

Vienna in Figures 2026



Vienna in Figures

Chapters Pages With 24 pages and 10 chapters, **Vienna in Figures** provides a concise overview of various aspects of life in our city, inviting readers to find out more about Vienna.

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How the world sees Vienna



ECONOMIST GLOBAL LIVEABILITY INDEX 2026

1st Copenhagen (DK)
2nd **Vienna (AT)**
3rd Melbourne (AU)
4th Sydney (AU)
5th Zurich (CH)

MERCER QUALITY OF LIVING RANKING 2024

1st Zurich (CH)
2nd **Vienna (AT)**
3rd Geneva (CH)
4th Copenhagen (DK)
5th Auckland (NZ)

Foreword

Dear readers,

Vienna is one of the most dynamic cities in Europe. Few other major cities are growing as fast as Vienna, are as economically powerful and as liveable as the federal capital of Austria. More than two million people continue to write Vienna's internationally recognised and acclaimed success story every day.

The present issue of "Vienna in Figures" provides a brief overview of the many facets and aspects of Vienna. Did you know, for example, that 34 percent of Vienna's natural landscape are protected? Or that nearly 200,000 people study at Vienna's universities and that there are 50,000 overnight stays in tourist accommodations in Vienna every day? Vienna is also Austria's number one producer of cucumbers and, at the same time, a top location for research and development in Europe.

The results speak for themselves: In 2025, Vienna recorded economic growth of 1.1%, making the city Austria's economic and employment engine. With more than one million people employed, the city reached a historic record. Vienna also has the highest quality of life and top-quality public services, for example in the areas of healthcare, nursing care, education, and housing.

All this data shows how successful Vienna is and how the city has changed over the past few years. Vienna has been actively and successfully addressing challenges such as population growth, climate change, and the cost-of-living crisis. We will continue to do everything we can to stay on this successful path so that everyone who lives here has access to all opportunities, for now and for the future.

How the Viennese see Vienna

2023

91%
are (very) happy
living in the city.

89%
are satisfied with the
cultural offer.

87%
are satisfied with
public transportation.

Michael Ludwig
Mayor and Governor
of Vienna

Barbara Novak
Deputy Mayor and Executive City Councillor
of Finance, Business, Labour, International
Affairs and Digital Innovation

Population

Who lives in Vienna?

1 Jan. 2026

Population

2,040,914



Women
51.0%



Men
49.0%

Population growth

2016–2026

Since 2016, Vienna has seen its population grow by 200,688 people (+10.9%).

2016–2025,
average
annual growth
+1.0%

2025–2026
+0.6%

Vital statistics

2025

Natural
population change:
births minus deaths

+2,563



Births

+19,030



Deaths

-16,467

Migration

2025



Net migration:
in-migration
minus out-migration

+10,173

Out-migration
-84,546

Life expectancy at birth

2024

Women

**83.2
years**

1970: 73.5



Men

**79.0
years**

1970: 67.0



Age structure

1 Jan. 2026

Average age

41 years

Age group 65+

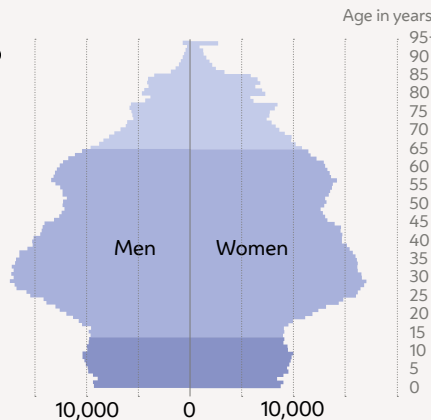
341,575

15–64 years

1,408,404

0–14 years

290,935



Population by nationality

1 Jan. 2026

Austria
63.2%

EU
15.0%

Other
21.9%

< 5

Fewer than five
inhabitants of Vienna
came from each of the
following countries:
Bhutan, Andorra,
Brunei, Palau or
San Marino.

