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# Austrian population grew to 9.16 million

## Population increase by around 55 200 people since the beginning of 2023

Vienna, 2024-02-13 – According to preliminary results by Statistics Austria, 9 159 993 people lived in Austria on 1 January 2024, 55 221 (+0.6%) more than at the beginning of the year 2023. Thus, Austria recorded a significantly lower population increase in 2023 than in the year before (2022: +125 843 people or +1.4%), but a slightly larger increase than two years ago (2021: +46 265 people or +0.5%).

“Austria’s population continues to grow, but not as strongly as recently. After the immigration of Ukrainian nationals led to record growth of 1.4% in 2022, the population increase in 2023 was much more moderate at +0.6%. Vienna had the largest percentage increase in population of all the federal provinces. In the course of 2023, the federal capital passed the two million mark. Carinthia had the smallest increase – its population was surpassed by Salzburg for the first time in 2023”, says Statistics Austria Director General Tobias Thomas.

### Population growth highest in Vienna, lowest in Carinthia

At +1.2%, Vienna’s population recorded the largest increase among all Austrian federal provinces in 2023. The federal capital passed the two million mark in the third quarter of 2023. Thus, at the beginning of 2024, a total of 2 006 134 people lived in Vienna.

Vorarlberg (+0.9%) also recorded strong growth. Tyrol and Salzburg were exactly in line with the national average with an increase of +0.6% each, while Upper Austria (+0.5%), Styria (+0.4%), Lower Austria (+0.3%) and Burgenland (+0.2%) recorded slightly lower population increases. At +0.1%, the increase was lowest in Carinthia (see table). At the beginning of 2024, Salzburg (571 528) had, for the first time, more inhabitants than Carinthia (569 835), making Salzburg Austria’s sixth-largest federal province in terms of population.

### 19.7% of the population are foreign nationals

According to the preliminary results, a total of 1 801 184 people with foreign citizenship lived in Austria on 1 January 2024. The share of foreign citizens in the total population increased from 19.0% on 1 January 2023 to 19.7% on 1 January 2024. Above-average shares were recorded in Vienna (35.4%), Vorarlberg (20.6%) and Salzburg (20.3%), while the lowest shares were recorded in Carinthia (13.2%), Lower Austria (12.2%) and Burgenland (11.4%).

For detailed results and further information please refer to our [website](#).

## Preliminary Austrian population stock on 1 January 2024 compared to 1 January 2023 by federal provinces

Federal province	Population stock		Change in population stock <sup>1</sup>		Foreign citizens on 1 January 2024 <sup>1</sup>	
	1 January 2023	1 January 2024 <sup>1</sup>	Absolute number	in %	Absolute number	in %
<b>Austria</b>	<b>9 104 772</b>	<b>9 159 993</b>	<b>55 221</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1 801 184</b>	<b>19.7</b>
Burgenland	301 250	301 966	716	0.2	34 371	11.4
Carinthia	568 984	569 835	851	0.1	75 484	13.2
Lower Austria	1 718 373	1 723 981	5 608	0.3	210 820	12.2
Upper Austria	1 522 825	1 530 571	7 746	0.5	244 489	16.0
Salzburg	568 346	571 528	3 182	0.6	116 304	20.3
Styria	1 265 198	1 269 945	4 747	0.4	179 665	14.1
Tyrol	771 304	776 082	4 778	0.6	145 151	18.7
Vorarlberg	406 395	409 951	3 556	0.9	84 267	20.6
Vienna	1 982 097	2 006 134	24 037	1.2	710 633	35.4

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1) Preliminary results.

**Information on methodology, definitions:** Population statistics for 1 January 2024 are based on the Central Registration Register's data on main residence registrations in Austria, which are processed according to population statistics criteria. The preliminary results presented here already take into account statistical adjustments based on the population figures that are determined annually for the fiscal equalisation. They do not consider a minimum period of residence in Austria of three months. Final population figures for 1 January 2024 as well as results on the components of population change (migration balance (inflows, outflows) and birth balance (births, deaths)) for the year 2023 are expected to be available at the end of May 2024.

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