



## Coastal & Riverine Flood Hazard in Finland in the European Context

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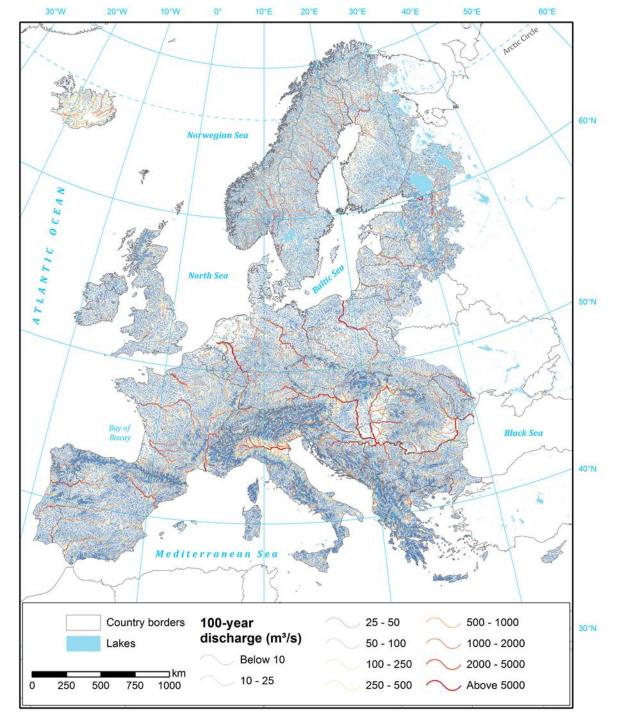


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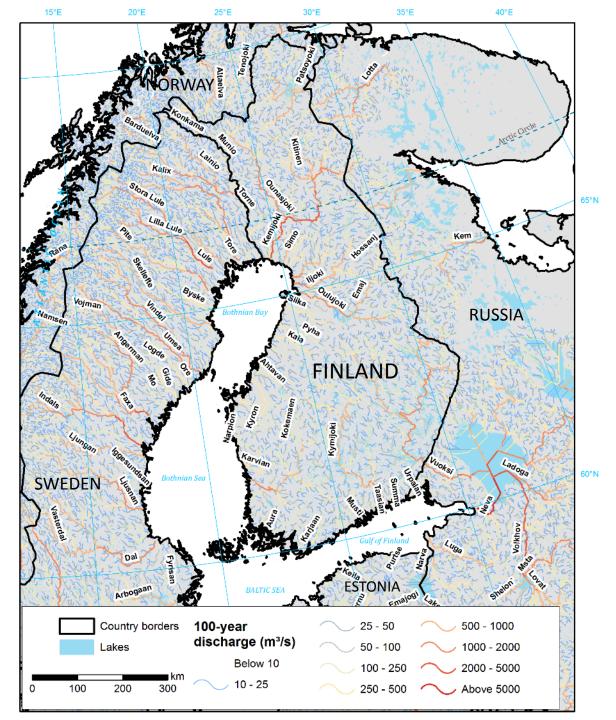




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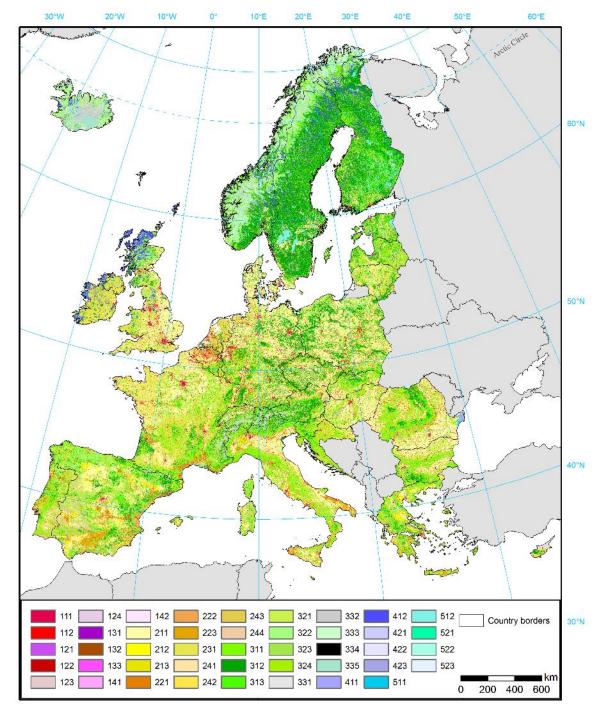
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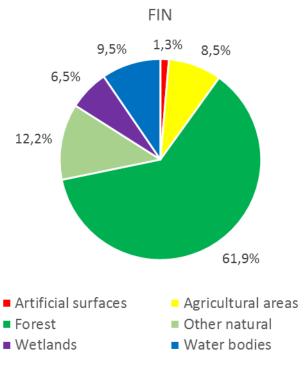
- EM-DAT disaster database recorded 567 floods in Europe since 1970...
- ... and only 1 in Finland
- Darmouth Flood Observatory also recorded 1 event in Finland since 1985.
- Lapland flood in Ivato and Kittila cities, on 25-31 May 2005.
- Flood was caused by snowmelt and rainfall.
- No casualties, but 400 people had to be evacuated and caused €4.7 mllion damages
- Spring floods are typical events, but generally cause limited damages
- 2004 €900,000, 2007 €20 million, 2012 €10 million, 2013 €5 million
- Historically, the worst flood occurred in 1899 (€50 million damages in today's money), considered a 1-in-250 year flood.
- PFRA: approx. 48,000 people at risk of a 1-in-1000 year flood (0.9% of national population), including 20,000 in Pori and 10,000 in Rovaniemi This project is funded by



