

Job vacancy survey

2012, 3rd quarter

Fewer open job vacancies in the third quarter than one year earlier

According to the Job Vacancy Survey of Statistics Finland, there were 37,400 open job vacancies in the third quarter of 2012, which is six per cent less than one year earlier (40,000). The measurement for the third quarter was taken on 1 September.

Job vacancies 2011/III – 2012/III

	Year/Quarter	
	2011/III	2012/III
Job vacancies	40 000	37 400
Part-time	21 %	16 %
Fixed term	36 %	35 %
Hard-to-fill vacancies	44 %	44 %

In all, 25,500, or 68 per cent, of the job vacancies in the third quarter of 2012 were in private enterprises. Compared with the quarter one year earlier, the number of job vacancies decreased especially in public administration, education and health and social services (-3,200), and in trade, transport and storage, and accommodation and food service activities (-2,800). Examined by area, open job vacancies went down in the major regions of Southern Finland (-1,200), and Northern and Eastern Finland (-1,100).

In the third quarter of 2012, the share of part-time vacancies among all open vacancies decreased by five percentage points and that of fixed-term vacancies by percentage point from the respective quarter of the year before. The share of hard-to-fill vacancies remained at the same level.

Statistics Finland has been collecting data on 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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Appendix table 1. Job vacancies by the quarters 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Job vacancies							
Total	40 000	33 500	72 600	52 200	37 400	-2 600	-6
Unoccupied	21 100	18 000	30 500	23 800	17 500	-3 700	-17
Part-time	8 500	5 000	12 200	9 700	5 900	-2 600	-31
Fixed term	14 200	11 100	35 900	28 700	12 900	-1 300	-9
Hard to Fill	17 500	15 100	24 500	18 900	16 600	-900	-5

Appendix table 2. Job vacancies by size of the local kind of activity unit 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Employees							
Total	40 000	33 500	72 600	52 200	37 400	-2 600	-6
1-4 persons	6 400	6 800	16 200	10 400	9 200	2 800	44
5-10 persons	8 300	6 600	11 600	10 200	7 900	-400	-5
11-99 persons	20 000	15 600	30 000	24 600	15 300	-4 700	-24
100 or more	5 200	4 600	14 800	7 000	5 000	-200	-4

Appendix table 3. Job vacancies by employer sector of the local kind of activity unit 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Employer							
Employers total	40 000	33 500	72 600	52 200	37 400	-2 600	-6
Private enterprise	27 800	23 900	51 200	33 900	25 500	-2 300	-8
Local Government	8 200	6 000	13 900	13 400	7 300	-900	-11
Central Government	600	1 000	1 400	800	700	100	18
Non-Profit Organization	2 600	2 200	1 200	2 600	3 300	600	24
Other	700	400	4 900	1 500	600	-100	-9

Appendix table 4. Job vacancies by major region (2012) 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Major region							
Total	40 000	33 500	72 600	52 200	37 400	-2 600	-6
Helsinki-Uusimaa	13 600	13 700	24 200	19 800	13 500	-100	-1
Southern Finland	6 900	4 800	14 600	10 400	5 700	-1 200	-18
Western Finland	9 900	7 200	17 800	12 900	9 700	-200	-2
Northern and Eastern Finland	9 600	7 900	16 000	9 200	8 500	-1 100	-11

Appendix table 5. Job vacancies by industry (TOL 2008) 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Industry (TOL 2008)							
Total	40 000	33 500	72 600	52 200	37 400	-2 600	-6
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing (01–03)	300	500	1 200	900	700	400	137
B-E Manufacturing; Mining and quarrying and other industry (05–39)	4 900	4 200	10 900	5 000	5 500	700	14
F Construction (41–43)	1 800	1 700	3 300	4 100	2 900	1 100	59
G-I Wholesale and retail trade; Transportation and storage; Accommodation and food service (45–56)	9 900	7 400	21 600	13 700	7 100	-2 800	-29
J Information and communication (58–63)	1 600	1 900	3 500	1 800	2 900	1 300	79
K,L Financial and insurance activities; Real estate activities (64–68)	800	2 200	2 300	1 500	1 200	400	53
M,N Professional, scientific and technical activities; Administrative and support service activities (69–82)	6 900	4 900	8 600	8 300	5 300	-1 600	-23
O-Q Public administration; Education, Human health and social work activities (84–88)	11 600	8 400	14 600	15 500	8 400	-3 200	-28
R-S Other service activities (90–96)	2 200	2 300	6 600	1 500	3 300	1 100	53

