



Factsheet - Survey/Statistic

Swiss statistics on built heritage

Description

The statistics provide detailed information on immovable cultural heritage in Switzerland. To obtain the broadest view possible, information is gathered from the fields of conservation of built heritage, archaeology as well as the conservation of historic towns and settlements and condensed into statistics.

Available since:

First survey in 2018 (data from 2016)

Characteristics recorded:

Conservation of built heritage

- Total number of objects recorded
- Of which protected objects
- Importance of objects (national, regional or local)
- Ownership (private or public)
- Type of object (sacred or secular structure)
- Cantonal and communal expenditure on conservation of built heritage

Archaeology

- Sites recorded
- Importance of sites (national, regional or local)
- Areas with archaeological potential (number and surface area)
- Protected archaeological zones (number and surface area)
- Archaeological interventions (expected and unexpected)
- Cantonal and communal expenditure on archaeology

Conservation of historic towns and settlements

- Sites recorded
- Importance of sites (national, cantonal/regional)
- Protected areas corresponding to historic towns and settlements (type and surface area)
- Cantonal and communal expenditure on conservation of historic towns and settlements

Methodology

Data are collected as part of an exhaustive survey of the relevant cantonal offices. The survey is conducted every five years by means of a detailed online questionnaire

Degree of regionalisation:

Cantons

Periodicity:

Every 5 years

Reference period:

from 2016

Quality of statistical information:

Data are supplied by the relevant cantonal specialists for built heritage conservation, archaeology, conservation of historic towns and settlements, spatial planning and financing in the cantons. The survey questionnaire was designed in collaboration with professional associations and experts, tested in a broad-based pilot survey and improved for intercantonal comparability. Comprehensive quality assurance measures guarantee the quality of data. An initial check of data plausibility takes place directly in the survey tool as data is being collected. More extensive tests take place in a second, more detailed phase.

Revision:

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Legal bases

Ordinance of 30.06.1993 on the Conduct of Federal Statistical surveys (SR 431.012.1)

Organisation

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