



Press release

Embargo: 18.02.2020, 8:30

14 Health

Swiss Health Survey 2017: tobacco consumption

Heavy smoking has halved during the past 25 years

In 2017, 27% of the population smoked. While the share of smokers has not changed considerably over the past few years, there has been a significant change in consumption patterns in smoking. For example, the share of heavy smokers who consume 20 or more cigarettes per day has halved over the past 25 years. During the same period, social differences among smokers increased, to the detriment of persons with no post-compulsory training or education. These are some of the results from the Swiss Health Survey (SHS) conducted by the Swiss Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

You can find the complete text of the press release in German, French or Italian:

For German see: www.bfs.admin.ch/news/de/2020-0253

For French see: www.bfs.admin.ch/news/fr/2020-0253

For Italian see: www.bfs.admin.ch/news/it/2020-0253