## FINLAND DEMOGRAPHICS AND ECONOMIC DATA

### Demographics

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<td><strong>Population (2018)</strong></td>
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| **Languages (2018)** | Finnish (official): 87.6%  
                       | Swedish (official): 5.2%  
                       | Russian: 1.4%  
                       | Other: 5.8% |
| **Ethnicity** | Finland does not keep official statistics on the breakdown of its Finland-born population (i.e., at least one parent born in Finland) by ethnicity, so language (above) is often used as a proxy. Ethnic groups include Finnish, Swedish, Russian, Estonian, Romani, and Sami. |
| **Immigration** | Finland’s immigrant population is relatively small but has increased in recent years. The share of immigrant students doubled from 3 to 6 percent between PISA 2009 and PISA 2018.  
                       | As of 2017, about 7 percent of Finland’s total population had a “foreign background” (i.e., both parents born abroad). The largest country groups are: former Soviet Union; Estonia; Iraq; Somalia; and former Yugoslavia. In Helsinki, the share of the population with a foreign background was more than 14 percent, double the national percentage. |
| **GDP (purchasing power parity, in 2017 US dollars)** | 244.9 billion |
| **GDP Per Capita (purchasing power parity, in 2017 US dollars)** | 44,500 |
| **Unemployment Rate (2017)** | 8.5% |
| **Educational Attainment, Highest Level Attained by Adults Ages 25-64 (2018)** | Below upper secondary: 10.9%  
                       | Upper secondary: 43.9%  
                       | Tertiary: 45.2% |

*Includes junior college/pre-university and National ITE Certificate  
**Includes polytechnic diploma, polytechnic advanced diploma, ITE diploma or other advanced diploma or qualification
Economic Data

GDP – Composition, by sector (2017):

- Services: 69.1 percent
- Industry: 28.2 percent
  - Major industries include:
    - Metals and metal products
    - Electronics
    - Machinery and scientific instruments
    - Shipbuilding
    - Forestry/pulp and paper
    - Foods
    - Chemicals (e.g., plastics, paints, pharmaceuticals, petrochemicals, oil products, and biotech products)
    - Textiles
    - Clothing
- Agriculture: 2.7 percent

Exports – Partners (2017):

- Germany: 14.2 percent
- Sweden: 10.1 percent
- United States: 7 percent
- Netherlands: 6.8 percent
- China: 5.7 percent
- Russia: 5.7 percent
- United Kingdom: 4.5 percent

Exports – Commodities (2016):

Electrical and optical equipment; machinery; transport equipment; paper and pulp; chemicals; basic metals; timber

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3. Excerpted from “What are the Biggest Industries in Finland?” (Joyce Chepkemoi, WorldAtlas, updated June 29, 2018)