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### **Number of deaths remains elevated**

**Vienna, 2021-12-10** – According to preliminary results by Statistics Austria, 2 146 people died in calendar week 47 (from 22 to 28 November 2021), which were 40 more deaths than in the previous week.

"Since the beginning of October, we have again seen significantly increased numbers of deaths in Austria. In the last week of November 2021, the number of deaths was 40% higher than the average for the same calendar week of the pre-Corona period 2015 to 2019. Last year, the excess mortality was still significantly higher at 56% – and that was with a lower Corona infection incidence," said Statistics Austria Director General Tobias Thomas.

The increase of the number of deaths since calendar week 40 continues in the first week of the current national and general lockdown. However, the number of deaths in calendar week 47 is approximately 11% lower than in the same week of 2020, when 2 401 people died. Compared to the five years prior to the start of the Corona pandemic (2015–2019), the number of deaths in calendar week 47 of 2021 increased by almost 40%.

Further information on [deaths](#) can be found on our website, where an interactive web application – [the Atlas of Deaths](#) – also graphically illustrates the development and regional distribution. Detailed results can be found in Statistics Austria's [open data repository](#).

For more detailed information, please refer to the [German version](#).