

Canton of Lucerne



Population

Resident permanent pop., end of 2009	372 853
Age groups	
0 - 19 years	22,1 %
20 - 64 years	62,0 %
65 - 79 years	11,5 %
80+ years	4,3 %
Share of foreigners	16,3 %
Foreigners by nationality	
Germany	18,5 %
Italy	11,3 %
Spain	2,9 %
Portugal	9,0 %
Serbia and Montenegro	22,5 %
Turkey	2,6 %
Other European countries	21,3 %
Other nationalities	11,8 %
Population growth (over 10-year period)	8,2 %
Birth surplus (over 10-year period)	7 894 Persons
Net migration (over 10-year period)	21 524 Persons
Population density 2009	250 Inh./km ²
Private households 2000	140 594
of which: Single-person households	33,4 %

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Capital city
Lucerne

Adjacent cantons
Aargau, Bern, Obwalden,
Nidwalden, Schwyz, Zug

Rail connections
Direct connections from Lucerne
Half-hourly departures
to Zurich (50 Min.)
and Zurich Airport (1 h 05 Min.)
Hourly departures to Basel (1 h 05 Min.)
Hourly departures to Bern (1 h)

Motorway connection A2

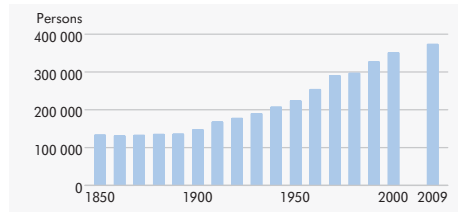
Distances from Lucerne
Zurich (60 km)
Zurich Airport (65 km)
Basel (95 km)
Basel Airport (110 km)
Bern (110 km)
St. Gallen (140 km)
Freiburg i.Br. (160 km)
Strasbourg (235 km)
Milano (245 km)
Genève Airport (250 km)
Genève (260 km)
Stuttgart (275 km)
Torino (360 km)
München (365 km)

Abbreviations

Inh.: Inhabitant(s)
asl.: above sea level
pts.: points
SFr.: Swiss Francs

Political parties

CVP, JCVP: Christian Democratic Party
SVP, JSVP: Swiss People's Party
AS: Active Senior Citizens
Green, JG: Green Party
FDP: Free Democratic Party
60plus: 60plus
SP: Social Democratic Party



Territory and environment

Surface area (Cadastral surveying, incl. lakes)	1 493 km ²
Surface area (Area statistics, excl. lakes) 2006/07	1 429 km ²
Settlement area	10,1 %
Agricultural area	55,9 %
Forests and copses	31,3 %
Unproductive area	2,8 %
Building zone (excl. public purpose) 2006	7 698 ha



Employment and income

Employed persons 2000	182 187
Activity rate 2000	53,8 %
Inbound commuters 2000	18 818
from Canton of Nidwalden	22,9 %
Canton of Aargau	20,6 %
Canton of Zug	12,2 %
Canton of Obwalden	11,2 %
Canton of Schwyz	10,1 %
Canton of Bern	6,4 %
Outbound commuters 2000	21 843
to Canton of Zug	30,8 %
Canton of Aargau	20,0 %
Canton of Zurich	18,1 %
Canton of Nidwalden	6,9 %
Canton of Bern	6,8 %
Canton of Schwyz	5,5 %
Part of commuters using public transport (modal split) 2000	27,5 %
Unemployment rate, June 2010	2,6 %
Jobs (filled) 2008	196 516
Primary sector	7,7 %
Secondary sector	26,3 %
Tertiary sector	66,1 %
Agricultural establishments 2008	5 184



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Construction and housing

Number of dwellings, end of 2009	169 863
Size of dwelling:	
1 to 2 rooms	14,7 %
3 to 4 rooms	55,5 %
5+ rooms	29,8 %
Rental fee for 4-room flat 2000	1 110 SFr./month
Homeownership ratio 2000	32,1 %
Newly built dwellings (in the last 10 yrs.) of which: single-family homes	18 903 5 143
Part of vacant dwellings 2010	0,70 %



Education

Resident pupils/students going to school in the canton of Lucerne 2009/2010	
Pre-school(kindergarten)	4 933
Primary education	25 000
Secondary education (incl. lower grade gymnasium)	14 503
Education level of the resident population aged 15+ (2000)	
Compulsory education	24,4 %
Vocational education	38,7 %
Matura school, Teaching education	6,1 %
Higher vocational education	9,9 %
University, college of appl. sciences	5,0 %
Unclassified levels, non, not declared	15,9 %



Culture

Denominational affiliation of the resident population 2000	
Roman Catholic	70,9 %
Protestant	12,2 %
Christian Catholic	0,1 %
Islamic	3,8 %
Other, non-denominational	12,9 %



Politics

Party strength at Cantonal Council election 2007	
CVP, JCVP	35,5 %
SVP, JSVP, AS	19,1 %
Green, JG	7,7 %
FDP, 60plus	23,6 %
SP	11,4 %
Other	2,8 %



Public finances

Mean tax rate 2010 (provisional)	1 8237 units
Total (incl. cantonal tax) rom.-cath.	3 5956 units
Total (incl. cantonal tax) protestant	3 5738 units
Financial capacity 2006/2008	
Relative fiscal capacity	1 558 SFr./Inh.
Ind. of rel. fiscal capacity (Ct.LU=100)	100 pts.
Resource potential	3 249 SFr./Inh.
Resource index (Ct. LU=100)	100 pts.
Financial equalization (FE) 2011	
Equalization of resources	82 885,4 1000 SFr.
Equalization of burdens	65 510,0 1000 SFr.
Contribution to horizontal FE	20 721,4 1000 SFr.
Municipal accounts 2009	
Self-financing ratio (over 5 years)	143,7 %
Interest burden ratio I	-0,4 %
Net debt per inhabitant	2 213 SFr./Inh.
Net debt per inhabitant, by governmental tasks 2009	
General administration	411 SFr./Inh.
Public security	53 SFr./Inh.
Education	1 299 SFr./Inh.
Culture and leisure	186 SFr./Inh.
Health	63 SFr./Inh.
Social welfare	821 SFr./Inh.
Transportation	229 SFr./Inh.
Environment and spatial planning	37 SFr./Inh.