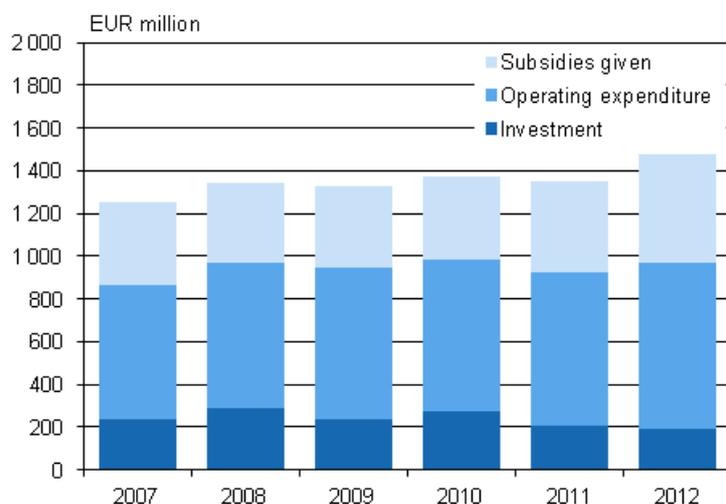


# Public sector environmental protection expenditure 2012

## Public sector environmental protection expenditure increased slightly in 2012

According to Statistics Finland, public sector environmental protection expenditure totalled some EUR 1.5 billion in 2012. Compared to previous years, the expenditure increased slightly. Central government's share of the expenditure was 54 per cent and that of municipalities and joint municipal authorities was 46 per cent.

### Environmental protection expenditure by public sector, 2007–2012



A majority of the public sector environmental protection expenditure, EUR 778 million, was operating expenditure. Subsidies for environmental protection amounted to EUR 508 million and investment expenditure stood at EUR 193 million. The amount of paid subsidies grew by EUR 77 million from the year before, which was mainly caused by subsidies for renewable energy that were taken into use so that the EU's climate targets could be achieved. Operating expenditure increased by EUR 60 million compared to the previous year. By contrast, EUR 12 million less was spent on investments than in the year before.

Almost one-half of the environmental protection expenditure was financed with income related to environmental protection.

Data on public sector environmental protection expenditure are released consolidated, so money transfers between central and local government have been deducted from the joint items of the public sector. Operating expenditure does not include interests and depreciations.

The subsidies for environmental protection from the public sector were mainly paid by the government. Investment and other subsidies were the government's largest environmental protection expenditure item, EUR 512 million. The government paid most subsidies as environmental subsidies for agriculture. However, a significant portion of these subsidies was financed by the European Union. The government spent EUR 277 million on operating expenditure of environmental protection. This consisted mostly of administrative and acquisition expenditure. The government's investments in environmental protection amounted to EUR 20 million, which was nearly the same amount as in 2011.

A majority of the environmental protection expenditure of municipalities and joint municipal authorities and enterprises they own, or EUR 500 million, was spent on operating expenditure. Municipalities and joint municipal authorities spent EUR 172 million on investments in environmental protection and close on EUR four million on subsidies. Investment expenditure was EUR ten million lower than in the previous year.

In 2012, nearly one-half of public sector environmental protection expenditure was spent on sewage management and water protection. Eleven per cent of the expenditure was used on waste management and five per cent on nature conservation. Good one-third of environmental protection expenditure was directed at administration and other environmental protection, such as climate protection or measures that affect many different environmental domains.

