



Statistics on Normal Workweek in Companies

Description

The Statistics on Normal Workweek in Companies (NW) have existed since 1942. The normal workweek is defined as the number of hours a company employee is required to work each week over a period of several months or years. Generally speaking, the workweek is understood as being full-time, with no overtime hours nor reduced work schedules.

Available since:
1942

Published results:
Normal workweek of full-time employees by domestic concept

Methodology

Methodology used:
Administrative data. Although the NW has been providing data on normal workweek since 1942, the basic concepts and methods have evolved considerably over time. Since 1973, NW have been based on employee accident claims sent to the Office for the Centralisation of Accident Insurance Statistics (SSUV/SSAA). The duration of the normal workweek is based on a weighted calculation, which until 2012 was based on the latest Business Census (BC). From 2013, this scheme will be based on Structural Business Statistics (STATENT). Each economic division in each canton is assigned a weighting coefficient. This allows us to calculate aggregate values based on the employment structures specific to each canton and region.

Variables used:
NOGA economic sections x divisions
NOGA economic sections x cantons
NOGA economic sections x main regions
(x = combined with)

Survey date:
Calendar year

Periodicity of publication:
Yearly

Degree of regionalisation:
Switzerland, main regions, cantons

Quality of statistical information:
Roughly 290,000 accident claims are added to the database each year. Durations based on 10-29 claims (e.g. some economic branches involve only a small number of jobs) are shown in parenthesis. Durations based on fewer than 10 claims are not published.

Revision:
1997, 2011, 2013

Policy on revisions

Routine revisions:
The Statistics on Normal Workweek in Companies (NW) is not subject to routine revisions.

Methodology revisions:
Methodological revisions are made from time to time following major changes to sources

or in the case of the revision of the classification of economic activities.

Legal bases

Federal Statistics Act of 9 October 1992

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