



## Press release

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### 04 National Economy

Research and development in Switzerland in 2019

## CHF 22.9 billion spent on research and development in Switzerland in 2019

In 2019, CHF 22.9 billion was spent on research and development in Switzerland. This represents an annual average increase of 4.3% compared with 2017, the year of the previous survey. Research and development activities were mainly carried out by private enterprises (68%) and higher education institutions (29%). Almost 133 000 people were employed for this purpose in Switzerland, all sectors combined. Research and development intensity in the Swiss economy increased compared with 2017 and was at a similar level to that of Germany and Austria. These are the main results of the Federal Statistical Office's (FSO) statistics on research and development.

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