Work and income

Figures from 2017 unless another year is specified

2017

Employment status of the permanent resident population aged 15 and over



- 1 Self-employed 8.3%
- 2 Family members working in family business 1.3%
- 3 Employees 52.5%
- 4 Apprentices 2.9%
- Inemployed based on ILO definition 3.3%
- 6 In education or training 4.0%
- Housewives/househusbands 3.0%
- 8 Pensioners 21.9%
- Other economically inactive persons 2.6%



Employed persons in Switzerland

5.008 m

1.555 m Employed foreign nationals of whom 20.1% cross-border commuters



234 000

Unemployed based on ILO definition 4.8% of the economically active population



Decrease in real wages (compared to 2016)

7.861 bn

Number of hours worked by all employed persons

9.245 bn

Volume of unpaid work in hours, 2016

41.4

Average weekly working time (hours) of persons in full-time employment



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Gross monthly wage, 2016 (median, economy as a whole)

12.0%

Wage gap between women and men, 2016 (economy as a whole)