Inquiry on financial leasing

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Link to the inquiry: https://login.stat.fi/auth/login/targets/rahl

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To whom it may concern,

This inquiry collects data by sector, industry and object on financial leasing acquisitions, divestments, rents and remaining capital value of objects pertaining to credit institutions and other lessors.

Data are collected direct from the lessors who, according to Statistics Finland's Business Register or the Bank of Finland's data, have had financial leasing activities. If your enterprise is not involved in financial leasing, please inform Statistics Finland of this fact.

How to respond

- Please respond with the electronic form.
- The Internet address of the inquiry is in the top right-hand corner of this letter.
- You can log in either by using the login identifiers sent by Statistics Finland by email or by using the Suomi.fi identification and mandates maintained by the Digital and Population Data Services Agency. The Suomi.fi mandate for the data collection is Responding to data collections from enterprises and organisations. A mandate specifier is not used in this inquiry.
- Instructions for responding: <u>www.stat.fi/en/surveys/rahl#instructions</u>
- Further information is available at https://stat.fi/en/surveys/rahl
- To make responding easier, Statistics Finland has set up a classification service for data collections from enterprises, where data suppliers can check the basic classifications of enterprises and corporations. The classification service is available at www.stat.fi/tup/yrluok/index_en.html.

We ask for your response by no later than 25 March 2025.

What are the data used for

The data are used in compiling of national accounts and financial accounts.

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Further information on the obligation to provide data and treatment of the data

Confidentiality, data protection and publicity

Statistics Finland uses the data for the compilation of statistics. Unit level data collected for statistical purposes must be kept confidential by virtue of Section 24, Paragraph 1, Sub-paragraph 16 of the Act on the Openness of Government Activities (621/1999). According to Section 13 of the Statistics Act (280/2004), Statistics Finland may also release data for scientific studies and statistical surveys without data enabling direct identification.

Statistics Finland may release data with their identification data to another Finnish statistical authority for the purpose of compilation of statistics on an activity falling within its sphere of influence, for cooperation between national statistical institutes, to the EuroGroups Register of multinational enterprises and to the Bank of Finland for the development, production, and quality improvement of the European statistics for which it is responsible.

According to Section 12 of the Statistics Act, data describing the activities and public service production of central and local government authorities that are public based on other legislation are also public as statistical data. The collected data concerning individual persons are treated confidentially and they are used only for statistical purposes.

The data are protected against unauthorised access in accordance with the data protection rules adopted by Statistics Finland. The Statistics Act prohibits the use of data collected for statistical purposes in an investigation, surveillance, legal proceedings, administrative decision-making, or other similar handling of a matter concerning the enterprise. Unit-level data on enterprises may only be handled at Statistics Finland by persons whose tasks require the use of such data. The email address of the person responsible for data protection at Statistics Finland is <u>tietosuoja@stat.fi</u>. The data protection description of personal data concerning respondents can be found at: <u>https://stat.fi/yhteisojen_vastaajien_yhteystiedot</u> (in Finnish) and <u>https://stat.fi/yhteisojen_vastaajien_yhteystiedot_sv</u> (in Swedish).

Obligation to provide data

The obligation to provide data is based on Sections 14 and 15 of the Finnish Statistics Act (280/2004). Notwithstanding the provisions on data secrecy, entrepreneurs are obliged to provide Statistics Finland with such data that are necessary for the compilation of statistics. By virtue of Section 21 of the Statistics Act, Statistics Finland is entitled to receive these data free of charge.

By virtue of Section 8 of the Statistics Act, data providers have the right to seek exemption from the obligation to provide data wholly or partially if the provision of data causes the respondent unreasonable inconvenience and the exemption will not essentially hamper the production of statistics or weaken the reliability and usability of statistics. Unreasonable inconvenience refers to putting the respondent in an unequal position with regard to other data providers. Further information about the obligation to provide data and exemption from it as well as a form to apply for exemption can be found on Statistics Finland's web page https://stat.fi/en/surveys#org.

Duration of storage

Digital statistical data formed from the supplied data are permanently stored at Statistics Finland in accordance with the National Archives of Finland's confirmed storage period decision (KA/19843/07.01.01.03.01/2017).