



Single Market Scoreboard

2019 Edition

Performance per Member State

Finland

Transposition of law

Transposition deficit: 0.5% (*last report: 0.6%*) – Slight decrease in addition to the huge decrease by 1.5 percentage points of December 2017. Finland is in a group of 10 Member States that has achieved the 0.5% proposed target. In addition, Finland has transposed 21 of the 23 directives (91%) with a transposition date within 6 months before the cut-off date for calculation (1.6.2018 – 30.11.2018). This shows that this Member State monitors the timely transposition of Single Market-related directives very well.

EU average = 0.7%; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5%

Overdue directives: 5 (*last report: 6*) and **none** more than 2 years overdue.

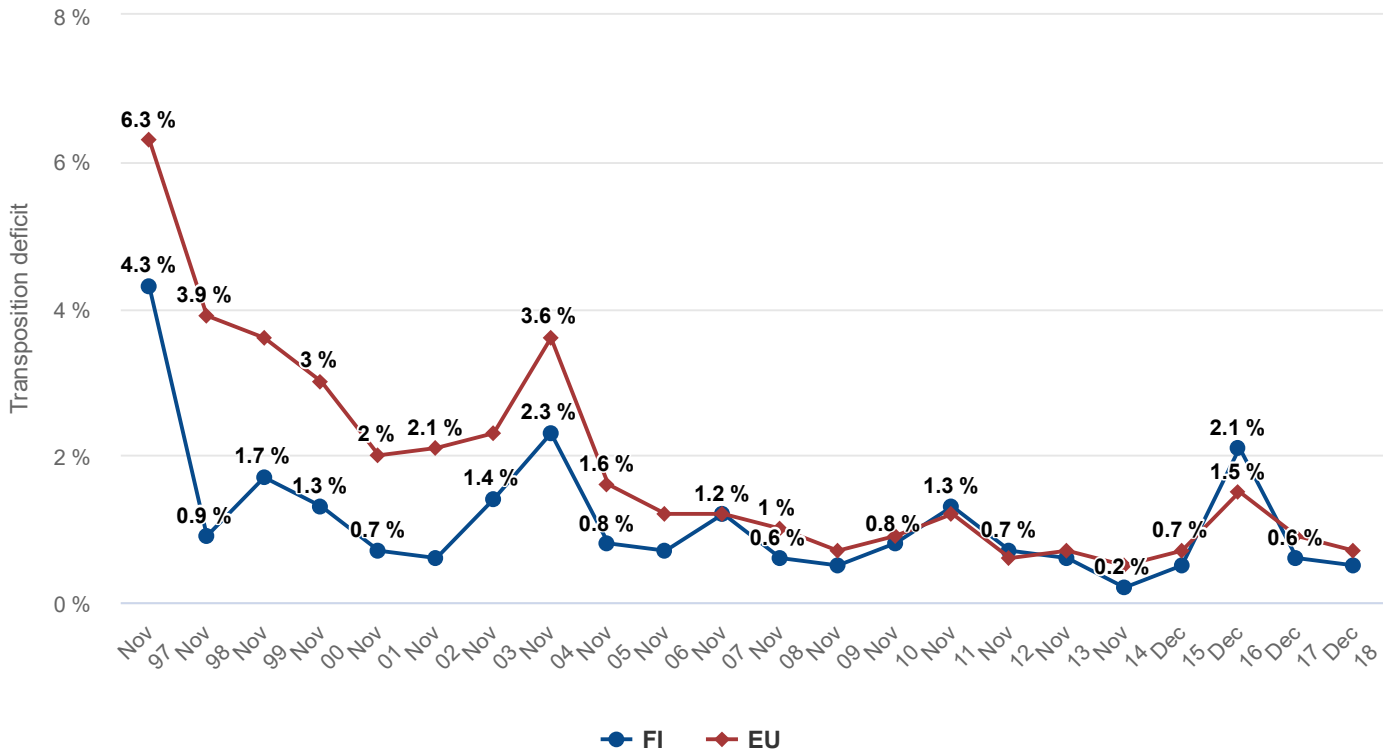
Average delay: 10.5 months (*last report: 5.1 months*) – Marked increase by 5.4 months that doubles the December 2017 deficit. Finland is now in the group of Member States with the highest delay. Finland has no long overdue directive (due for 2 years or more) but 3 out of its 5 outstanding directives have been due for more than 6 months, including one due for almost 2 years, and contribute significantly to the average delay.