187

As of 1 January
2026, Vienna was
home to people
from 187 different
nationalities.

Top 5 foreign
nationalities:

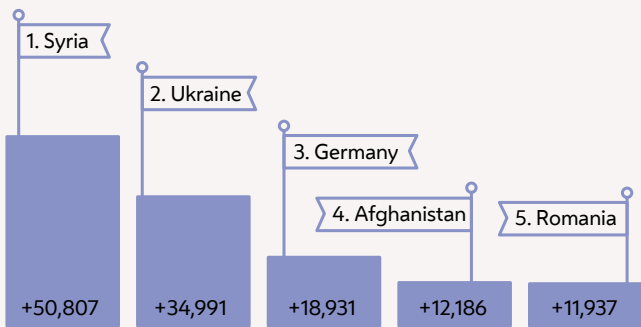
- Serbia 3.7%
- Syria 3.5%
- Germany 3.1%
- Turkey 2.3%
- Poland 2.2%

EU Other

Net migration by nationality

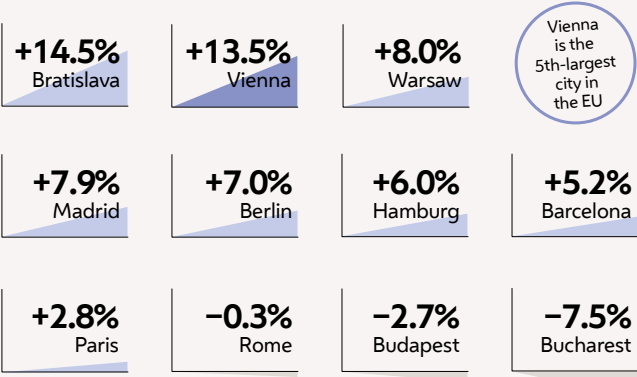
2016–2025

Top 5

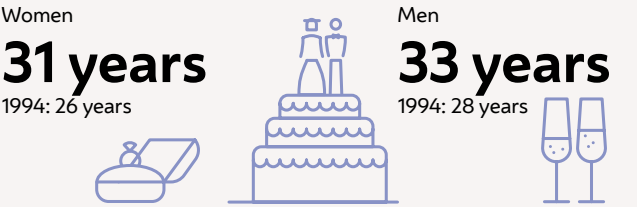


Population trends – a comparison 2014–2024

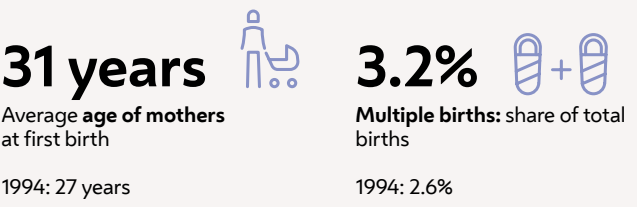
Over the past decade, Vienna has seen the 2nd highest growth compared with the ten largest cities in the EU and Bratislava.



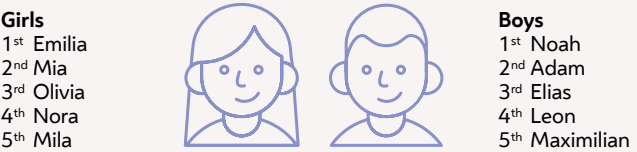
Median marriage age At first marriage | 2024



