



National lineage information EuroGeographics country dataset for EuroBoundaryMap 2020

FI - Finland

Maanmittauslaitos
National Land Survey of Finland

1 General Information

1.1 Naming convention and transliteration rules

Designations of the hierarchy levels are given in both national languages: Finnish and Swedish. Names of the administrative units are given in both national languages in those parts of the country where both languages are used. Name in the primary language of the administrative unit is the first name and name in the secondary language is the second name. Finnish is the primary language in most parts of the country but in some parts of the country Swedish is the primary language.

Finnish

national	Ä, ä	Å, å	Ö, ö
ASCII	A, a	A, a	O, o

Swedish

national	Å, å	Ä, ä	Ö, ö
ASCII	A, a	Ae, ae	Oe, oe

1.2 Production processing

The basis for the EBM update was the previous EBM v13 release. All changes were integrated into EBM v13 dataset to produce EBM 2020 version.

2 Release Information

2.1 Deviation from specification

No deviations from specification.

2.2 Update remarks

The reference date of the area size figures for the administrative units is 1.1.2019. The source for the area size figures is the official area size data published by the National Land Survey of Finland. Area size figures are calculated using 1:10 000 administrative boundaries of the national cadastral registry kept by the National Land Survey of Finland. Area size figures include land areas and inland waters. Coastal waters are excluded. There are small changes in total area size figures every year depending on the improved survey accuracy in the national cadastral registry. Cause for the small changes in the land area sizes is that in the western coast of the country the official land area sizes of the administrative units grows a little in every year. Explanation for this is the vertical rise of the land masses at coastal areas (in geodetic terminology called post-glacial rebound or glacial isostatic adjustment). Since the last glacial period about 10000 years ago the land masses of the Scandinavia have been rising vertically from the sea. The vertical rise of the land masses from the sea at western parts of the Finland is about 3 to 9 mm during the year. This means that the land area of the Finland grows every year about 6 - 7 km² and the sea coastline moves depending on the speed of the rise of the land masses.

Names in the English language (NAM_ENG) for USE2 administrative units in table EBM_NAM_exonyms are official English translations. The designation of the USE2 hierarchy level is in Finnish language "Aluehallintovirasto" and abbreviation in Finnish is "AVI" e.g. "Etelä-Suomen AVI". English translation of the designation is "Regional State Administrative Agency". English abbreviation should be logically "RSAA" e.g. "Southern Finland RSAA". But instead the official English translation is "Southern Finland AVI". Statistical Office of Finland (Statistics Finland) and Regional State Administrative Agency offices are using this translation e.g. "Southern Finland AVI".

2.3 Reference date

	Reference date	Remark
Geometry	01.01.2019	
Population figures	01.01.2019	data published by the Statistical Office Finland

2.4 National administrative hierarchy

Level of administration	Unique structure identifier	Designation of the hierarchy level given in national characters	Designation of the hierarchy level transliterated in ASCII characters	English translation or equivalent of the designation	Significant digits of the SHN code	Number of objects
USE	ISN	DESN	DESA			
1st order (country)	4901	Tasavalta#Republi k	Tasavalta#Republik	Republic	2	1
2nd order	4902	Aluehallintovirasto# Regionförvaltnings verken	Aluehallintovirasto# Regionförvaltningsv erken	Regional State Administrative Agency	3	7
3rd order	4903	Maakunta#Landska p	Maakunta#Landska p	Region	5	19
4th order	4904	Kunta#Kommun	Kunta#Kommun	Municipality	8	311

	USE1	USE2	USE3	USE4
SHN Example	F I	0	0 0	0 0 0