Appendix table 6. Part-time vacancies by major region (2012) 2011/III - 2012/III

	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Major region							
Total	8 500	5 000	12 200	9 700	5 900	-2 600	-31
Helsinki-Uusimaa	3 600	2 100	2 700	3 500	2 100	-1 500	-43
Southern Finland	900	300	3 400	2 600	1 300	400	37
Western Finland	2 500	700	3 400	2 500	1 300	-1 200	-48
Northern and Eastern Finland	1 500	2 000	2 600	1 100	1 200	-300	-17

Appendix table 7. Fixed-term vacancies by major region (2012) 2011/III - 2012/III

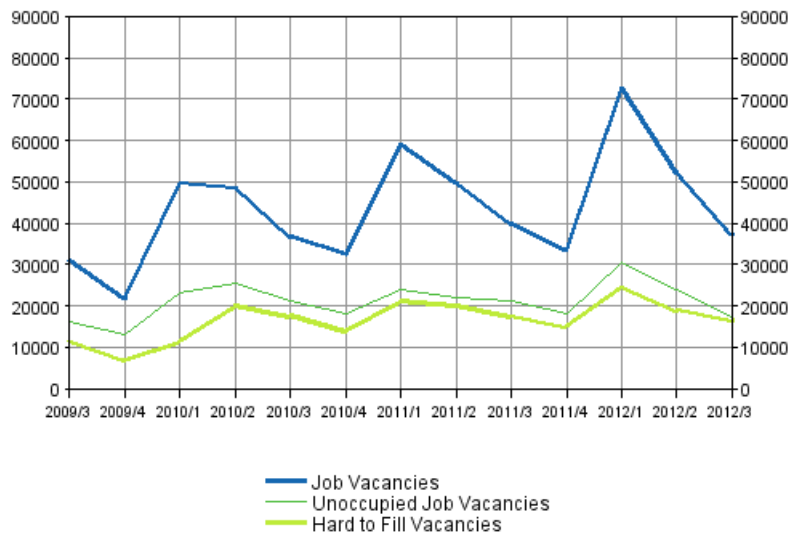
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	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Major region							
Total	14 200	11 100	35 900	28 700	12 900	-1 300	-9
Helsinki-Uusimaa	4 100	2 900	9 700	9 500	3 300	-700	-18
Southern Finland	1 700	1 100	6 400	5 600	2 300	600	35
Western Finland	3 500	3 600	10 500	7 600	3 100	-400	-11
Northern and Eastern Finland	4 900	3 500	9 300	6 000	4 100	-800	-15

Appendix table 8. Hard-to-fill vacancies by major region (2012) 2011/III - 2012/III

