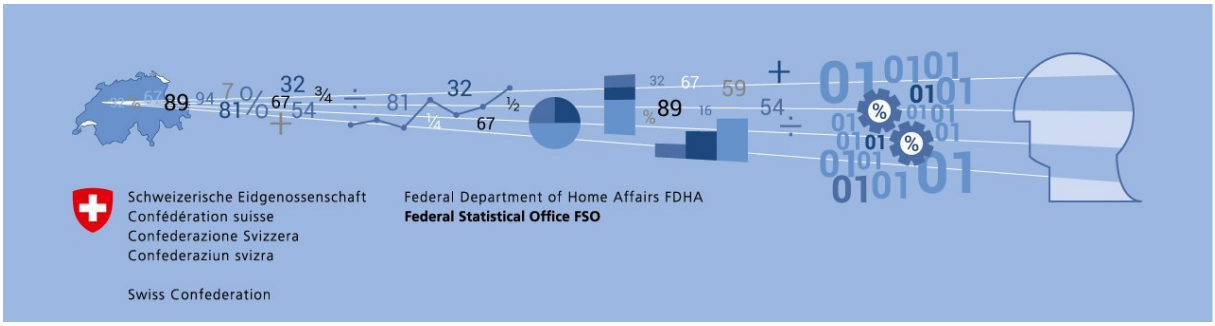


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Longitudinal analyses in the field of education (LABB)

38% of holders of a Federal VET Diploma go on to obtain a tertiary-level qualification within 12 years

Of those holding a Federal Diploma of Vocational Education and Training, 38% went on to obtain a tertiary-level qualification in the following 12 years. These results vary greatly according to the field of study in which the federal VET diploma is obtained as well as the characteristics of the enterprise and socioeconomic factors. In particular, the share of those obtaining a tertiary qualification exceeds 50% if at least one parent holds such a qualification themselves, but falls to just 27% if neither parent holds a post-compulsory qualification. These are the main findings of a new publication from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

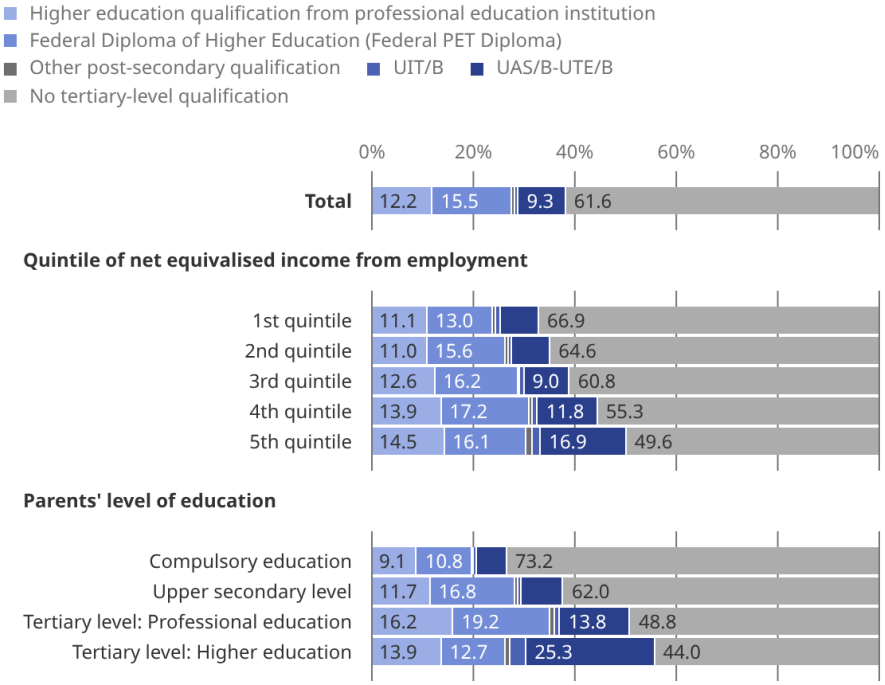
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Obtention of a tertiary-level qualification within 12 years of obtaining a Federal Diploma of Vocational Education and Training (Federal VET Diploma) in 2012, by socio-economic background at the time the CFC was obtained



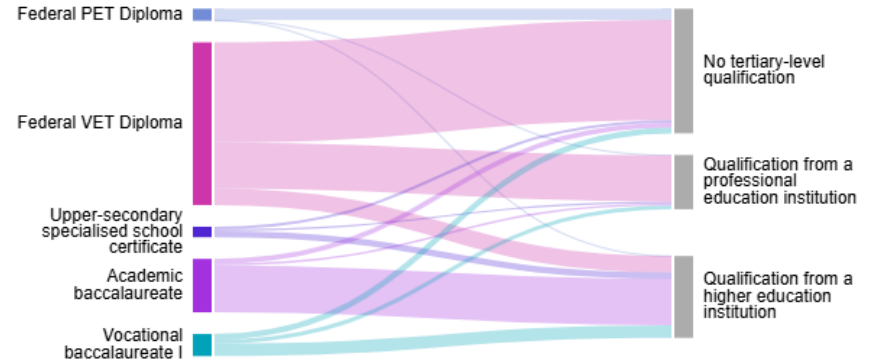
Other post-secondary qualification: Postgraduate diploma from a professional education institution, Advanced Federal Diploma of Higher Education or non-regulated post-secondary qualification. Information on parents' level of education is taken from the Structural Survey; confidence intervals are available online. Excludes the group of young people for whom the relevant information is not available. This group is, however, included in the total.

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Type of first tertiary qualification obtained within 12 years of completing upper secondary education, by type of upper secondary qualification

Entire cohort of 2012 upper secondary graduates (N=76 250)



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