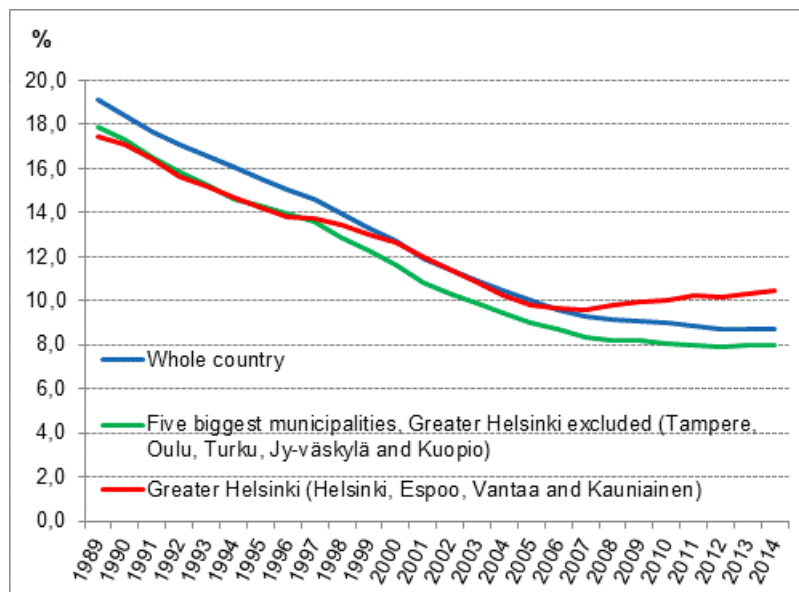


# Dwellings and Housing Conditions 2014

## Living in overcrowded dwellings became more widespread in Greater Helsinki in 2014

According to Statistics Finland, at the end of 2014, the number of household-dwelling units in Finland was 2.6 million, 1.1 million of which were living alone, that is, 42 per cent of all household-dwelling units. Living in overcrowded dwellings continued to be more widespread in Greater Helsinki. Overcrowding became more common particularly in foreign-language speaking household-dwelling units. In the whole country, there are 227,000 household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions, including 937,000 persons.

### Share of household-dwelling units living in overcrowded dwellings in all household-dwelling units , %



Nineteen per cent of two million household-dwelling units were living in overcrowded conditions in 1989 (384,000 household-dwelling units) and the corresponding share was only around nine per cent in 2014 (227,000 household-dwelling units).

In Greater Helsinki, the share of household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions in all household-dwelling units was falling until 2005, after which the share has grown yearly. The number of

household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions in Greater Helsinki was at its lowest in 2006, when 46,700 household-dwelling unit were living in overcrowded quarters. In 2014, 10.5 per cent of the 534,000 household-dwelling units in Greater Helsinki were living in overcrowded conditions, which made up 56,000 household-dwelling units.

A household-dwelling unit is formed by all persons living permanently at the same dwelling. A household-dwelling unit is defined as living in an overcrowded dwelling if it consists of more than one person per one room, when the kitchen is not counted as a room.

## Overcrowding become more common in foreign-language speaking household-dwelling units

The number of household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions has grown particularly in household-dwelling units consisting of at least one person speaking a foreign language. The number of foreign-language speaking household-dwelling units has doubled between 2005 and 2014. In 2014, eighteen per cent of all household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions were foreign-language speakers. Overcrowded foreign-language speaking household-dwelling units comprised 165,000 persons.

Overcrowding decreased further in household-dwelling units where only national languages are spoken. The decrease was slower than in previous years. Between 2005 and 2006, the number of national-language speaking household-dwelling units went down by 8,300 and in 2013 to 2014 by only 1,600. In 2014, overcrowded household-dwelling units speaking national languages included 772,000 persons.

Seventy-four per cent of all household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions were household-dwelling units with children. A household-dwelling unit with children refers to a household-dwelling unit with at least one underage person having the status of a child.

### Household-dwelling units living in overcrowded conditions by language and area in 2005 to 2014

	Whole country			Greater Helsinki (Helsinki, Espoo, Vantaa and Kauniainen)		
	Total	Household-dwelling units speaking national languages	Foreign-language speaker	Total	Household-dwelling units speaking national languages	Foreign-language speaker
2005	242,761	222,747	20,014	46,983	37,717	9,266
2006	235,998	214,455	21,543	46,740	36,569	10,171
2007	230,770	207,363	23,407	47,147	35,879	11,268
2008	228,457	202,888	25,569	48,649	36,229	12,420
2009	227,764	200,221	27,543	49,728	36,254	13,474
2010	227,512	197,650	29,862	50,793	36,268	14,525
2011	226,337	193,576	32,761	52,367	36,213	16,154
2012	224,939	189,682	35,257	53,042	35,729	17,313
2013	226,145	188,087	38,058	54,363	35,634	18,729
2014	227,173	186,527	40,646	55,975	35,885	20,090