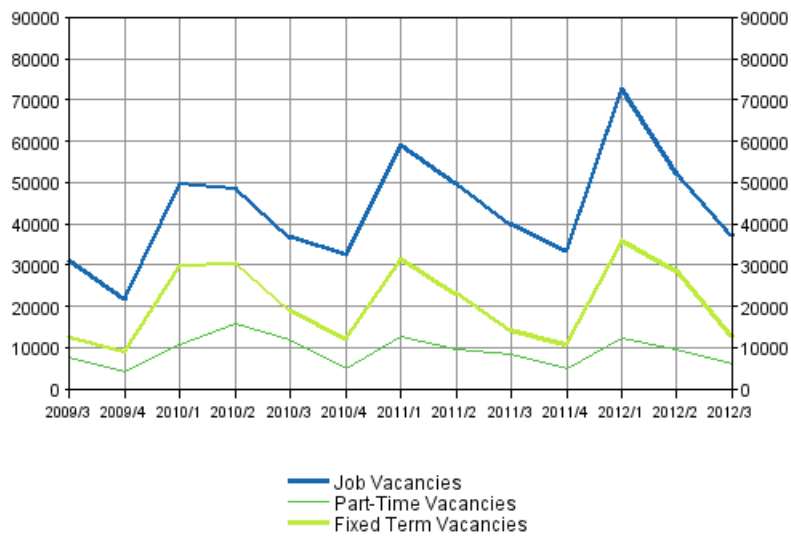
	Year/Quarter					Change	Change (%)
	2011/III	2011/IV	2012/I	2012/II	2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III	2011/III - 2012/III
Major region							
Total	17 500	15 100	24 500	18 900	16 600	-900	-5
Helsinki-Uusimaa	6 700	5 800	9 600	9 100	5 900	-800	-12
Southern Finland	2 700	2 900	4 400	3 400	3 400	800	29
Western Finland	3 800	3 200	5 600	3 300	3 900	100	3
Northern and Eastern Finland	4 300	3 400	4 900	3 200	3 300	-1 000	-23

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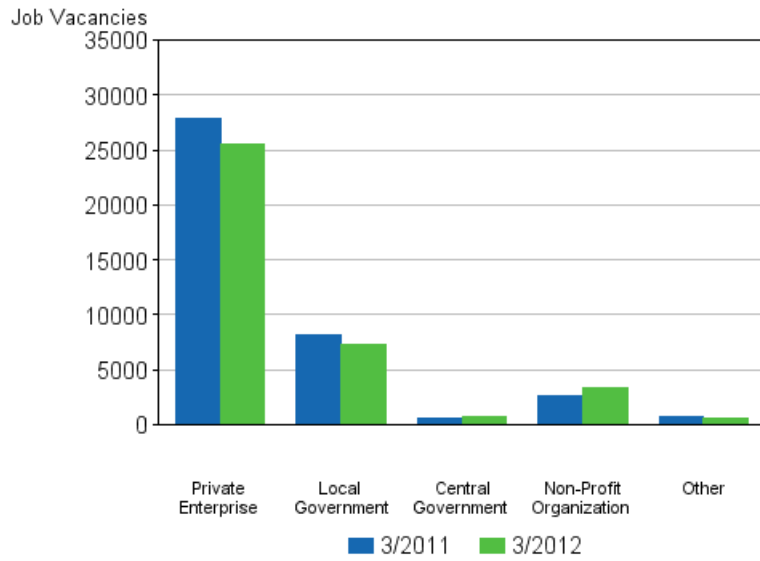
Appendix figure 1. Job vacancies by the quarters



