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TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola *Impacts on the* community structure and employment













A second transverse connection for Southern Finland

- In recent decades, the road network has mainly been developed radially, leading away from the Helsinki Metropolitan Area.
- The east-west connection Turku Helsinki region Hamina Vaalimaa is finally complete.
- The next development area: West coast Tampere Lahti Kouvola Lappeenranta – Nuijamaa?
- -Kotka/Hamina is the main export port of the forest industry.*
- -The significance of Russian trade and tourism will increase in the long term; political and economical trends vary
- -Asian trade flows; Kouvola logistics centre; Containers on rubber tires across the country
- Growth circle of Southeast Finland to accompany the growth triangle of Helsinki-Tampere-Turku: Helsinki-Lahti-Kouvola-Lappeenranta-Hamina





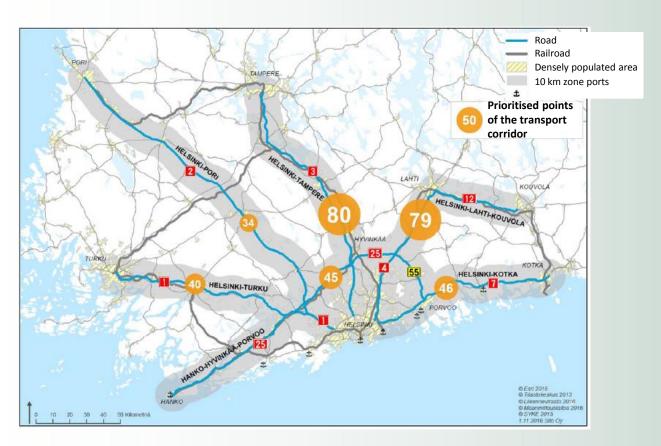






^{*} Centralising import and export logistics to Vuosaari is not a fully natural process; it is also based on infrastructural solutions.

Prioritising the development corridors of Southern Finland



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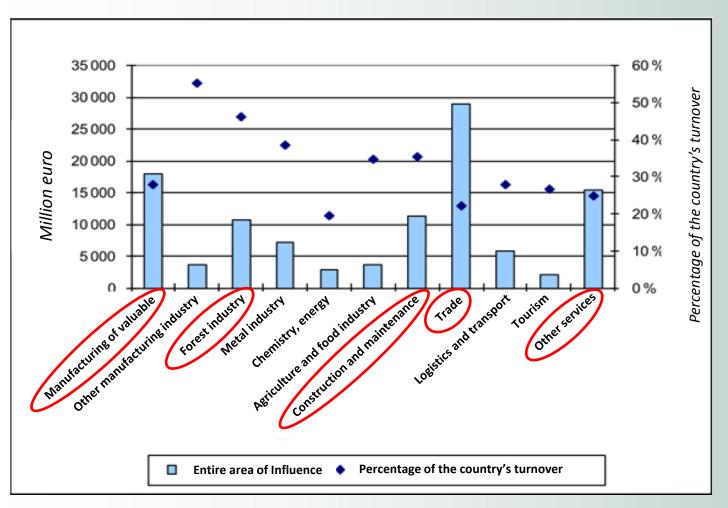








Key sectors in the TR12 area



The area includes
Lahti Region,
Kymenlaakso,
Tavastia Proper,
the Tampere region
(Pirkanmaa),
Satakunta,
Southwest Finland
and South Karelia.
Review of the
significance of
trunk road 12's
area of influence
for business life.

Source:

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Development views of Lahti and Kouvola in relation to TR 12

- In Lahti and Hollola, there are logistics centres at the junctions of railways and TR12 (for example Sopenkorpi and Nostava). In total, about 9,000–14,000 new jobs have been zoned along TR12 and the railroad in the city plans and partial masterplans.
- The job zoning plans for Lahti and Kouvola are expanding along TR12.
- In Lahti and Hollola, there are logistics centres at the junctions of railways and TR12 (Sopenkorpi and Nostava).
- Kouvola will implement the only Finnish railroad terminal (Kouvola RRT) that is part of the TEN-T network (EU decree).
- KymiRing under construction: MotoGP 140,000 viewers per year; 6–10 major events a year, each for more than 50,000 people.
- Kouvola is preparing the plans (partial masterplan) for the Miehonkangas transportation centre (southern side of KymiRinki)
- Commuting by train busy between Lahti and Kouvola.







