



Factsheet – Statistical activity and published results

Cantonal Student Grants and Loans Statistics (STIP)

Description

The Cantonal Student Grants and Loans Statistics gather information on student funding by the cantons. They seek to create a Switzerland-wide picture of trends in the amounts awarded in the form of cantonal grants or student loans, and the number of recipients by type of programme.

Available since:
1971

The Swiss Federal Statistical Office (FSO) has been collecting these data since 2004.

Methodology

Methodology used

Exhaustive survey based on data from cantonal departments responsible for student grants and loans

Variables used

The survey includes all beneficiaries of student grants and loans.

Beneficiary ID

Age

Sex

Nationality

Foreign national status (settlement permit)

Municipality of residence

Educational level

Full-time/part-time

Bachelor/master/doctorate

Federal vocational baccalaureate during or following programme

Canton

Type of funding

Total grants or loans

Survey period

Calendar year (1 January–31 December)

Periodicity of publication

Annual

Data for a given year are published in October of the following year.

Degree of regionalisation

Canton

Policy on revisions

Periodic revisions

The annual publication of new findings (October) includes retroactive corrections received throughout the previous year and any nomenclature updates. The historical series has been updated to 2004.

Methodological revisions / ad hoc revisions

Revisions are undertaken as required (e.g. revision of nomenclatures).

Last revision

2010: introduction of the OASI (AVS/AHV) number (NAVS13) as a personal identifier. Data are available at individual level.

Legal bases

Ordinance of 30 April 2025 on Federal Statistics (SR 431.011)

Organisation

Federal Statistical Office (FSO) in collaboration with the Intercantonal Scholarship Conference (CIBE) and the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI)

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