



Factsheet – Statistical activity and published results

Educational institutions (SBI)

Description

The Educational Institutions Statistics (SBI) describe educational infrastructure by canton, from primary level 1-2 (kindergarten/first learning cycle) to tertiary level. All of the mainstream and special needs educational institutions, public and private with at least one pupil are part of these statistics. The data are collected using the Statistics on Pupils and Students (SDL, SIUS-studex) and are complemented by information from the Business and Enterprise Register (BER).

Available since:
2010

Methodology

Methodology used

Exhaustive survey based on data from the Statistics on Pupils and Students (SDL, SHIS-studex) and the Business and Enterprise Register (BER)

Variables used

Data are gathered on the training site (e.g. building, school centre) and administrative organisation of the institutions (e.g. management, school district). The degree of detail varies depending on the cantonal school organisations.

School year
Educational institution identifier (BER number)
Educational level
Language of instruction
Organisational structure (administrative unit vs. training site)
Status (private, public)
Canton
Political commune
Address

Survey period

School year

Periodicity of publication

Annual

Data from a school year are published from March of the following year (e.g. March 2025 for the 2023/24 school year).

Degree of regionalisation

Communes (aggregated at cantonal level for data protection reasons)

Policy on revisions

Periodic revisions

The annual publication of new findings (at the end of March) includes retroactive corrections received throughout the previous year and any nomenclature updates (e.g. including changes to the structure of communes). The historical series has been updated annually to 2010.

Methodological revisions / ad hoc revisions

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

Legal bases

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

Organisation

Federal Statistical Office (FSO) in collaboration with the competent cantonal authorities

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