



Job Statistics (JOBSTAT)

Description

Quarterly job statistics have been gathered since 1925. JOBSTAT is a survey of 18,000 secondary and tertiary sector enterprises (65,000 businesses) to produce labour market indicators for Switzerland.

Available since:

1925; available in electronic form since 1992.

Features registered:

Jobs (as defined by domestic concept and by the universe of the Structural Business Statistics STATENT) in secondary and tertiary businesses. The STATENT universe is based essentially on the AVS/AHV (old-age and survivors' insurance) registers. It includes all enterprises and persons who have to pay AVS/AHS contributions.

This does not include:

- Jobs in the primary sector
- Jobs in private households
- Jobs not subject to AVS/AHV contributions

Jobs statistics presented according to:

Sex + NOGA economic divisions + type of workweek (full-time or part-time, in %)

Sex + economic sectors + main regions

Indicators relating to job recruitment challenges and labour market outlook

for a given selection of NOGA economic divisions

main regions

Number of vacancies

for a given selection of NOGA economic divisions

main regions

+ means combined with

Methodology

The survey is based on a random sampling of enterprises drawn from the Business and Enterprise Register (BER). All business establishments (local units) are included in this register. The sample is broken down by economic branch, (NOGA FSO50 classification). Respondents are asked to fill out a questionnaire, which can either be hardcopy or electronic (online eSurvey), sent/received by email or saved to a USB device. The survey is coordinated with the Profiling and Profiling Light surveys.

Degree of regionalisation:

Switzerland and main regions

Periodicity:

Quarterly

Reference period:

Last month of each quarter (March, June, September & December)

Statistical quality of data:

Variation coefficient below 0.5 % for total employment (below 1% per economic sector)

Revision:

2003, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2015 Remarque: The JOBSTAT, the STATENT and the Employment Statistics (ES) approach the labour market from different angles but with related concepts: Jobs for the JOBSTAT and STATENT and persons employed for the ES.

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