

ESS18, Switzerland

A4.3 Representativity

1) Age X gender, whole country

Permanent resident population at the end of the year (2018)

2018	Age Groups							
	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+	Total
Switzerland (all)	909157	1175778	1192489	1291795	1114261	826112	751189	7260781
Switzerland (Men)	468876	595106	601118	650843	558873	395409	307642	3577867
Switzerland (Women)	440281	580672	591371	640952	555388	430703	443547	3682914

Source: Swiss Federal Statistical Office (SFSO) / Annual Population Statistics (STATPOP) 2018

2) Age X gender by region

Permanent resident population at the end of the year (2018)

2018		Age Groups							
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Switzerland (all)		909157	1175778	1192489	1291795	1114261	826112	751189	7260781
Men	Switzerland (Men)	468876	595106	601118	650843	558873	395409	307642	3577867
	Lemanic Region	97864	115875	117179	121265	99114	67330	53938	672565
	Mittelland Area	103527	124888	124149	140398	126452	94087	70223	783724
	Northwest Switzerland	60363	78638	81502	89037	79078	55696	43854	488168
	Zurich Region	75979	117820	121452	117698	90905	62477	51464	637795
	Eastern Switzerland	67210	82209	78425	88375	82353	58750	43235	500557
	Central Switzerland	45370	56190	56314	64730	56949	38540	28646	346739
	Ticinese Region	18563	19486	22097	29340	24022	18529	16282	148319
Women	Switzerland (Women)	440281	580672	591371	640952	555388	430703	443547	3682914
	Lemanic Region	93077	115515	118820	123735	100613	78549	80990	711299
	Mittelland Area	97938	122483	123574	140176	126726	101072	102672	814641
	Northwest Switzerland	56457	77263	79686	87611	78482	60017	62063	501579
	Zurich Region	70976	115830	117467	111582	90699	70546	74244	651344
	Eastern Switzerland	61992	76926	74298	86637	80903	60560	60497	501813
	Central Switzerland	42415	53774	54417	61760	53613	39058	38898	343935
	Ticinese Region	17426	18881	23109	29451	24352	20901	24183	158303

Source: SFSO / STATPOP 2018

3) Highest obtained education, for the whole country (2018)

nat. ESS-codes	Level of education	Total
1-3	Compulsory schooling	901 927
4-5, 11	Basic vocation or general education (1-2 years after compulsory schooling)	229 496
12-13	Apprenticeship and full-time vocational course	2 645 875
6-10	High school certificate college / university and "university" of applied science entrance certificate, teacher-training college	596 844
14-16	Advanced professional training	884 047
17-23	University, FIT, "university" of applied science, univ. of teacher education	1 589 778
55555	Without indication/don't know	71 043
	Total	6 919 009

Source: SFSO / Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) 2018, post-stratified and weighted on population size

3) Highest obtained education, for the whole country (2018)

nat. ESS- codes	ISCED	Level of education	Age groups						Total
			15 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 +	
1-3	1,2	Compulsory schooling (Secondary I)	141681	70817	113273	146785	152613	276757	901926
4-14	3,4,5	Secondary II	458569	579505	594781	756786	673880	970040	4033561
15-23	6,7,8	Tertiary education	48011	502007	460171	382858	259979	259455	1912481
		Total	648261	1152329	1168225	1286429	1086472	1506252	6847968

Source: SFSO / Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) 2018, post-stratified and weighted on population size

3b) Highest obtained education, for the whole country (2018), alternative coding

nat. ESS- codes	ISCED	Level of education	Age groups						Total
			15 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 +	
1-4	1,2	Compulsory schooling (Secondary I)	175806	80364	124964	163239	173023	336507	1053903
5-13	3,4,5	Secondary II	415566	482691	467810	604513	547308	802352	3320240
14-23	6,7,8	Tertiary education	56889	589273	575452	518677	366141	367393	2473825
		Total	648261	1152328	1168226	1286429	1086472	1506252	6847968

Source: SFSO / Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) 2018, post-stratified and weighted on population size

4) Highest obtained education by region

nat. ESS- codes	Level of education	Regions							Total
		Lemanic Region	Mittelland Area	Northwest Switzerland	Zurich Region	Eastern Switzerland	Central Switzerland	Ticinese Region	
1-3	Compulsory schooling	205877	192900	116805	129513	126068	76845	53919	901927
4-5, 11	Basic vocation or general education	48884	59638	28000	31012	32358	21118	8487	229497
12-13	Apprenticeship and full-time vocational course	417268	640966	374118	425418	420142	268621	99343	2645876
6-10	High school certificate college / university entrance certificate, teacher-training college	135104	126674	72373	102731	75364	47905	36694	596845
14-16	Advanced professional training	95659	203737	130363	163144	149478	110030	31636	884047
17-23	University, FIT,	374202	287965	218470	371290	148068	125668	64115	1589778
55555	Without indication/DK	17410	17064	8493	10711	9307	[5337]	[2720]	71042
	Total	1294404	1528944	948622	1233819	960785	655524	296914	6919012