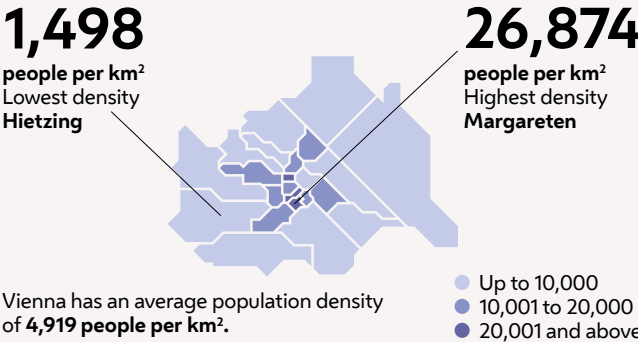
Mothers and children 2024



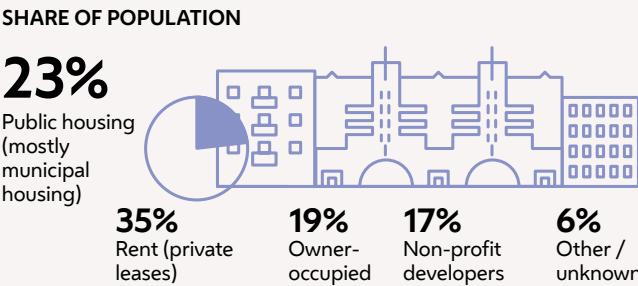
Most popular first names 2025



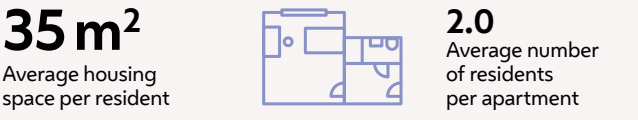
Population density 1 Jan. 2026



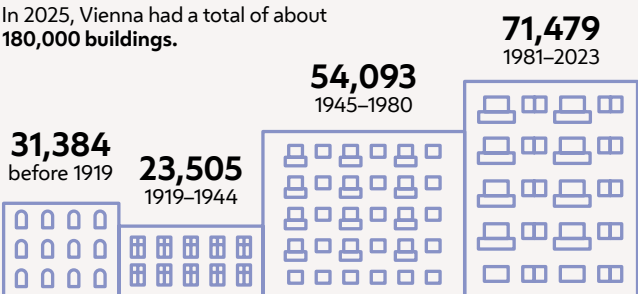
Types of housing 31 Oct. 2025



Average housing space 31 Oct. 2025



Buildings by construction period 31 Oct. 2025



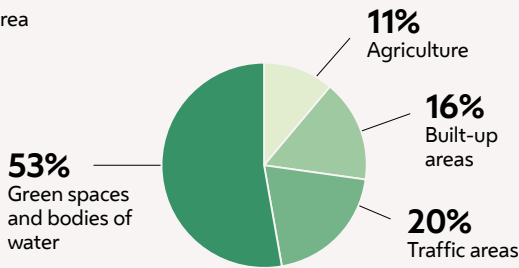
Urban area & climate

Land use in Vienna

2026

414.9 km²

Total area

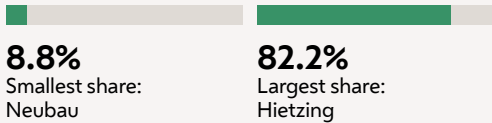


Josefstadt, 8th
1.1 km², smallest district

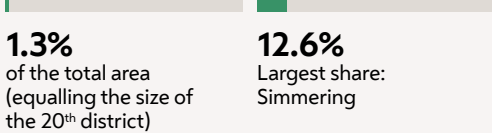
Donaustadt, 22nd
102.3 km², largest district



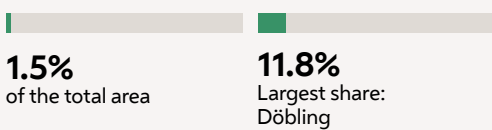
Green spaces and bodies of water



Cemeteries



Vineyards



Natural monuments & protected areas 2025

420

natural monuments are located in Vienna.

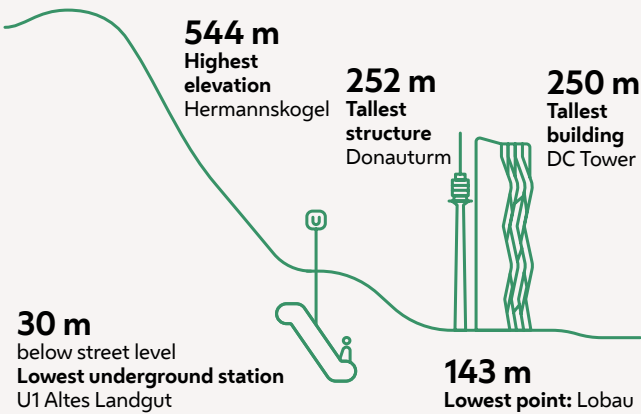
34%

of spaces in Vienna are subject to protection.



