

SPRING 2010 REFORM BAROMETER - SWITZERLAND

1. SUMMARY TABLE

<u>Switzerland</u>				Rank among 29 **			Relative Gap	
	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change	EU 5 top performers 2009	Gap to EU 5 top performers 2009
GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity - PPP)	34757	33197	-4.5%	4	3	1	LU, IE, NL, AT, BE	-2%
GDP per capita (€ at 2000 prices)	41287	39970	-3.2%	3	3	0	LU, DK, SE, IE, UK	17%
Labour Utilisation (Annual hours worked per capita)	900	885	-1.6%	7	3	4	CY, SI, GR, CZ, PL	0%
Annual hours worked per person employed	1659	1659	0.0%	19	18	1	GR, HU, PL, SI, CZ	-18%
Employment as % of labour force (100-unemployment rate)	96.8	95.2	-1.7	3	4	-1	NL, DK, AT, CY, LU	0
Labour participation (labour force as % of active population)	82.3	82.5	0.1	1	1	0	NL, DK, SE, DE, UK	5
Dependency ratio (working age population as % of total population)	68.1	68.0	-0.1	13	13	0	SK, PL, CY, CZ, RO	-4
Labour Productivity (GDP per hour worked, in PPP)	35.8	34.7	-2.9%	11	12	-1	LU, BE, NL, FR, DE	-20%
Labour Productivity (GDP per hour worked, € at 2000 prices)	42.5	41.8	-1.6%	4	5	-1	LU, SE, BE, DK, FR	-12%
Capital deepening (capital stock per hour worked)*	5.6	5.7	0.6%	4	5	-1	IE, FR, LU, AT, SE	-3%
Total Factor Productivity (level of economic efficiency per hour worked)*	7.5	7.4	-2.1%	8	7	1	LU, UK, DK, SE, BE	-15%
Corporate Investment (private investment excluding non-residential, % GDP)	16.2	15.2	-1.0	4	3	1	BE, RO, AT, DK, SK	2.1
Current Account Balance (as % GDP)	1.6	7.3	5.7	9	4	5	LU, SE, LV, DE, EE	0.9
Export market share measured in volume relative to main 35 trading partners (from 2000)	3.7	8.3	4.6	15	13	2	RO, LT, HU, CZ, PL	-46.5
Unit labour Costs relative to main 35 trading partners (from 2000)	-3.2	-3.2	0.0	5	5	0	DE, PL, AT, SE, GR	3.9
Government gross debt (as % GDP)	41.3	41.4	0.1	14	12	2	EE, LU, BG, RO, LT	23.5
Net lending/net borrowing of general government (as % GDP)	-0.4	-2.9	-2.6	10	7	3	BG, DK, SE, LU, FI	-1.0
Required budgetary adjustment related to ageing (as % GDP)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	PL, EE, HU, BG, SE	N/A
Public Investment (as % total public expenditure)	0.0	0.0	0.0	28	28	0	BG, RO, EE, CZ, PL	-16.4
Tax burden (as % GDP)	28.2	26.7	-1.5	1	1	0	LV, RO, IE, SK, LT	-1.2

Note: Labour utilisation and productivity are a product of its sub-components.

* Rank refers to EU15 ** EU 27, Norway and Switzerland

Source : European Commission, Eurostat

A methodological note can be found in the report or [here](#)