, there were 21,900 job vacancies in the fourth quarter of 2009, which was 21 per cent fewer than one year earlier (27,800). The reference date of the measurement for the fourth quarter was 1 December. In the year 2009 there were on average 35 per cent fewer job vacancies than in 2008.

In the fourth quarter, 12,700, or 58 per cent, of the job vacancies were in private enterprises. Job vacancies diminished in Western Finland and Northern Finland. The number of job vacancies decreased particularly in financial intermediation and insurance and in real estate activities (75 per cent) and in recreational, cultural and sporting activities and in other service activities (71 per cent).

Job vacancies 2009/IV – 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter		Year	
	2009/IV	2008/IV	2009	2008
Job vacancies	21 900	27 800	34 200	52 600
Part-time	19 %	16 %	22 %	16 %
Fixed term	42 %	37 %	53 %	39 %
Hard-to-fill vacancies	32 %	46 %	33 %	46 %

The average number of job vacancies for the year is an average of the quarters.

The relative share of part-time vacancies increased by 3 percentage points and that of open fixed-term vacancies by 5 percentage points year on. Employers had fewer recruitment problems than one year previously. The share of hard-to-fill vacancies of all job vacancies fell by 14 percentage points to 32 per cent.

Statistics Finland has been collecting data on open job vacancies quarterly since the beginning of 2002. The statistics are based on a sample of establishments of enterprises and general government. The data are collected with telephone interviews and web questionnaires. The statistics are decreed by a regulation of the European Union. 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.

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1.1 Job vacancies by the quarters 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Job vacancies							
Total	21 900	31 100	37 800	46 100	27 800	-5 900	-21
Unoccupied	12 900	16 200	17 800	23 500	15 700	-2 800	-18
Part-time	4 100	7 700	7 900	9 900	4 400	-200	-5
Fixed term	9 100	12 400	24 100	26 700	10 400	-1 300	-12
Hard to Fill	6 900	11 300	12 400	14 900	12 800	-5 900	-46

2.1 Job vacancies by size of the local kind of activity unit 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Employees							
Total	21 900	31 100	37 800	46 100	27 800	-5 900	-21
1-4 persons	5 800	5 800	9 300	9 600	9 000	-3 200	-35
5-10 persons	2 900	7 900	6 300	9 700	4 500	-1 500	-34
11-99 persons	8 900	13 300	17 500	16 900	9 300	-400	-4
More than 100	4 200	4 100	4 700	9 900	5 000	-800	-15

2.2 Job vacancies by employer sector of the local kind of activity unit 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Employer							
Employers total	21 900	31 100	37 800	46 100	27 800	-5 900	-21
Private enterprise	12 700	20 400	19 200	28 800	17 900	-5 200	-29
Local Government	6 200	7 300	13 400	12 500	5 500	700	12
Central Government	1 700	1 000	1 500	1 300	1 100	600	56
Non-Profit Organization	700	1 600	2 900	2 100	1 900	-1 200	-62
Other	600	800	700	1 400	1 500	-900	-59

3.1 Job vacancies by province 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Province							
Total	21 900	31 100	37 800	46 100	27 800	-5 900	-21
Uusimaa	8 300	13 000	12 400	21 900	9 600	-1 400	-14
Southern Finland (excl. Uusimaa)	3 400	3 800	5 300	4 000	2 700	700	25
Western Finland	5 800	7 600	13 000	13 700	9 700	-3 900	-41
Eastern Finland	2 500	4 000	3 000	3 500	2 000	500	25
Oulu+Lapland	2 000	2 700	4 100	3 000	3 800	-1 800	-47

3.2 Job vacancies by industry 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Industry (TOL 2008)							
Total	21 900	31 100	37 800	46 100	27 800	-5 900	-21
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	100	300	200	1 600	1 000	-900	-90
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	1 500	2 700	3 400	6 200	1 800	-300	-18
F Construction (41–43)	1 000	2 000	3 900	900	1 000	0	5
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	6 800	6 300	7 300	11 500	7 700	-900	-12
J Information and communication (58–63)	1 100	2 900	800	2 400	1 100	0	-3
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	400	600	600	1 000	1 500	-1 100	-75
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	3 000	6 100	3 600	6 300	3 600	-700	-18
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	7 300	8 200	16 700	13 500	7 400	-100	-2
R-S Other service activities (90–96)	800	2 100	1 400	2 600	2 700	-1 900	-71

