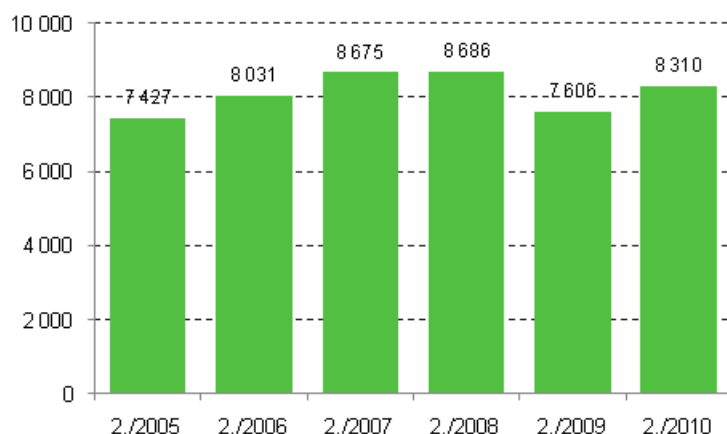


Enterprise openings and closures

Enterprise openings still growing and enterprise closures declining

In the second quarter of 2010, the number of enterprise openings was up by nine per cent on the respective quarter of the year before. Examined by industry, the number of enterprise openings was highest in construction, and by region relative to the enterprise stock in the region of Uusimaa. In the first quarter of 2010, the number of enterprise closures was down by 21.8 per cent on the corresponding quarter of the year before. Examined by industry, the number of enterprise closures was highest in trade and by region relative to the enterprise stock in the region of Päijät-Häme.

Enterprise openings, 2nd quarter



Enterprise openings, 2nd quarter of 2010

According to Statistics Finland, there were 8,310 enterprise openings in the second quarter of 2010. Enterprise openings increased by nine per cent from the corresponding quarter of 2009, when they numbered 7,606. Enterprise openings accounted for 2.6 per cent of the total stock of enterprises in the second quarter of 2010.

The number of enterprise openings was highest in construction, where they numbered 1,542, or 18.6 per cent of all enterprise openings in the second quarter. In trade enterprise openings numbered 1,383 (16.6%) and in professional, scientific and technical activities 1,306 (15.7%).

Examined by region, the number of enterprise openings was highest in the second quarter of 2010 in Uusimaa, where they totalled 2,721. Uusimaa also had the most enterprise openings relative to the enterprise stock (2.9%).

Examined by sub-regional unit, the number of enterprise openings in the second quarter of 2010 was highest in the sub-regional unit of Helsinki (2,627), followed by the sub-regional unit of Tampere (612).

Examined by municipality, the highest numbers of enterprise openings were recorded in the second quarter of 2010 in Helsinki (1,420), Espoo (381), Tampere (380), Vantaa (287) and Turku (271). Compared to the second quarter of 2009, enterprise openings increased most in Helsinki (214) and decreased most in Turku (-28).

Enterprise closures, 1st quarter of 2010

According to Statistics Finland, there were 3,950 enterprise closures in the first quarter of 2010. Compared to the first quarter of the year before, enterprise closures decreased by 21.8 per cent, as in the first quarter of 2009 they numbered 5,048. Enterprise closures accounted for 1.3 per cent of the total stock of enterprises in the first quarter of 2010.

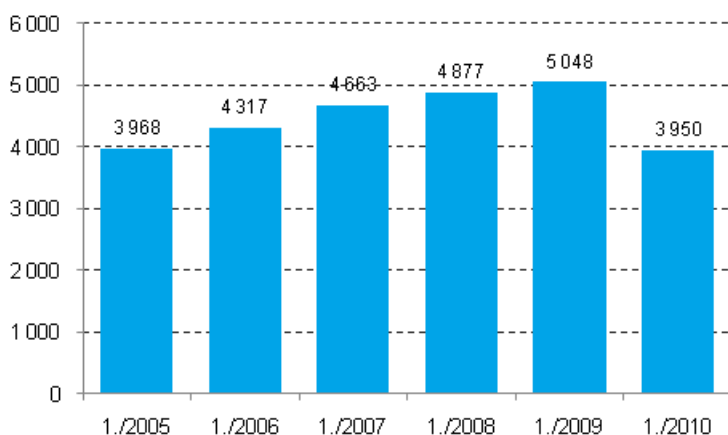
The number of enterprise closures was highest in trade, at 809 (20.5%). In construction enterprise closures numbered 643 (16.3%) and in professional, scientific and technical activities 522 (13.2%).

Examined by region, in the first quarter of 2010 the number of enterprise closures was highest in Uusimaa, where they totalled 1,318. Relative to the enterprise stock, Päijät-Häme had the most enterprise closures (1.5%).

Examined by sub-regional unit, in the first quarter of 2010 the number of enterprise closures was highest in the sub-regional unit of Helsinki (1,292), followed by the sub-regional units of Tampere (265) and Turku (237).

Examined by municipality, the highest numbers of enterprise closures were recorded in the first quarter of 2010 in Helsinki (646), Espoo (192), Tampere (171), Turku (144) and Vantaa (144). Compared to the first quarter of 2009, enterprise closures increased most in Hämeenlinna (14) and decreased most in Helsinki (-159).

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Region	Openings Q2/2010	Share of stock of enterprises, %	Change Q2/2010 - Q2/2009	Closures Q1/2010	Share of stock of enterprises, %	Change Q1/2010 - Q1/2009
WHOLE COUNTRY	8 310	2,6	704	3 950	1,3	-1 098
MAINLAND FINLAND	8 065	2,6	622	3 881	1,2	-1 104
Uusimaa	2 721	2,9	229	1 318	1,4	-346
Pirkanmaa	768	2,7	61	342	1,2	-203
Varsinais-Suomi	729	2,4	18	334	1,1	-89
North Ostrobothnia	511	2,8	62	253	1,4	-34
Central Finland	341	2,4	-11	180	1,3	-50
Pohjois-Savo	311	2,6	23	159	1,3	-36
Satakunta	300	2,2	15	157	1,2	-19
Ostrobothnia	252	2,4	34	85	0,8	-52
Kymenlaakso	248	2,8	71	107	1,2	-35
Lapland	245	2,4	10	113	1,1	-17
Päijät-Häme	243	2,1	-4	165	1,5	-47
Kanta-Häme	240	2,5	28	128	1,3	-19
South Ostrobothnia	226	1,8	-18	119	0,9	-39
North Karelia	221	2,8	51	107	1,3	-22
Etelä-Savo	211	2,4	15	92	1,1	-45
South Karelia	177	2,7	24	92	1,4	-2
Itä-Uusimaa	159	2,4	-1	57	0,9	-36
Central Ostrobothnia	84	2,1	10	37	0,9	-4
Kainuu	78	2,1	5	36	1,0	-9
ÅLAND	44	1,8	-5	16	0,7	-11
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