EU average = 8.4 months

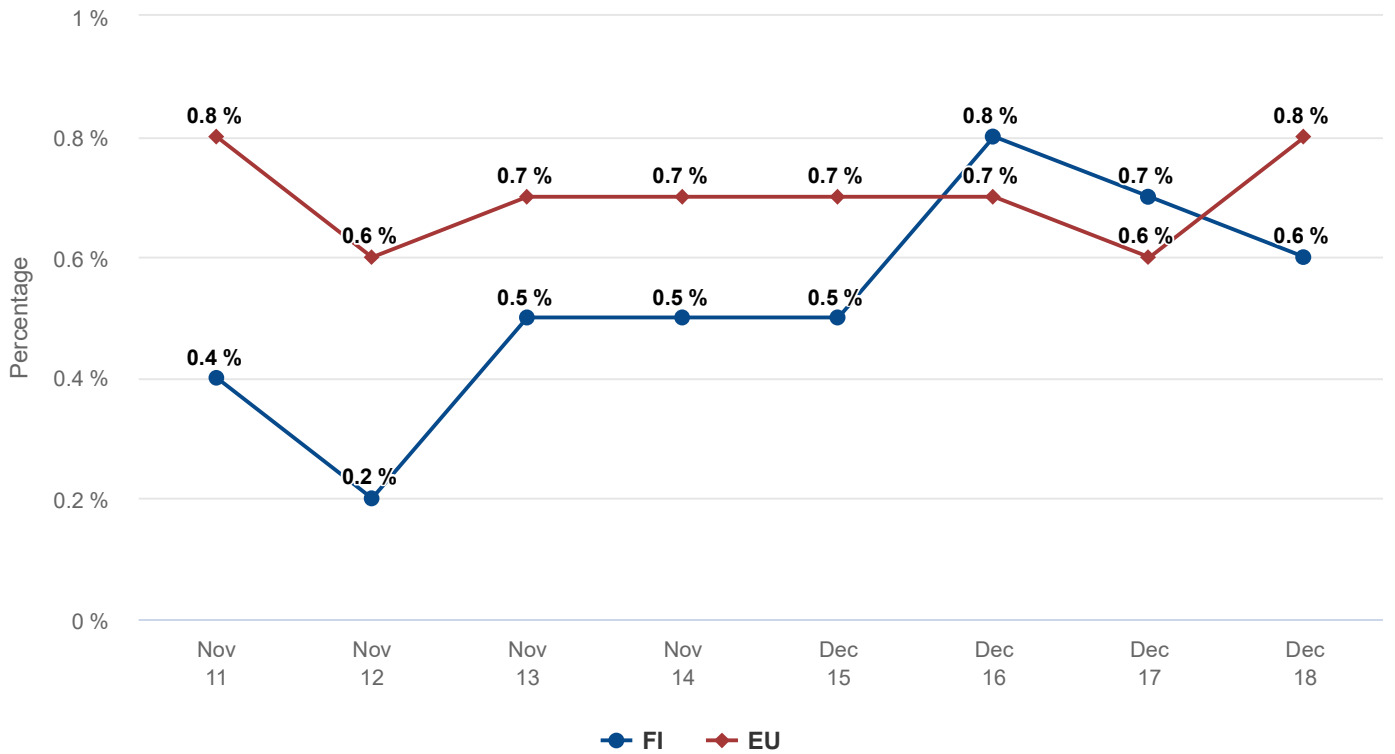
Conformity deficit: 0.6% (*last report: 0.7%*) – Slight decrease and one of the 4 Member States that has managed not to increase their number of directives presumably incorrectly transposed. With 6 such directives, Finland is now below the EU average and close to the 0.5 proposed target.

