



COUNTRY PROFILE

SWISS



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Country : Swiss
Capital : Berne
Language : German,French,Italian,Romansh
Population : 8 081 482 inhabit km²(2015)
Density : 203,27 inhabit km²
Surface area : 41 285 km²
Currency : Swiss franc (CHF)
Time zone : UTC +1
Internet domain : .ch
Telephone code : +41

HEALTH SYSTEM

Switzerland's health system is one of the best in the world. All Swiss cantons have the necessary healthcare facilities, with a total of about 400 modern hospitals all over the country.

Anyone permanently residing in Switzerland must insure against sickness and accidents, regardless of the status of the stay, by taking out compulsory basic health insurance (LAMal), within 3 months of arrival in Switzerland. He must pay a fee, but also pay a medical franchise per calendar year (about 280 €).

For a temporary stay in Switzerland, the ideal would be to apply for your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) with your insurance. You will then be covered by Swiss social security just like a resident.

Remember that in both cases, some types of care are not reimbursed! This is the case of dental, optical, and a part of the costs of intervention of medical assistance, hence the interest of taking out private health insurance like World Pass.

VACCINES

No vaccinations are required to travel to Switzerland. However, remember to update your vaccines :

- DTPolio
- BCG
- Hepatitis A and B

Aussi, pour les personnes comptant séjourner longtemps en zones rurales ou forestières, pensez à la vaccination contre l'encéphalite à tiques.

SICKNESS

There are no particular diseases in Switzerland. However, take the usual precautions to protect your health :

- Drink bottled water if you have a weak stomach.
- Wash your hands often
- Protect yourself against mosquito bites
- Do not pet stray animals
- Wear long clothing when walking in the forest to avoid tick bites

Care	Prices
Consultations at a general practitioner	110 Fs (about 74 €)
Control and descaling at a dentist	300 Fs (about 276,04 €)
Average price of medicines	29 € for a box of 12 antibiotics

THE DISADVANTAGES OF THE PUBLIC **SYSTEM**

- Waiting times sometimes very long.

THE DISADVANTAGES OF THE PRIVATE **SYSTEM**

- Health care costs are very high.

IN CASE OF **EMERGENCY**

Emergencies : **112**
 Ambulance : **144**
 Fire Department : **118**
 Police : **117**

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WORLD PASS **TIPS**

For a stay in Switzerland, it is essential to bring your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This must be requested from your insurer at least 15 days before the departure date. The EHIC provides the same health care as a person with the Swiss security system.

Know that health care costs are often more expensive abroad. To be better reimbursed for your health expenses, consider taking out a private insurance, World Pass type, to benefit from :

- 100% reimbursement of health and medical expenses at their real costs
- Direct payment of hospitalization and subsistence costs
- Assistance and medical repatriation
- Civil liability



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