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Swiss farmers work well over 60 hours per week

Neuchâtel, 12.12.2017 (FSO) — For several years the average Swiss farmer has been working well over 60 hours per week. With their off-farm jobs, part-time farmers also work long hours. From 2010 to 2016, however, the hours worked fell by one hour per week. Over the same period, farms greatly increased the direct sale of farm products (+60%). Despite the long working hours, in many cases it is very likely that a family member will take over the farm. These are some of the latest results from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

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