

Popular Vote Visualisation

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Did you ever wonder, what if ...

- Only young people
- Only communes with more cows than people

... voted in the last popular vote?

With our visualisation you can remove municipality that don't satisfy some criterias and see how the result changes.

Don't like old people? Remove municipalities with more than 60% old people.

Does the number of foreigners influence the outcome of the municipality vote?

Since Switzerland has no detailed data about which demographic voted what (voting is anonymous), we had to find other ways to answer those questions.

We decided to gather data about the swiss municipalities and compare the results on municipality level.

Find the data

Most data is from the swiss institute of statistics

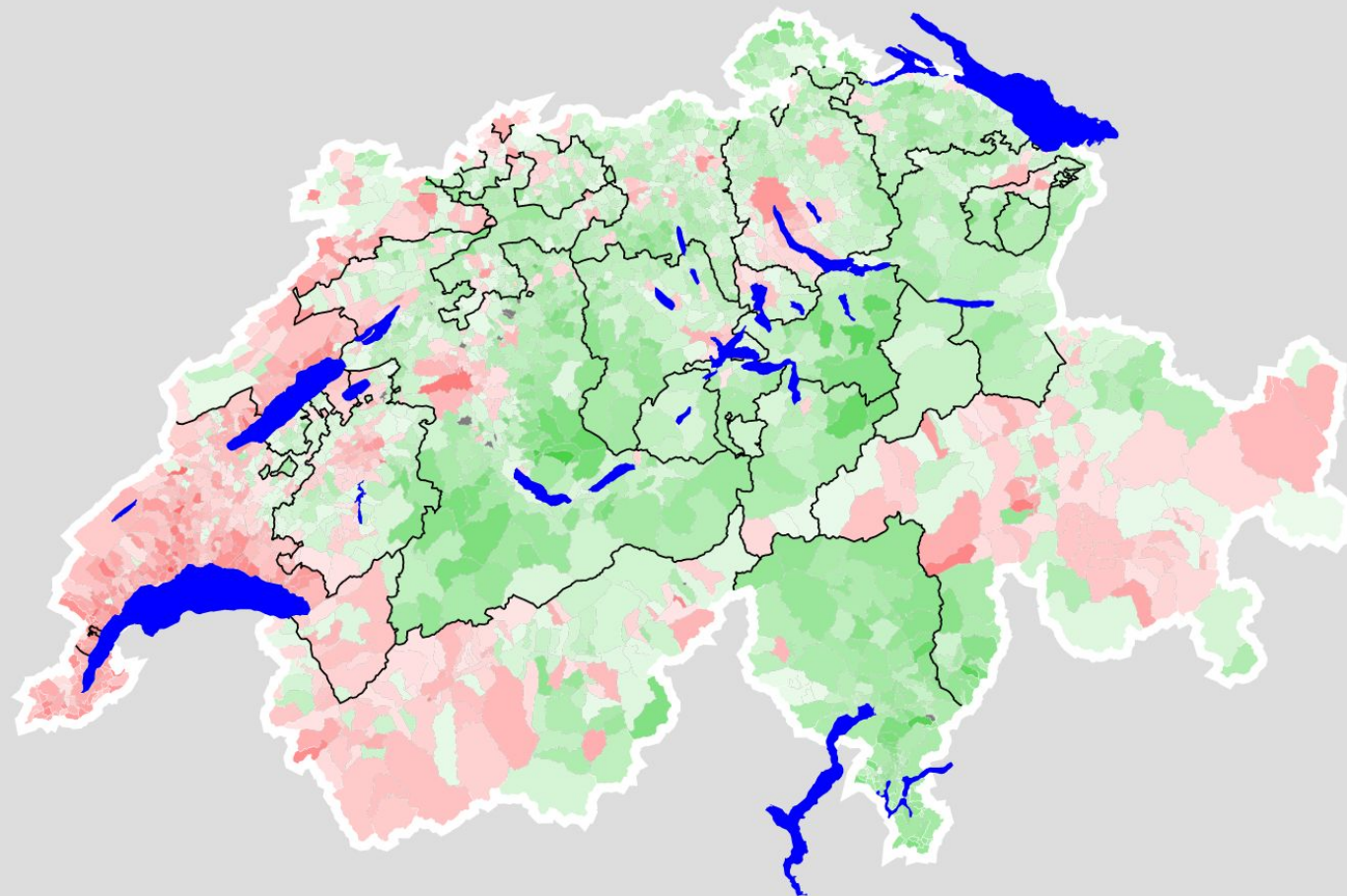
(<https://www.pxweb.bfs.admin.ch/>)

- Population age
- Percentage of foreigners
- Political parties
- Spoken languages
- Cows / Inhabitant
- Municipality area
- Municipality population density
- ...

