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Tourism balance of payments

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Neuchâtel, 30.06.2017 (FSO) – For the first time in its history, the tourism balance of payments was negative in 2016. Expenditure by Swiss residents during visits abroad exceeded the expenditure of non-residents during their stay in Switzerland. The former spent CHF 16.3 billion abroad in 2016, 3.8% more than in 2015. Expenditure by the latter in Switzerland rose by 1.4% to CHF 16 billion. In an economic climate marked by a strong franc, the tourism balance of payments was CHF -252 million, according to initial estimates from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

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