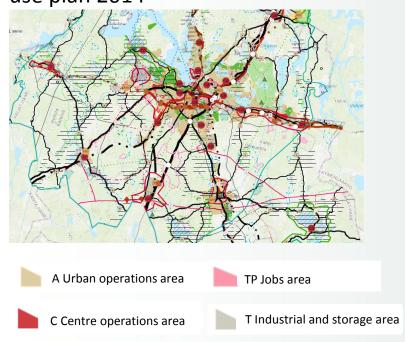




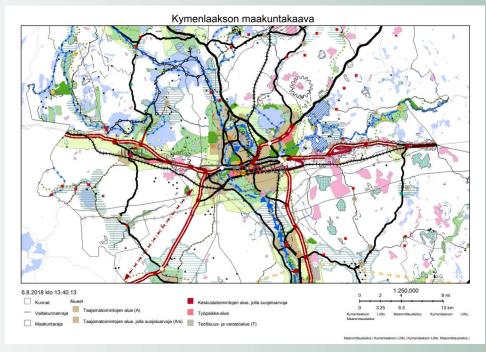


Lahti and Kouvola are expanding towards each other

Päijät-Häme regional land use plan 2014



Kymenlaakso regional land use plan 2014













Kouvola RRT (RailRoad terminal)

- Silk road of China Container trains 2018: 27 departing from Kouvola and 30 departing from Xi'an, 57 connections in total.
- 8 day connection to China
- Kouvola RRT is located along the Scandinavia Mediterranean Sea corridor of the TEN-T core network.
- In Finland, the core network connects Kouvola RTT and all the ports of the Finnish TEN-T core network to each other.
- For rail road transportation, Kouvola is the most central location in Finland: railroad connections in all directions, main road connections in six different directions and the largest marshalling yard in Finland.
- Kouvola's new 'intermodal terminal' will be completed in 2020.
- Trade and industry (the food industry, stone industry and sawmill industry) are interested in the route.
- Train connections to China could quintuple in the coming years compared to the current situation.
- => Will significantly increase business-related container transportation on TR12

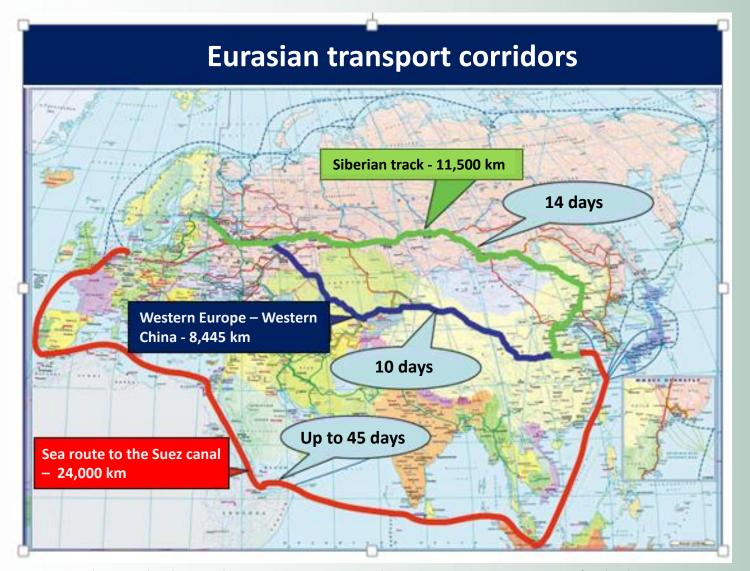












Source: Railgate Finland, Kouvola, Simo Päivinen, Kouvola Innovation Oy, 25 May 2018/ Helsinki Taloustutkimus Oy / Pasi Holm and Juho Tyynilä region port and logistics committee











KymiRing and the Miehonkangas transportation centre

- Traffic forecast (KymiRing EIA):
- Weekday traffic 3,600 vehicles per day on TR 12
- Event weekend traffic 10,200 vehicles per day on TR 12
- It is estimated that KymiRing and the Miehonkangas transportation centre will employ hundreds of people (see Lahti transportation centre plans)
- In June 2017, the parliament approved the state's €14 million financial contribution to the TR 12 Tillola–Keltti project, which will be implemented between litti and Kouvola. The project is in progress.
- Kymi Ring Oy was able to gather the required €10 million in private funding by April 2018. The Municipality of litti is one of the project's financers. Kouvola is considering the funding options.
- => Will significantly increase traffic on TR 12 in both Kouvola and Lahti directions.











Views of businesses in the logistics industry on the quality of TR 12; company interviews, May and June 2018

TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola is so outdated it could be from a different century. The improvements have been postponed again and again. KymiRing will bring new dynamics and movement.

People drive to Nuijamaa from Tampere. The throughput of Lahti-Kouvola is poor: At the Kausala roundabout, trucks need to drive at a speed of 10 km/h.

It is so slow and inadequate and even dangerous.

Dangerous overtaking situations

– and accidents – occur between

Lahti and Kouvola.

Slow and busy. There is a lot of truck traffic and therefore the risks are high.

In winter, people drive the route Lahti-Mäntsälä-Porvoo, since Lahti-Kouvola is impossible.