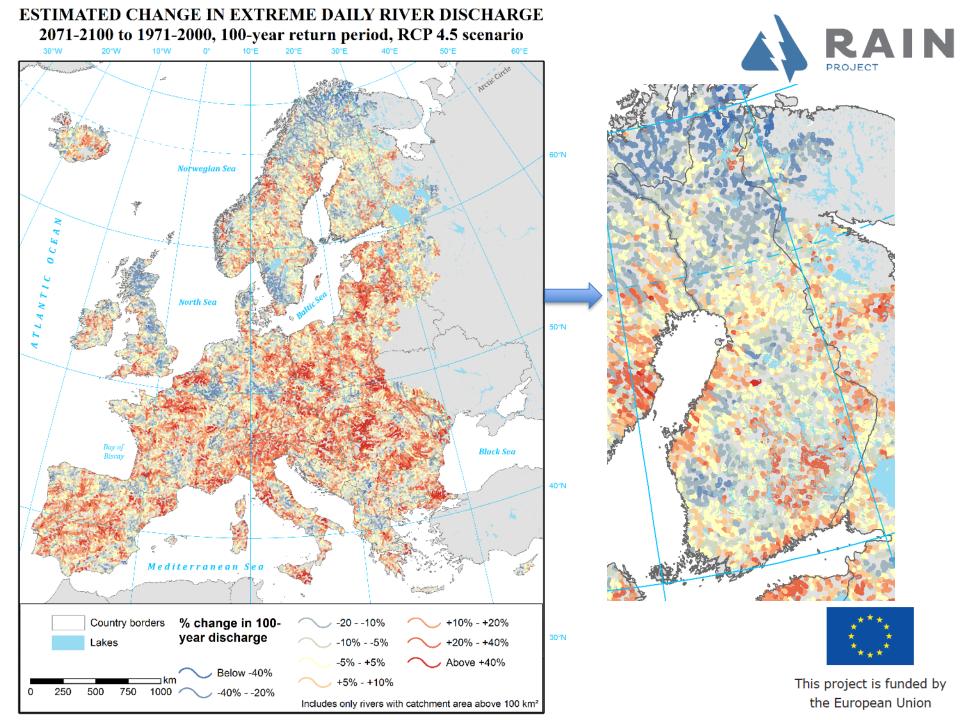




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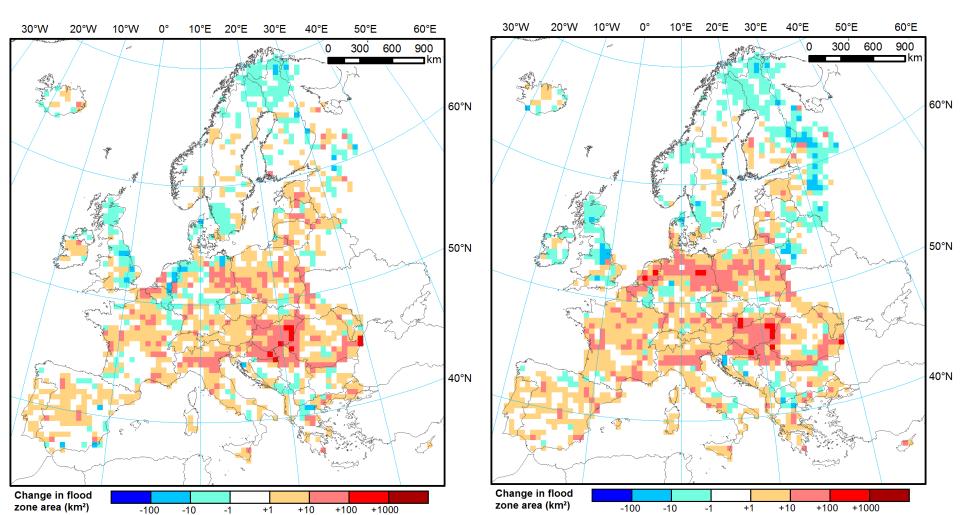