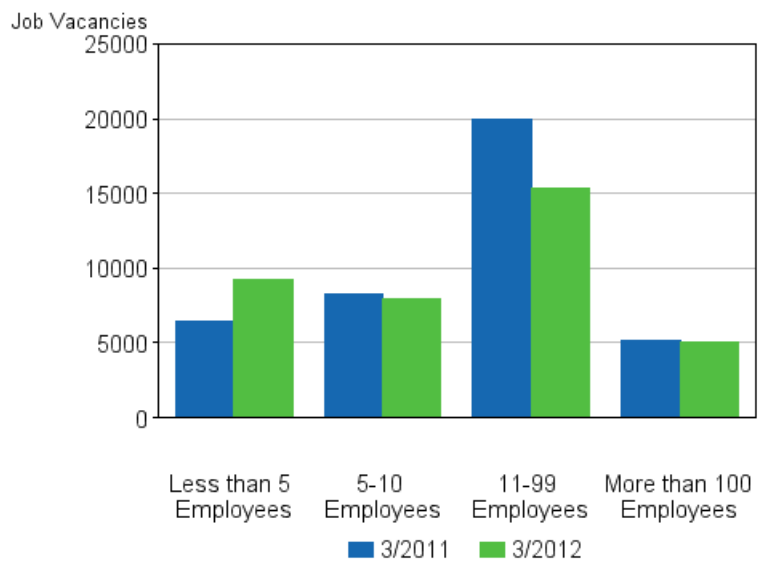
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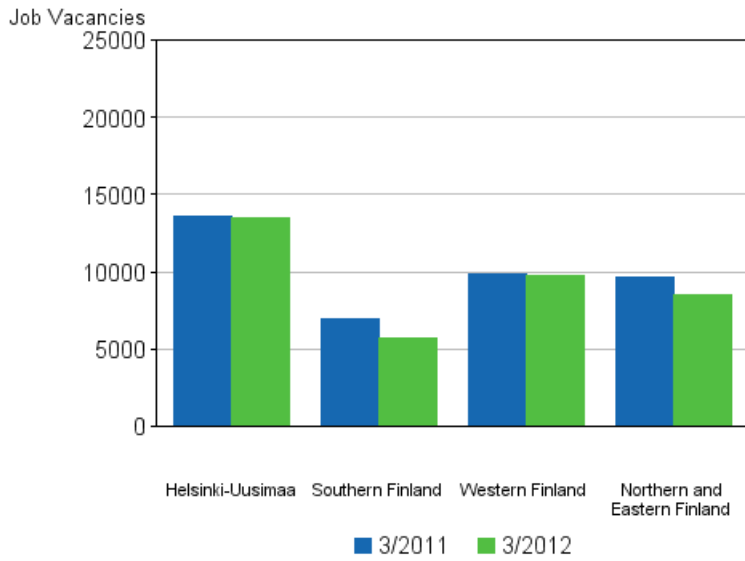
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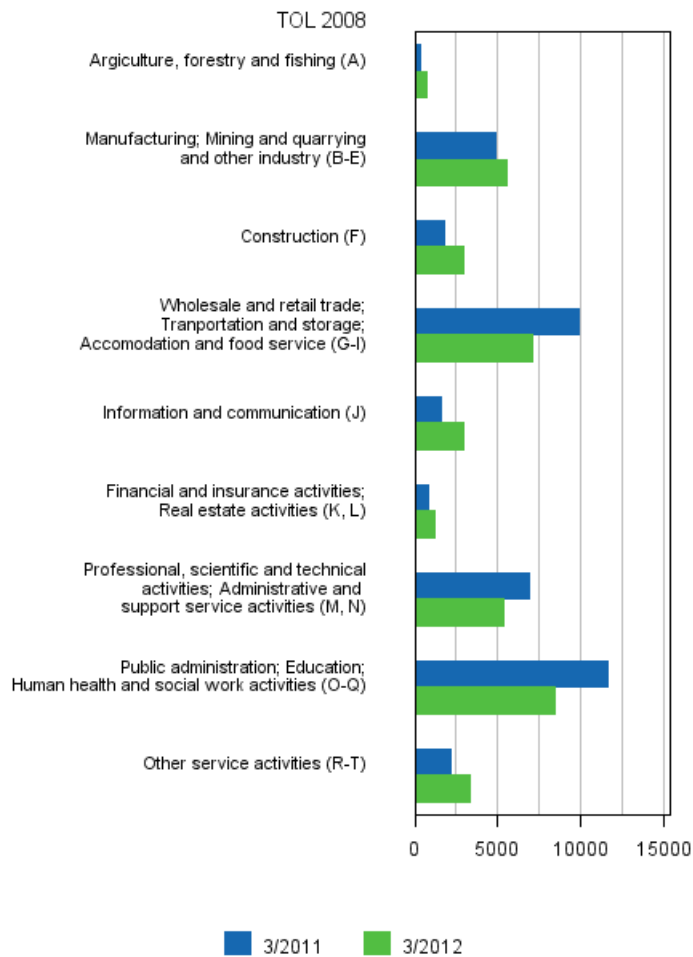
Appendix figure 4. Job vacancies by size of the local kind of activity unit



Appendix figure 5. Job vacancies by major region (2012)



Appendix figure 6. Job vacancies by industry (TOL 2008)



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