

Labour Force Statistics

2007, April

Employment grew and unemployment fell in April 2007

According to the Labour Force Survey of Statistics Finland, the number of employed persons in April was 2,456,000, i.e. 72,000 higher than one year previously. The employment rate stood at 69.2 per cent, while it was 67.5 per cent in April 2006.

There were 191,000 unemployed in April, i.e. 34,000 less than in the previous year. The rate of unemployment was 7.2 per cent, while it was 8.6 per cent one year before.

Changes in the labour force 4/2006 - 4/2007, thousand persons

	April 2007	April 2006	Change, % 4/2006 – 4/2007 ¹⁾
Employed total	2 456	2 384	3,0
Employment rate, %	69,2	67,5	1,7 ³⁾
Unemployed ²⁾	191	225	-14,9
Unemployment rate, %	7,2	8,6	-1,4 ³⁾
Labour force, total	2 647	2 609	1,5
Labour force participation rate, %	66,6	65,9	0,7 ³⁾
Economically inactive, total	1 330	1 351	-1,5

1) Unrounded figures are used in the Change column

2) Based on the recommendations of the International Labour Organisation (ILO)

3) percentage points

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1.1 Key indicators in the Labour Force Survey by sex 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Indicator	Sex				
Employment rate (population aged 15-64)	B o t h sexes	69,2	68,7	67,5	1,7
	Males	70,2	69,0	67,9	2,4
	Females	68,1	68,3	67,1	1,1
Unemployment rate	B o t h sexes	7,2	7,7	8,6	-1,4
	Males	7,4	7,6	9,0	-1,6
	Females	7,0	7,7	8,2	-1,2
Labour force participation rate	B o t h sexes	66,6	66,6	65,9	0,7
	Males	68,6	67,9	67,5	1,1
	Females	64,5	65,4	64,3	0,2

1.2 Population aged 15-74 by labour force status and sex 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
L a b o u r force status	Sex				
Population aged 15-74	B o t h sexes	3 976	3 974	3 959	0,4
	Males	1 988	1 987	1 979	0,5
	Females	1 988	1 988	1 980	0,4
L a b o u r force	B o t h sexes	2 647	2 648	2 609	1,5
	Males	1 364	1 349	1 335	2,2
	Females	1 283	1 300	1 274	0,7
Employed	B o t h sexes	2 456	2 446	2 384	3,0
	Males	1 262	1 246	1 214	3,9
	Females	1 194	1 200	1 170	2,0
Unemployed	B o t h sexes	191	203	225	-14,9
	Males	101	103	121	-15,8
	Females	90	100	104	-13,9

1.3 Population aged 15-74 by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	3 976	3 974	3 959	0,4
	15-24	658	658	656	0,3
	25-54	2 124	2 125	2 135	-0,5
	55-74	1 195	1 192	1 169	2,2
	15-64	3 510	3 508	3 507	0,1
Males	15-74	1 988	1 987	1 979	0,5
	15-24	335	336	335	0,0
	25-54	1 078	1 078	1 083	-0,4
	55-74	575	573	561	2,4
	15-64	1 774	1 773	1 773	0,1
Females	15-74	1 988	1 988	1 980	0,4
	15-24	322	322	320	0,7
	25-54	1 046	1 047	1 052	-0,6
	55-74	620	619	608	2,0
	15-64	1 735	1 735	1 734	0,1

2.1 Labour force participation rate by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	66,6	66,6	65,9	0,7
	15-24	50,8	47,3	47,9	2,9
	25-54	87,9	87,4	87,5	0,3
	55-74	37,3	40,3	36,4	0,9
	15-64	74,6	74,4	73,9	0,8
Males	15-74	68,6	67,9	67,5	1,1
	15-24	48,0	46,5	44,7	3,3
	25-54	90,8	88,6	89,3	1,5
	55-74	38,9	41,5	39,0	0,0
	15-64	76,0	74,8	74,7	1,3
Females	15-74	64,5	65,4	64,3	0,2
	15-24	53,8	48,2	51,3	2,5
	25-54	84,9	86,2	85,8	-0,9
	55-74	35,8	39,1	34,0	1,8
	15-64	73,3	74,1	73,1	0,2