EU average = 0.8%; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5%

Evolution of transposition deficit – Finland



Evolution of conformity deficit – Finland



Infringements

Pending cases: 8 (3 new cases and 5 cases closed; last report: 10 pending cases) – New decrease (by 2 cases) and the lowest number of infringement cases among all Member States (up from 4th position a year ago). Finland has not had so few Single Market-related cases.

EU average = 25 cases

Problematic sectors: No sector in particular.

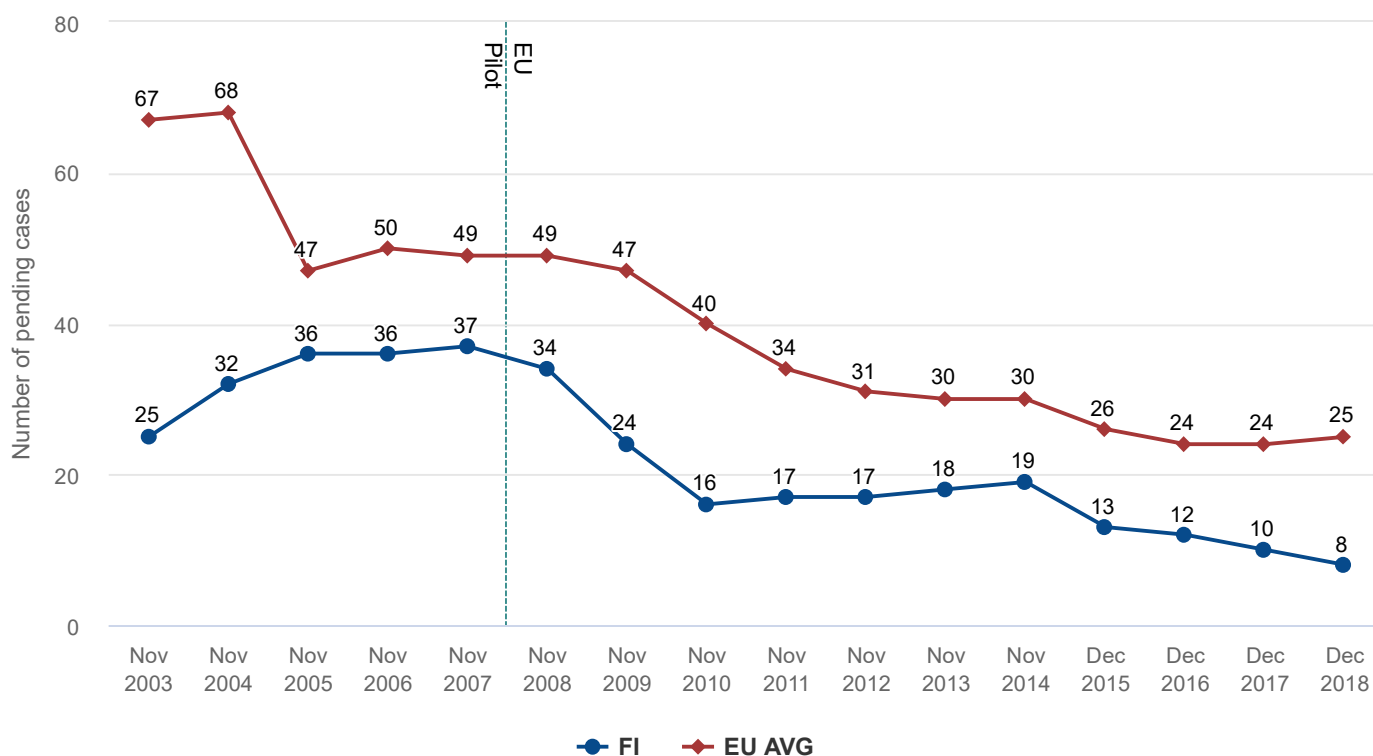
Average case duration: 27.6 months for the 6 cases not yet sent to the Court (last report 31.2 months) – After a big increase in December 2017, Finland's case duration decreased by 3.6 months. Since December 2017, Finland has managed to resolve 5 cases with an average duration around 2 years. Of its 6 remaining cases, only 1 case related to air transport has been ongoing for more than 8 years and has a big impact on the average delay.

