# Ageing at work: Finland **OSH** policies





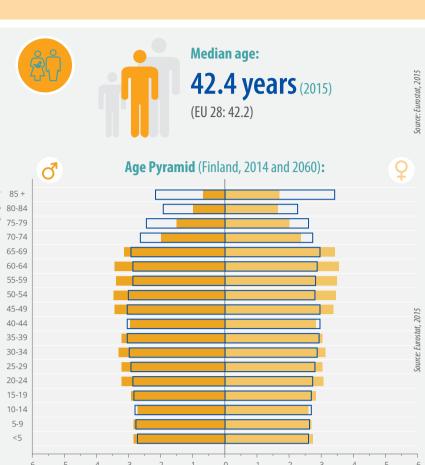


#### Population ageing

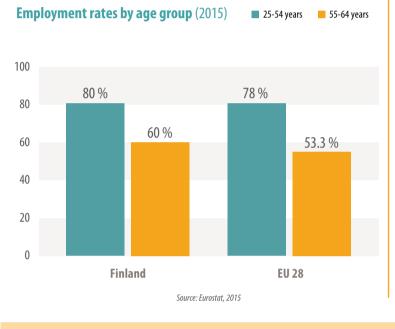
 Finland has a moderately old to older population, In 2013, its median age was about the same as the European average, and in 2020 it is projected to be lower than the EU average.

 The ageing challenge begun earlier in Finland than in most **European Member States** 





### Labour market participation



#### Health

Percentage of population

Life expectancy at age 65 (2014) (**EU 28:** 21.6)

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30.6%

of people aged 50-69 stopped working for health or disability reasons. Source: Eurostat, 2014

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Healthy life years at age 65 (2014)

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48.3 %

Proportion of employed people reporting a long-standing illness or health problem (55-64) (Eurostat, European Statistics of Income and Living Conditions, 2014)

# Working conditions, ageing, and health



their health is affected by work negatively (50+)

**Workers who think** 

Finland: 21.15 % EU: 26.87 %

(European Working Conditions Survey 2015)



Share of persons who think that age discrimination is widespread Finland: 42 %

EU: 45 %

(Eurobarometer 393, 2012)





**Workers who think** they will not be able to do the same job at 60

Finland: 24.37 % EU: 21.69 %

(European Working Conditions Survey 2015)



**Enterprises having** a procedure for return to work

Finland: 90.41 % EU: 68.42 %

(European Survey of Enterprises on New and Emerging Risks (ESENER) 2014)



Work-related health problems (from 55 to 64 years)

Finland: 33.30 % EU: 11.3 %

(Eurostat 2013)



Share of establishments in which H&S are discussed regularly between workers and the management

Finland: 54.99 % EU: 59.32 %

(European Survey of Enterprises on New and Emerging Risks, 2014)

## OSH and related policies addressing the challenges associated with an ageing workforce

A Socially Sustainable Finland for 2020 (Ministry for Social Affairs and Health)

Focuses on: including health and well-being in all decision-making, lengthening careers through increased workplace well-being, better balancing different aspects of life, and making social security funding more sustainable.

Policies for the work environment and well-being at work until 2020 (Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, 2011)

Sets out the Strategy for Socially Sustainable Finland 2020 as regards occupational safety and health, in particular the work environment and well-being at work.

National Working Life Development Strategy to 2020

Focus areas include health and well-being at work and continuous competence development.

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