2.2 Labour force by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	2 647	2 648	2 609	1,5
	15-24	334	311	314	6,4
	25-54	1 867	1 857	1 869	-0,1
	55-74	446	480	425	4,8
	15-64	2 620	2 611	2 590	1,1
Males	15-74	1 364	1 349	1 335	2,2
	15-24	161	156	150	7,3
	25-54	979	955	966	1,3
	55-74	224	238	219	2,3
	15-64	1 348	1 326	1 324	1,8
Females	15-74	1 283	1 300	1 274	0,7
	15-24	173	155	164	5,5
	25-54	888	902	903	-1,7
	55-74	222	242	207	7,5
	15-64	1 272	1 286	1 267	0,4

3.1 Employment rate by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	61,8	61,5	60,2	1,5
	15-24	40,4	36,6	35,4	5,0
	25-54	83,2	82,5	82,3	0,9
	55-74	35,3	37,9	33,7	1,6
	15-64	69,2	68,7	67,5	1,7
Males	15-74	63,5	62,7	61,4	2,1
	15-24	37,6	35,4	32,0	5,5
	25-54	85,9	83,9	83,8	2,1
	55-74	36,6	38,9	35,7	0,9
	15-64	70,2	69,0	67,9	2,4
Females	15-74	60,0	60,4	59,1	1,0
	15-24	43,3	37,8	39,0	4,4
	25-54	80,5	81,0	80,9	-0,4
	55-74	34,2	37,1	31,9	2,3
	15-64	68,1	68,3	67,1	1,1

3.2 Employment by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	2 456	2 446	2 384	3,0
	15-24	266	241	232	14,4
	25-54	1 768	1 753	1 758	0,6
	55-74	422	452	394	7,1
	15-64	2 428	2 408	2 366	2,6
Males	15-74	1 262	1 246	1 214	3,9
	15-24	126	119	107	17,3
	25-54	926	904	907	2,1
	55-74	210	223	200	5,1
	15-64	1 246	1 223	1 203	3,6
Females	15-74	1 194	1 200	1 170	2,0
	15-24	140	122	125	12,0
	25-54	842	848	851	-1,1
	55-74	212	229	194	9,2
	15-64	1 182	1 186	1 163	1,7

3.3 Employed by status in employment 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Status in employment				
Employed persons total	2 456	2 446	2 384	3,0
Self-employed persons and unpaid family workers	315	305	318	-1,0
Employees	2 141	2 141	2 066	3,6
-salaried employees	1 402	1 420	1 372	2,2
-wage earners	735	716	693	6,1

3.4 Employed by employer sector 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Employer sector				
Employer sector total (incl. employer sector unknown)	2 456	2 446	2 384	3,0
Private sector	1 792	1 786	1 728	3,7
Public sector	659	656	654	0,8
-state	148	145	141	4,8
-municipality	512	511	513	-0,3

3.5 Employed by province 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Province				
Whole country (incl. Åland)	2 456	2 446	2 384	3,0
Southern Finland	1 082	1 059	1 050	3,0
Western Finland	867	857	829	4,6
Eastern Finland	238	239	243	-2,1
Oulu	188	200	180	4,1
Lapland	68	77	68	0,1

3.6 Proportion of part-time employed persons of employed persons by sex 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Sex				
B o t h sexes	14,5	15,4	13,6	0,9
Males	9,5	10,6	9,0	0,5
Females	19,8	20,5	18,4	1,4

3.7 Part-time employed persons by sex 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Sex				
B o t h sexes	357	377	325	9,8
Males	120	132	110	9,9
Females	236	245	215	9,8

3.8 Employees by type of employment relationship (%) 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Employment relationship				
Employees total	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0
-permanent full-time job	75,5	74,1	75,3	0,2
-permanent part-time job	10,1	10,6	9,3	0,8
-fixed-term full-time job	10,7	11,3	11,4	-0,7
-fixed-term part-time job	3,7	4,0	3,9	-0,2
Fixed-term job total	14,4	15,3	15,4	-0,9
Part-time job total	13,8	14,7	13,2	0,6

3.9 Employees by type of employment relationship 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Employment relationship				
Employees total	2 141	2 141	2 066	3,6
-permanent full-time job	1 617	1 586	1 556	3,9
-permanent part-time job	216	228	192	12,3
-fixed-term full-time job	229	241	236	-3,0
-fixed-term part-time job	80	86	81	-1,9
Fixed-term job total	308	327	317	-2,7
Part-time job total	295	314	273	8,1

