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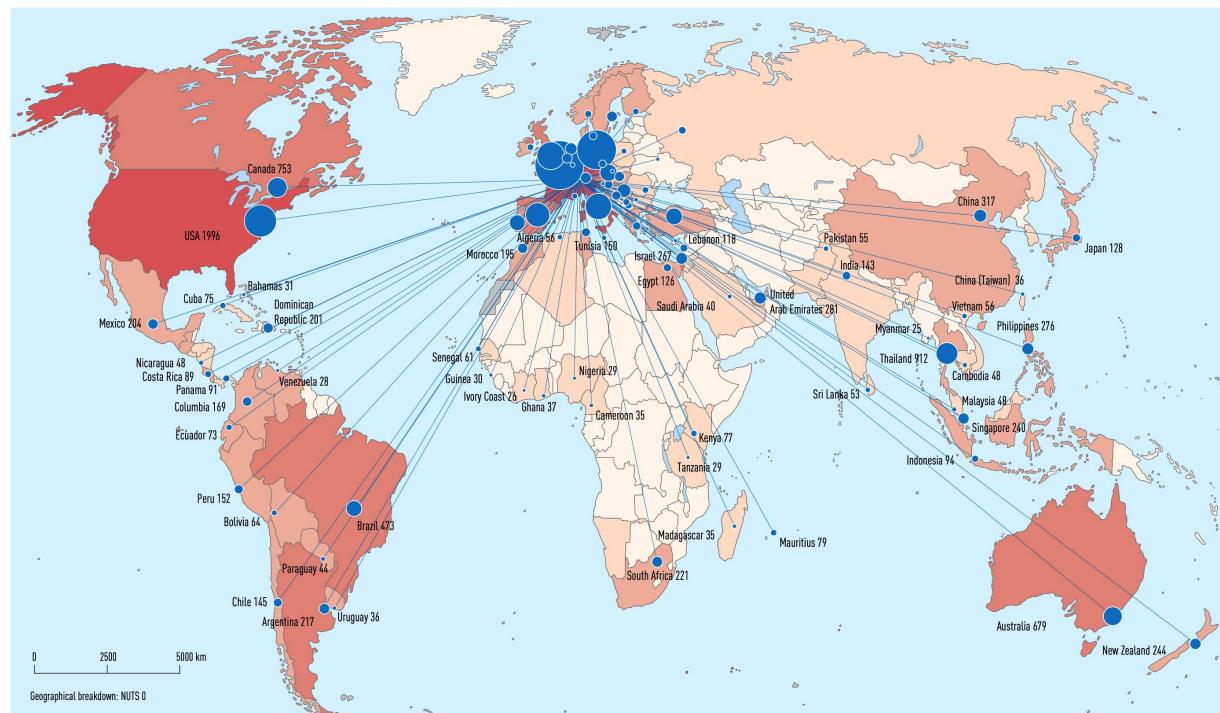
Emigration today – mobile Swiss

The most popular countries to emigrate to are in Europe – France and Germany – with the USA in third position. Apart from these traditional emigration destinations, places such as Thailand are becoming increasingly popular. Advice on emigration and stays abroad can be found on the FDFA website: Living abroad.

At the end of August 2017, the Federal Statistical Office (FSO) published the figures on Swiss emigration in 2016. These are part of the statistics on population movement, which cover immigration to and emigration from Switzerland.

Swiss emigrants worldwide in 2016

Graphic based on FSO STATPOP 2016 statistics for destinations with more than 25 emigrants per year



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- have been visualised in the form of a graphic. A detailed map of Europe is shown on the FDFA's website under Living abroad – Publications and statistics.

Swiss people choose to emigrate for a wide variety of personal reasons. Some set off to study, for a job or for love, while others decide to spend their latter years in a warmer climate. Neither the statistics nor this graphic can provide information on these key life decisions.

FSO Statistics on the population and households

Number of Swiss emigrants per destination



Destinations in Europe	number	Destinations worldwide	number
France	4 606	USA	1 996
Germany	3 012	Thailand	912
United Kingdom	1 486	Canada	753
Italy	1 331	Australia	679
Spain	1 126	Brazil	473
Austria	558	China	317
Turkey	535	United Arab Emirates	281
Portugal	474	Philippines	276
Serbia	357	Saudi Arabia	40
Netherlands	270	Israel	267
Sweden	215	New Zealand	244
Liechtenstein	208	Singapore	240
Belgium	194	South Africa	221
Hungary	193	Argentina	217
Bosnia and Herzegovina	158	Mexico	204
Croatia	142	Dominican Republic	201
Greece	131	Morocco	195
Denmark	117	Columbia	169
Czech Republic	110	Peru	152
Russia	110	Venezuela	150
Norway	91	Ivory Coast	150
Macedonia	91	Chile	145
Kosovo	89	Guinea	105
Ireland	84	Nigeria	29
Romania	81	Tanzania	29
Finland	79	Panama	167
Monaco	65	Costa Rica	169
Poland	62	Mauritius	118
Malta	51	Kenya	118
Luxembourg	42	Cuba	126
Bulgaria	39	Ecuador	94
Ukraine	32	Bolivia	91
Cyprus	31	Senegal	89
Slovakia	28	Algeria	56

Survey period: 1 January to 31 December 2016.

Total number of emigrants in 2016: 30,565 of whom 3443 could not be classified.

Please note: The depiction of borders and the use of names and titles on this map does not mean that Switzerland officially endorses or recognises them.

Federal referendums

Voting proposals are determined by the Federal Council at least four months before the voting date.

Voting dates in 2018:

- 4 March
- 10 June
- 23 September
- 25 November

All information on the proposals (voting pamphlets, committees, recommendations of Parliament and the Federal Council, electronic voting, etc.) can be found at www.admin.ch/gov/en/start/documentation/votes.html.

Popular initiatives

The following new federal popular initiatives had been launched at the time of going to press (signature collection deadline in brackets):

- "Yes to a ban on animal and human experiments – Yes to research that brings safety and progress" (03.04.2019)
- "Health insurance. Organisational freedom for the cantons" (03.04.2019)
- "Reduce tax on salaries, tax capital fairly" (03.04.2019)
- "For a parliament independent of the health insurance companies" (03.04.2019)

The list of pending popular initiatives can be found at [www.bk.admin.ch/Aktuell/Wahlen und Abstimmungen / Hängige Volksinitiativen](http://www.bk.admin.ch/Aktuell/Wahlen-und-Abstimmungen/Hangige-Volksinitiativen).