Clean the data

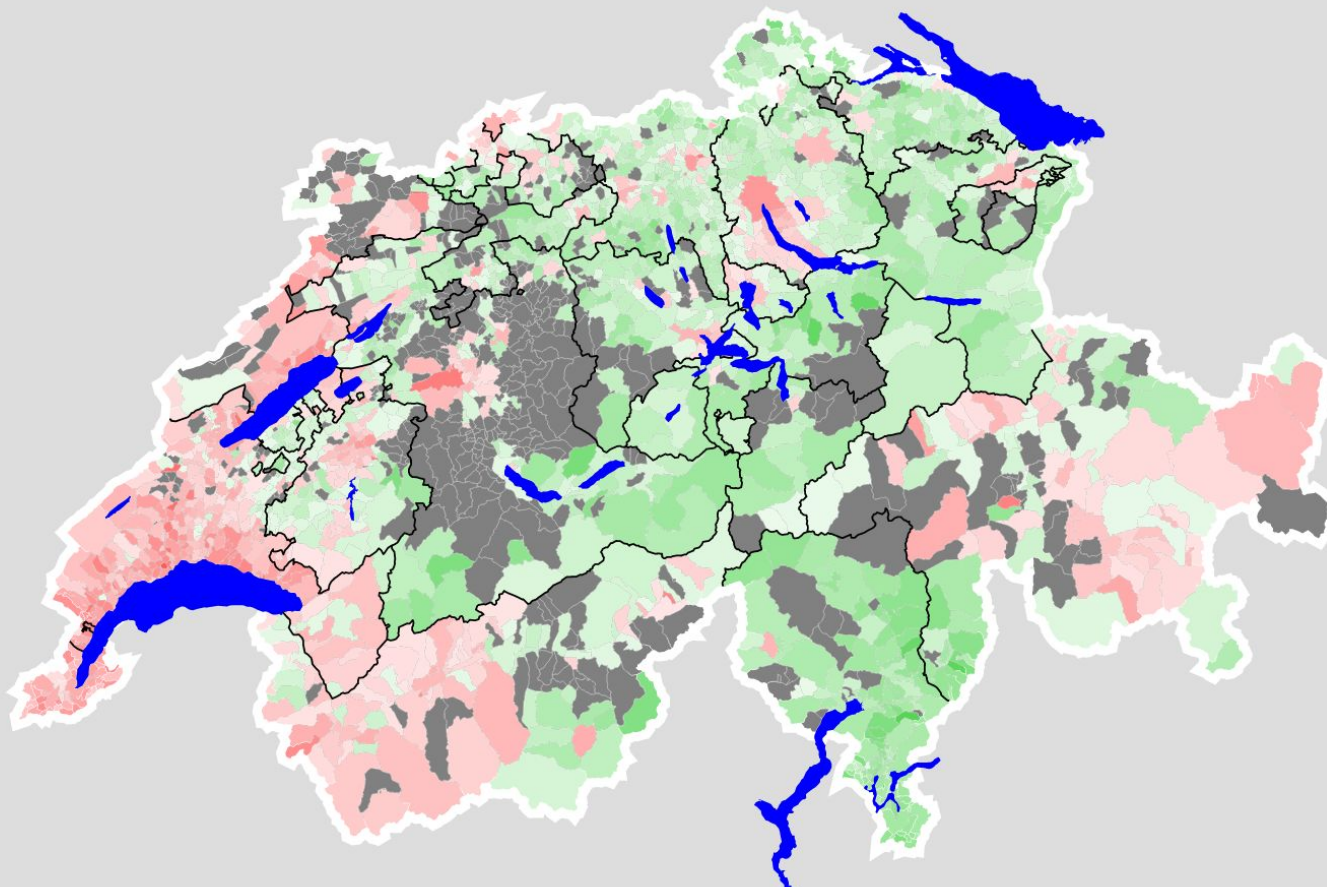
Cleaning the data was probably the hardest part because of the following problems:

- Format not nice
- Wrong/missing entries
- **Municipalities merging**
 - Municipalities merge and the gathered data sometimes was retrofitted to fit the state of 2016
 - Some mergings don't appear in the data
- Not all measurements are available for all municipalities
- Not all data is available for different years
- Hard to parse some data



YES: 50.51 % / NO: 49.49 %

Accepted in 14.5 / 23 cantons



YES: 49.77 % / NO: 50.23 %

Accepted in 13.5 / 23 cantons

2014 Initiative contre l'immigration de masse

Very controversial initiative about limiting the number of accepted immigrants per country each year (and as a consequence violating the bilateral relations with the EU).

50.51% said yes, therefore it was accepted.

But what if communes with less than 7% of foreigners could not vote?

Then the outcome would have been different.