



Press release

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Population change and vital statistics in 2020: provisional figures

The Swiss population is growing despite the rise in deaths

According to the provisional figures for 2020 from the population and households statistics of the Federal Statistical Office (FSO), Switzerland's permanent resident population increased by 0.7% compared with 2019 reaching almost 8.7 million inhabitants at the end of 2020. The number of deaths increased with 76 000 cases registered while the numbers of marriages, births and divorces decreased.

Switzerland's permanent resident population comprised 8 667 100 persons as at 31 December 2020, compared with 8 606 000 on the same date in 2019 (+61 100 persons, +0.7%). This demographic growth is among the lowest seen in the past ten years and corresponds to that seen in 2018 and 2019.

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