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Swiss Health Survey 2017: standard tables

One in every two people in Switzerland take medication weekly

Over a seven day period, half of the Swiss population aged 15 and over takes at least one medicine. This is shown in the standard tables of the Swiss Health Survey 2017, produced by the Federal Statistical Office (FSO). Compared to previous surveys, the percentage of medicine consumers has risen. An increasing number of people are turning to alternative medicine. In 2017, 29% of people used alternative medicine, with its use more widespread in French-speaking Switzerland than in German and Italian-speaking regions.

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