Significant traffic growth can be expected on TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola

- The current road connection between Uusikylä and Tillola is the stretch in poorest condition along the Lahti-Kouvola connection. It has several 60 km speed limits and several at-grade junctions.
- The poor quality of the road hinders business transportation. The road is part of the trunk network of large special deliveries for the business sector.
- The road is sensitive to disruptions and traffic accidents are a frequent occurrence. The accident frequency is approximately 15 per cent higher than average for two-lane highways in Finland.
- A significant proportion of people commute by train.
- TR 12 project cards (2017): 11,100 cars per day and 1,800 heavy vehicles per day.
- Compared to the project card, KymiRing/Transportation centre will increase the number of vehicles on weekdays by 3,600 vehicles, i.e. by 28 per cent, and on event weekends by 10,200 vehicles, i.e. by 80 per cent.
- Kouvola RRT (Rail Road Terminal) project may increase the number of container trucks by about 80 trucks* per day, i.e. by 5%. *(5*57*40/150, i.e. 'growth' *'trains' *'containers per train' / 'working days')
- How much has the poor condition of the Lahti-Kouvola connection forced heavy traffic onto detours?

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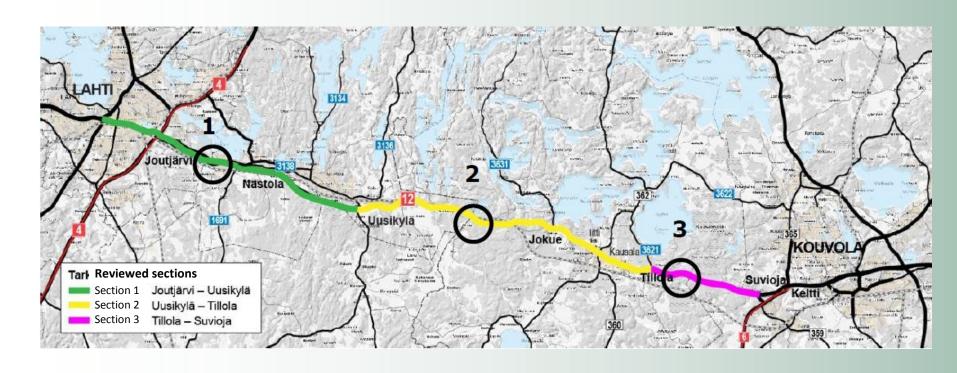








RT 12 construction stages Section 3, Tillola – Keltti, has received funding



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The Finnish Transport Agency's project card table TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola

Project cards 2017				
	Lahti-Kouvola	Lahti-Uusikylä**	Uusikylä- <u>Tillola</u>	<u>Tillola</u> -Keltti
Costs, € million	227	53	157	17,2
State, € million	N/A	N/A	N/A	14
Municipalities, € million	N/A	N/A	N/A	3,2
Schedule, year	2017-2018	after 2019	after 2017	2017-2018
Amount of traffic, trips/day	7 000-12 900	7 200-15 200	6 800-8 000	7 100-8 100
Cars, trips/day	6 300-11 100	6 300-13 900	6 800-8 000	7 100-8 100
Heavy vehicles trips/day	700-1 800	900-1 300	900-1 100	700-1 100
Interchange	Kausala (to be done)	N/A	Kausala (to be done)	Keltti (to be repaired)
Costs, € million	N/A	N/A	N/A	3,2
BCR*	1,3	1,3	1,3	1,2
An estimate by	1,8			
Taloustutkimus***				

Based on an estimate by Taloustutkimus Oy, the benefit cost ratio (BCR) of the Lahti-Kouvola connection is 1.8 when the expected growth of traffic is taken into account.











^{*}Benefit-cost ratio

^{**}An estimate calculated based on others and using the Finnish Transport Agency's traffic amounts map

^{***}The increase in traffic caused by KymiRing, Kouvola RRT and other job zoning has been considered.

Comparison of the amount of traffic on the main roads of Southern Finland

Road	Area	Road type	Amount of traffic in total in 2017	Amount of traffic, heavy traffic 2016
TR 1 & TR 7	Lohja Vantaa Porvoo Hamina	Motorway 2+2 lanes Motorway Motorway	28 566 17 582 22 038 6 758	2 615 957 1 960 898
TR 2	Nummela Karkkila	Motorway	14 962 7 609	741 637
TR 3 TR 4	Nurmijärvi Järvenpää Lahti	Motorway Motorway Motorway	33 553 30 075 26 297	3 011 2 298 2 496
TR 6	Elimäki Kouvola		6 430 12 295	681 1 444
TR 12	Lahti <u>Uusikylä</u> <u>Tillola</u> <u>Kouvola</u>	2+2 lanes	22 510 13 833 8 167 12 295	1 408 1 251 1 026 1 444
TR 25	Hyvinkää		8 846	721

The unit used is the average number of trips in a day during the given year. Source: Finnish Transport Agency's traffic amounts maps.



