#### **Defence** appropriations



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"What is your opinion on funds allocated to the Defence Forces?"



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# The military situation in Finland's near environs

"What is your estimate of the military situation in Finland's near environs during the next decade?"



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### Finland's chances of defending itself in a conventional war

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# Military alignment or non-alignment

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#### **NATO** membership

"In your opinion, should Finland seek membership in NATO?"



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#### **General conscription**

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# The Conscript Service / Civic Service for Women

"In your view, should women in Finland..."



# The impact of Russia's recent activities on Finland's security

"In your opinion, how have Russia's recent activities impacted Finland's security? Russia's recent activities have impacted Finland's security..."

Very Rath negatively nega	, , ,		Rather positively		Very positi	vely
Whole population			13	50 33	2	2 0
Women Men				51 30 49 36		2 0 3 0
Under 25 years 25-34 years 35-49 years 50-79 years			8 13	54 26 53 34 52 33 46 36	3 1	4 0 2 0 1 0 2 0
Lower education Post-secondary University			14	49 36 48 36 53 26	0	2 0 1 0 3 0
Working class Salaried emp./Self-emp./ Management				48 38 52 28		2 0 3 0
Under 25 000 € 25 000-35 000 € Over 35 000 €			9	47 37 50 37 53 31	1	3 0 4 0 1 0
South Finland West Finland East Finland/Oulu/Lapland			11	50 31 49 37 51 33	2	3 0 1 0 3 0
Coalition Party Social Democratic P. The Finns Centre Party Left Alliance Green League Other parties			13 8 8 3 21 21	42 27 57 28 53 36 59 30 50 45 54 23 36 44	0 1 0 1 0	3 0   2 0   2 0   2 0   2 0   2 0   2 0   7 0
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# The will to defend the nation

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# The will to defend the country (personal level)

"If Finland is attacked, would you personally be ready to take part in national defence tasks according to your competences and skills?"



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# The likelihood of a military threat

"How likely is it that a military threat against Finland emerges in the next 10 years?"

Very Ra likely like	ather Rather ely unlikely		Very unlikely	Not li at all	•
Autumn 2014			3	18 54	2 18 5
Autumn 2013			1	6 41	1 38 13
0 10	20 30 40 50 %	60 70 80	90 100		
3	Rather Rather kely unlikely	Cannot say	Very unlikely	Not at a	t likely all
Whole population			3	18 54	2 18 5
Women Men			4		3 14 3 2 23 6
Under 25 years 25-34 years 35-49 years 50-79 years			2 3 5 3	20 49 15 53	4 12 2 1 23 5 1 21 5 3 17 5
Lower education Post-secondary University			3 3 3	24 50	3 18 4 1 17 6 1 21 5
Working class Salaried emp./Self-emp./ Management			4		2 21 3 1 23 5
Under 25 000 € 25 000-35 000 € Over 35 000 €			3 8 2	14 55	1 19 3
South Finland West Finland East Finland/Oulu/Lapland			2 5 3	18 55	0 17 4
Coalition Party Social Democratic P. The Finns Centre Party Left Alliance Green League Other parties				12 62 16 65 13 50 16 51 13 50	1 20 2 2 9 6 1 28 3 0 20 12 1 30 6

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#### Factors causing concern among the citizens (I) "How do you estimate the following phenomena and factors? How much do they concern you regarding the future?" Not Cannot A lot To some extent Little at all say Employment situation in Finland Autumn 2014 49 37 0 11 2 Autumn 2013 42 41 0 15 2 Autumn 2012 37 43 0 15 5 Autumn 2011 31 44 0 21 4 Autumn 2010 30 41 1 23 5 Autumn 2009 38 43 1 15 4 Autumn 2008 20 45 0 27 8 Europe's economic outlook Autumn 2014 24 54 0 17 4 Autumn 2013 28 53 0 16 3 Autumn 2012 35 50 1 12 3 Autumn 2011 38 46 0 13 4 Developments in Russia Autumn 2014 32 43 2 18 6 Autumn 2013 10 32 2 38 18 Autumn 2012 13 36 2 31 18 Autumn 2011 11 36 2 34 17 Autumn 2010 10 39 2 32 17 Autumn 2009 12 36 3 35 14 Autumn 2008 16 40 2 29 13 Autumn 2007 20 48 1 24 7 Autumn 2006 19 38 1 31 11 Autumn 2005 13 38 1 35 12 Autumn 2004 20 42 2 29 6 0 10 20 30 40 60 50 70 80 90 100

