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Basel

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	168,620
Population density in km ²	2015	7,070.0
Youth dependency ratio	2015	25.5
Old age dependency ratio	2015	30.6
Median age, in years	2015	42.2
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	36.2
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	21.7
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	14.5

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	77.5
Employment rate 20-64	2015	75.7

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	96,441
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	7.0
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.3
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	40.9

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	2,223
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	13.2
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	808
per 1000 residents	2015	4.8
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	5.3

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	16,213
in the primary sector, in %	2015	0.3
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	220.8
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	925.1
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	5,823.0
in % of total employment	2015	35.9

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	337.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	34
Commuters, total	2015	147,019
by public transport, in %	2015	56.4
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	23.8
by soft mobility, in %	2015	19.8



Basel



Stops of public transport	2015	173
per 1000 residents	2015	1.0

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	4,850
per 1000 residents	2015	28.8
Museums and Theaters	2015	45
per 1000 residents	2015	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	1,189,658
per inhabitant	2015	7.1

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	23.9
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	12.5
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	74.9
Other land use, in %	2004/09	12.6



Bern



Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	130,015
Population density in km ²	2015	2,518.7
Youth dependency ratio	2015	23.5
Old age dependency ratio	2015	26.6
Median age, in years	2015	40.0
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	24.9
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	14.5
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	10.4

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	85.5
Employment rate 20-64	2015	83.3

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	77,516
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	5.4
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.4
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	39.0

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	1,024
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	7.9
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	817
per 1000 residents	2015	6.3
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	4.6

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	14,218
in the primary sector, in %	2015	2.3
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	108.6
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	1,173.9
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	8,276.0
in % of total employment	2015	58.2

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	388.5
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	38
Commuters, total	2015	180,989
by public transport, in %	2015	58.7
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	28.6
by soft mobility, in %	2015	12.6



Bern



Stops of public transport	2015	189
per 1000 residents	2015	1.5

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	7,553
per 1000 residents	2015	58.1
Museums and Theaters	2015	34
per 1000 residents	2015	0.3
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	715,286
per inhabitant	2015	5.5

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	51.6
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	39.7
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	37.9
Other land use, in %	2004/09	22.4



Geneva



Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	194,565
Population density in km ²	2015	12,213.7
Youth dependency ratio	2015	26.9
Old age dependency ratio	2015	24.5
Median age, in years	2015	40.0
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	48.4
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	31.2
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	17.2

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	78.4
Employment rate 20-64	2015	73.1

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	106,313
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	0.7
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.5
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	36.8

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	2,138
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	11.0
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	1,795
per 1000 residents	2015	9.2
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	7.3

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	21,132
in the primary sector, in %	2015	0.2
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	51.0
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	785.7
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	6,353.0
in % of total employment	2015	30.1

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	377.6
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	36
Commuters, total	2015	137,515
by public transport, in %	2015	53.0
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	29.1
by soft mobility, in %	2015	17.9



Geneva



Stops of public transport	2015	156
per 1000 residents	2015	0.8

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	3,437
per 1000 residents	2015	17.7
Museums and Theaters	2015	14
per 1000 residents	2015	0.1
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	2,037,896
per inhabitant	2015	10.5

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	15.9
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	18.9
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	75.6
Other land use, in %	2004/09	5.4



Lausanne

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	133,897
Population density in km ²	2015	3,235.8
Youth dependency ratio	2015	30.1
Old age dependency ratio	2015	23.6
Median age, in years	2015	37.3
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	42.3
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	26.9
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	15.4

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	78.9
Employment rate 20-64	2015	74.9

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	75,183
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	3.1
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.1
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	36.8

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	1,543
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	11.5
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	1,089
per 1000 residents	2015	8.1
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	5.5

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	12,483
in the primary sector, in %	2015	0.9
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	55.1
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	886.0
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	6,068.0
in % of total employment	2015	48.6

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	374.9
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	36
Commuters, total	2015	123,492
by public transport, in %	2015	51.0
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	40.5
by soft mobility, in %	2015	8.5



Lausanne



Stops of public transport	2015	196
per 1000 residents	2015	1.5

Culture and leisure

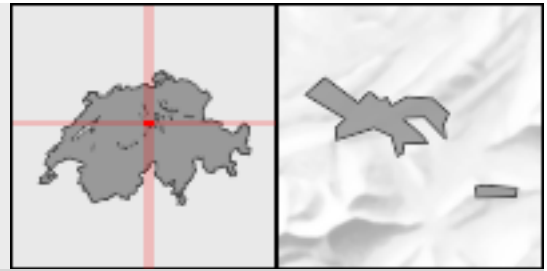
Cinema seats	2015	4,027
per 1000 residents	2015	30.1
Museums and Theaters	2015	31
per 1000 residents	2015	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	762,463
per inhabitant	2015	5.7

