

Education and science



People in education Academic year, 2015/16, in thousands

- ① Compulsory education **928.3**
- ② Upper secondary level **365.2**
- ③ Professional education and training **56.6**
- ④ Higher education institutions **238.8**

Teaching staff in 2015/16 and higher education staff in 2016 in thousands



Compulsory education **91.2**

Higher education institutions **89.4**

Upper secondary level **29.0**

Colleges of higher vocational education and training **2.1**

Diplomas, in thousands



Upper secondary level

- ① Basic vocational education **69.2**
- ② General education courses **41.4**

Tertiary level

- ③ Professional education and training **26.7**
- ④ Higher education institutions **56.2**
- ⑤ Postgraduate degrees **6.1**



CHF 36.7 bn

Educational expenditure, 2015, public expenditure

5.6%

of the gross domestic product



CHF 22.1 bn

Outlay

Research and development, 2015, in Switzerland

Of which private sector **71%**

R&D jobs in the private sector **50 825**

(full-time equivalents)



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