4.1 Part-time vacancies by province 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Province							
Total	4 100	7 700	7 900	9 900	4 400	-200	-5
Uusimaa	1 500	3 700	2 600	3 600	800	700	86
Southern Finland (excl. Uusimaa)	1 300	1 100	1 100	1 200	500	800	177
Western Finland	900	1 500	2 500	3 200	1 300	-400	-33
Eastern Finland	100	800	700	1 400	300	-200	-60
Oulu+Lapland	300	600	1 000	500	1 400	-1 100	-77

4.2 Part-time vacancies by industry 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Industry (TOL 2008)							
Total	4 100	7 700	7 900	9 900	4 400	-200	-5
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	0	0	100	500	0	0	.
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	0	300	0	1 500	100	-100	-58
F Construction (41–43)	0	0	200	100	0	0	.
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	2 800	2 600	1 900	3 300	1 800	1 000	54
J Information and communication (58–63)	0	1 300	0	100	0	0	-100
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	100	0	400	200	100	0	-42
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	600	1 900	1 600	1 600	900	-300	-35
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	500	900	3 300	2 100	700	-200	-25
R-S Other service activities (90–96)	200	700	300	500	800	-600	-79

5.1 Fixed-term vacancies by province 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Province							
Total	9 100	12 400	24 100	26 700	10 400	-1 300	-12
Uusimaa	3 600	4 600	6 700	10 500	1 700	1 900	114
Southern Finland (excl. Uusimaa)	1 800	1 400	3 500	2 700	1 500	300	17
Western Finland	2 100	3 000	8 600	9 600	3 700	-1 700	-45
Eastern Finland	700	1 600	1 900	2 200	900	-300	-27
Oulu+Lapland	1 000	1 700	3 400	1 700	2 500	-1 500	-59

5.2 Fixed-term vacancies by industry 2009/IV - 2008/IV

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Industry (TOL 2008)							
Total	9 100	12 400	24 100	26 700	10 400	-1 300	-12
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01-03)	0	100	0	1 600	600	-600	-100
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05-39)	300	700	2 500	5 300	800	-400	-57
F Construction (41-43)	400	600	1 900	400	200	200	95
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45-56)	3 900	1 900	4 500	6 200	2 600	1 400	54
J Information and communication (58-63)	0	2 100	400	1 000	100	-100	-100
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64-68)	100	100	400	700	100	100	125
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69-82)	1 000	1 400	2 800	3 000	1 200	-200	-18
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84-88)	3 200	4 300	10 800	6 500	4 000	-800	-20
R-S Other service activities (90-96)	200	1 200	800	2 100	1 000	-800	-80

6.1 Hard-to-fill vacancies by province 2009/IV - 2008/IV

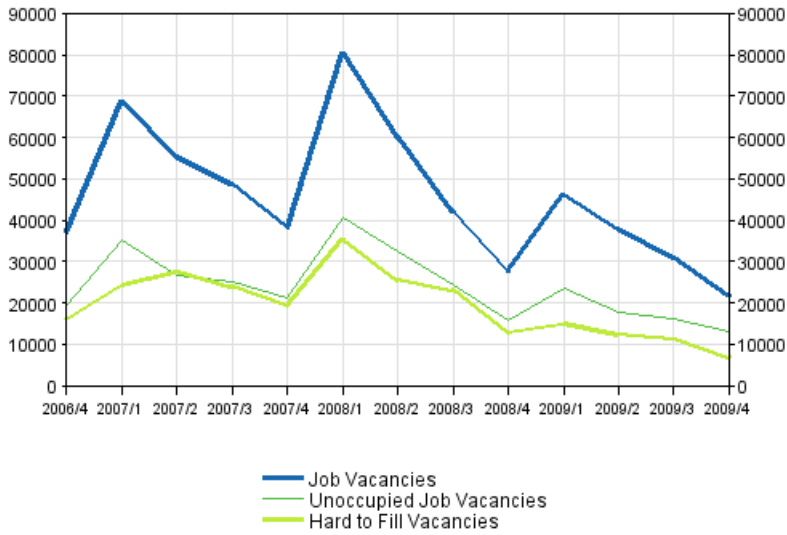
	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Province							
Total	6 900	11 300	12 400	14 900	12 800	-5 900	-46
Uusimaa	2 200	4 100	4 700	8 400	5 200	-3 000	-58
Southern Finland (excl. Uusimaa)	900	1 500	1 600	800	1 300	-400	-29
Western Finland	2 100	3 300	4 600	3 500	4 300	-2 200	-51
Eastern Finland	1 100	1 800	700	1 200	500	700	145
Oulu+Lapland	600	600	800	1 100	1 600	-1 000	-63

