# SWITZERLAND





#### SWITZERLAND'S GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

Switzerland has a very interesting geographical location as it is located in Central Europe. The Swiss are bordering Italy from the south, Germany from the North, France from the west and Austria with Liechtenstein from the east, While being landlocked and having no access to sea.



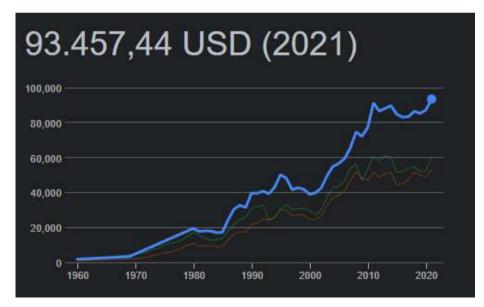
#### SWITZERLAND'S TOPOGRAPHY

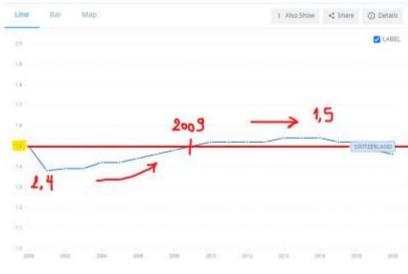
This country is a very mountainous one, with the Alps covering a total of 58% of the land, while the other 42% is being covered by the Swiss Plateau (31%) and Jura (11%)



### PEOPLE AND GROWTH

Switzerland, with population of **8,7 Million people**, is one Europe's **richest** countries (specifically the 4th) with GDP per capita of 93.457 US Dollars. Nevertheless, it hasn't a high Birth rate as it is stuck at **1,5 child births** per woman since **2009**.





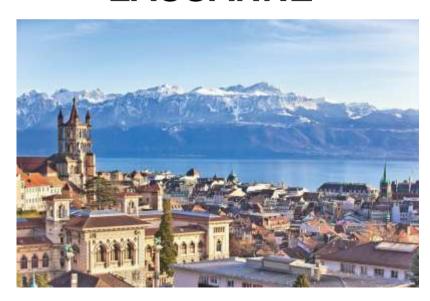
## CAPITAL CITY Current president of Switzerland: Ignazio Cassis

Switzerland's capital city is **Bern** (133k population), while **Lausanne** (137k) is it's judicial centre (To Greeks and Turks, Lausanne is known for the Lausanne treaty of 1923).

## **BERN**



## **LAUSANNE**



#### **CUSTOMS AND TRADITION**

The Carnival of Basel (Basler Fasnacht) is one of the most famous festivals of Europe and it takes place in the city of Basel every year on the Monday after Ash Wednesday (March or April) and it lasts for 3 days. The variety of costumes someone can wear is huge including the masks that almost everyone wears



#### **SWISS FOLK MUSIC**

**Swiss folk music** is an everyday matter of a Swiss person. They usually dance to this music with special traditional clothes on.





#### FOOD SWITZERLAND IS KNOWN FOR

**Swiss chocolate** and **Swiss cheese** can by themselves easily describe what we all think about when we hear about Swiss food. Chocolates like Toblerone are produced in Switzerland and shipped all around the globe.





#### **FONDUE**

**Fondue** means "**melted**" and it's meant to describe a bunch of recipes with melted mixtures. The most common Swiss version of Fondue is with **swiss cheese** and bread cubes.



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