4.1 Unemployment rate by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	7,2	7,7	8,6	-1,4
	15-24	20,5	22,7	26,1	-5,6
	25-54	5,3	5,6	6,0	-0,7
	55-74	5,3	5,7	7,3	-2,0
	15-64	7,3	7,8	8,7	-1,4
Males	15-74	7,4	7,6	9,0	-1,6
	15-24	21,8	23,7	28,4	-6,6
	25-54	5,4	5,4	6,1	-0,7
	55-74	5,9	6,2	8,5	-2,5
	15-64	7,5	7,8	9,1	-1,6
Females	15-74	7,0	7,7	8,2	-1,2
	15-24	19,4	21,6	24,1	-4,7
	25-54	5,2	5,9	5,7	-0,6
	55-74	4,6	5,3	6,1	-1,5
	15-64	7,0	7,8	8,2	-1,2

4.2 Unemployed persons by sex and age 2007/04 - 2006/04

		Year/Month			Change
		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Sex	A g e group				
B o t h sexes	15-74	191	203	225	-14,9
	15-24	69	71	82	-16,4
	25-54	99	105	111	-11,1
	55-74	24	27	31	-24,4
	15-64	191	203	225	-14,9
Males	15-74	101	103	121	-15,8
	15-24	35	37	43	-17,8
	25-54	53	51	59	-10,5
	55-74	13	15	19	-28,2
	15-64	101	103	121	-15,8
Females	15-74	90	100	104	-13,9
	15-24	34	34	40	-14,9
	25-54	46	54	52	-11,8
	55-74	10	13	13	-18,9
	15-64	90	100	104	-13,9

4.3 Unemployment rate by province 2007/04 - 2006/04

	Year/Month			Change
	2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Per cent (%)	Percentage points (%)
Province				
Whole country (incl. Åland)	7,2	7,7	8,6	-1,4
Southern Finland	6,1	7,2	6,9	-0,8
Western Finland	6,8	6,7	8,5	-1,7
Eastern Finland	9,0	10,2	9,7	-0,7
Oulu	12,0	10,5	15,4	-3,4
Lapland	10,8	8,9	13,9	-3,1

5.1 Persons not in labour force by main activity and sex 2007/04 - 2006/04

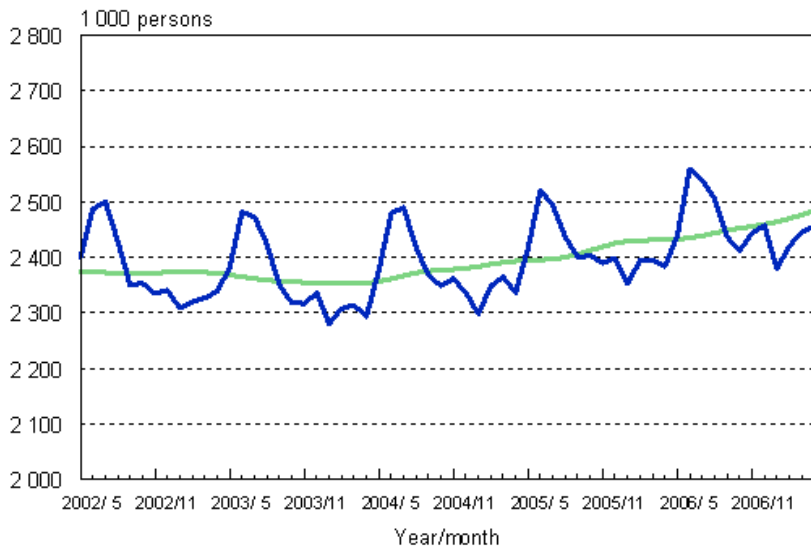
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		2007/04	2007/03	2006/04	2007/04 - 2006/04
		1000 persons	1000 persons	1000 persons	Per cent (%)
Main activity	Sex				
Total persons not in labour force	B o t h sexes	1 330	1 326	1 351	-1,5
	Males	625	638	644	-3,0
	Females	705	688	707	-0,2
-students	B o t h sexes	334	354	349	-4,2
-disabled persons	B o t h sexes	221	218	221	-0,1
-retired on the basis of age	B o t h sexes	574	554	565	1,5
-persons performing domestic work	B o t h sexes	89	91	91	-1,8
-others (incl. conscripts)	B o t h sexes	111	109	124	-10,6

