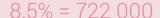
20 Economic and social situation of the population



Persons affected by income poverty





2279 CHF

3963 CHF

Poverty line (per month)

Poverty rate before social transfers

16.5%

-48%

Poverty rate after social transfers

8.5%

Decrease in the poverty rate through social transfers (e.g. invalidity pensions, family allowances, social assistance; without old-age benefits)

15.4% = 1 308 000

Persons at risk of poverty





2506 CHF

5263 CHF

At-risk-of-poverty line (per month)

14.6% (vs. 6.4% of the total population)

of people at risk of poverty live in an overcrowded household

6.1% (vs. 2.7% of the total population)

of people at risk of poverty have unmet needs for medical examination

16.4% (vs. 7.5% of the total population)

of people at risk of poverty are dissatisfied with their current life



10.9%

8.2%

19.8%

8.1%

have difficulty or great difficulty in making ends meet

have at least one arrear (not including taxes and health insurance premiums)

are unable to face an unexpected financial expense

cannot afford a one week annual holiday away from home

19.6%

8.6%

32.8%

29.5%



The income data in the SILC 2020 survey relates to the year 2019, i.e. before the Covid-19 pandemic. All other results represent the situation at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic (Swiss data collection from January to June 2020).

Source: FSO. Eurostat - SILC 2020