6.2 Hard-to-fill vacancies by industry 2009/IV - 2008/IV

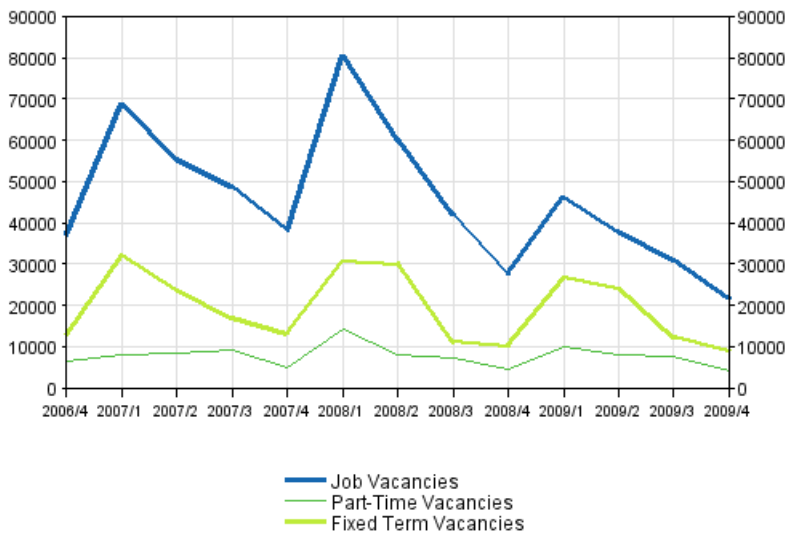
Industry (TOL 2008)	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2009/IV	2009/III	2009/II	2009/I	2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV	2009/IV - 2008/IV
Total	6 900	11 300	12 400	14 900	12 800	-5 900	-46
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	0	0	100	100	300	-300	-100
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	100	1 100	300	600	600	-500	-87
F Construction (41–43)	600	1 100	1 200	400	600	0	8
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	1 700	2 600	3 000	3 300	4 000	-2 300	-58
J Information and communication (58–63)	300	600	400	400	300	0	10
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	100	500	100	400	800	-700	-85
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	1 400	2 100	800	2 500	1 800	-400	-24
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	2 400	2 900	6 200	7 000	2 900	-500	-17
R-S Other service activities (90–96)	200	500	300	200	1 400	-1 200	-84

