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The food supply chain

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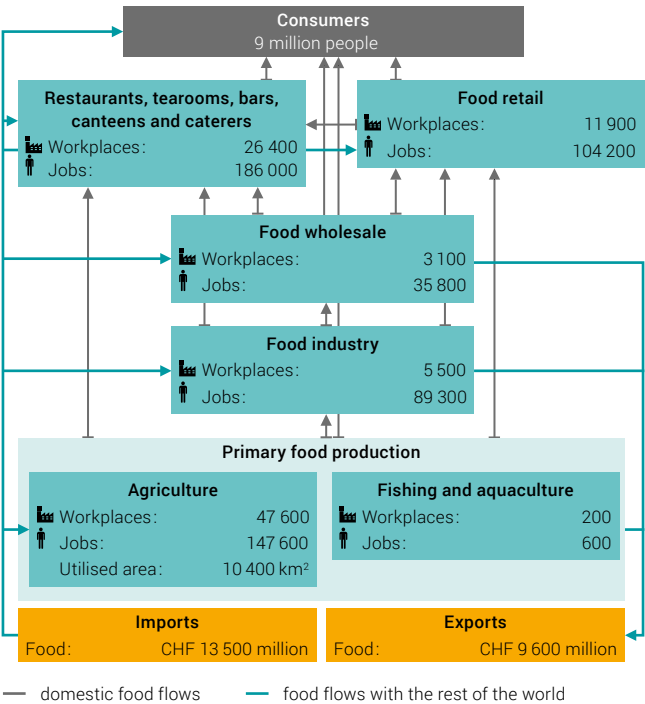
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The food supply chain describes the different processes from raw material production in agriculture and fishing to processing and from retail to the food on consumers' tables.

The food supply chain in Switzerland, 2023

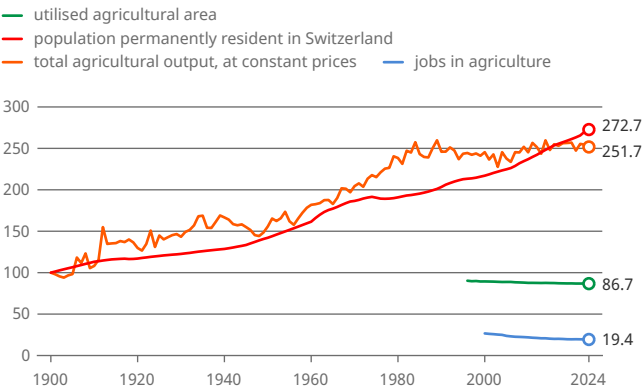


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Productivity: more yield from less land and fewer workers

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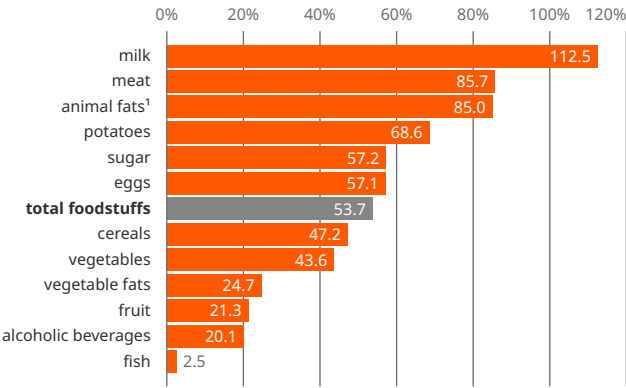


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Food security: Swiss agriculture meets 54% of domestic food demand, 2023

Domestic production by usable energy



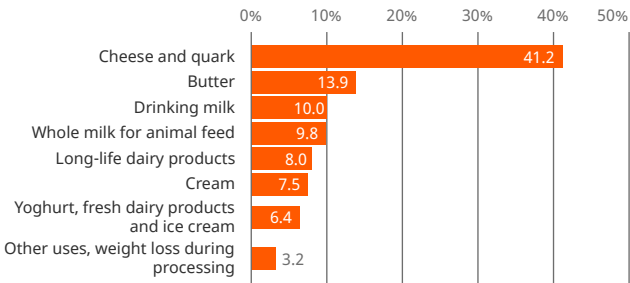
¹ including butter
2023: provisional

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Source: Agristat – Food Balance Sheet

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Cheese country: 41% of Swiss milk is turned into cheese and quark in 2024