Elevations and buildings

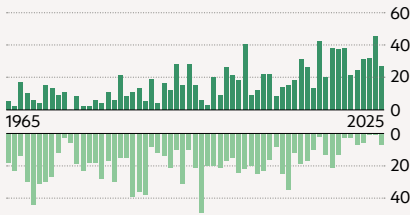
2026



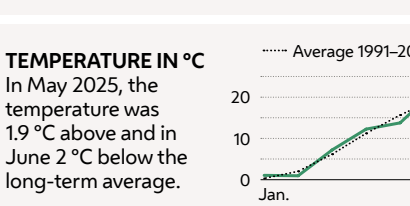
Air temperature

1965–2025

Heat days per year



Ice days per year



Extremes 2025



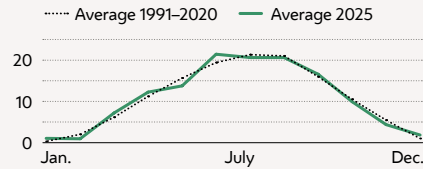
+36.8°C

-8.3°C

Heat days: max. daytime temperature at least 30 °C
Ice days: max. daytime temperature below 0 °C

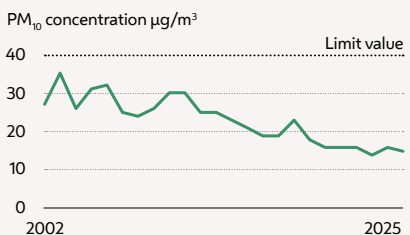
TEMPERATURE IN °C

In May 2025, the temperature was 1.9 °C above and in June 2 °C below the long-term average.



Particulate matter

2002–2025



Fresh Water

1,800

drinking fountains in Vienna (2026)*



* Estimate

Animals

Pets

1 Sep. 2025

Dogs

59,848



Cats

?

Unlike dogs, cats are not subject to licensing, which is why the City of Vienna does not have data on the number of cats.

Agricultural livestock

2025

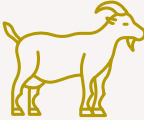
Livestock numbers in Vienna have been declining. In 1960, farmers still kept 2,962 cattle and 13,018 pigs.



88
cattle



123
pigs



180
goats



292
sheep

An abundance of wildlife

2022



456
species of wild bees



135
species of butterflies



60
species of dragonflies



22
species of bats



17
species of amphibians



9
species of reptiles

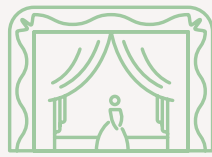


9,500
gophers

Culture & leisure

Theatre and opera

2023/24



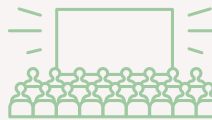
Attendance

2,276,563

3,390 **10,749** **895**
performances seats standing places

Cinema

2024



Attendance

3,487,556

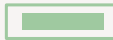
27 **139** **24,621**
cinemas screens seats

Visits to museums and exhibitions

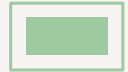
2024



3,593,000
Schönbrunn Palace



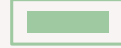
968,200
Museum of Natural History



1,848,500
Kunsthistorisches Museum



1,255,800
Albertina



1,867,900
Belvedere

Sport and recreational facilities

2026, 2025

Playgrounds

1,823



City-run parks

1,021



Major sports grounds

140



School gyms

617

Education

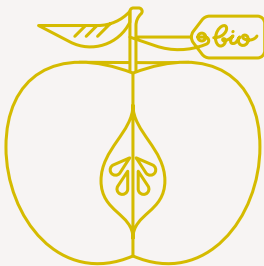
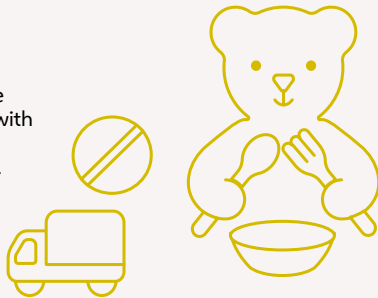
Pre-school facilities

2024/25

Children

98,043

89% of all pre-school-age children attend facilities with opening hours that allow parents to work full-time.



