



Work Volume Statistics

Description

Work Volume Statistics (WV) provides macroeconomic data on the annual volume of actual hours worked for the entire Swiss economy and thus offers a basis for calculating productivity per hour worked. It also provides detailed data on the components of actual hours worked per job (contractual or usual hours, absences and overtime) as well as the number of weeks of holidays.

Available since:
1991

Published results:
Actual hours worked, contractual working hours, usual working hours, absence and over-time, in annual and weekly hours per job or in annual volume.
Absence rate, overtime rate, weeks of holiday.

Methodology

Methodology used:
Summary statistics. The Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS) is the main source used to compile WV, which provides indicators of the volume of work carried out by the permanent resident population. In order to calculate the volume of work according to the domestic concept, information is drawn from other sources such as the Central Information Service on Migration (CISM). Finally, for the calculation of absences due to short-time working, data from the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) are used.

Variables used:
Sex x nationality x NOGA economic sections
Sex x nationality x activity status
Sex x nationality x type of workweek (full-time or part-time, in %)
Sex x nationality x main regions
(x = combined with)

Survey date:
Calendar year

Periodicity of publication:
Yearly

Degree of regionalisation:
Switzerland and main regions

Links used:
Swiss Labour Force Survey (SLFS), Central Information Service on Migration (CISM), Cross-border Commuters Statistics (CCS), Swiss Earnings Structure Survey (ESS), data from the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM), the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA), the Swiss Maritime Navigation Office (SMNO), EUROSTAT and the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO).

Quality of statistical information:
Margin of error cannot be estimated because WV are compiled from various sources. However, published tables are not as detailed since one survey (SLFS) was used as the main source for WV (e.g. economic branches up to 1st level of NOGA only).

Revision:
2004, 2010, 2017, 2020

Policy on revisions

Routine revisions:

The Work Volume Statistics (WV) 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

Organisation

Swiss Federal Statistical Office (SFSO)

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