5.2 Seasonally adjusted trends 2007/04

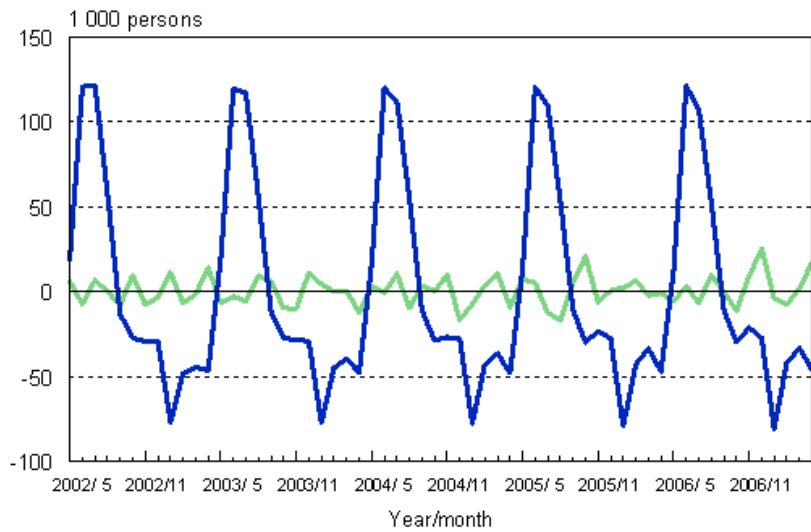
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				Aged 15–74	Aged 15–24
	1 000 persons	1 000 persons	1 000 persons	%	%
2005/ 8	2 400	216	274	8,3	20,3
2005/ 9	2 406	216	272	8,2	20,1
2005/10	2 413	217	270	8,2	19,9
2005/11	2 420	217	269	8,2	19,7
2005/12	2 426	216	266	8,2	19,5
2006/ 1	2 429	214	264	8,1	19,4
2006/ 2	2 431	211	262	8,0	19,5
2006/ 3	2 431	208	259	7,9	19,5
2006/ 4	2 432	205	257	7,8	19,4
2006/ 5	2 433	204	254	7,7	19,3
2006/ 6	2 435	205	252	7,8	19,1
2006/ 7	2 439	206	249	7,8	18,9
2006/ 8	2 444	207	247	7,8	18,7
2006/ 9	2 449	205	243	7,7	18,5
2006/10	2 453	201	239	7,6	18,3
2006/11	2 456	197	235	7,4	18,1
2006/12	2 460	192	232	7,2	18,0
2007/ 1	2 464	187	229	7,0	17,8
2007/ 2	2 470	182	226	6,9	17,5
2007/ 3	2 477	178	224	6,7	17,3
2007/ 4	2 485	175	221	6,6	17,0

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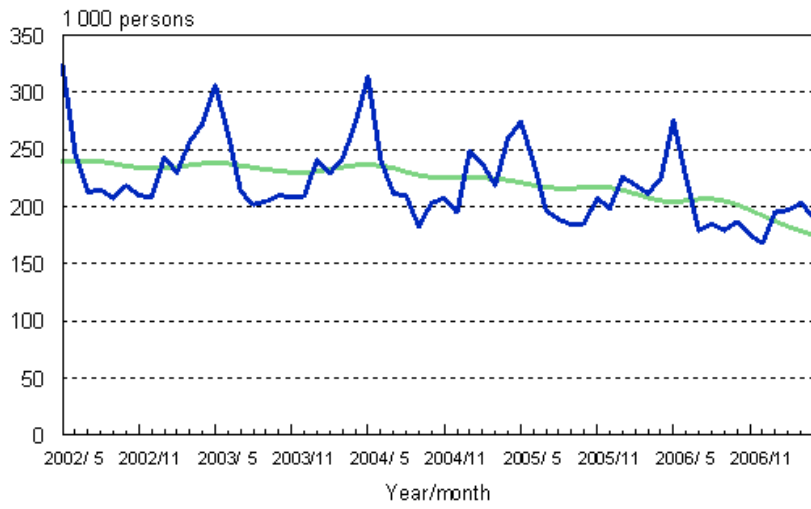
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