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Research and development in private enterprises in 2019

Enterprises spent CHF 15.5 billion on research in 2019

In 2019, private enterprises dedicated CHF 15.5 billion in Switzerland to their research and development (R&D) activities, i.e. an increase of 9% compared with the revised figure for 2017. With CHF 5.2 billion, the pharmaceutical sector invested the most in R&D in Switzerland. Research activities in private enterprises were carried out by almost 58 700 persons, a quarter of whom were women. These are the main results of a study carried out by the Federal Statistical Office (FSO) in partnership with *economiesuisse*.

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