



Canton of Zurich

# Facts & Figures

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# Geography and Administration



## Surface area

Surface area in km<sup>2</sup>

**1728.9**

Share of the total area of Switzerland

**4.2%**

## Organisation

**1**

canton

**7**

Government Council members

**12**

districts

**168**

municipalities

**180**

members of the Cantonal Parliament

**26 114**

employees working for the cantonal administration

# Population and Diversity

## Number of residents

**1 482 650**

(per 15 December 2016)

Share of Switzerland's total population

**17.6 %**

## Foreign population by nationality

(2015)

1. Germany	87 013
2. Italy	52 550
3. Portugal	27 663
4. Kosovo	18 432
5. Spain	13 694
6. Serbia	13 526
7. FYR of Macedonia	13 434
8. Turkey	13 406
9. Austria	12 599
10. Other	124 722

## Age distribution (2015)

0–19	19.6 %
20–64	63.5 %
> 64	16.9 %

## Percentage foreign population

**26 %**

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[www.statistik.zh.ch](http://www.statistik.zh.ch)

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Hello?



# Languages and Education

## The four national languages

German, French, Italian, Romansh

## The most common native languages spoken other than the four national languages (2014)

1. English
2. Portuguese
3. Albanian

## Education level ages 25–64 (2014)

Without any post-compulsory education

**14.6 %**

Secondary level II

**41.6 %**

Tertiary level

**43.8 %**

## The QS World University Ranking (2016)

University of Zurich, Rank

**80**

ETH Zurich, Rank

**8**

# Life and Work

## The cantonal GDP (2014)

in CHF million 138 440

## Labour market indicators

Economic activity rate ages 15–64 (2015) 71.4 %  
 Unemployment rate (2016) 3.5 %  
 Part-time employees (2015) 273 000

Jobs by economic sectors: (2014)  
 Agriculture 11 843 (1.2 %)  
 Construction and industry 145 744 (14.7 %)  
 Services 836 410 (84.1 %)



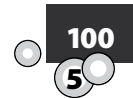
## Housing

Home-ownership rate (2014) 28.5 %  
 Vacant housing (per 1 June 2016) 0.84 %



## Commuter mobility

Average distance (2010) 36 km  
 Share public transport 30 %  
 Share private transport 52 %  
 Share human-powered mobility (2014) 16 %



## Currency

Swiss franc