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SALUTATION!

Statistics Austria conducts a census once every ten years. For this purpose, it is important to know who actually lives in Austria. We need your support with this!

The Central Register of Residents shows that you were registered with your main residence in Austria at the following address on 31 October 2021:

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- ▶ Please let us know whether your **main residence** and **centre of vital interests** was in Austria on 31 October 2021. Please fill in - and sign! - the enclosed form. Please return the completed form to us no later than **5 July 2022** using the prepaid envelope provided.

The legislator stipulates a legal obligation to provide information for this survey. Your information is of course subject to **data protection** and **statistical confidentiality**.

Do you have any questions? You can reach us by phone at +43 1 711 28-8998 (Monday to Friday from 9 am to 3 pm) or via email at [zensus-wsa@statistik.gv.at](mailto:zensus-wsa@statistik.gv.at). You can also find further information at [www.statistik.at/wsa](http://www.statistik.at/wsa).

*Thank you for your cooperation*



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**What does "centre of vital interests" mean?**  
**You can find more information on this on the back of this page!**

## Statistics Austria Census - further information

### What do 'main residence' and 'centre of vital interests' mean?

According to the Registration Act (FLG No. 9/1992 as amended), a person's main residence is in the same place as their **centre of vital interests**. The following criteria are important for this:

- ▷ Where do you live **for most of the year**?
- ▷ From where do you travel to **work or to your place of education**?
- ▷ Where do your other **family members**, especially minors, live?
- ▷ Where do you perform **official roles** in public (e.g. in federal, provincial, municipal or interest groups) or private bodies (e.g. associations)?

If you are only abroad **temporarily** and continue to maintain your centre of vital interests in Austria, Austria is still considered to be the country of your main residence. This includes e.g.

- ▷ **professional** or **training-related** stays abroad
- ▷ stays at a secondary residence (e.g. **holiday rentals** abroad)

### Legal basis and purpose of the census

The census is a central statistic for Austria. For instance, the results show how many people live in Austria and where they live. The distribution of financial resources for the municipalities depends on this. Statistics Austria is legally obliged to conduct censuses: at an international level by Regulation (EC) No. 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on population and housing censuses and at a national level by the Register Census Act FLG I No. 33/2006 as amended.

### What happens if I don't reply?

According to the Register-based Census Act (FLG I No. 33/2006 as amended), you are obliged to **provide information**. Refusal to provide information or providing information that is not truthful is punishable as an administrative offence (Federal Statistics Act (FLG I No. 163/1999 as amended)). Failure to return information or to report your main residence abroad may result in an official deregistration procedure in Austria.

### The listed address of your main residence is wrong or incorrect?

Please contact your **registration authority** to change this.

**Further information and translations:** [www.statistik.at/wsa](http://www.statistik.at/wsa)

#### available languages:

Bosanski, English, Español, Français, Italiano, Hrvatski, Polski, Magyar, Română, Slovenský,  
Türkçe, български, српски, русский, العربية, فارسی, 中文

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Born on DATE OF BIRTH

### Census 2021

Did you have your main residence in Austria on 31 October

2021? Please mark with a cross where applicable!

- YES**, I had my main residence in **Austria** on **31 October 2021**.
- NO**, I had my main residence **abroad** on **31 October 2021**.

Please note the definition of **main residence** as your **centre of vital interests** on the back of the accompanying letter!

Date

Citizen's own signature  
or of the legal representative

Please return postage paid no later than **5 July 2022** by means of the enclosed envelope! Thank you very much for your cooperation!