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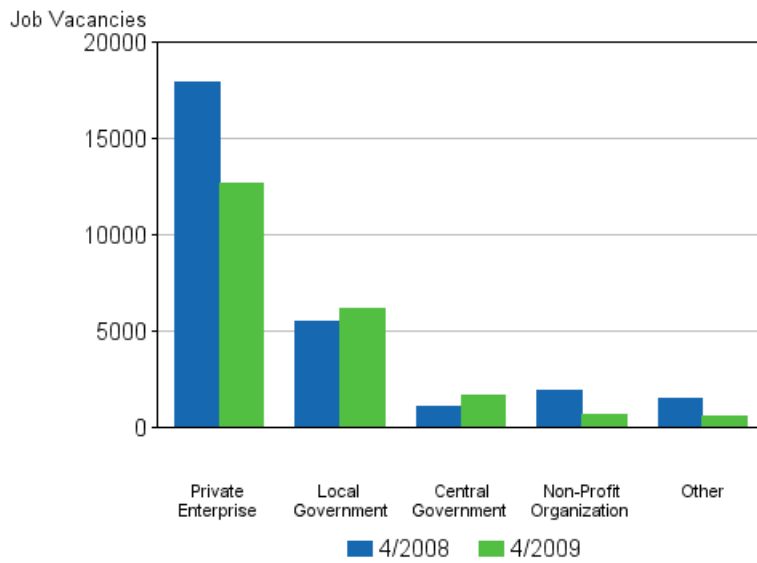
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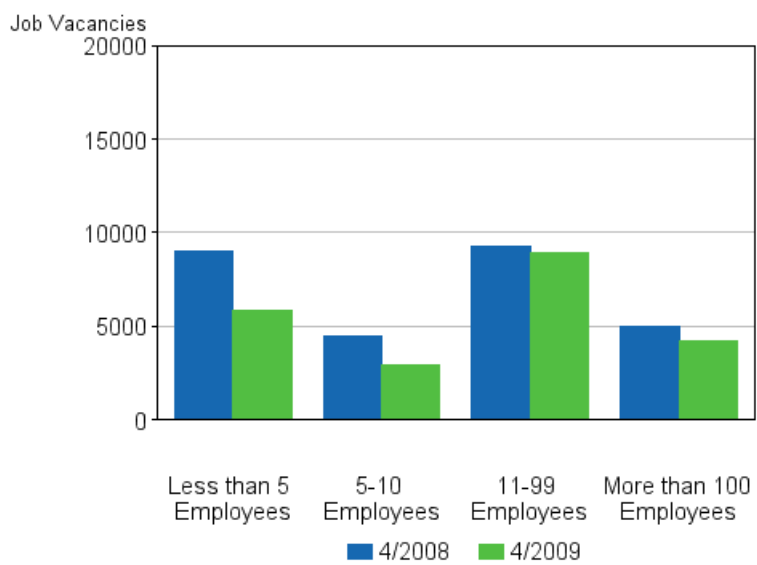
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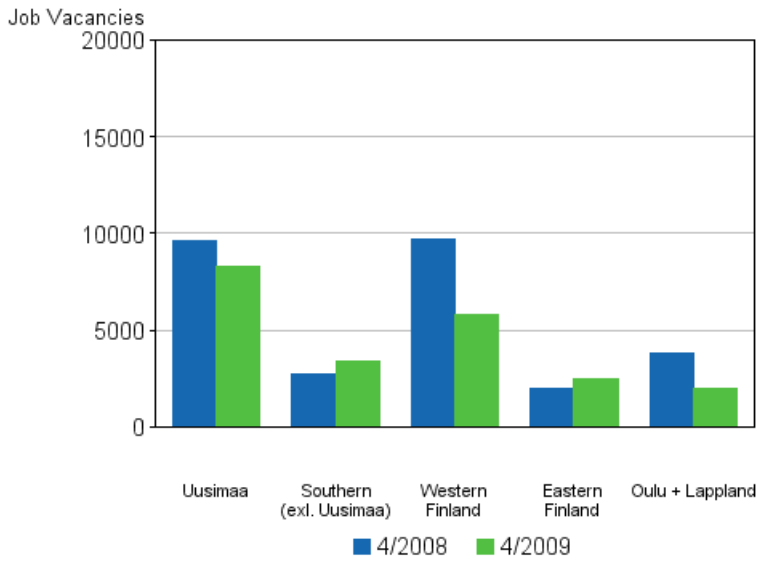
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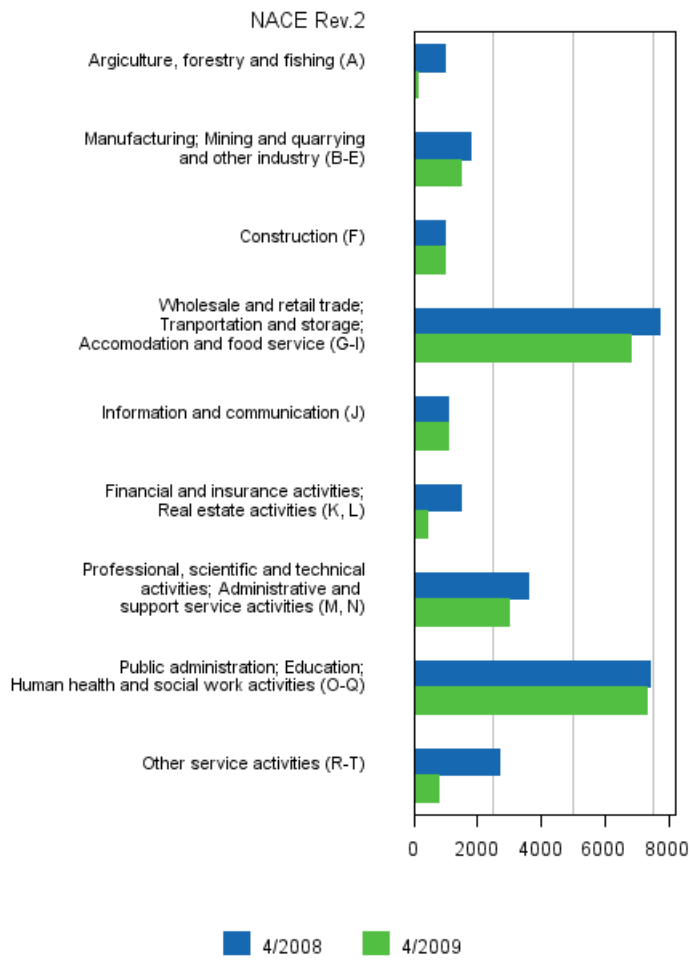
4 Job vacancies by size of the local kind of activity unit



5 Job vacancies by province



6 Job vacancies by industry



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