



## Press release

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### 03 Work and income

Swiss Labour Force Survey and its derivative statistics: hours worked

## Sharp drop in the number of hours worked in 2020

In 2020, a year marked by the COVID-19 pandemic, the total number of hours worked in Switzerland reached 7.608 billion, representing a decline of 3.7% compared with the previous year. The decline was particularly pronounced in the accommodation and food service activities sector (-29.0%). Over the same period, the volume of absences rose considerably (rising from 368 to 946 million hours) according to the latest results from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

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