EU average = 38.1 months

Compliance with court rulings: 27.6 months for the only case at this stage of the procedure (last report: 10.4 months) – Second highest increase (+14.4 months) among the 25 Member States that complied with judgments of the Court within the last 5 years. This is because 2 cases with very short duration (1.8 months) are now older than 5 years and no longer part of the calculation. The remaining single case on which the compliance duration is calculated took 27.6 months for resolution. Finland is now above the 18-month threshold but still below the EU average.

EU average = 28.2 months

Evolution of infringement cases – Finland



EU Pilot

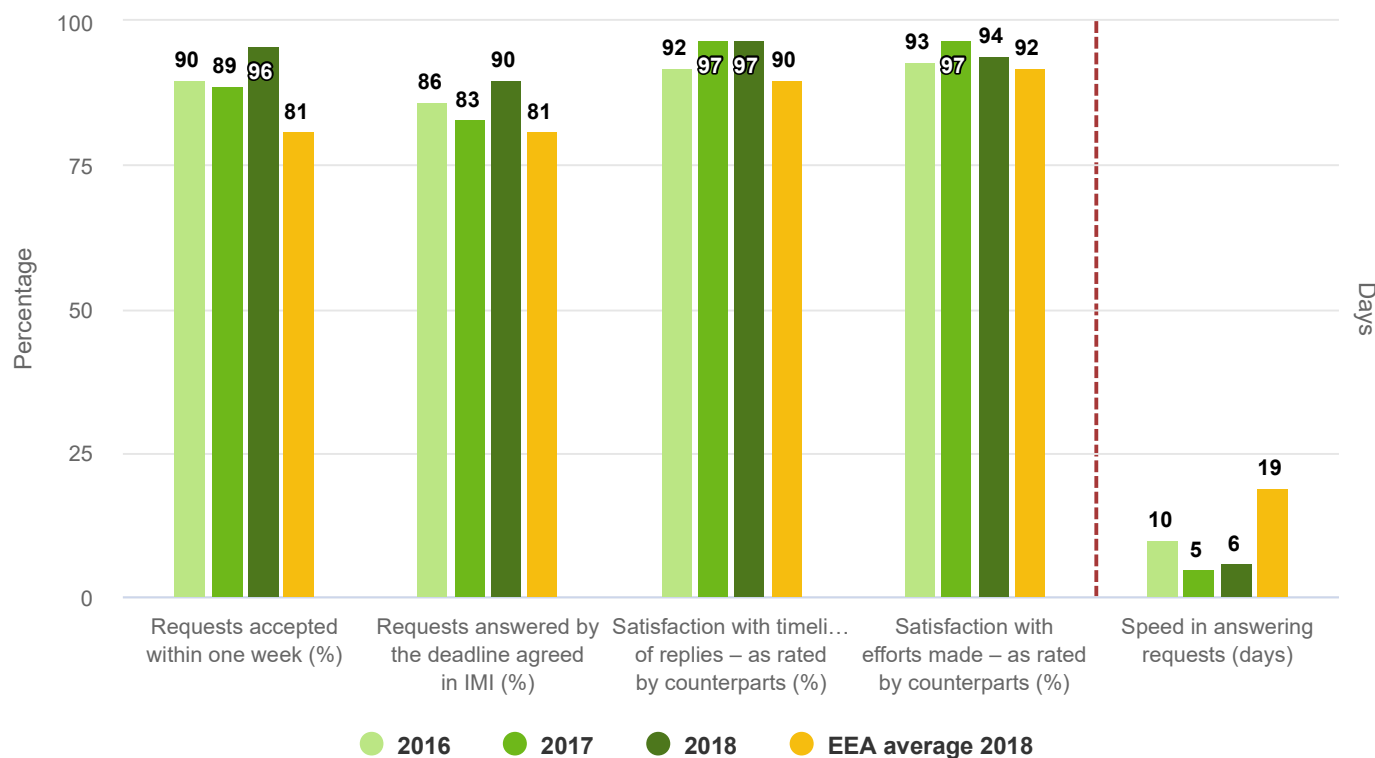
Finland's average response time currently exceeds the 70-day time limit in EU Pilot by less than 2 weeks.