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**Appendix table 1. Environmental protection expenditure by public sector, 2007–2012**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	EUR million					
Central government						
Operating expenditure <sup>1)</sup>	210,3	235,8	257,8	255,1	255,1	277,4
Revenue	32,6	39,5	43,7	40,6	41,6	44,3
Investment	18,3	24,0	44,6	51,0	22,4	20,4
Investment grants given	38,1	38,8	34,5	31,3	48,4	47,3
Investment grants received	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Other transfers given	345,1	330,0	346,5	357,0	385,2	464,6
Expenditure total	611,7	628,6	683,3	694,3	711,1	809,7
Income total	32,6	39,5	43,7	40,6	41,6	44,3
Municipalities and joint municipal authorities <sup>2)</sup>						
Operating expenditure <sup>1)</sup>	414,7	447,4	451,9	455,2	462,1	500,1
Revenue	563,2	582,9	580,4	604,7	628,3	660,7
Investment	221,3	263,8	189,5	222,7	182,6	172,4
Investment grants given	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Investment grants received	19,0	18,7	11,4	10,6	19,1	13,8
Other transfers given	4,4	5,3	4,6	4,3	4,4	3,6
Expenditure total	640,4	716,5	646,1	682,2	649,1	676,1
Income total	582,2	601,6	591,7	615,2	647,4	674,5
Public sector (consolidated total)						
Operating expenditure <sup>1)</sup>	625,0	683,2	709,7	710,3	717,2	777,5
Revenue	593,1	617,1	617,9	639,7	664,6	699,5
Investment	239,6	287,9	234,1	273,7	205,0	192,8
Investment grants given	36,3	35,8	32,3	30,4	43,1	42,0
Investment grants received	17,4	17,5	10,4	9,7	13,8	8,4
Other transfers given	349,5	334,3	351,0	361,2	388,2	466,1
Expenditure total	1 250,5	1 341,1	1 327,1	1 375,6	1 353,5	1 478,4
Income total	610,4	634,5	628,4	649,4	678,4	708,0

1) Depreciations and interests paid not included

2) Includes enterprises owned by municipalities and joint municipal authorities

**Appendix table 2. Public sector environmental protection expenditure by environmental domain, 2007–2012 (consolidated total)**

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	EUR million					
Waste water management <sup>1)</sup>						
Operating expenditure <sup>2)</sup>	230,6	253,2	251,6	249,6	258,3	283,7
Depreciation	98,6	102,7	107,7	115,4	117,7	124,2
Revenue	383,6	392,1	393,1	411,2	430,7	456,4
Investment	148,9	207,4	142,3	187,2	161,3	147,9
Investment grants given	6,7	5,6	6,0	5,8	6,1	6,8
Investment grants received	17,2	16,5	10,3	7,7	11,6	8,4
Other transfers given	267,5	272,9	285,7	293,8	294,3	292,4
Expenditure total	653,7	739,1	685,7	736,3	720,0	730,8
Income total	400,8	408,5	403,4	418,9	442,3	464,8
Waste management						
Operating expenditure <sup>2)</sup>	117,1	126,7	129,9	138,5	135,1	144,1
Depreciation	14,4	15,1	15,6	19,4	19,4	21,0
Revenue	156,4	164,1	161,2	169,8	174,7	177,5
Investment	50,0	31,9	41,9	30,2	18,0	19,8
Investment grants given	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Investment grants received	0,1	1,0	0,1	1,5	2,2	0,0
Other transfers given	2,5	0,8	0,1	0,0	0,7	0,2
Expenditure total	169,6	159,4	171,9	168,8	153,8	164,1
Income total	156,5	165,1	161,3	171,2	176,9	177,5
Nature protection						
Operating expenditure <sup>2)</sup>	6,9	5,0	5,5	6,4	6,0	6,4
Depreciation	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Revenue	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Investment	4,3	6,5	15,7	14,4	12,9	15,1
Investment grants given	27,3	19,7	22,6	20,7	33,9	28,8
Investment grants received	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Other transfers given	13,0	12,8	13,3	13,9	14,0	22,6
Expenditure total	51,4	44,0	57,1	55,3	66,8	72,9
Income total	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Administration, other environmental protection						
Operating expenditure <sup>2)</sup>	270,4	298,4	322,7	315,9	317,7	343,3
Depreciation	1,8	1,4	1,7	1,5	1,1	1,7
Revenue	53,1	60,9	63,7	58,7	59,2	65,7
Investment	36,4	42,0	34,2	41,8	12,7	10,0
Investment grants given	2,4	10,5	3,7	3,9	3,2	6,4
Investment grants received	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,6	0,0	0,0
Other transfers given	66,5	47,7	51,9	53,5	79,3	150,9
Expenditure total	375,7	398,6	412,5	415,1	412,9	510,6
Income total	53,1	60,9	63,7	59,3	59,2	65,7

1) Including water protection

2) Excluding depreciation and interests paid

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