

# Facts & Figures on the Financial Centre Switzerland

## MOST STABLE

### AAA Rating

state finance ([Link](#))

### Low public debt

debt brake ([Link](#))

### Political stability

4 largest parties in government since 1959 ([Link](#))

### Highest standards

for data protection and cyber security ([Link](#))

### No 8

Global Financial Regulation, Transparency, and Compliance Index (GFRTCI) ([Link](#))

## SUSTAINABLE FINANCE

### CHF 1.66 trillion

sustainable investments in Switzerland ([Link](#))

### Top ranked

in the 2024 Global Green Financial Index ([Link](#))

### Long tradition

for sustainable finance for more than 30 years

### Best-practice transparency

with the Swiss Climate Scores ([Link](#))

[www.finance.swiss](http://www.finance.swiss)

## STRONG FINANCIAL SECTOR

### No 2

financial centre in Europe (both Geneva and Zurich in the top 16 in GFCI 35) ([Link](#))

### No 1

worldwide crossborder wealth management ([Link](#))

### No 3

reinsurance location globally ([Link](#))

### 9.1%

of Swiss GDP generated by the financial sector ([Link](#))

### 227

banks (73 foreign banks) ([Link](#))

### 189

insurance companies (22 reinsurers) ([Link](#))

### 399

FINMA-certified asset managers ([Link](#))

### 234'000

highly qualified employees ([Link](#))

### No 5

most traded currency in the world ([Link](#))

### long tradition

of the financial sector in Switzerland ([Link](#))

## MOST INNOVATIVE

### No 1

patents per capita at the European Patent Office ([Link](#))

### No 1

in innovation ([Link](#))

### Crypto Valley

as global leader (1290 companies, 13 unicorns) ([Link](#))

### Modern and innovative

regulatory framework ([Link](#))

### 510 Fintech Startups

([Link](#))

### Zurich and Geneva

in Europe's top 10 on the Smart Centres Index (Zurich No 2, Geneva No 9) ([Link](#))

## TOP EDUCATION

### 3

Swiss universities in the top 100 worldwide (ETH Zurich No 11, EPF Lausanne No 33, University of Zurich No 80) ([Link](#))

### 4

national languages plus widespread English skills

### over 56'000

foreign students at Swiss universities ([Link](#))

## MOST COMPETITIVE

### No 1

Global Talent Competitiveness Index (GTCI) ([Link](#))

### No 2

Global Competitiveness Report WEF/IMD ([Link](#))

## IN THE HEART OF EUROPE

### 8.6 million

population (25% foreigners from 190 countries) ([Link](#))

### 300 million

people within 500 miles radius

### Ideal time zone

between the Americas and Asia

