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Basel: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	173,232
Population density in km ²	2020	7,263
Youth dependency ratio	2020	26.4
Old age dependency ratio	2020	29.7
Median age, in years	2020	41.6
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	38.0
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	23.4
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	14.5

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	77.8
Employment rate 20-64	2020	75.5

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	100,636
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	6.7
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	1.0
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	41

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	2,265
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	13.1
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	598
per 1000 residents	2020	3.5
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	5.5

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	187,181
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.0
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	18.2
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	81.8
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	5,489
in % of total employment	2020	2.9

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	319.8
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	33.0
Commuters, total	2020	110,880
by public transport, in %	2020	52.3
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	20.3
by soft mobility, in %	2020	27.4
Stops of public transport	2020	170
per 1000 residents	2020	1.0

Culture and leisure



Basel: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	4,237
per 1000 residents	2020	24.5
Museums and Theaters	2020	39
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	539,890
per inhabitant	2020	3.1

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	24
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	12.6
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	74.2
Other land use, in %	2013/18	13.1



Bern: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	134,591
Population density in km ²	2020	2,607
Youth dependency ratio	2020	25.3
Old age dependency ratio	2020	26.1
Median age, in years	2020	39.6
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	24.9
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	13.8
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	11.0

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	85.2
Employment rate 20-64	2020	83.9

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	79,598
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	5.3
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	0.6
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	40

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	1,262
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	9.4
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	371
per 1000 residents	2020	2.8
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	4.2

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	191,856
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.2
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	7.8
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	92.0
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	9,790
in % of total employment	2020	5.1

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	382.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	37.7
Commuters, total	2020	141,302
by public transport, in %	2020	58.5
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	25.5
by soft mobility, in %	2020	15.9
Stops of public transport	2020	196
per 1000 residents	2020	1.5

Culture and leisure



Bern: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	4,564
per 1000 residents	2020	33.9
Museums and Theaters	2020	31
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	356,038
per inhabitant	2020	2.6

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	52
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	39.8
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	38.4
Other land use, in %	2013/18	21.8



Geneva: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	203,951
Population density in km ²	2020	12,803
Youth dependency ratio	2020	27.0
Old age dependency ratio	2020	23.9
Median age, in years	2020	40.1
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	48.0
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	30.7
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	17.3

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	76.1
Employment rate 20-64	2020	71.7

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	109,785
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	0.6
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	0.6
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	35

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	2,127
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	10.4
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	1,167
per 1000 residents	2020	5.7
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	6.7

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	188,639
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.0
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	5.6
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	94.4
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	7,030
in % of total employment	2020	3.7

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	346.2
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	35.6
Commuters, total	2020	101,737
by public transport, in %	2020	53.3
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	22.7
by soft mobility, in %	2020	24.1
Stops of public transport	2020	151
per 1000 residents	2020	0.7

Culture and leisure



Geneva: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	1,619
per 1000 residents	2020	7.9
Museums and Theaters	2020	27
per 1000 residents	2020	0.1
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	708,755
per inhabitant	2020	3.5

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	16
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	18.7
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	74.6
Other land use, in %	2013/18	6.7



Lausanne: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	139,408
Population density in km ²	2020	3,369
Youth dependency ratio	2020	29.4
Old age dependency ratio	2020	22.3
Median age, in years	2020	37.5
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	42.4
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	27.0
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	15.3

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	77.3
Employment rate 20-64	2020	73.0

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	79,082
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	2.8
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	0.5
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	37

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	1,629
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	11.7
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	415
per 1000 residents	2020	3.0
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	4.7

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	125,287
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.1
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	5.1
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	94.8
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	7,074
in % of total employment	2020	5.6

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	349.5
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	36.1
Commuters, total	2020	87,662
by public transport, in %	2020	53.2
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	34.3
by soft mobility, in %	2020	12.4
Stops of public transport	2020	203
per 1000 residents	2020	1.5

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Lausanne: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	3,670
per 1000 residents	2020	26.3
Museums and Theaters	2020	30
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	443,045
per inhabitant	2020	3.2

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	41
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	46.3
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	36.9
Other land use, in %	2013/18	16.8



Lucerne: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	82,257
Population density in km ²	2020	2,827
Youth dependency ratio	2020	25.2
Old age dependency ratio	2020	30.2
Median age, in years	2020	40.8
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	24.4
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	14.0
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	10.4

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	83.6
Employment rate 20-64	2020	82.9

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	46,746
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	4.0
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	1.2
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	46

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	538
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	6.5
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	312
per 1000 residents	2020	3.8
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	6.2

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	82,707
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.2
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	8.6
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	91.2
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	2,510
in % of total employment	2020	3.0

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	410.9
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	33.5
Commuters, total	2020	57,405
by public transport, in %	2020	45.1
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	34.8
by soft mobility, in %	2020	20.1
Stops of public transport	2020	133
per 1000 residents	2020	1.6

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Lucerne: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	1,845
per 1000 residents	2020	22.4
Museums and Theaters	2020	13
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	484,891
per inhabitant	2020	5.9

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	29
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	28.7
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	40.2
Other land use, in %	2013/18	31.1



Lugano: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	62,615
Population density in km ²	2020	826
Youth dependency ratio	2020	28.7
Old age dependency ratio	2020	37.1
Median age, in years	2020	46.6
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	38.4
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	30.5
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	7.9

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	71.8
Employment rate 20-64	2020	69.0

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	40,459
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	16.2
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	3.2
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	47

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	365
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	5.8
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	125
per 1000 residents	2020	2.0
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	2.9

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	56,808
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.2
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	9.7
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	90.1
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	2,546
in % of total employment	2020	4.5