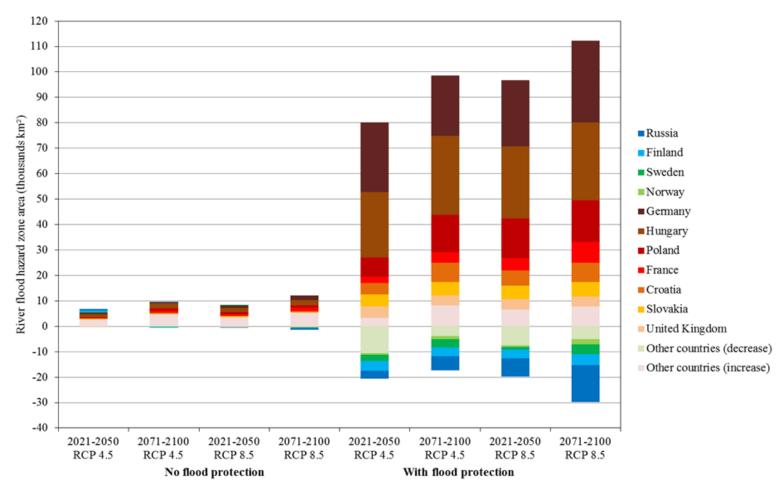


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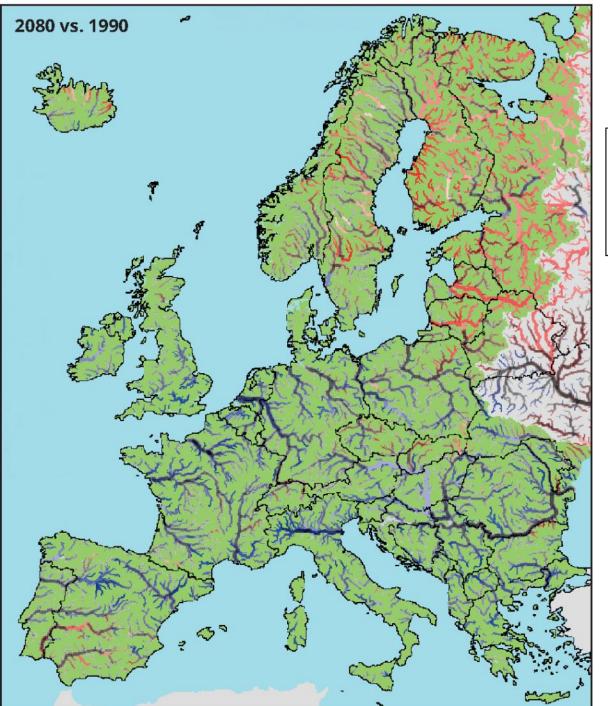




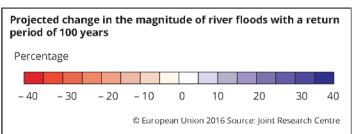
Contributions of selected countries to overall changes in 100-year flood zone area in Europe by scenario.