60%

Share of organic food on offer at Vienna pre-school facilities and schools catering to compulsory-school-age pupils

Pupils

2024/25

264,063

128,084



Compulsory Education

66,156



Academic Secondary School (AHS)

28,194



College for Higher Vocational Education (BHS)

22,174



Part-time Vocational School

8,353



School for Intermediate Vocational Education (BMS)

11,102



Other

Students

2025/26

Degree students*

201,384

Berlin and Vienna are the largest university cities in the German-speaking countries.

Universities
24



Women

55.2%



Men

44.8%



7,965

at university colleges for teacher education

23,772

at universities of applied sciences

159,642

at public universities

10,005

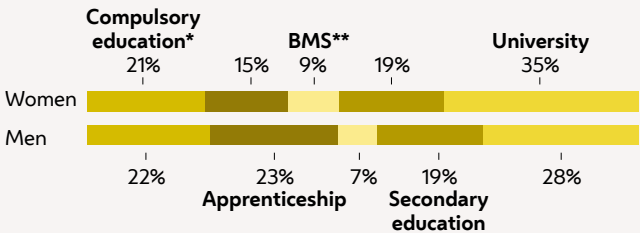
at private universities

* Students enrolled in multiple study programmes are counted multiple times.

Level of education

31 Oct. 2024

AGE GROUP 25–64 YEARS



* Including individuals without degree certificates

** School for Intermediate Vocational Education

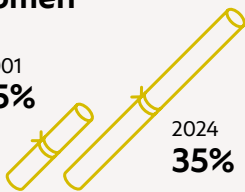
UNIVERSITY GRADUATES

The share of university graduates has been rising significantly over the past 20 years – especially among women.

