

2016 – research funding in figures

In 2016, the Swiss National Science Foundation awarded grants worth a total of CHF 937.3 million, 6.8 per cent more than in the previous year.

937.3
million CHF

Funding by scheme

Approved amounts in CHF and as share of total funding amount

22%
Programmes
(203.2 million)

9%
Infrastructures
(86.0 million)

1%
Science communication
(6.8 million)

22%
Careers
(206.7 million)

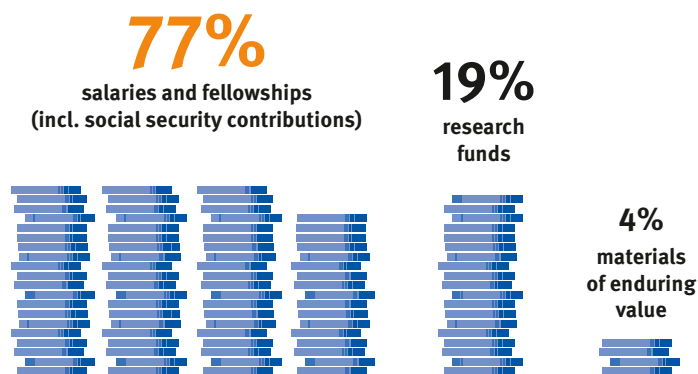
46%
Projects
(434.7 million)

3,244
research projects
were funded in 2016

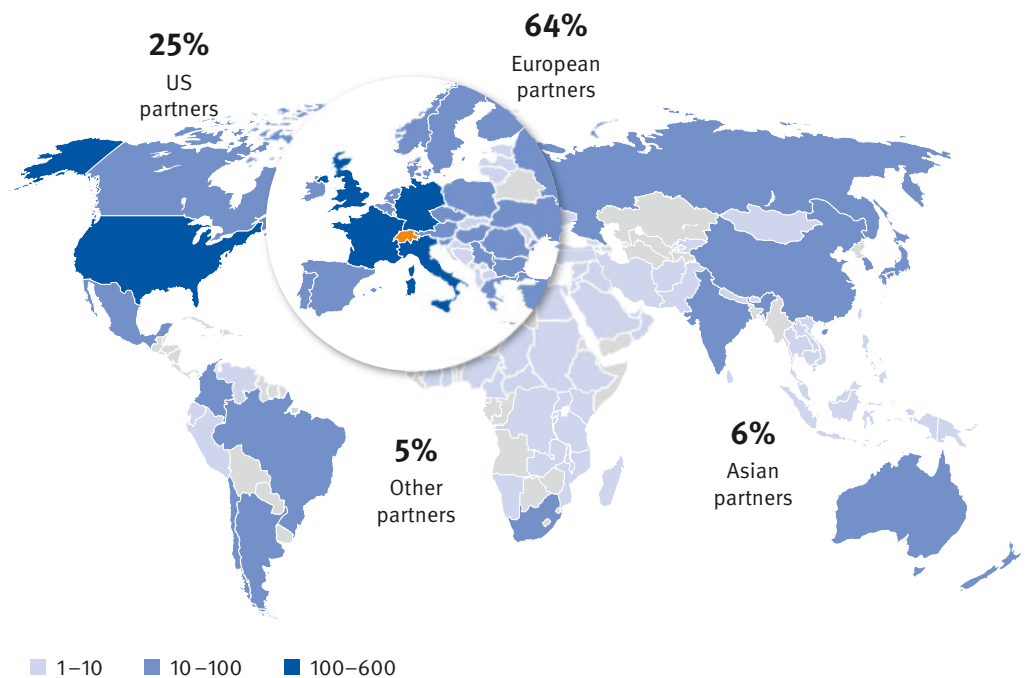
14,600
researchers
were involved in SNSF-funded projects as at 30 June 2016. This number includes applicants and their staff.