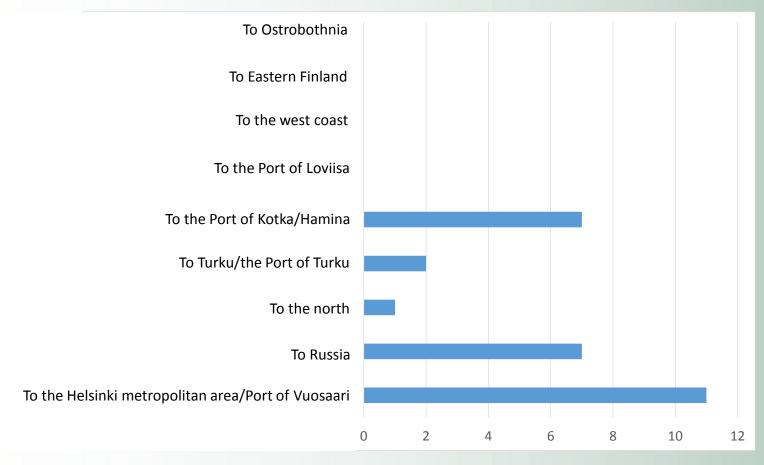








Company interviews, May 2018 In which direction do you believe heavy transportations from the Tampere-Lahti-Kouvola region will increase the most by 2030, compared to the current situation? Pcs.







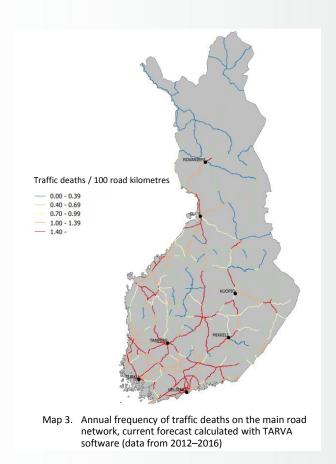








Finnish Transport Agency: Traffic accidents on highways 2016



Accidents leading to personal injuries / 100 road kilometres --- 0.00 - 3.59 3.60 - 6.79 6.80 - 10.99 11.00 - 16.99 **— 17.00 -**Map 1. Annual frequency of accidents leading to personal injuries on the main road network, current forecast calculated with TARVA software (data from 2012-2016)













Company interviews II

Our transportations are directed east from Lahti. TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola is the most important development target.

Finnish economic growth is based on foreign trade. Ports are important, especially Vuosaari and Kotka/Hamina.

We believe that the Russian sanctions will be lifted in time. Transition traffic to Russia will increase.

Our trade will be with Russia in the future. Finnish industry, in general, is appreciated by Russia.

Increasing online trade will inevitably lead to the growth of container transports. The rate of container loading will increase both in Finland and globally.

It is important to
develop the
connections of the
Helsinki metropolitan
area, but they should
also be improved to the
east.

Container logistics is a large area and will continue to be, especially in import, less so in export.

The world is becoming more and more hectic. We have been looking for quick shipping routes, but there do not seem to be any. When the train prices were at a more reasonable level, we tried that.













Interviews with interest groups of the transport industry If Helsinki implem

The repair deficit package by Sipilä's government is praised. Focus on transportation in business life. If Helsinki implements the city boulevards, transportation to the Port of Vuosaari and ships to Tallinn will decrease.

Connections to Turku,
Sweden and onwards form
bottlenecks. Combining the
weights and lengths of
trucks in Finland and
Sweden.

Repair deficit and (winter maintenance).

Belarus—Poland connection is full. Chinese transportation to Finland is directed to Kouvola. *Jobs for Kouvola* "...we are perhaps talking about thousands rather than hundreds."

China's Silk Road 'container train connection':

Automated ports 24/7



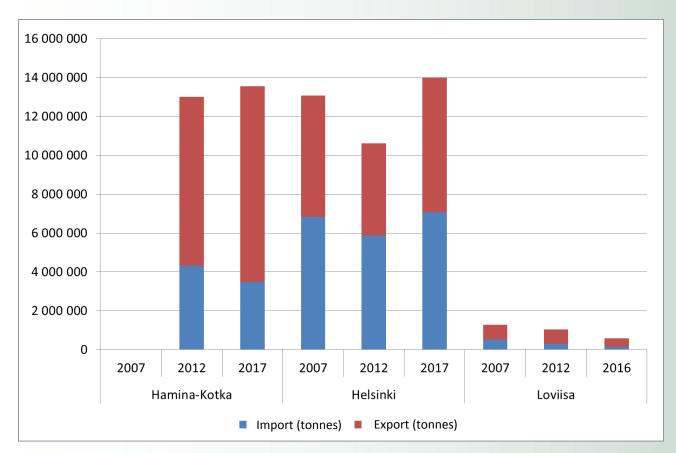








Foreign cargo traffic at the Ports of Hamina-Kotka, Helsinki and Loviisa



Note! The data from the ports of Hamina and Kotka is missing for 2007, as is the Port of Loviisa's data for 2017. Source: Monthly statistics of Finnish Port Association.