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	41.4
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	46.6
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	35.8
Other land use, in %	2004/09	17.6



Lucerne



Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	81,057
Population density in km ²	2015	2,785.5
Youth dependency ratio	2015	24.2
Old age dependency ratio	2015	29.9
Median age, in years	2015	41.1
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	24.2
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	14.4
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	9.7

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	83.4
Employment rate 20-64	2015	82.6

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	45,303
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	4.1
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.8
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	45.4

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	593
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	7.3
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	417
per 1000 residents	2015	5.1
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	4.4

Economic context

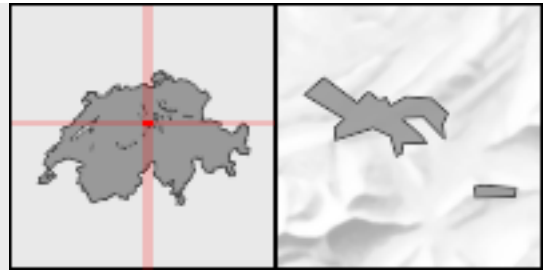
Employment, total	2015	7,933
in the primary sector, in %	2015	1.9
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	93.3
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	922.7
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	2,929.0
in % of total employment	2015	36.9

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	457.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	35
Commuters, total	2015	82,500
by public transport, in %	2015	46.6
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	37.6
by soft mobility, in %	2015	15.8



Lucerne



Stops of public transport	2015	134
per 1000 residents	2015	1.7

Culture and leisure

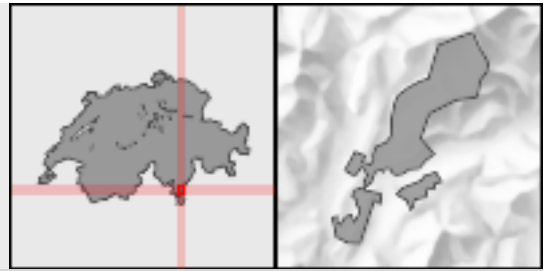
Cinema seats	2015	2,301
per 1000 residents	2015	28.4
Museums and Theaters	2015	10
per 1000 residents	2015	0.1
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	1,279,825
per inhabitant	2015	15.8

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	29.1
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	28.9
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	39.5
Other land use, in %	2004/09	31.6



Lugano



Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	63,668
Population density in km ²	2015	838.1
Youth dependency ratio	2015	28.9
Old age dependency ratio	2015	35.4
Median age, in years	2015	44.8
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	38.0
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	30.1
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	7.9

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	73.5
Employment rate 20-64	2015	70.2

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	38,659
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	17.2
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.8
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	46.3

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	327
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	5.1
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	176
per 1000 residents	2015	2.8
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	6.0

Economic context

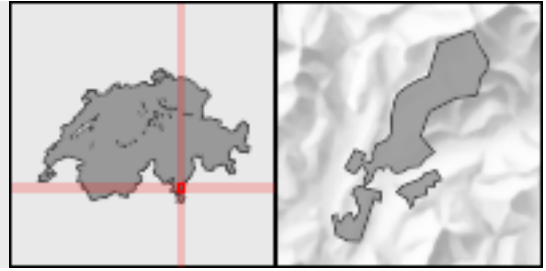
Employment, total	2015	9,666
in the primary sector, in %	2015	1.0
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	58.4
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	512.8
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	2,610.0
in % of total employment	2015	27.0

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	612.2
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	31
Commuters, total	2015	43,910
by public transport, in %	2015	26.0
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	62.4
by soft mobility, in %	2015	11.5



Lugano



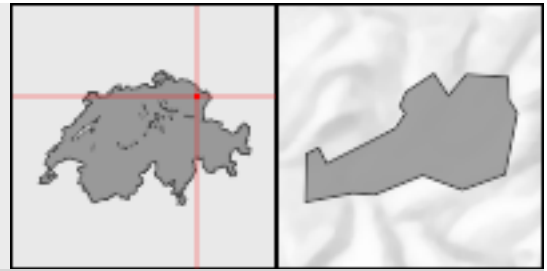
Stops of public transport	2015	216
per 1000 residents	2015	3.4

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	1,868
per 1000 residents	2015	29.3
Museums and Theaters	2015	13
per 1000 residents	2015	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	490,887
per inhabitant	2015	7.7

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	75.9
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	67.6
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	16.5
Other land use, in %	2004/09	15.9



St. Gallen

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	75,310
Population density in km ²	2015	1,912.4
Youth dependency ratio	2015	27.5
Old age dependency ratio	2015	26.9
Median age, in years	2015	39.0
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	30.0
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	17.1
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	12.9