Internal Market Information System

Performance – Finland's performance is excellent.

- Performance was stable and Finland is now well above the EEA average in all 5 indicators.
- Finland was very fast in answering requests, with an average of 6 days.
- The percentage of requests accepted within 1 week improved significantly, as well as the percentage of requests answered by the deadline agreed in IMI.

Internal Market Information System – Finland



EURES

National provider: [TE](#) (Ministry of Employment and the Economy)

EURES advisers (nationally): 31

Performance: good.

Your Europe

The EU has set up a **single digital gateway** providing access to information, to procedures and to assistance and problem-solving services.

The specific regulation setting up the single digital pathway is Regulation 2018/1724 of 2 October 2018. Article 29 of the Regulation establishes a group to coordinate work on the gateway. The gateway coordination group will meet in three configurations, one devoted to information, meeting twice a year. The other two configurations are dedicated to ICT and e-procedures and assistance services.

The information group will largely continue the work of the Your Europe Editorial Board. This is to ensure that the gateway coordination group's work does not overlap with that of other expert groups or sub-groups.

National equivalent?

National portal in Finnish, Swedish and English: www.suomi.fi

Record for this period

- active participation in Editorial Board work
- responsive to most of the requests for information for the website
- promotional activities and back-linking from national websites to Your Europe

Recommended action

Continue to:

- ensure stable representation in the single digital gateway information group
- attend the single digital gateway information group meetings twice a year
- provide information, when requested, on how the country applies single market rules
- raise awareness about Your Europe within the national administration and among potential end users
- link national websites to Your Europe

Make an effort to:

- provide all missing information on how the country applies single market rules (specifically on European company (SEs))

SOLVIT

- **Caseload – very small**

Submitted cases: 10 (12 in 2017)

Received cases: 4 (11 in 2017)

