

Country Analysis Report for IMIA

IMIA 2007 Country Analysis

Country	Premium development	Claims development	Underwriting Profitability	Business Outlook
<p>Finland</p> <p>National report</p> <p>2007</p>	<p>The premium income increased by 14.7 % compared with the previous year.</p> <p>Machinery Insurance premium increased by 14.7 % but the loss of profit premiums decreased by as much as 29.2 %. On the contrary the combined premiums for EAR, CAR and Guarantee increased by 42.1 %.</p> <p>Practically no shift of the market shares has taken place during the year. There are three big players in the market. The biggest player has somewhat less than forty percent of the market. A small share of the market is now in the hands of a few foreign players.</p>	<p>The overall loss ratio for 2007 was 69.3 % compared with 72.7 % in 2006.</p> <p>The total loss ratio has decreased somewhat again giving an average of 69.3 %, which again is higher than the average for the previous five years being 62 %.</p> <p>In 2007 two large claims were reported.</p>	<p>In 2007 the profitability was still fairly good as a result of decreasing cost ratios.</p>	<p>The rate of growth in Finnish economy has been stable for several years in a row. This rate is predicted to decrease some in 2008.</p> <p>Preventive maintenance programs based on risk evaluation are being well implemented. New electrical on-line monitoring methods are being standardized and taken into use.</p> <p>The emphasis on risk surveys of critical machinery is being understood and implemented.</p>