Cow’s milk produced: 3.7 billion kg

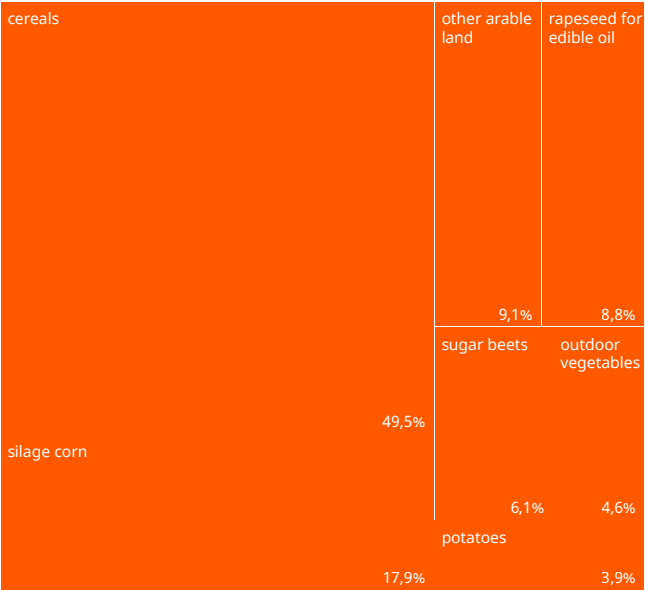


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Source: Agristat – Dairy Statistics

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Arable land: rapeseed covers an area equivalent to the combined surface areas of the lakes of Neuchâtel and Bienne, 2024

Arable land 2024: 275 535 ha



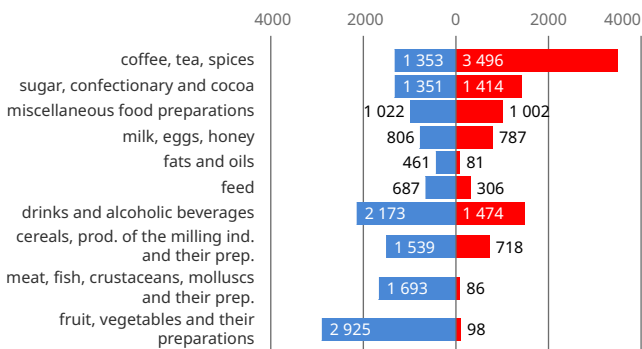
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Foreign trade: CHF 2.9 billion on imported fruit and vegetables, 2024

In CHF millions

■ imports ■ exports



Data as on: 14.10.2025

Source: FOCBS – Swiss Foreign Trade Statistics

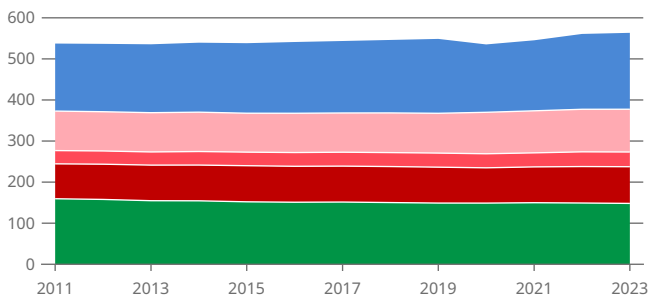
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Jobs: 10% in food supply chain, 2023

In thousand jobs

■ agriculture and fishing ■ food industry ■ food wholesale ■ food retail
■ restaurants, tearooms, bars, canteens and caterers



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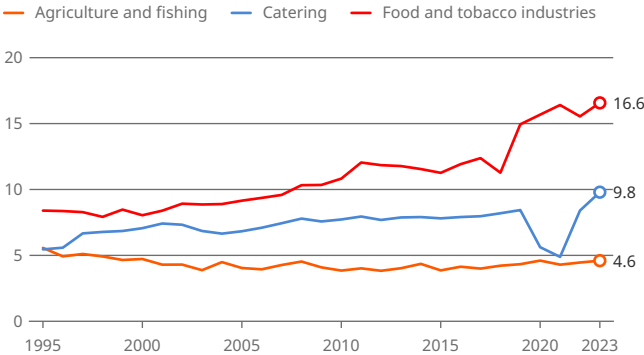
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Gross value added: food service activities have recovered after the COVID-19 pandemic

In CHF billion, at current prices



Data as on: 29.09.2025

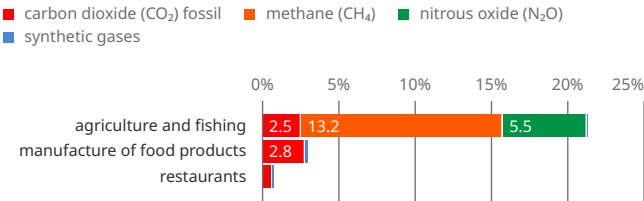
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Greenhouse gases: 21% of emissions in total economy caused by agriculture, 2023

Proportion of total greenhouse gas emissions produced by the economy



Data as on: 30.09.2025

Source: FSO – Environmental accounting

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Key cantonal figures: jobs in food supply chain, 2023