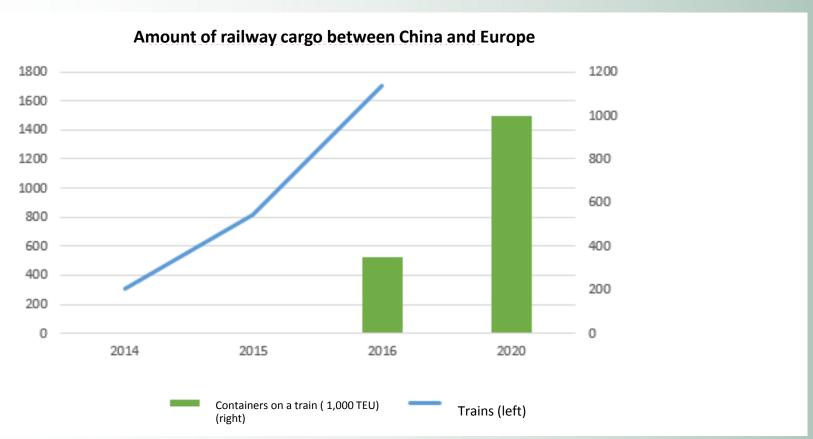








It is estimated that the number of annual railroad cargo (containers) between China and Europe will triple. Will Finland see similar growth?



Source: Railgate Finland, Kouvola, Simo Päivinen, Kouvola Innovation Oy, 25 May 2018/ Helsinki region port and logistics committee



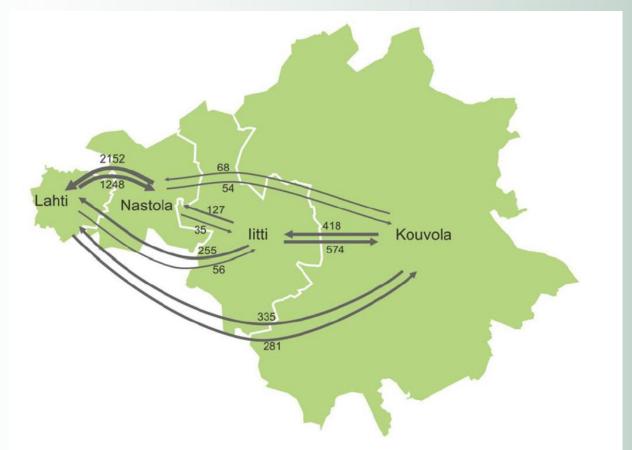








Commute by train between TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola



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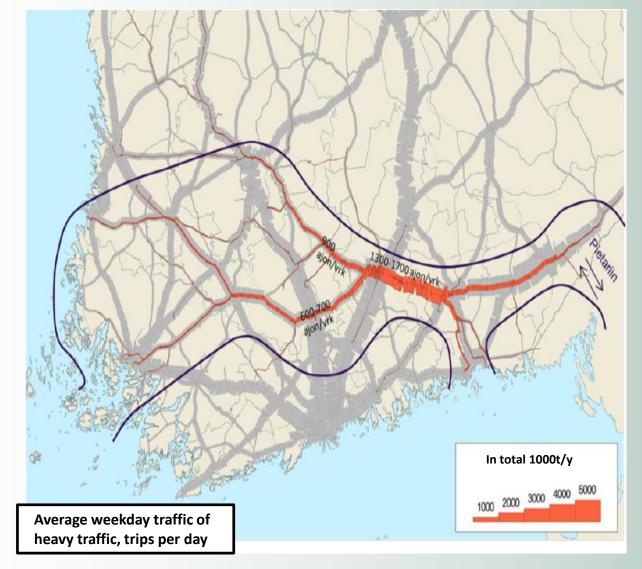












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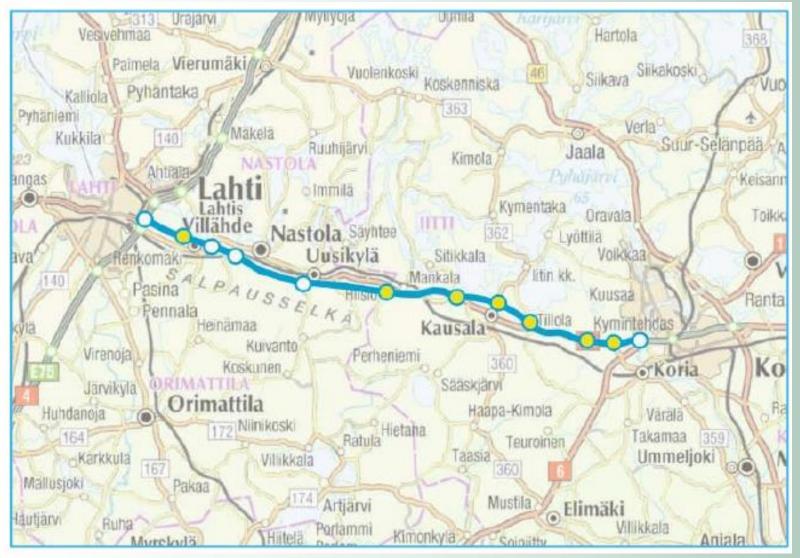












