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# Austria's population grew only slightly in 2025

## 1 January 2026: 9.22 million people in Austria

Vienna, 2026-02-09 – According to preliminary results by Statistics Austria, 9 219 113 people were living in Austria at the beginning of 2026, 21 900 or 0.2% more than on 1 January 2025. This means that Austria's population grew less strongly in 2025 than in the previous year (2024: +38 463 persons or +0.4%).

"Austria's population continues to grow, although growth in 2025 was again lower than in previous years. After a population increase of 1.4% in 2022, growth slowed from year to year. In 2023, the population grew by 0.6%, in 2024 by 0.4% and in 2025 by only 0.2%. Vienna accounts for almost two-thirds of the total population increase in Austria. Once again, it had the highest population growth of all federal provinces," says Manuela Lenk, Director General Statistics of Statistics Austria.

### Population growth strongest in Vienna, slight population decline in Burgenland

At +0.7%, Vienna recorded the largest population growth of all Austrian federal provinces in 2025. At the beginning of 2026, a total of 2 042 036 people were living in the federal capital, 13 747 more than a year earlier. In all other federal provinces, growth was below the national average of 0.2%, with Tyrol and Salzburg (both just under +0.2%) recording slightly larger increases than Lower Austria, Upper Austria and Vorarlberg (+0.1% each). In Styria and Carinthia, the population increased only minimally, while there was a slight decline in Burgenland (see table).

### One fifth of the population are foreign citizens

According to preliminary results, a total of 1 890 740 people with non-Austrian citizenship were living in Austria on 1 January 2026. At 20.5% at the beginning of 2026, their proportion of the total population was slightly higher than a year before (20.2%). Above-average percentages were found in Vienna (37.0%), Salzburg (21.1%) and Vorarlberg (21.0%), while the lowest proportions were recorded in Burgenland (11.7%), Lower Austria (12.7 %) and Carinthia (14.0%).

## Austrian population on 1 January 2026 (preliminary results) compared to 1 January 2025 by federal provinces

Federal province	Population		Population change 2025 <sup>1</sup>		Foreign citizens on 1 January 2026 <sup>1</sup>	
	1 January 2025	1 January 2026 <sup>1</sup>	absolute	in %	absolute	in %
<b>Austria</b>	<b>9 197 213</b>	<b>9 219 113</b>	<b>21 900</b>	<b>0,24</b>	<b>1 890 740</b>	<b>20,5</b>
Burgenland	301 790	301 674	-116	-0,04	35 414	11,7
Carinthia	570 095	570 167	72	0,01	79 853	14,0
Lower Austria	1 727 514	1 730 094	2 580	0,15	219 066	12,7
Upper Austria	1 535 519	1 537 669	2 150	0,14	255 138	16,6
Salzburg	572 846	573 748	902	0,16	120 965	21,1
Styria	1 271 716	1 272 195	479	0,04	188 731	14,8
Tyrol	777 660	779 174	1 514	0,19	150 227	19,3
Vorarlberg	411 784	412 356	572	0,14	86 711	21,0
Vienna	2 028 289	2 042 036	13 747	0,68	754 635	37,0

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

**Information on methodology, definitions:** The population statistics for 1 January 2026 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 do not yet take into account the statistical adjustments based on the population figures to be determined for fiscal equalisation as of 31 October 2025. The minimum length of stay in Austria of three months, which is relevant for the definition of the population, has also not yet been taken into account. Final population figures for 1 January 2026 are expected to be available at the end of July 2026, along with the results for the components of population change (migration balance (arrivals, departures) and birth balance (births, deaths)) for 2025.

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