Source: SFSO / Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) 2018, post-stratified and weighted on population size;
figures in brackets: based on less than 50 observations

5) Degree of urbanisation, for the whole country

Following the typology of the Federal Statistical Office, almost 40% of the Swiss population resides in the five big cities - Zurich, Basel, Geneva, Bern and Lausanne – and their suburbs (major agglomerations). A slightly bigger share of the population lives in the remaining urban areas. The remaining population (16%) resides within the rural areas. The proportion of population living in non-rural areas is 84.1% in 2018 (source: STATPOP 2018)¹.

Permanent resident population in urban and rural areas 2018

Switzerland	Urban²	Intermediary² (dense periurban and rural centres)	Rural²	Major agglomerations^{2,3}
8 544 527	5 380 353	1 806 249	1 357 925	3 376 754

2) According to FSO typology "Area with urban character 2012"

3) Zurich, Basel, Geneva, Bern, Lausanne (without transnational territories for Basel and Geneva)

Source: SFSO / STATPOP 2018

Following the Eurostat definition of 2011, 81% of the Swiss resident population live in non-rural areas.

Degree of urbanization (following DEGURBA, Eurostat) 2018, Permanent resident population

Switzerland	Cities (densely populated areas)	Towns and suburbs (intermediate density areas)	Rural areas (thinly populated areas)
8 544 527	2 521 707	4 433 680	1 589 140

Source: SFSO / STATPOP 2018

¹ **ATTENTION:** The method for calculating the urban areas in Switzerland has changed. As a result of this the percentage shown here is quite different from the percentage provided for ESS 2012 (73.7). For more information please refer to the following documents: "Areas with urban character 2012. Explanatory report" <http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/regionen/22/publ.html?publicationID=6564> and "Switzerland's areas with urban character 2012. A new definition of agglomerations and other urban area categories" <http://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/portal/en/index/regionen/22/publ.html?publicationID=5787>

6) Gender X age X education, for the whole country

Sex	Level of education	Age groups						Total
		15 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65 +	
Men	Compulsory schooling	84430	39459	57783	68032	64904	75868	390476
	Basic vocation or general education	21400	[10360]	6696	7741	8626	10403	65226
	Apprenticeship and full-time vocational course	129119	196830	183248	237841	218188	307084	1272310
	High school certificate college / university entrance certificate, teacher-training college	75522	52763	29094	31404	25075	29693	243551
	Advanced professional training	[6368]	82990	106656	128641	108244	127817	560716
	University, FIT, Without indication/DK	16883 *	204951 [1924]	200622 [2089]	173786 [2934]	119799 [1554]	124610 18743	840651 27898
	Total	334376	589277	586188	650379	546390	694218	3400828
Women	Compulsory schooling	57251	31358	55490	78753	87709	200889	511450
	Basic vocation or general education	27949	11694	15225	21203	24077	64122	164270
	Apprenticeship and full-time vocational course	98242	168158	191557	270612	247960	397034	1373563
	High school certificate college / university entrance certificate, teacher-training college	97458	52432	53679	52166	43790	53766	353291
	Advanced professional training	[7101]	64877	76295	80964	49490	44604	323331
	University, FIT, Without indication/DK	26536 *	236455 [1311]	191879 [1670]	135287 [2434]	88608 [2614]	70362 35116	749127 43145
	Total	314537	566285	585795	641419	544248	865893	3518177
Total	Compulsory schooling	141681	70817	113273	146785	152613	276757	901926
	Basic vocation or general education	49349	22054	21921	28944	32703	74525	229496
	Apprenticeship and full-time vocational course	227361	364988	374805	508453	466148	704118	2645873
	High school certificate college / university entrance certificate, teacher-training college	172980	105195	82773	83570	68865	83459	596842
	Advanced professional training	13469	147867	182951	209605	157734	172421	884047
	University, FIT, Without indication/DK	43419 *	441406 [3235]	392501 [3759]	309073 [5368]	208407 [4168]	194972 53859	1589778 71043
	Total	648913	1155562	1171983	1291798	1090638	1560111	6919005

Source: SFSO / Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) 2018, post-stratified and weighted on population size; figures in brackets: less than 50 observations; *=insufficient observations (less than 5)