- **Resolution rate: 50% (80% in 2017)**

- **Handling time (home centre)**

*Reply in 7 days: 50% (64% in 2017) – **poor - needs improving***

*Cases prepared in 30 days: 67% (100% in 2017) – **poor***

*Solutions accepted in 7 days: 71% (100% in 2017) – **poor***

- **Handling time (lead centre)**

*Cases accepted within 7 days: 50% (73% in 2017) – **poor - needs improving***

*Cases closed in 10 weeks: 25% (67% in 2017) – **poor - needs improving***

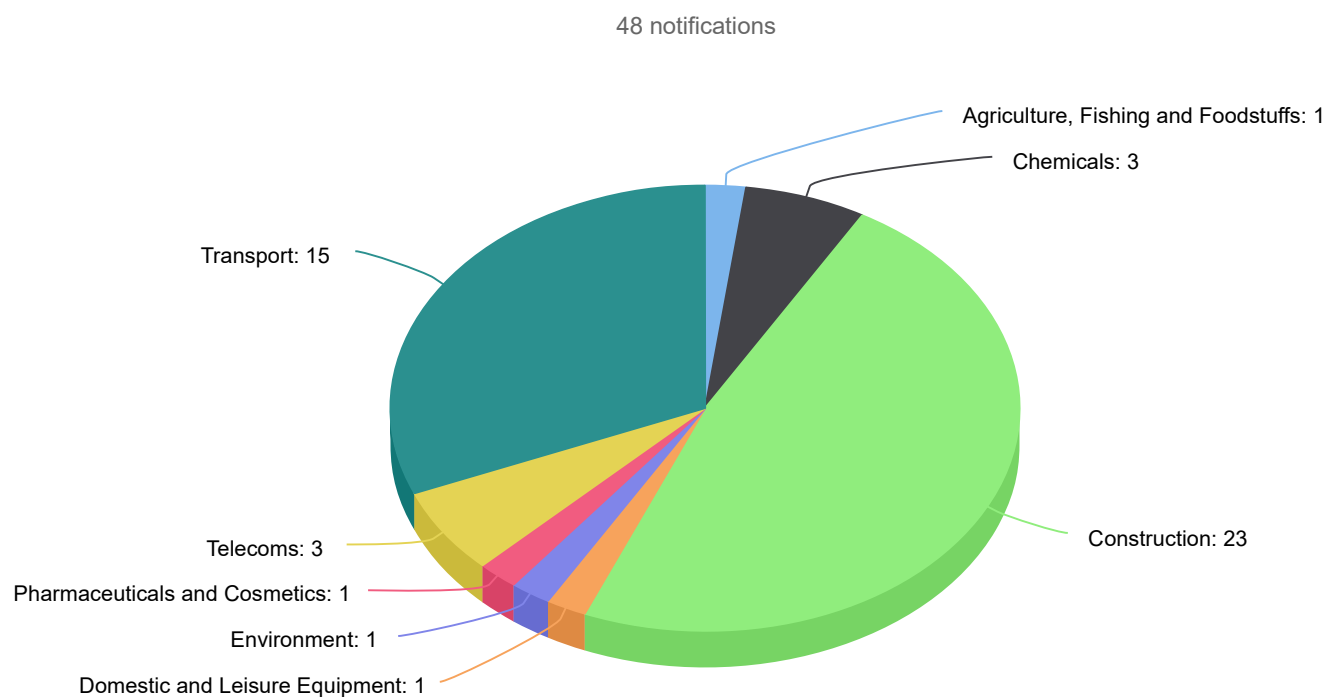
- **Staffing**

*Continuity – **no***

*Sufficient for current caseload? **no***

Technical Regulations Information System

Notifications per sector



Points of Single Contact

- 10 out of 20 analysed procedures (7 do not exist) are available fully online.
- Online procedures are only partially accessible for cross-border service providers: they can submit evidence online but cannot identify themselves or sign electronically.
- Broad range of information is available in another language.
- Points identified for improvement:
 - cross-border accessibility of online procedures;
 - procedures to be explained in more detail;

Public procurement

Overall, Finland's performance in 2018 was **satisfactory**. For further information and the methodology applied, please see the section on [Public procurement performance](#).

Postal services

For easier analysis, EU countries are divided into 3 groups reflecting absolute GDP per capita and EU accession date (as in the [EU postal sector study \(2010–13\)](#)):

- **Western** – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Sweden, the UK
- **Southern** – Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain
- **Eastern** – Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.

- **Transit time performance D+1**: D+1 performance improved again in 2017 reaching 94%.



Some countries' reference figures for the previous period may differ slightly from those in the last Scoreboard. This is because these countries updated their data after publication.

Trade in goods and services

Finland's trade integration in the single market for goods is below the EU average, whereas its trade integration for services is in line with the EU average. In 2017, Finland's trade integration for goods showed a sharp decrease, while its trade integration in services increased only slightly.

		Goods	Services
Intra-EU trade integration	% GDP 2017	15.7	7.2
	Change 2016 – 2017	5.7	3.5
Intra-EU imports	% GDP 2017	15.9	8.6
	Change 2016 – 2017	2.9	1.4

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

In 2017, Finland's share of intra-EU FDI inflows decreased slightly. The decrease in its share of outflows was the fourth highest of all EU Member States. Its shares of inward and outward intra-EU FDI stocks were stable.

	Share of intra-EU FDI flows		Share of intra-EU FDI stocks	
	inward	outward	inward	outward
% FDI 2017	0.2	0.8	0.8	1.0
Change 2016 – 17 (in pp)	-2.5	-5.9	0.0	0.0

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% FDI 2017	-0.8	-0.9	0.1	0.2
Change 2016 – 17 (in pp)	-0.2	-1.4	0.0	0.0