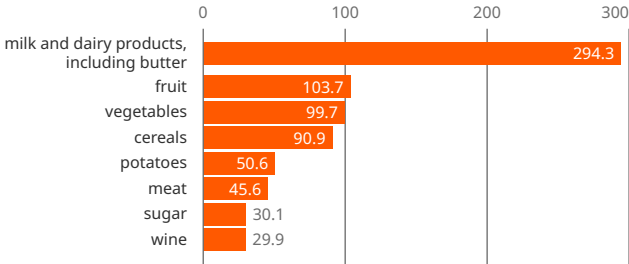
Cantons	Total economy	Food chain. percentage of total economy				
	Total	Total in %	Agriculture and fishing in %	Food industry in %	Food wholesale and food retail in %	Restaurants in %
ZH	1 141 903	7.9	0.9	1.0	2.4	3.5
BE	673 902	11.7	4.4	1.8	2.5	3.0
LU	272 217	12.8	4.7	2.3	2.8	3.0
UR	19 586	15.4	6.9	0.9	2.8	4.8
SZ	92 155	12.0	4.3	1.9	2.6	3.2
OW	23 646	15.3	6.5	3.3	2.0	3.4
NW	25 421	11.1	4.3	1.0	2.7	3.1
GL	23 131	14.4	3.9	4.6	3.3	2.5
ZG	131 705	7.9	1.3	1.0	2.1	3.4
FR	166 675	15.0	4.8	4.0	3.0	3.3
SO	151 879	8.8	2.5	1.5	2.3	2.5
BS	199 745	6.9	0.03	1.0	1.4	4.5
BL	160 248	8.3	1.7	2.0	2.5	2.1
SH	48 550	9.8	3.5	1.7	2.1	2.5
AR	27 891	11.0	5.4	0.7	2.4	2.4
AI	9 580	23.9	10.2	7.7	2.5	3.5
SG	318 271	11.1	3.3	2.4	2.3	3.0
GR	141 221	13.3	4.3	1.6	2.9	4.5
AG	363 288	9.9	2.5	2.1	2.8	2.5
TG	148 637	13.4	5.8	2.8	2.8	2.1
TI	252 486	7.9	1.1	1.0	2.2	3.5
VD	494 652	9.9	2.4	1.5	2.8	3.3
VS	198 758	14.8	5.0	1.4	3.2	5.1
NE	114 700	7.7	1.9	0.9	2.0	3.0
GE	396 090	6.8	0.5	0.5	2.1	3.8
JU	48 533	10.9	5.7	0.9	2.0	2.2
Switzerland	5 644 870	10.0	2.6	1.6	2.5	3.3

Source: FSO – Structural Business Statistics (STATENT)

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Consumption: sugar consumption equivalent to 21 sugar cubes (4g each) per person per day, 2023

In kg of raw product per head



2023: provisional

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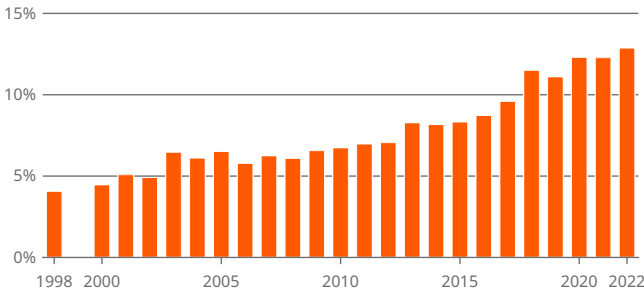
Source: Agristat – Food Balance Sheet

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Organic products: households spent more on organic products in 2022 than in 1998

Proportion of total expenditure on food and drink accounted for by organic products



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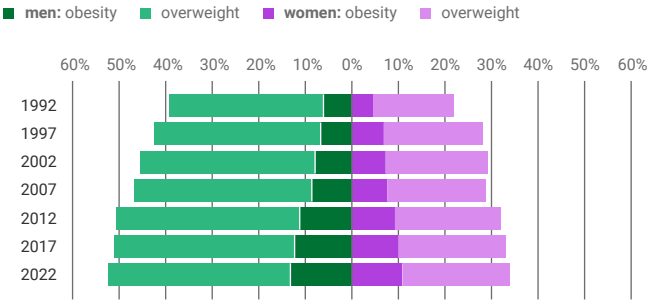
Source: FSO – Household Budget Survey

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Overweight and obesity: an increasing challenge for public health

Population aged 15 or over living in a private household



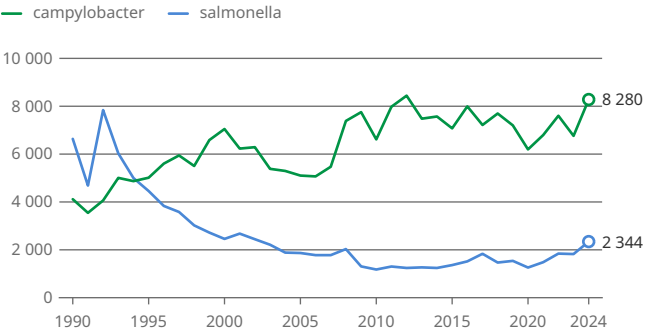
Source: FSO – Swiss Health Survey (SHS)

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Gastrointestinal illnesses: hygiene is crucial throughout the food supply chain

The most common zoonoses reported in humans

Number of cases



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Source: FOPH – Epidemiology

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