

Funded projects based on the Economic Development Act (WFG)

Number of projects, promised contributions, planned jobs and investments

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Number of funded projects	48	44	50	60	87	63	65	71	71	67 ⁷
Promised contributions in million CHF	2.30	1.81	2.77	4.18	7.35	6.47 ¹	6.13 ²	6.62 ³	5.95 ⁴	7.06 ⁵
Planned jobs ⁶	610	610	670	1130	1450	710	1400	870	880	600
Planned investments in million CHF ⁶	85	256	191	226	298	96	724	157	268	151

¹ paid out 5.1 Mio. CHF

² paid out 6.1 Mio. CHF

³ paid out 5.2 Mio. CHF, without CSEM

⁴ paid out 6.19 Mio. CHF, without CSEM. The disbursement includes promised contributions from multiple years, exceeding those of 2024.

⁵ paid out 6.52 Mio. CHF, without CSEM

⁶ according to information provided by the companies.

⁷ excl. 70 vouchers

Funded projects by type

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Expansion projects by Bernese companies	27	19	23	32	40	27	25	25	26	32
Startups	11	10	15	13	36	25	27	30	32	27
Relocations	10	15	12	15	11	11	13	16	13	8
Of which R&D projects (Including Innosuisse projects) ⁶	10	6	4	10	9	10	4	5	8	20
Evaluation visits for relocation purposes ⁷	61	50	54	52	34	18	32	41	53	57

⁶ The Economic Development Agency supports R&D projects of Bernese companies with or without external participation, such as Innosuisse (Swiss Innovation Agency).

⁷ The Economic Development Agency offers evaluation visits for companies interested in relocating to the Canton of Bern in order to help them find a suitable location.

Funded projects by activity/sector

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Foodtech	n/a	6	4	1						
Energy and environment technology	4	3	4	3	8	5	4	9	8	4
IT and communication technology	10	5	10	14	25	22	23	18	21	17
Medical technology	10	9	7	8	13	11	7	10	13	14
Precision industry	16	23	19	22	23	17	17	20	16	27
Others	8	4	10	13	18	8	14	8	9	4

Regional distribution of projects⁸

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Bern-Mittelland	15	8	13	16	31	24	31	37	33	27
Bernese Jura	8	5	9	12	8	8	4	6	4	4
Bernese Oberland	2	8	7	4	17	10	6	7	7	6
Biel-Seeland	16	16	12	17	16	15	16	14	20	24
Emmental-Oberaargau	7	7	9	11	15	6	8	7	7	6

⁸ The Economic Development Agency provides its services throughout the Canton. It is not possible to control regional distribution.

Advisory services⁹ based on the WFG and the NRP

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Advisory services for startups	336	200	151	188	192	249	222	243	210	246
Advisory services for SMEs	94	31	85	106	220	256	269	298	320	272

⁹ Conducted by be-advanced AG and CEP Coaching Berner Jura.

Projects funded under the New Regional Policy (NRP)¹⁰

Number of projects, promised contributions, planned jobs and investments

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Number of funded projects	29	47	31	38	45	38	40	51	44	33
Promised contributions and loans in million CHF ¹¹	4	15	3	13	6	2	2.8	9.81	9.35	2
Jobs ¹²	140	400	350	415	340	240	380	625	525	190
Planned investments in million CHF ¹²	52	241	26	79	21	10	29.6	80.2	75	12

¹⁰ As From 2008 (Investment Aid Act).

¹¹ These contributions also include the regional management.

¹² According to the project sponsor's statements.

Regional distribution of the projects¹³

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Bern-Mittelland	12	4	5	8	13	6	3	3	5	5
Bernese Jura	2	8	2	5	2	4	3	3	2	2
Bernese Oberland	9	24	16	17	22	22	16	35	21	14
Biel-Seeland	3	6	4	3	2	4	5	4	3	7
Emmental-Oberaargau	3	5	4	5	6	2	13	6	13	5

¹³ The Economic Development Agency provides its services throughout the Canton. It is not possible to control regional distribution. Due to a change of system in the controlling software at the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO, it is only possible to show the data as of 2014.

Projects funded under the Tourism Development Act (TEG)

Number of projects and promised contributions

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Number of funded projects	17	21	19	17	16	18	19	10	16	20
Promised contributions in million CHF ¹⁴	5.5	4.3	1.2	4.4	4.3	4.9	7	4.6	9.2	4.4

¹⁴ Including annual contributions for market development.

Regional distribution of projects¹⁵

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Bern-Mittelland	4	7	7	7	4	4	6	2	2	4
Bernese Jura	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Oberland	6	8	6	5	9	10	8	7	10	10
Biel-Seeland	4	5	5	3	3	4	5	0	2	5
Emmental-Oberaargau	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1

¹⁵ The Economic Development Agency provides its services throughout the Canton. It is not possible to control regional distribution. Due to a change of system in the controlling software at the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO, it is only possible to show the data as of 2014.

Projects funded under the Innovation Promotion Act (IFG)

Number of projects¹⁶

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Number of new projects funded	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0

¹⁶ Effective as of 2016.