Projections by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre







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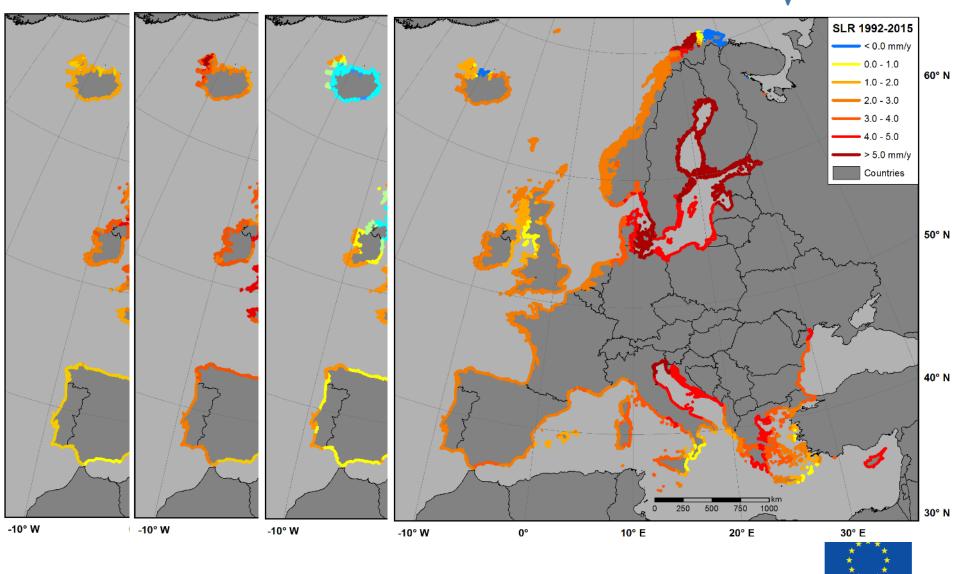
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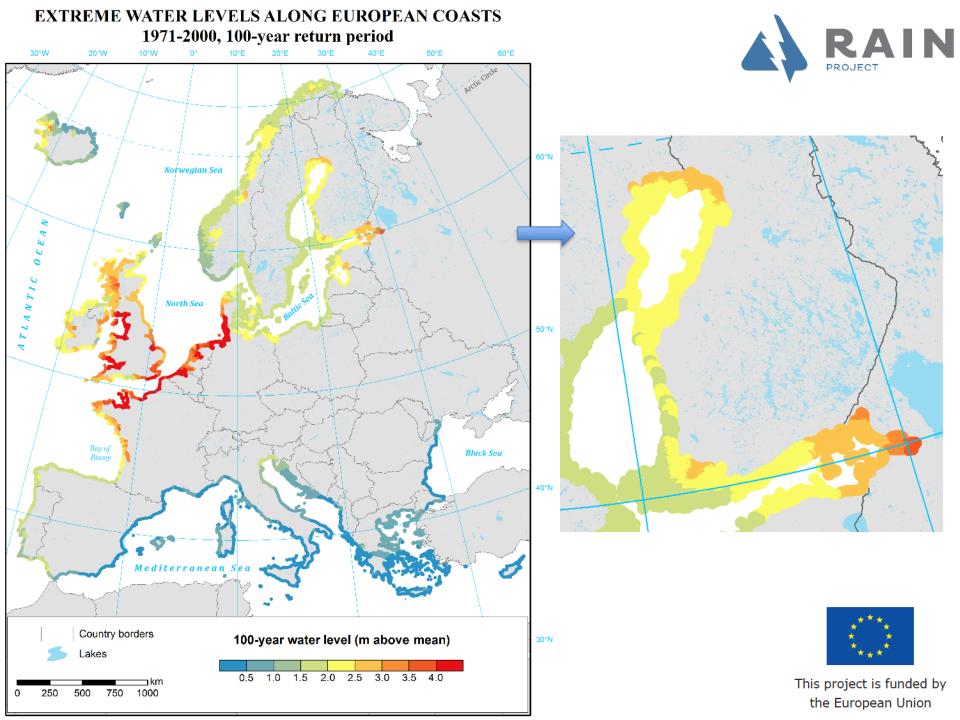
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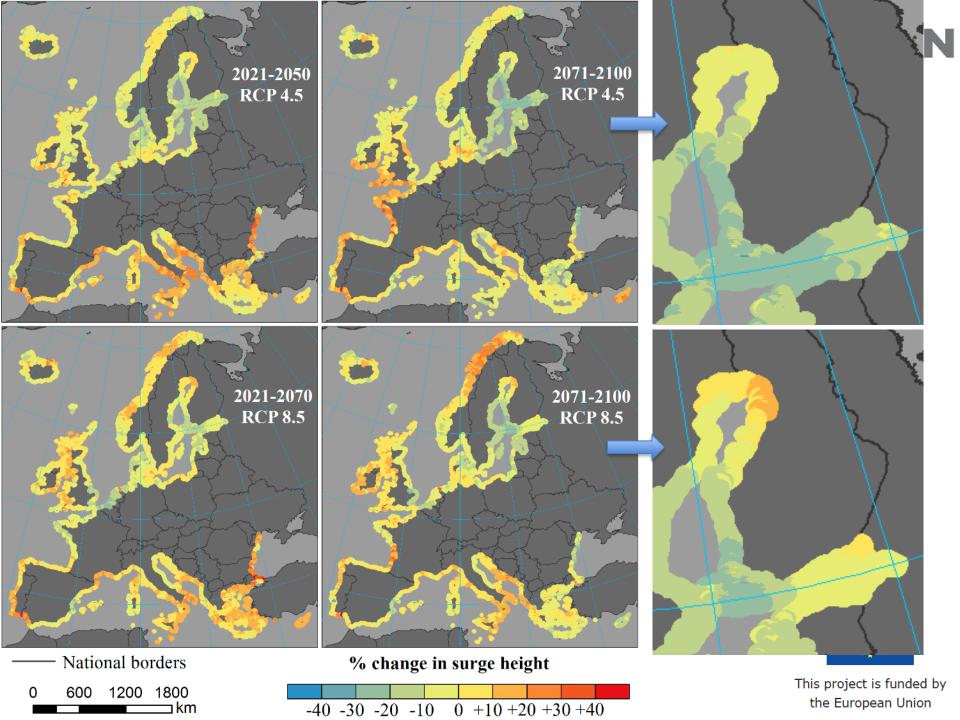