Use of funds

Grants worth CHF 937.3 million were approved, in percentage terms



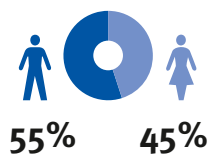
International collaboration



Project employees



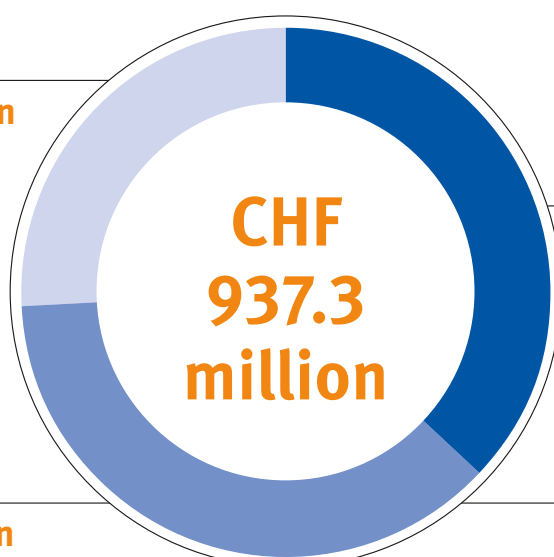
76%
are 35 years old or younger



Funding by research area

Approved grants in CHF million and as share of total funding amount (interdisciplinary projects have been distributed across the three science areas)

264.3 million
28%
Humanities and Social Sciences



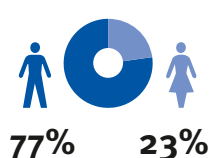
337.5 million
36%
Mathematics, Natural and Engineering Sciences

334.2 million
36%
Biology and Medicine

1.3 million
0%
unapportionable

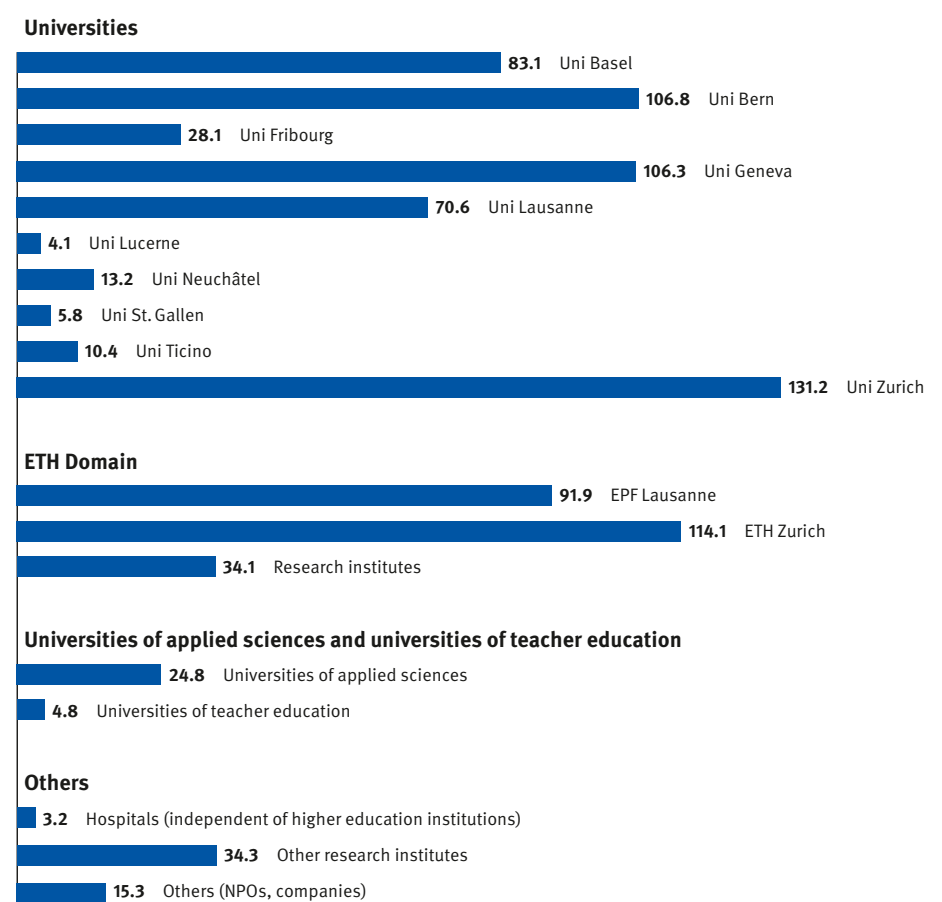
Percentage of approved funding by gender

Women submit far fewer applications than men



Funding awarded to researchers by institution

Approved amounts in CHF million (without fellowships abroad)



In addition, CHF 99.1 million were transferred to higher education institutions as overhead to cover indirect costs.

Some of the total amounts may contain rounding differences. The figures of the research funding statistics are not comparable with the figures of the financial statement (p. 30–33).

Further statistics: www.snsf.ch/statistics