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	81.4
Employment rate 20-64	2015	78.8

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	42,398
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	7.8
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	2.0
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	44.1

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	406
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	5.4
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	313
per 1000 residents	2015	4.2
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	2.9

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	7,053
in the primary sector, in %	2015	2.6
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	163.7
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	970.1
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	3,810.0
in % of total employment	2015	54.0

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	453.3
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	32
Commuters, total	2015	75,118
by public transport, in %	2015	41.2
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	47.2
by soft mobility, in %	2015	11.6



St. Gallen



Stops of public transport	2015	174
per 1000 residents	2015	2.3

Culture and leisure

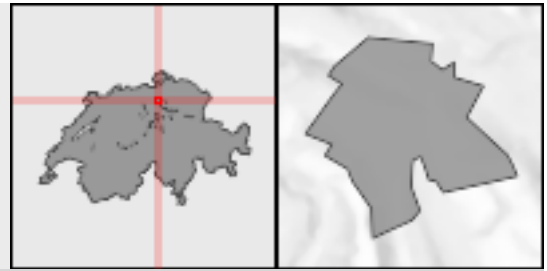
Cinema seats	2015	1,903
per 1000 residents	2015	25.3
Museums and Theaters	2015	12
per 1000 residents	2015	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	190,616
per inhabitant	2015	2.5

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	39.3
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	32.4
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	35.8
Other land use, in %	2004/09	31.9



Zurich



Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	391,359
Population density in km ²	2015	4,450.8
Youth dependency ratio	2015	24.6
Old age dependency ratio	2015	23.5
Median age, in years	2015	38.7
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	31.9
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	22.0
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	9.9

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	84.3
Employment rate 20-64	2015	82.5

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	215,608
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	4.7
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	0.2
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	38.6

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	4,009
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	10.2
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	2,159
per 1000 residents	2015	5.5
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	4.8

Economic context

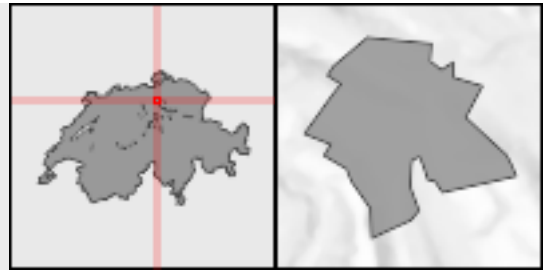
Employment, total	2015	43,401
in the primary sector, in %	2015	0.5
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	69.5
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	987.9
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	40,249.0
in % of total employment	2015	92.7

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	355.8
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	40
Commuters, total	2015	432,584
by public transport, in %	2015	66.3
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	25.4
by soft mobility, in %	2015	8.3



Zurich



Stops of public transport	2015	459
per 1000 residents	2015	1.2

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	10,408
per 1000 residents	2015	26.6
Museums and Theaters	2015	63
per 1000 residents	2015	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	2,947,756
per inhabitant	2015	7.5

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	87.9
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	35.3
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	50.9
Other land use, in %	2004/09	13.8



Switzerland

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2015	8,237,666
Population density in km ²	2015	206.0
Youth dependency ratio	2015	32.6
Old age dependency ratio	2015	28.7
Median age, in years	2015	–
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2015	24.3
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2015	16.1
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2015	8.2

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2015	81.3
Employment rate 20-64	2015	78.7

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2015	4,289,428
Houses per 100 apartments	2015	29.4
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2015	1.2
Average living space per person, in m ²	2015	45.0

Personal security

Violent crimes	2015	42,266
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2015	0.0
Domestic burglaries (without attempt)	2015	30,665
per 1000 residents	2015	0.0
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2015	5.0

Economic context

Employment, total	2015	671,276
in the primary sector, in %	2015	24.8
in the secondary sector, in %	2015	164.0
in the tertiary sector, in %	2015	563.5
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2015	208,991.0
in % of total employment	2015	31.2

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2015	541.2
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2015	–
Commuters, total	2015	1,223,127
by public transport, in %	2015	–
by individual motorized transport, in %	2015	–
by soft mobility, in %	2015	–



Switzerland

Stops of public transport	2015	22,649
per 1000 residents	2015	2.7

Culture and leisure

Cinema seats	2015	103,340
per 1000 residents	2015	12.5
Museums and Theaters	2015	222
per 1000 residents	2015	–
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2015	35,628,476
per inhabitant	2015	4.3

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2004/09	39,992.2
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2004/09	32.8
Building and transportation areas, in %	2004/09	6.8
Other land use, in %	2004/09	60.4



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