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Year	Number of person					
	Total	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4+ persons	Average size
1960	1 204 385	188 995	245 921	229 824	539 645	3,34
1970	1 420 723	288 970	323 640	284 336	523 777	2,99
1975	1 567 941	376 904	392 367	322 321	476 349	2,73
1980	1 781 771	482 476	457 667	345 769	495 859	2,64
1985	1 887 710	532 094	514 825	347 127	493 664	2,56
1986	1 916 606	551 369	532 147	345 669	487 421	2,53
1987	1 947 574	573 248	551 640	343 287	479 399	2,50
1988	1 981 693	600 717	569 977	339 981	471 018	2,46
1989	2 008 531	624 762	583 894	335 155	464 720	2,44
1990	2 036 732	646 229	597 928	332 295	460 280	2,42
1991	2 065 937	668 967	610 619	330 233	456 118	2,40
1992	2 094 204	693 825	619 098	327 772	453 509	2,38
1993	2 119 691	716 052	625 489	326 651	451 499	2,36
1994	2 148 527	740 837	638 086	324 803	444 801	2,34
1995	2 180 934	766 636	652 608	323 921	437 769	2,31
1996	2 198 791	781 901	663 929	321 986	430 975	2,29
1997	2 221 191	799 337	676 422	320 379	425 053	2,28
1998	2 247 206	819 418	692 650	317 842	417 296	2,25
1999	2 272 910	839 316	708 112	315 633	409 849	2,23
2000	2 295 386	856 746	722 437	312 646	403 557	2,21
2001	2 329 343	882 559	741 726	310 149	394 909	2,19
2002	2 354 082	903 440	753 595	307 241	389 806	2,17
2003	2 378 079	923 236	766 068	303 554	385 221	2,15
2004	2 402 091	942 711	777 790	300 491	381 099	2,14
2005	2 429 500	964 739	789 950	297 276	377 535	2,12
2006	2 453 826	983 626	801 068	294 518	374 614	2,11
2007	2 476 505	999 812	811 596	292 140	372 957	2,10
2008	2 499 332	1 014 974	822 639	290 820	370 899	2,09
2009	2 517 393	1 025 658	830 843	291 056	369 836	2,08
2010	2 537 197	1 040 378	837 234	290 767	368 818	2,07
2011	2 556 068	1 053 070	846 679	289 600	366 719	2,07
2012	2 579 781	1 069 933	855 816	289 058	364 974	2,06
2013	2 599 613	1 082 996	864 594	287 960	364 063	2,05
2014	2 617 780	1 098 023	869 454	286 621	363 682	2,04

**Appendix table 2. Floorarea per dwelling by type of building 1970-2014, whole dwellingstock**

	Buildings total	Detached houses	Attached houses	Blocks of flats	Other buildings	Floorarea per person
1970	60,0	66,0	73,0	51,0	54,0	18,9
1980	69,3	83,6	71,7	54,8	55,5	26,3
1985	73,9	92,8	72,0	56,3	59,1	28,9
1988	73,8	93,8	70,8	55,8	60,3	30,5
1989	74,2	94,9	70,5	55,8	60,2	31,0
1990	74,4	95,3	70,2	55,8	59,7	31,4
1991	74,8	96,6	70,1	55,8	59,6	31,9
1992	74,8	97,1	70,1	55,8	56,9	32,3
1993	75,1	98,0	70,1	55,9	56,5	32,7
1994	75,3	98,7	70,1	55,9	56,5	33,0
1995	75,5	99,2	70,1	55,9	56,7	33,4
1996	75,7	99,7	70,2	56,0	59,0	33,7
1997	75,8	100,1	70,2	56,0	58,6	34,1
1998	76,0	100,6	70,3	56,0	59,0	34,5
1999	76,5	101,1	70,7	56,1	60,4	34,9
2000	76,5	101,9	70,0	56,1	59,8	35,3
2001	76,8	102,6	70,1	56,1	61,2	35,8
2002	77,0	103,5	70,2	56,2	59,9	36,3
2003	77,3	104,1	70,3	56,2	59,7	36,7
2004	77,6	104,9	70,4	56,2	59,6	37,2
2005	78,1	105,3	70,6	56,2	59,2	37,5
2006	78,4	106,5	70,7	56,3	60,4	38,0
2007	78,8	107,1	70,9	56,4	60,6	38,3
2008	79,1	107,8	71,0	56,4	60,8	38,6
2009	79,4	108,0	71,1	56,5	60,9	38,9
2010	79,5	108,4	71,2	56,5	60,7	39,1
2011	79,8	109,0	71,2	56,5	61,2	39,4
2012	79,9	109,5	71,3	56,5	61,1	39,6
2013	79,9	109,9	71,3	56,5	60,6	39,8
2014	80,0	110,8	71,3	56,4	60,7	39,9

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