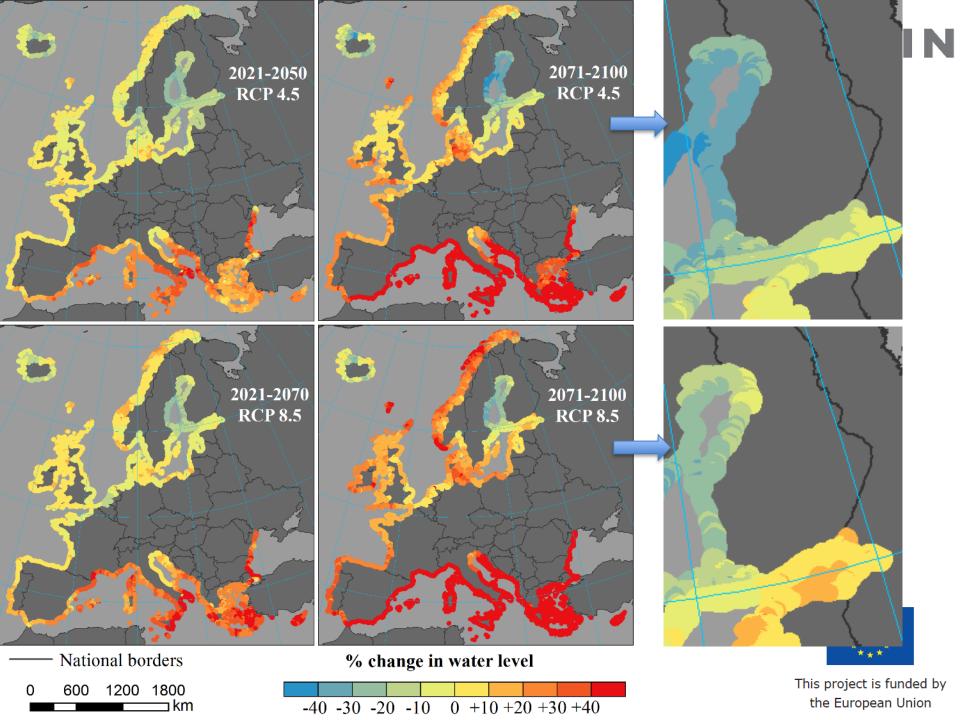
### Coastal floods

- EM-DAT disaster database has no recorded coastal floods in Finland.
- January 2005 storm surge in Gulf of Finland... I leave to Julie to describe©
- PFRA: approx. 28,000 people at risk of a 1-in-1000 year flood (0.5% of national population), including 25,000 in the Helsinki agglomeration.



