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MeteoSwiss Facts & Figures

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Income statement, contributions to international organisations (in million CHF), cost and performance accounting (in million CHF) and personnel indicators – 2023

Income statement

Income statement in millions CHF	Actual – 2022	Budgeted – 2023	Actual – 2023	Deviation from the budgeted amount for 2023 (absolute)	Deviation from the budgeted amount for 2023 (relative)
MeteoSwiss	101.4	114.2	108.9	-5.4	0.0
Expenditure/expenses	127.2	142.8	137.5	-5.3	-3.7
Functional expenditure (overall budget)	101.2	115.2	112.6	-2.7	-2.3
<i>with an impact on financing</i>	87.3	101.2	98.1	-3.2	-3.1
<i>with no impact on financing</i>	1.9	2.8	2.3	-0.5	-16.9
<i>internal service charges</i>	12.0	11.2	12.2	1.0	8.8
of which personnel expenditure	58.5	60.6	61.8	1.1	1.8
of which IT	17.0	20.5	20.6	0.1	0.5
<i>with an impact on financing</i>	14.5	18.3	17.5	-0.8	-4.3
<i>internal service charges</i>	2.4	2.2	3.1	0.9	39.4
of which consultancy and commissioned research	3.2	3.2	4.6	1.4	42.9
Transfer expenditure	26.0	27.6	24.9	-2.7	-9.7
Revenue and investment income	-25.8	-28.6	-28.6	0.0	0.2
Functional revenue (overall budget)	-25.8	-28.6	-28.6	0.0	0.2

Expenditure

Around three quarters of expenses incurred by MeteoSwiss relate to the provision of weather and climate services (data collection, information processing, expert services). In terms of operating expenses, the increase in costs was primarily due to the RZPlus programme (fail-safe computing power and transformation of IT) and various projects (OWARNA2, Weather4UN, NCCS-Impacts). The remaining quarter relates to transfer expenses and is largely committed (mandatory contributions to international organisations). Transfer expenses were down from the previous year, mainly because the contribution to the European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (EUMETSAT) was lower. Investment expenses were up compared to previous year due to replacement purchases for the measurement infrastructure and IT as well as the RZPlus programme.

Revenue

MeteoSwiss generates revenue by providing meteorological services to customers both within and outside the Swiss federal administration, e.g. by preparing weather data for customers requiring information about aviation weather conditions. It also receives third-party funding from research projects. The increase in revenue is mainly due to the temporary fee reduction (2020–2022) for aviation coming to an end.

Contributions to international organisations (in million CHF)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
WMO	2.0	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.6	2.7	2.5	3.2	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.7
EUMETSAT	10.1	9.8	8.4	7.9	8.5	14.3	15.6	18.8	21.4	20.2	18.9	17.0	18.2	16.9
WRC	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.0
EZMW	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.4
European Cooperation (EUMETNET, ECOMET)	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0
Meteorological Cooperation (WRC, European Cooperation, EUMETNET, ECOMET)	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.9
Total	15.5	15.2	13.8	13.1	13.9	20.1	22.1	25.3	27.9	27.5	26.6	24.6	26.0	24.9

WMO	World Meteorological Organization (Geneva, Switzerland)
EUMETSAT	European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (Darmstadt, Germany)
WRC	World Radiation Centre (Davos, Switzerland)
ECMWF	European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (Reading, United Kingdom)
EUMETNET	Network of European Meteorological Services (Brussels, Belgium)
ECOMET	European Cooperation in Meteorology (Brussels, Belgium)
Meteorological Cooperation	Merger of the WRC, European Cooperation, EUMETNET and ECOMET from 2023 onwards

Expenditure credit outside the overall budget refers to mandatory contributions made by Switzerland to international organisations and institutions in accordance with Switzerland's obligations under international law.

Cost and performance accounting (in million CHF)

	Actual – 2022		Budgeted – 2023		Actual – 2023	
	Earnings	Expenses	Earnings	Expenses	Earnings	Expenses
Weather and climate data (PG 1)	2.7	29.6	3.5	27.4	3.5	26.8
Weather- and climate-related information and expert services (PG 2)	23.1	71.5	25.1	87.8	25.1	85.8
Total	25.8	101.1	28.6	115.2	28.6	112.6
Revenue-to-cost ratio		25.5%		24.8%		25.4%

At 25.4%, the revenue-to-cost ratio for the project groups (including customer and third-party-funded projects) is slightly under the budgeted ratio of 26.6%.

Personnel indicators

Personnel structure

	Number of employees
Women – full-time	39
Women – part-time	97
Women – total	136
Men – full-time	159
Men – part-time	124
Men – total	283
Fixed-term contract	52
Open-ended contract	367
Total number of employees	419

Mother Tongue

	Number of employees
German	272
French	94
Italian	30
Romansh	0
English	3
Other	16
No information	4

Education/training

	Number of employees
University	262
University of applied sciences	24
Higher professional education	39
Federal Baccalaureate	23
Vocational education	56
No vocational education	0
Apprentice	8
No information	7

Age structure

	Number of employees
Under 20	5
20 to 29	37
30 to 39	90
40 to 49	114
50 to 59	122
60 to 65	51