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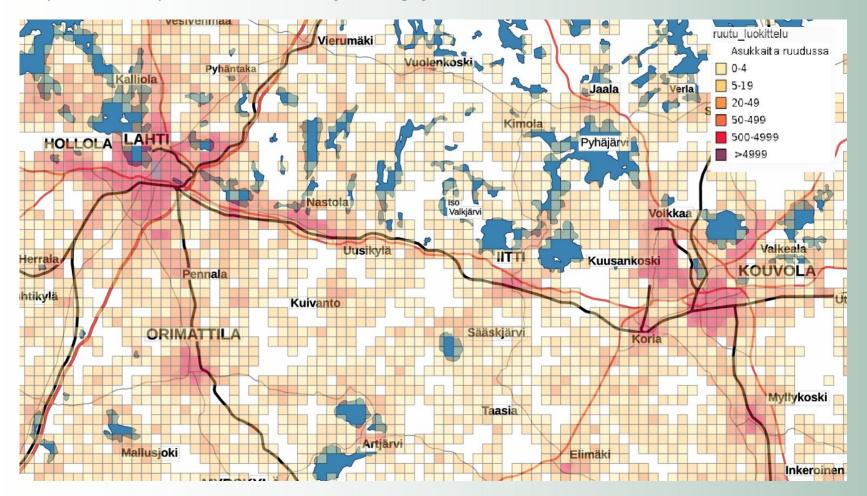








Population distribution in the Lahti-Kouvola region https://kartta.paikkatietoikkuna.fi/?lang=fi





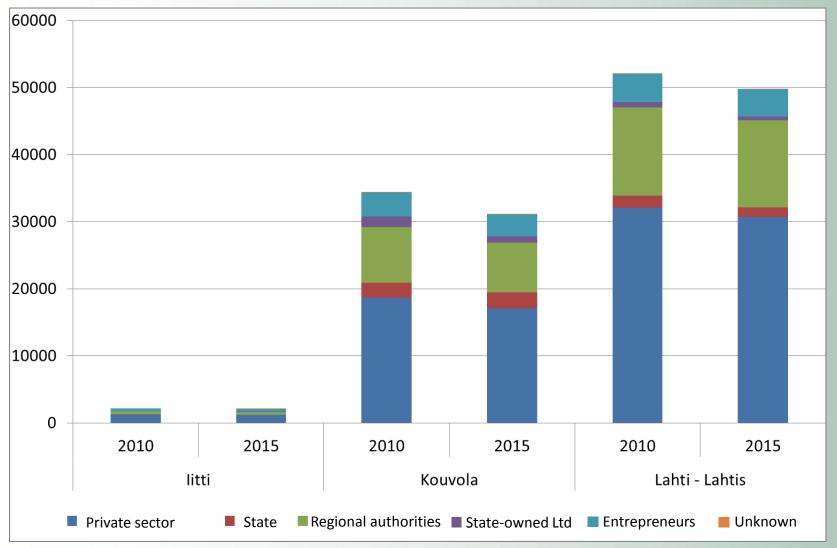








Employment rate in different employer sectors Lahti, litti and Kouvola









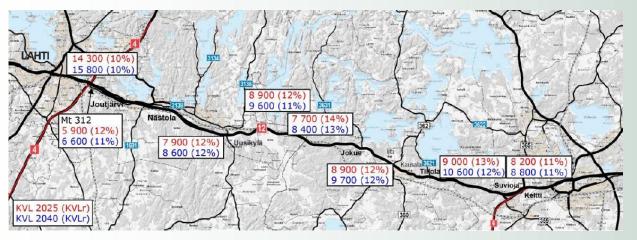




Amount of traffic 2013 (upper image) and forecasts for 2025 and 2040 (lower image)



Annual average 2013 (heavy traffic)



Annual average 2025 (heavy traffic)
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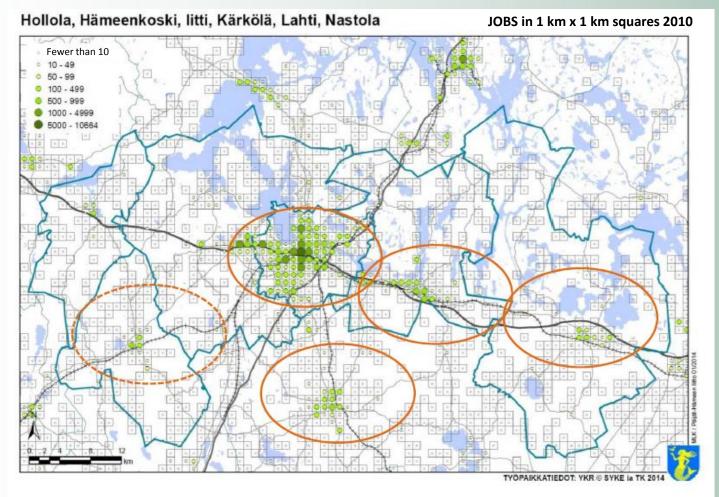








Figure 5. Jobs in the Salpausselkä region



Source: Kati-Jasmin Kosonen, Salpausselkä municipal division review, seminar 9 May 2014













Container trains 2018

Departure days from Kouvola:

Departure days from Xi'an:

May, next train on the 31st

June: 7th / 19th

July: 11th / 18th / 25th

August: 1st / 8th / 15th / 22nd / 29th

September: 5th / 12th / 19th / 26th

October: 3rd / 10th / 17th / 24th / 31st

November: 7th / 14th / 21st / 28th

December: 5th / 12th / 19th

May 23rd / 30th

June: 6th / 13th / 27th

July: 6th / 13th / 20th / 27th

August: $3^{rd} / 10^{th} / 17^{th} / 24^{th} / 31^{st}$

September: 7th / 14th / 21st / 28th

October: 12th / 19th / 26th

November: 2nd / 9th / 16th / 23rd / 30th

December: 7th / 14th / 21st / 28th

In total 57 departures! 27 from Kouvola and 30 from Xi'an





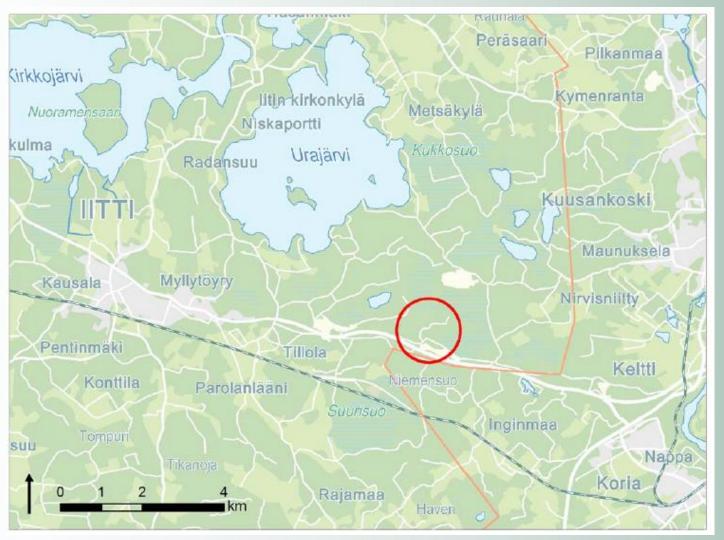








KymiRing













KymiRing

Table 9. Traffic operations in the KymiRing

area					
Weekday	Days during event weekends				
150 - 200	-				
100	2700				
-	500				
-	60				
700	1000				
400	100				
500	700				
1800	5100				
3600	10200				
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Land use planning and jobs

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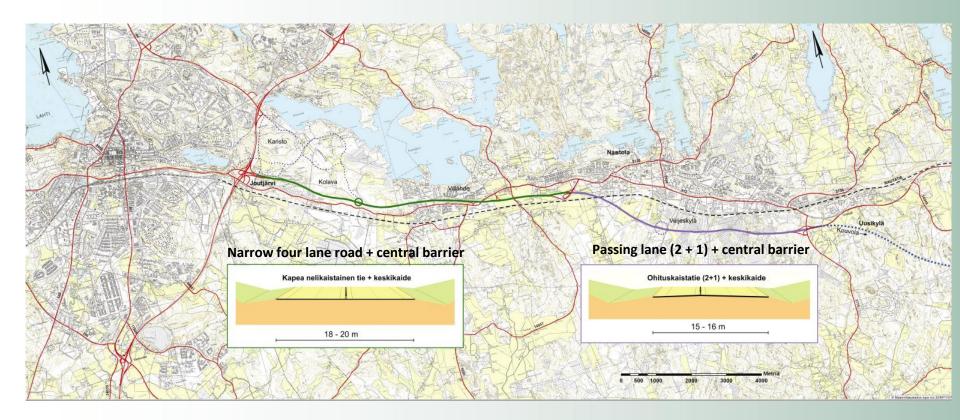












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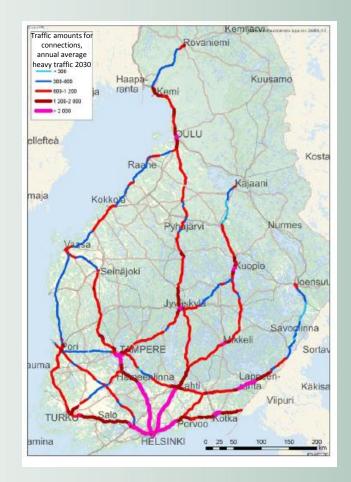




Table 1 and figure 2. Growth factors of major national connections compared to 2012 and traffic amounts in 2030.