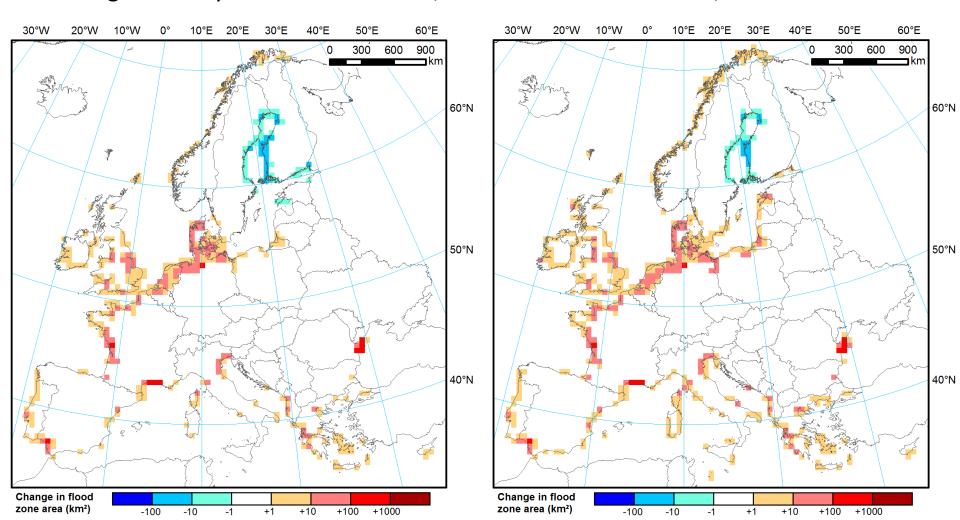








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### Conclusions

- Finland is relatively safe compared to other European
- Finland is virtually the only country in Europe where coastal and riverine flood hazard is projected to decrease in most of its territory during the course of this century.





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#### More information:

RAIN D2.5 report: <a href="http://rain-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/D2.5\_REPORT\_final.pdf">http://rain-project.eu/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/D2.5\_REPORT\_final.pdf</a>

RAIN datasets: <a href="https://data.4tu.nl/repository/collection:ab70dbf9-ac4f-40a7-9859-9552d38fdccd">https://data.4tu.nl/repository/collection:ab70dbf9-ac4f-40a7-9859-9552d38fdccd</a>

Estimating extreme river discharges in Europe through a Bayesian Network,

http://dx.doi.org/10.5194/hess-2016-250

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Extreme sea levels under present and future climate: a pan-European database,

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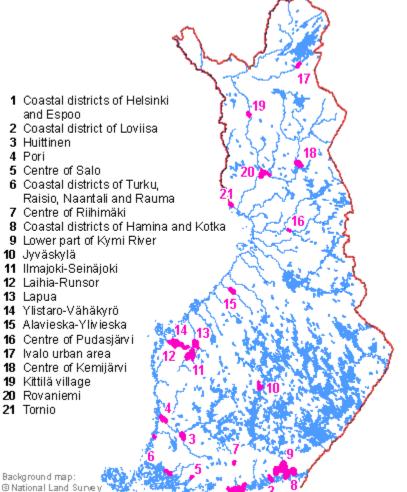


ELY Centre	Name of the area	Type of flood	Population
Uusimaa	Coastal districts of Helsinki and	sea water flood	over 25 00
	Espoo		
	Coastal district of Loviisa	sea water flood	ca 500
Southwest Finland	Centre of Salo	fluvial flood	nearly 500
	Coastal districts of Turku, Raisio, Naantali ja Rauma	sea water flood	over 1 500
	Huittinen	fluvial flood	ca 1 200
	Pori	fluvial flood	over 20 00
Häme	Centre of Riihimäki	fluvial flood	ca 2 800
Southeast Finland	Coastal districts of Hamina and	sea water flood	over 1 000
	Kotka		
	Lower part of Kymi River	fluvial flood	5001 000
Central Finland	Jyväskylä	fluvial flood	ca 1 700
South Ostrobothnia	llmajoki-Seinäjoki	fluvial flood	ca 1 300
	Laihia-Runsor	fluvial flood	ca 1 100
	Lapua	fluvial flood	ca 700
	Ylistaro-Vähäkyrö	fluvial flood	ca 700
North Ostrobotnia	Alavieska-Ylivieska	fluvial flood	600800
	Centre of Pudasjärvi	fluvial flood	500700
Lapland	Centre of Kemijärvi	fluvial flood	ca 1 500
	Ivalo urban area	fluvial flood	ca 1 000
	Kittilä village	fluvial flood	ca 700

http://www.ymparisto.fi/en-US/Waters/Floods/Flood\_risk\_management/Floo d risk management planning/Preliminary flood risk assessment

Rovaniemi

Tornio



Areas of Significant Flood Risk 20.12.2011

- Fluvial or Sea Water Floods

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