Women

2001

15%



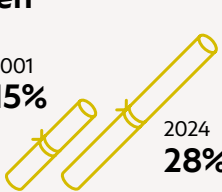
2024

35%

Men

2001

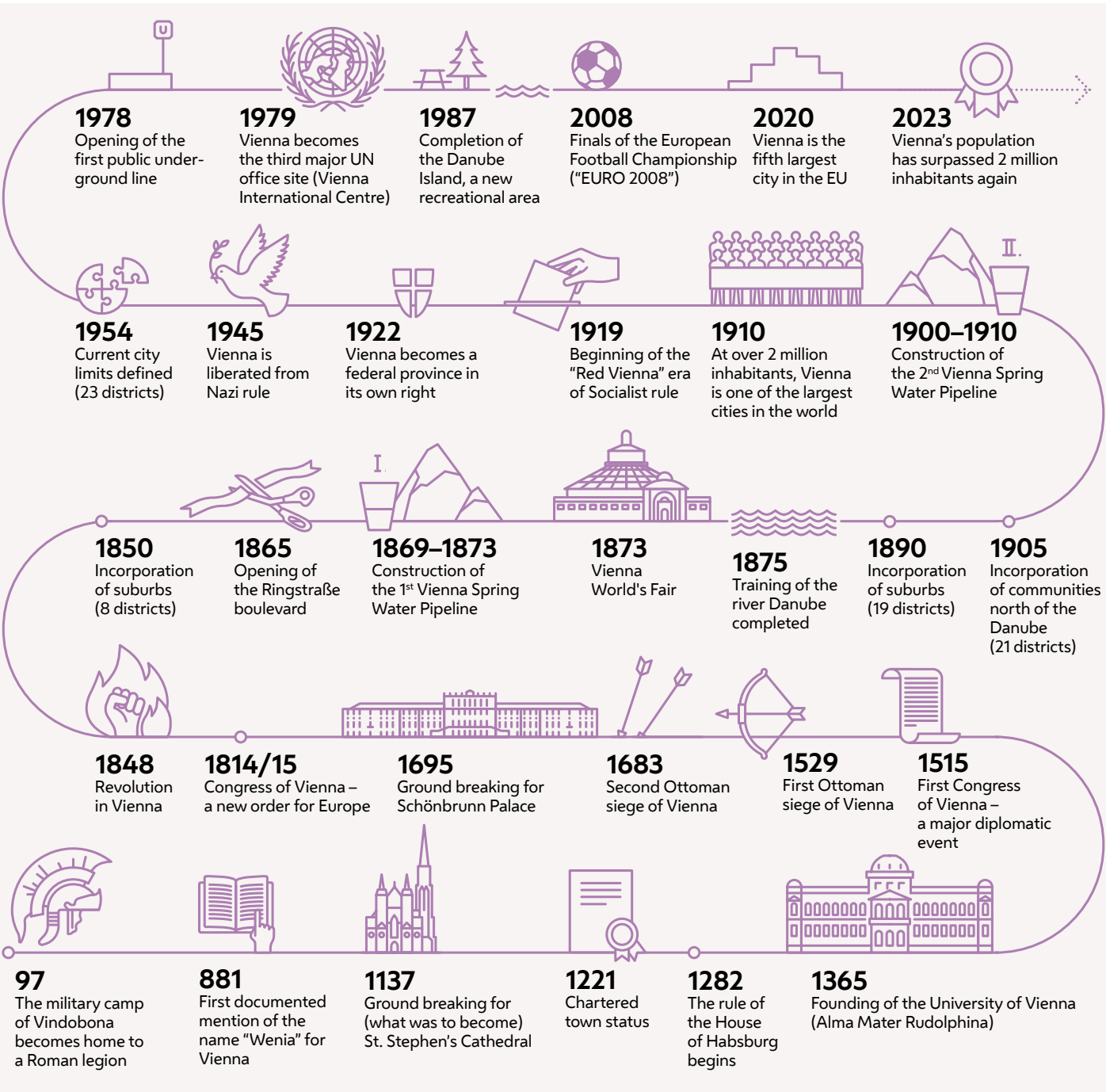
15%



2024

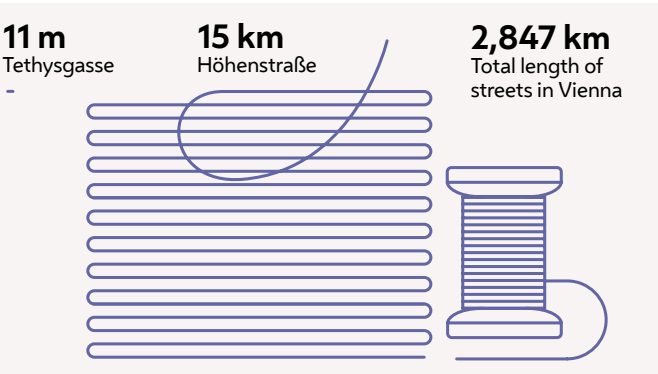
28%

History of Vienna



Traffic & transport

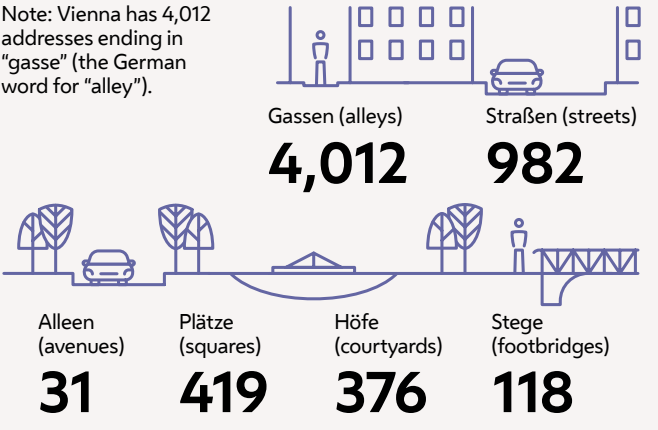
Vienna's shortest and longest streets 2026



Does Vienna have more streets than alleys?

