

Labour Force Survey's first employer sector data following the new classification have been published on 23 April 2020

A new classification of employer sectors based on the standard Classification of Sectors 2012 was introduced at the beginning of 2020. Employer sector data according to the new classification have been published for the first time in the release of data for March and the first quarter on 23 April 2020. To ensure the quality of classified data, employer sector data for January and February 2020 will be published only now retrospectively.

The data according to the new and old classifications are not fully comparable with each other. For the comparison, employer sector data for the statistical reference year and the comparison year will be published with the new classification in the appendix tables of the monthly and quarterly releases for 2020. Comparison data according to the new classification are published only in the appendix tables of the monthly and quarterly releases.

Employed persons by employer sector 2019/01 - 2020/01 and 2019/02 - 2020/02, persons aged 15 to 74

	Year/Month 1,000 persons	1,000 persons	Change 1,000 persons	Change Per cent, %
	2019/01	2020/01	2019/01 - 2020/01	2019/01 - 2020/01
Employer sectors total (incl. employer sector unknown)	2,498	2,543	46	1.8
Private sector	1,865	1,869	4	0.2
Public sector	630	670	40	6.4
- central government	134	164	31	22.9
- local government	496	506	10	2.0
	2019/02	2020/02	2019/02 - 2020/02	2019/02 - 2020/02
Employer sectors total (incl. employer sector unknown)	2,504	2,524	20	0.8
Private sector	1,844	1,877	34	1.8
Public sector	654	638	-17	-2.5
- central government	147	141	-6	-4.0
- local government	507	497	-11	-2.1

It should be noted in the use of the Labour Force Survey's employer sector data that after the classification change, enterprises owned by a municipality or joint municipal authority are classified under the private sector. In the old classification, enterprises owned by a municipality or joint municipal authority were classified in the local government sector.

Further information about the classification change is available in the Labour Force Survey's methodological description "Classification of Sectors 2012 and employer sector in the Labour Force Survey":

https://www.tilastokeskus.fi/til/tyti/tyti_2020-02-25_men_001_en.pdf