Source: National road traffic forecast, Finnish Transport Agency 13/2014

Connection	Average growth factors of the connection					
	Light vehicles	Heavy	Light vehicles	Heavy		
	2030	vehicles 2030	2050	vehicles 2050		
TR 1 Helsinki-Turku	1,320	1,083	1,430	1,184		
TR 2 Vihti-Pori	1,310	1,092	1,418	1,210		
TR 3 Helsinki-Hämeenlinna	1,344	1,089	1,458	1,192		
TR 3 Hämeenlinna-Tampere	1,313	1,071	1,421	1,180		
TR 3 / TR 19 Tampere-Seinäjoki	1,373	1,140	1,510	1,287		
TR 18 Seinäjoki-Vaasa	1,379	1,159	1,521	1,317		
TR 4 Helsinki-Lahti	1,351	1,098	1,467	1,209		
TR 4 Lahti-Jyväskylä	1,342	1,114	1,467	1,251		
TR 4 Jyväskylä-Oulu	1,377	1,141	1,513	1,289		
TR 4 Oulu-Rovaniemi	1,375	1,151	1,511	1,308		
TR 5 Lusi-Mikkeli	1,292	1,101	1,395	1,243		
TR 5 Mikkeli-Kuopio	1,284	1,111	1,388	1,268		
TR 5 Kuopio-Kajaani	1,276	1,108	1,381	1,264		
TR 6 Koskenkylä-Kouvola	1,276	1,071	1,364	1,150		
TR 6 Kouvola-Lappeenranta	1,227	1,077	1,304	1,171		
TR 6 Lappeenranta-Joensuu	1,276	1,107	1,379	1,244		
TR 7 Helsinki-Vaalimaa	1,276	1,071	1,364	1,150		
TR 8 Turku-Pori	1,257	1,076	1,354	1,200		
TR 8 Pori-Vaasa	1,285	1,092	1,391	1,227		
TR 8 Vaasa-Kokkola	1,325	1,105	1,441	1,236		
TR 8 Kokkola-Oulu	1,364	1,131	1,492	1,273		
TR 9 Turku-Tampere	1,289	1,065	1,393	1,171		
TR 9 Tampere-Jyväskylä	1,333	1,096	1,451	1,223		
TR 9 Jyväskylä-Kuopio	1,334	1,124	1,455	1,275		
TR 11 Pori-Tampere	1,279	1,074	1,381	1,198		
TR 12 Tampere-Lahti	1,320	1,080	1,430	1,197		
TR 12 Lahti-Kouvola	1,254	1,071	1,337	1,166		













Appendix table 1. Forecasted growth factors of light vehicles from 2012 to 2030.

Source: National road traffic forecast, Finnish Transport Agency 13/2014

Province	Trunk	Main roads	Regional	Connecting	In total
	roads		roads	roads	
Uusimaa	1,375	1,354	1,354	1,219	1,343
Southwest Finland	1,287	1,268	1,268	1,141	1,246
Satakunta	1,210	1,192	1,192	1,073	1,169
Tavastia Proper	1,311	1,291	1,291	1,1,62	1,279
Pirkanmaa	1,329	1,309	1,309	1,178	1,301
Päijät-Häme	1,280	1,261	1,261	1,135	1,257
Kymenlaakso	1,215	1,197	1,197	1,077	1,190
South Karelia	1,217	1,199	1,199	1,079	1,189
Southern Savonia	1,166	1,149	1,149	1,034	1,141
Northern savonia	1,225	1,207	1,207	1,086	1,198
North Karelia	1,216	1,198	1,198	1,078	1,180
Central Finland	1,272	1,253	1,253	1,128	1,243
South Ostrobothnia	1,258	1,240	1,240	1,116	1,216
Ostrobothnia	1,294	1,275	1,275	1,148	1,255
Central Ostrobothnia	1,269	1,250	1,250	1,125	1,238
North Ostrobothnia	1,305	1,286	1,286	1,157	1,271
Kainuu	1,167	1,150	1,150	1,035	1,133
Lapland	1,226	1,208	1,208	1,087	1,199
The entire country	1,284	1,278	1,271	1,137	1.254











Appendix table 2. Forecasted growth factors of heavy vehicles from 2012 to 2030.

Source: National road traffic forecast, Finnish Transport Agency 13/2014

Province	Trunk	Main roads	Regional	Connecting	In total
	roads		roads	roads	
Uusimaa	1,091	1,087	1,087	1,083	1,089
Southwest Finland	1,065	1,062	1,061	1,057	1,062
Satakunta	1,032	1,029	1,029	1,024	1,030
Tavastia Proper	1,065	1,061	1,061	1,057	1,063
Pirkanmaa	1,070	1,067	1,067	1,062	1,069
Päijät-Häme	1,055	1,051	1,051	1,047	1,053
Kymenlaakso	1,069	1,066	1,065	1,061	1,068
South Karelia	1,051	1,048	1,048	1,043	1,050
Southern Savonia	1,018	1,015	1,015	1,010	1,017
Northern savonia	1,036	1,033	1,033	1,029	1,035
North Karelia	1,034	1,031	1,030	1,026	1,031
Central Finland	1,052	1,049	1,048	1,044	1,051
South Ostrobothnia	1,047	1,044	1,044	1,040	1,045
Ostrobothnia	1,059	1,056	1,056	1,051	1,057
Central Ostrobothnia	1,051	1,048	1,047	1,043	1,049
North Ostrobothnia	1,062	1,059	1,059	1,054	1,061
Kainuu	1,018	1,015	1,015	1,011	1,016
Lapland	1,037	1,033	1,034	1,029	1,035
The entire country	1,058	1,059	1,057	1,049	1,057