2026

Note: Vienna has 4,012 addresses ending in "gasse" (the German word for "alley").



Mobility trends

Pedestrian zones

+20%

2025: 404,465 m²
2013: 337,335 m²

Cyclists

12,483,973

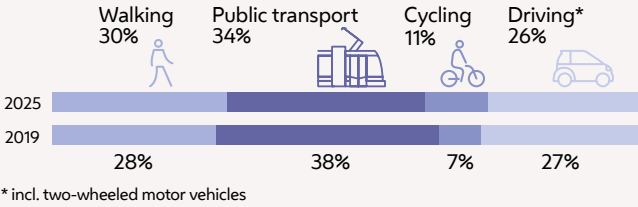
at 17 counting stations in 2025,
+50%* increase compared to 2018



Modal split

2019, 2025

HOW DO THE VIENNESE GET FROM A TO B?



Car ownership rate

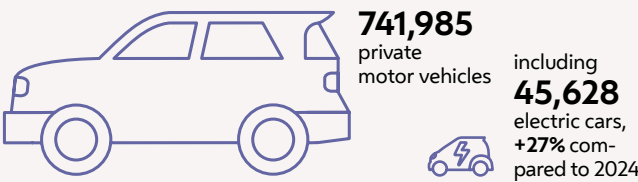
31 Dec. 2025

Vienna has the lowest car ownership rate of all federal provinces and provincial capital cities in Austria.



Private motor vehicles

31 Dec. 2025



Public transport

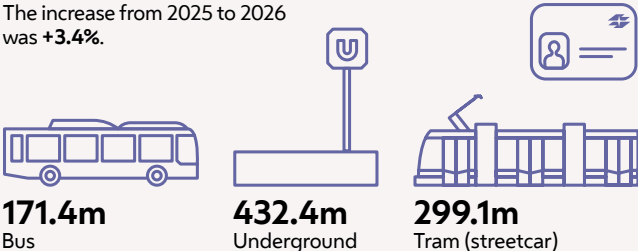
2025

Passengers of Wiener Linien

Regular customers*

902.9 million **1,096,000**

The increase from 2025 to 2026 was **+3.4%**.

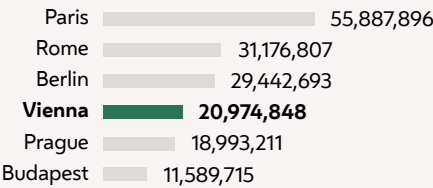


* Annual passes, KlimaTicket holders (residence in Vienna, Lower Austria and Burgenland), student tickets

Tourism

Overnight stays in EU cities

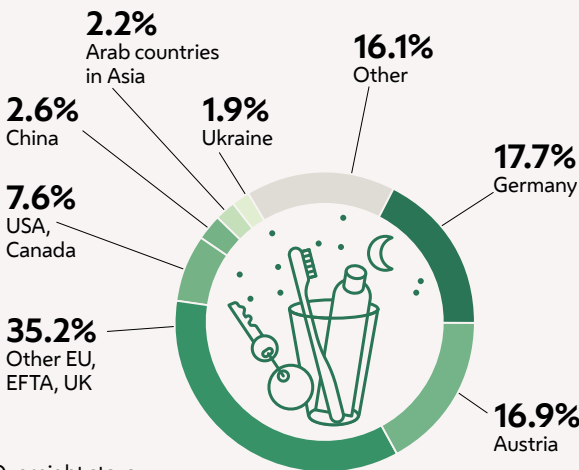
2025*



* Estimated data based on preliminary figures, may include the city's environs (e.g. Vienna region).

