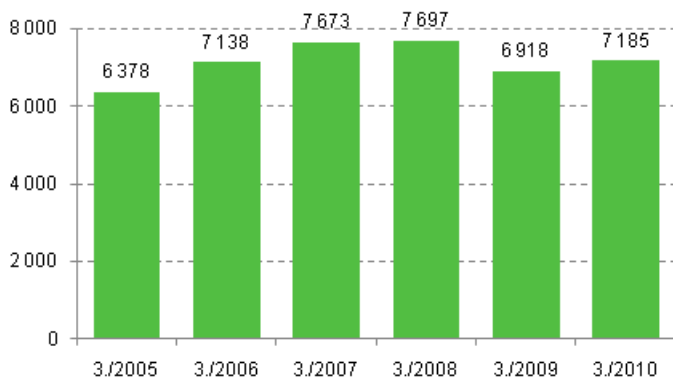


Enterprise openings and closures

Enterprise openings still growing and enterprise closures declining

According to Statistics Finland, in the third quarter of 2010, the number of enterprise openings was up by 3.9 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 second quarter of 2010, the number of enterprise closures was down by 20.2 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, 3rd quarter



Enterprise openings, 3rd quarter of 2010

There were 7,185 enterprise openings in the third quarter of 2010. Enterprise openings increased by 3.9 per cent from the corresponding quarter of 2009, when they numbered 6,918. Enterprise openings accounted for 2.2 per cent of the total stock of enterprises in the third quarter of 2010.

The number of enterprise openings was highest in construction, where they numbered 1,227, or 17.1 per cent of all enterprise openings in the third quarter. In trade enterprise openings numbered 1,225 (17.0%) and in professional, scientific and technical activities 1,150 (16.0%).

Examined by region, the number of enterprise openings was highest in the third quarter of 2010 in Uusimaa, where they totalled 2,552. Uusimaa also had the most enterprise openings relative to the enterprise stock (2.7%).

Examined by sub-regional unit, the number of enterprise openings in the third quarter of 2010 was highest in the sub-regional unit of Helsinki (2,483), followed by the sub-regional unit of Tampere (537).

Examined by municipality, the highest numbers of enterprise openings were recorded in the third quarter of 2010 in Helsinki (1,355), Espoo (348), Tampere (329), Turku (288) and Vantaa (280). Compared to the third quarter of 2009, enterprise openings increased most in Helsinki (126) and decreased most in Tampere (-49).

Enterprise closures, 2nd quarter of 2010

According to Statistics Finland, there were 4,406 enterprise closures in the second quarter of 2010. Compared to the second quarter of the year before, enterprise closures decreased by 20.2 per cent, as in the second quarter of 2009 they numbered 5,524. Enterprise closures accounted for 1.4 per cent of the total stock of enterprises in the second quarter of 2010.

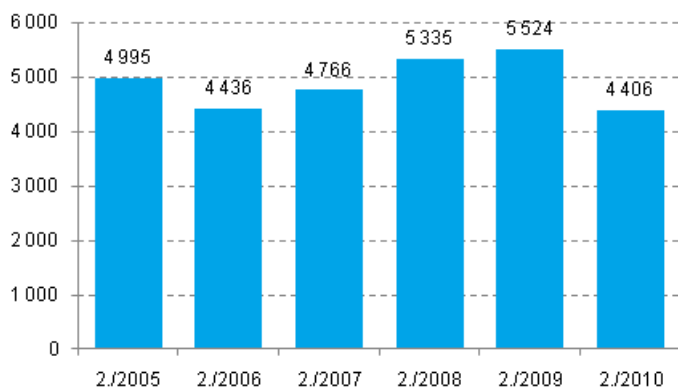
The number of enterprise closures was highest in trade, at 930 (21.1%). In construction enterprise closures numbered 649 (14.7%) and in professional, scientific and technical activities 575 (13.1%).

Examined by region, in the second quarter of 2010 the number of enterprise closures was highest in Uusimaa, where they totalled 1,481. Relative to the enterprise stock, Päijät-Häme had the most enterprise closures (1.7%).

Examined by sub-regional unit, in the second quarter of 2010 the number of enterprise closures was highest in the sub-regional unit of Helsinki (1,451), followed by the sub-regional units of Tampere (349) and Turku (257).

Examined by municipality, the highest numbers of enterprise closures were recorded in the second quarter of 2010 in Helsinki (740), Espoo (217), Tampere (216), Vantaa (154) and Turku (153). Compared to the second quarter of 2009, enterprise closures increased most in Jämsä (13) and decreased most in Helsinki (-136).

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Region	Openings Q3/2010	Share of stock of enterprises, %	Change Q3/2010– Q3/2009	Closures Q2/2010	Share of stock of enterprises, %	Change Q2/201– Q2/2009
WHOLE COUNTRY	7 185	2,2	267	4 406	1,4	-1 118
MAINLAND FINLAND	6 977	2,2	235	4 322	1,4	-1 127
Uusimaa	2 552	2,7	149	1 481	1,6	-252
Varsinais-Suomi	675	2,2	57	368	1,2	-220
Pirkanmaa	672	2,3	-11	426	1,5	-76
North Ostrobothnia	396	2,2	21	267	1,5	-28
Central Finland	295	2,1	-32	182	1,3	-61
Päijät-Häme	250	2,2	29	193	1,7	-30
Satakunta	246	1,8	10	174	1,3	-78
Pohjois-Savo	238	2,0	22	176	1,5	-37
Ostrobothnia	213	2,0	33	110	1,0	-10
Kanta-Häme	207	2,1	17	124	1,3	-22
Lapland	196	1,9	-6	123	1,2	-52
South Ostrobothnia	188	1,5	-43	135	1,0	-47
Etelä-Savo	159	1,8	20	108	1,2	-32
North Karelia	150	1,8	1	100	1,2	-60
Kymenlaakso	148	1,7	-23	120	1,4	-34
South Karelia	134	2,0	7	85	1,3	-8
Itä-Uusimaa	130	2,0	-2	77	1,2	-26
Central Ostrobothnia	68	1,7	-5	37	0,9	-29
Kainuu	60	1,6	-9	36	1,0	-25
ÅLAND	47	1,9	8	19	0,8	-12
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