

# Switzerland

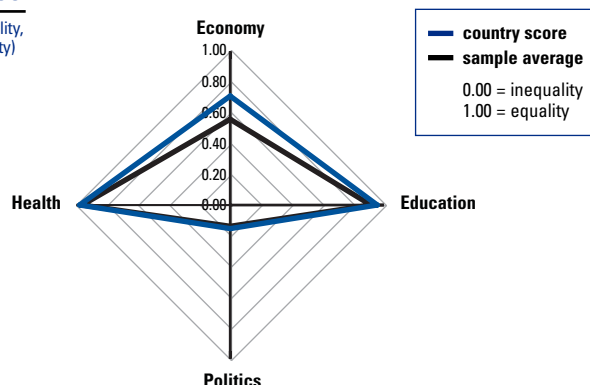
## Gender Gap Index 2006

Rank **25** Score **0.700**

(out of 115 countries) (0.00 = inequality, 1.00 = equality)

### Key Indicators

|                                                 |        |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Total population (millions), 2005 .....         | 7.30   |
| GDP (US\$ billions), 2005.....                  | 367.51 |
| GDP (PPP) per capita .....                      | 32,571 |
| Population growth (%) .....                     | 0.49   |
| Mean age of marriage for women (years) .....    | 29     |
| Overall population sex ratio (male/female)..... | 0.97   |
| Year women received right to vote .....         | 1971   |
| Fertility rate (births per woman) .....         | 1.44   |



## Gender Gap Subindexes

|                                                  | Rank | Score | Sample average | Female | Male   | Female-to-male ratio |  |
|--------------------------------------------------|------|-------|----------------|--------|--------|----------------------|--|
| <b>Economic Participation and Opportunity</b>    |      |       |                |        |        |                      |  |
| Labour force participation .....                 | 26   | 0.80  | 0.69           | 60%    | 75%    | 0.80                 |  |
| Wage equality for similar work (survey) .....    | 64   | 0.62  | 0.64           | —      | —      | 0.62                 |  |
| Income (PPP US\$) .....                          | 2    | 0.90  | 0.52           | 28,972 | 32,149 | 0.90                 |  |
| Legislators, senior officials, and managers..... | 46   | 0.39  | 0.37           | 28%    | 72%    | 0.39                 |  |
| Professional and technical workers .....         | 57   | 0.82  | 0.79           | 45%    | 55%    | 0.82                 |  |
| <b>Educational Attainment</b>                    |      |       |                |        |        |                      |  |
| Literacy rate .....                              | 1    | 1.00  | 0.91           | 99%    | 99%    | 1.00                 |  |
| Enrolment in primary education.....              | 56   | 1.00  | 0.97           | 94%    | 94%    | 1.00                 |  |
| Enrolment in secondary education .....           | 88   | 0.93  | 0.94           | 80%    | 86%    | 0.93                 |  |
| Enrolment in tertiary education .....            | 81   | 0.80  | 0.86           | 42%    | 52%    | 0.80                 |  |
| <b>Health and Survival</b>                       |      |       |                |        |        |                      |  |
| Sex ratio at birth (female/male) .....           | 1    | 0.94  | 0.94           | 49%    | 51%    | 0.95                 |  |
| Healthy life expectancy (years) .....            | 54   | 1.06  | 1.04           | 75.3   | 71.1   | 1.06                 |  |
| <b>Political Empowerment</b>                     |      |       |                |        |        |                      |  |
| Women in parliament.....                         | 21   | 0.33  | 0.22           | 25%    | 75%    | 0.33                 |  |
| Women in ministerial positions.....              | 49   | 0.17  | 0.21           | 14%    | 86%    | 0.17                 |  |
| Years with female head of state (last 50).....   | 23   | 0.02  | 0.04           | 1      | 49     | 0.02                 |  |

## Additional Data

### Maternity and Childbearing

|                                                        |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Births attended by skilled health staff (%).....       | —       |
| Accessibility of government-provided childcare* .....  | 3.43    |
| Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%).....       | 82      |
| Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births).....     | 3       |
| Length of paid maternity leave .....                   | 98 days |
| Maternity leave benefits (% wages paid).....           | 80      |
| Maternal mortality rate (per 100,000 live births)..... | 7       |

### Education and Training

|                                                |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| Female teachers, primary education (%).....    | 78 |
| Female teachers, secondary education (%) ..... | 39 |
| Female teachers, tertiary education (%) .....  | 27 |

### Employment and Earnings

|                                                                          |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Female adult unemployment rate (%).....                                  | 5    |
| Women in non-agricultural paid labour (%).....                           | 47   |
| Enterprise-level policies to combat and prevent sexual harassment* ..... | 4.79 |
| Ability of women to rise to enterprise leadership* .....                 | 4.34 |

### Basic Rights and Social Institutions\*\*

|                                                            |      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Paternal versus maternal authority .....                   | 0.00 |
| Female genital mutilation.....                             | 0.00 |
| Polygamy .....                                             | 0.00 |
| Legislation punishing acts of violence against women ..... | 0.25 |

\*survey data, responses on a 1-to-7 scale (1 = worst score, 7 = best score)

\*\*data on a 0-to-1 scale (1 = worst score, 0 = best score)