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	614.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	29.1
Commuters, total	2020	28,655
by public transport, in %	2020	27.8
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	55.8
by soft mobility, in %	2020	16.4
Stops of public transport	2020	224
per 1000 residents	2020	3.6

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Lugano: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	1,266
per 1000 residents	2020	20.2
Museums and Theaters	2020	15
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	367,102
per inhabitant	2020	5.9

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	76
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	67.5
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	17.1
Other land use, in %	2013/18	15.4



St. Gallen: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	76,090
Population density in km ²	2020	1,932
Youth dependency ratio	2020	28.2
Old age dependency ratio	2020	27.7
Median age, in years	2020	39.3
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	31.5
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	17.5
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	14.0

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	79.9
Employment rate 20-64	2020	78.5

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	43,835
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	7.6
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	3.0
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	45

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	492
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	6.5
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts) per 1000 residents	2020	150
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	2.6

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	85,120
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.2
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	14.2
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	85.6
Employment in the ICT sector and media in % of total employment	2020	3,965
	2020	4.7

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	451.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	30.1
Commuters, total	2020	56,696
by public transport, in %	2020	42.9
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	43.0
by soft mobility, in %	2020	14.1
Stops of public transport per 1000 residents	2020	176
	2020	2.3

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St. Gallen: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	1,089
per 1000 residents	2020	14.3
Museums and Theaters	2020	15
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	145,369
per inhabitant	2020	1.9

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	39
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	32.1
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	37.2
Other land use, in %	2013/18	30.7



Winterthur: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	113,173
Population density in km ²	2020	1,663
Youth dependency ratio	2020	31.3
Old age dependency ratio	2020	25.4
Median age, in years	2020	38.9
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	24.5
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	13.5
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	11.0

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	81.8
Employment rate 20-64	2020	80.6

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	55,616
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	17.3
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	0.6
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	43

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	843
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	7.4
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	227
per 1000 residents	2020	2.0
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	3.2

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	74,337
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.3
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	16.6
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	83.2
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	2,741
in % of total employment	2020	3.7

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	400.4
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	32.3
Commuters, total	2020	53,255
by public transport, in %	2020	40.4
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	39.3
by soft mobility, in %	2020	20.3
Stops of public transport	2020	148
per 1000 residents	2020	1.3

Culture and leisure



Winterthur: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	2,704
per 1000 residents	2020	23.9
Museums and Theaters	2020	23
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	97,314
per inhabitant	2020	0.9

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	68
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	44.9
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	29.2
Other land use, in %	2013/18	25.9



Zurich: core-city

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	420,217
Population density in km ²	2020	4,779
Youth dependency ratio	2020	25.8
Old age dependency ratio	2020	21.8
Median age, in years	2020	38.4
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	32.5
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	22.5
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	10.0

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	83.9
Employment rate 20-64	2020	82.3

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	227,889
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	4.3
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	0.1
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	39

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	4,654
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	11.1
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts)	2020	1,790
per 1000 residents	2020	4.3
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	4.5

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	499,346
in the primary sector, in %	2020	0.0
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	5.6
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	94.4
Employment in the ICT sector and media	2020	46,898
in % of total employment	2020	9.4

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	331.1
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	39.7
Commuters, total	2020	357,617
by public transport, in %	2020	67.9
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	19.9
by soft mobility, in %	2020	12.1
Stops of public transport	2020	455
per 1000 residents	2020	1.1

Culture and leisure



Zurich: core-city

Cinema seats	2020	10,137
per 1000 residents	2020	24.1
Museums and Theaters	2020	64
per 1000 residents	2020	0.2
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	1,117,197
per inhabitant	2020	2.7

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	88
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	35.5
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	51.1
Other land use, in %	2013/18	13.4



Switzerland

Demographic context

Permanent resident population	2020	1,405,534
Population density in km ²	2020	–
Youth dependency ratio	2020	–
Old age dependency ratio	2020	–
Median age, in years	2020	–
Permanent foreign resident population, in %	2020	–
Permanent foreign resident population (EU-28), in %	2020	–
Permanent foreign resident population (not EU-28), in %	2020	–

Income and jobs

Economic activity rate	2020	–
Employment rate 20-64	2020	–

Housing conditions

Dwellings, total	2020	783,646
Houses per 100 apartments	2020	–
Rate of vacant housing units, in %	2020	–
Average living space per person, in m ²	2020	–

Personal security

Violent crimes	2020	14,175
Violent crimes per 1000 residents	2020	–
Burglaries with intrusions in dwellings (incl. attempts) per 1000 residents	2020	5,155
Seriously injured or killed persons in road accidents per 10'000 residents	2020	–

Economic context

Employment, total	2020	1,491,281
in the primary sector, in %	2020	–
in the secondary sector, in %	2020	–
in the tertiary sector, in %	2020	–
Employment in the ICT sector and media in % of total employment	2020	88,043
	2020	–

Mobility

Level of motorization per 1000 residents	2020	–
Average time of journey to work, in minutes	2020	–
Commuters, total	2020	995,210
by public transport, in %	2020	–
by individual motorized transport, in %	2020	–
by soft mobility, in %	2020	–
Stops of public transport per 1000 residents	2020	1,856
	2020	–

Culture and leisure



Switzerland

Cinema seats	2020	31,131
per 1000 residents	2020	–
Museums and Theaters	2020	257
per 1000 residents	2020	–
Annual hotels overnight stays per resident	2020	4,259,601
per inhabitant	2020	–

Landuse

Total land area in km ²	2013/18	433
Wooded and recreational areas, in %	2013/18	326.0
Building and transportation areas, in %	2013/18	398.8
Other land use, in %	2013/18	175.2



Legend

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