

BASIC STATISTICS OF SWITZERLAND, 2012
(Numbers in parentheses refer to the OECD average)^a

LAND, PEOPLE AND ELECTORAL CYCLE

Population (million)	8.0	Population density per km ²	192.7	(34.5)
Under 15 (%)	14.4	(18.1) Life expectancy (years, 2011)	82.8	(80.0)
Over 65 (%)	18.1	(15.3) Men	80.5	(77.3)
Foreign-born (% , 2011)	27.3	Women	85.0	(82.8)
Latest 5-year average growth (%)	1.0	(0.5) Last general election	October	2011

ECONOMY

Gross domestic product (GDP)		Value added shares (% , 2011)		
In current prices (billion USD)	631.3	Primary	0.8	(2.5)
In current prices (billion CHF)	591.9	Industry including construction	26.9	(27.7)
Latest 5-year average real growth (%)	1.2	(0.6) Services	72.3	(69.8)
Per capita, PPP (thousand USD)	53.5	(37.2)		

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

		Per cent of GDP		
Expenditure ^b	34.1	(42.6) Gross financial debt (2010 ^b)	43.2	(110.7)
Revenue ^b	33.8	(36.2) Net financial debt (2010 ^b)	6.9	(72.5)

EXTERNAL ACCOUNTS

Exchange rate (CHF per USD)	0.937	Main exports (% of total merchandise exports)		
PPP exchange rate (USA = 1)	1.389	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	37.0	
In per cent of GDP		Miscellaneous manufactured articles	24.3	
Exports of goods and services	52.3	(53.5) Machinery and transport equipment	19.0	
Imports of goods and services	41.9	(50.0) Main imports (% of total merchandise imports)		
Current account balance	11.1	(-0.5) Machinery and transport equipment	25.7	
Net international investment position	151.8	Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	22.2	
		Miscellaneous manufactured goods	20.7	

LABOUR MARKET, SKILLS AND INNOVATION

Employment rate (%) for 15-64 year olds	79.4	(65.0) Unemployment rate (%)	4.2	(7.9)
Men	85.2	(73.1) Youth (%)	6.1	(16.2)
Women	73.6	(57.0) Long-term unemployed (%)	1.5	(2.7)
Average worked hours per year (2011)	1 636	(1 765) Tertiary educational attainment		
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP, 2008)	2.9	(2.4) 25-64 year-olds (% , 2011)	35.2	(31.5)

ENVIRONMENT

Total primary energy supply per capita (toe)	3.2	(4.2) CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion per		
Renewables (%)	20.5	(8.5) capita (tonnes, 2010)	5.6	(10.1)
Fine particulate matter concentration (urban, PM10, µg/m ³ , 2010)	19.8	(20.1) Water abstractions per capita (1 000 m ³ , 2006)	0.3	
		Municipal waste per capita (tonnes, 2010)	0.7	(0.5)

SOCIETY

Income inequality (Gini coefficient, 2009)	0.298	(0.308) Education outcomes (PISA score, 2009)		
Relative poverty rate (% , 2009)	9.5	(10.7) Reading	501	(493)
Public and private spending (% of GDP)		Mathematics	534	(496)
Health care (2011)	11.0	(9.5) Science	517	(501)
Pensions (2008)	12.4	(7.9) Share of women in parliament (% , July 2013)	27.2	(25.8)
Education (excluding tertiary, 2010)	4.0	(4.0) Net official development assistance (% of GNI)	0.5	(0.4)

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a) Where the OECD aggregate is not provided in the source database, a simple OECD average of latest available data is calculated where data exists for at least 29 member countries.

b) 2011 for the OECD.

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