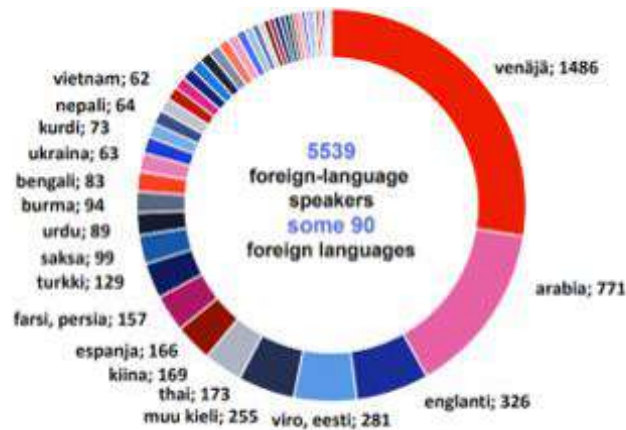


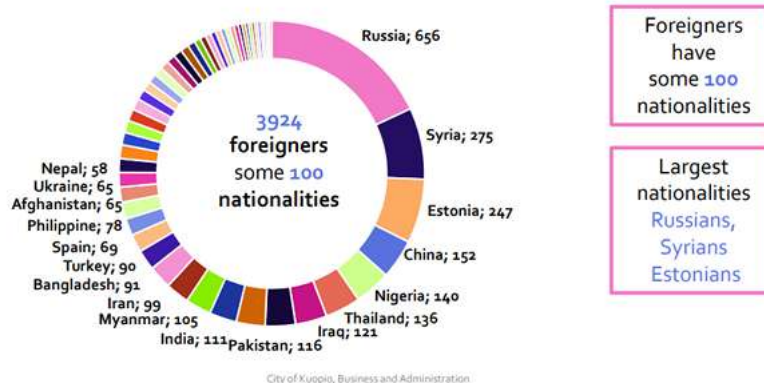
The city hosts an estimated 6,000 foreign language speakers out of a total population of 123,000. Among the largest migrant/minority groups in Kuopio are Russians, Syrians, and Estonians.



Source: [Migration and migrant population statistics - Statistics Explained \(europa.eu\)](https://www.eurostat.europa.eu)

Kuopio recognizes native-born minority groups, including Finland-Swedes, Sámi people of Lapland, and Roma people, with dedicated advisory services for Roma affairs. Additionally, the city acknowledges the presence of diverse groups with different origins, religions, languages, or sexual orientations, with resources like the multicultural centre "Kompassi" and counselling services available.

#### Foreigners by citizenship 2022



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Recent years have seen a notable increase in the number of foreign nationals moving to Kuopio, driven by various factors such as family reunification, work, and study, with the influx of temporarily protected Ukrainians due to the war significantly impacting the city's population composition.

