

Fact sheet

Key figures for the Swiss technology industry (mechanical and electrical engineering and related technology sectors)

1. YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON	2022	2023
New orders¹⁾, total (indexed)	120.6	110.5
Change over year-back period	2.4%	-8.4%
– Domestic	8.4%	-5.1%
– International	0.8%	-9.1%
Share of foreign orders (export ratio)	77.8%	77.7%
Turnover¹⁾, total (indexed)	108.1	107.2
Change over year-back period	9.4%	-0.8%
– Domestic	8.5%	-3.8%
– International	9.8%	0.1%
Exports²⁾ technology industry as a whole	CHF 72,331 million	CHF 70,481 million
Change over year-back period	5.6%	-2.6%
– Consignments to EU	CHF 40,773 million	CHF 39,805 million
EU as a percentage of total technology exports	56.4%	56.5%
– Consignments to Asia	CHF 14,038 million	CHF 13,588 million
Asia as a percentage of total technology exports	19.4%	19.3%
– Consignments to the USA	CHF 10,331 million	CHF 9,753 million
USA as a percentage of total technology exports	14.3%	13.8%
2. QUARTER-ON-QUARTER COMPARISON	4th quarter 2022	4th quarter 2023
New orders¹⁾, total (indexed)	118.2	113.9
Change over year-back quarter	2.4%	-3.6%
– Domestic	2.5%	-0.9%
– International	2.2%	-4.2%
Turnover¹⁾, total (indexed)	113.9	110.8
Change over year-back quarter	8.8%	-2.7%
– Domestic	12.1%	-2.5%
– International	7.8%	-2.7%
Exports²⁾ technology industry as a whole	CHF 18,262 million	CHF 17,736 million
Change over year-back quarter	1.6%	-3.0%
3. EMPLOYMENT	4th quarter 2022	4th quarter 2023
Capacity utilization technology industry	89.6%	87.1%
Workforce technology industry ³⁾	326,500	331,900

¹⁾ Swissmem quarterly statistics. New basis Q4/2019 = 100 (N = 257 companies). The index series and rates of change for the period Q4/2019 to Q1/2021 have been recalculated.

²⁾ Federal Office for Customs and Border Security (FOCBS)

³⁾ Swiss Federal Statistical Office, BESTA: Workforce MEM industries, full- and part-time, rounded to 100.