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#### Factors causing concern among the citizens (II) "How do you estimate the following phenomena and factors? How much do they concern you regarding the future?" Not Cannot To some extent A lot Little say at all International terrorism Autumn 2014 32 42 Autumn 2013 Autumn 2012 27 39 Autumn 2011 32 35 Autumn 2010 37 33 Autumn 2009 Autumn 2008 Autumn 2007 Autumn 2006 47 36 Autumn 2005 Autumn 2004 50 36 0 The situation in Ukraine Autumn 2014 28 46 1 Proliferation of weapons of mass destruction Autumn 2014 33 35 Autumn 2013 Autumn 2012 29 33 Autumn 2011 Autumn 2010 39 32 Autumn 2009 Autumn 2008 27 40 Autumn 2007 Autumn 2006 Autumn 2005 Autumn 2004 36 42 0 Global warming Autumn 2014 Autumn 2013 Autumn 2012 Autumn 2011 Autumn 2010 Autumn 2009 Autumn 2008 33 42 0 Autumn 2007 Autumn 2006 32 41 Autumn 2005 37 41 Autumn 2004 22 45 0

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#### Factors causing concern among the citizens (III)

"How do you estimate the following phenomena and factors? How much do they concern you regarding the future?"



#### A more secure or more insecure future

"Considering the present world situation as a whole, do you believe that during the next five years Finland and Finns will live in a safer or in a less safe world compared to the present?"



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# Factors affecting security

"How do you assess the following phenomena and factors? How do they affect the security of Finland and Finns?"



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troops in crisis-management tasks in war zones

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# The conduct of Finnish foreign policy

"In your opinion, how well or how poorly has Finnish foreign policy been conducted in recent years?"

	Extremely well	Fairly well	No opinion		airly oorly		Ext poo	reme orly	ely
Whole population					4	66	5	22	3
Womer Mer					3	65 68	6 3	24 20	2 5
Under 25 years 25-34 years 35-49 years 50-79 years					1 1 3 6	64 69 64 67	12 7 4 2	20 23 24 21	2 1 5 3
Lower education Post-secondary University	/				2 5 6	61 71 72	6 4 2	27 18 16	4 1 4
Working class Salaried emp./Self-emp. Managemen					3 6	61 72	6 2	28 19	1 1
Under 25 000 € 25 000-35 000 € Over 35 000 €					2 6 5	64 63 70	7 4 3	24 24 22	4 3 1
South Finlanc West Finlanc East Finland/Oulu/Laplanc					4 4 4	65 68 67	5 4 5	22 22 22	4 2 2
Coalition Party Social Democratic P The Finns Centre Party Left Alliance Green League Other parties		20 30 40			5 9 7 2 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	77 72 44 76 75 83 53	2 4 3 2 3	15 15 37 18 19 12 41	0 2 9 2 3 3 3
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# The conduct of defence policy in Finland

"In your opinion, how well or how poorly has Finland's defence policy been conducted in recent years?"

Extre well	emely Fairly No Fairly well opinion poorly		tren orly	nely	
Whole population	4	65	5	23	2
Women	6	65	7	20	3
Men	3	66	3	26	2
Under 25 years	4	70	9	17	0
25-34 years	1	65	7	24	3
35-49 years	5	63	3	28	1
50-79 years	5	65	3	23	4
Lower education	2	63	6	26	3
Post-secondary	6	65	5	23	2
University	7	69	2	21	1
Working class	3	58	6	31	2
Salaried emp./Self-emp./ Management	5	64	2	27	2
Under 25 000 €	4	67	7	19	3
25 000-35 000 €	3	63	4	30	1
Over 35 000 €	5	64	2	27	2
South Finland	4	61	5	27	3
West Finland	5	70	4	18	2
East Finland/Oulu/Lapland	4	68	4	23	2
Coalition Party	8	72	0	18	2
Social Democratic P.	7	71	2	19	1
The Finns	1	56	4	32	7
Centre Party	3	74			0
Left Alliance	2	73	3	21	1
Green League	9				1
Other parties		46	3	47	3
	0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 %				
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# The conduct of defence policy in Finland

"In your opinion, how well or how poorly has Finland's defence policy been conducted in recent years?"



### **Credible defence**

"In your opinion, how much effect do the following factors have on the credibility of defence?"



# Credible defence (I)

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#### Preparedness for various threats



#### Preparedness for various threats (I)



#### Preparedness for various threats (II)





### Preparedness for various threats (III)



#### **Military cooperation**

"Finland conducts military cooperation with other Nordic countries, Nato and the European Union. What is your view on cooperation"



# The measures taken by the European Union to find a solution to the Ukrainian crisis

"In your opinion, how has the European Union acted to find a solution to the Ukrainian crisis? The EU has acted..."



#### The measures taken by Finland in connection with the Ukrainian crisis

"In your opinion, how has Finland acted to in connection with the Ukrainian crisis? Finland has acted ... "

