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9 450 new Austrian citizens in 2018: number of naturalisations increased by 1.9%

Vienna, 2019-02-21 – In 2018, 9 450 persons acquired Austrian citizenship (including 95 residents abroad), as Statistics Austria reports. Compared to 2017, the number of naturalisations increased by 1.9%. After an all-time high in 2003 (45 112), the number of naturalisations dropped to a minimum in 2010 (6 190). Ever since, naturalisations have been moderately increasing again.

In 2018, Austrian citizenship was granted to 3 288 persons born in Austria (34.8%), 34.2% of the naturalised were under 18 years of age. Among people naturalised in 2018, the largest groups were former citizens of Bosnia-Herzegovina (1 033), Turkey (828), Serbia (625), Kosovo (586) and Romania (456).

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