Overnight stays by origin

2025



Overnight stays

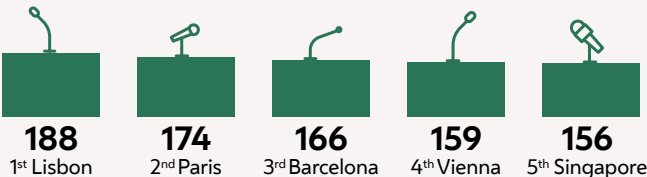
20.1 million

+6.5% compared to 2024

International congresses

2025

In 2025, Vienna was once again one of the most popular congress cities in the world.



Economy & employment

Economic performance

2024

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP)

Austria total

€494.1bn



Vienna

€124.9bn

Austria per capita

€53,800

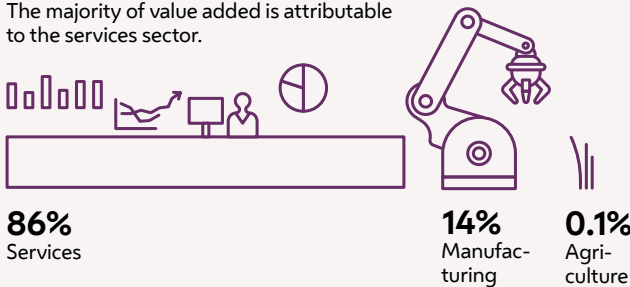


Vienna per capita

€61,900

WHERE IS THE GDP GENERATED?

The majority of value added is attributable to the services sector.

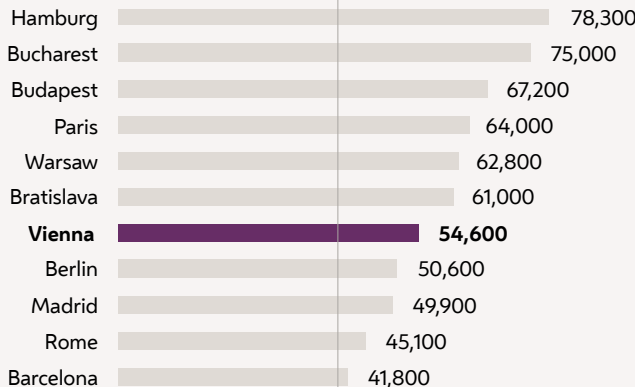


Economic output – a comparison

2024

GDP PER CAPITA IN € PURCHASING POWER STANDARDS

EU 27 average: 39,900



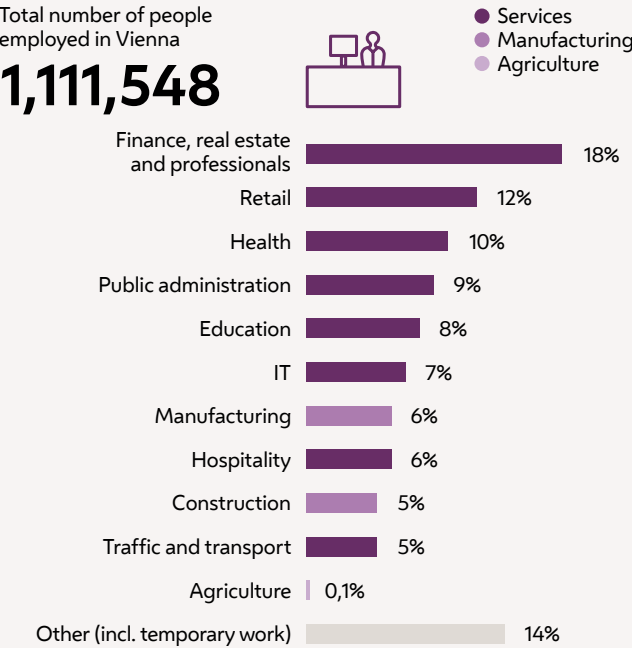
Commuters

2024



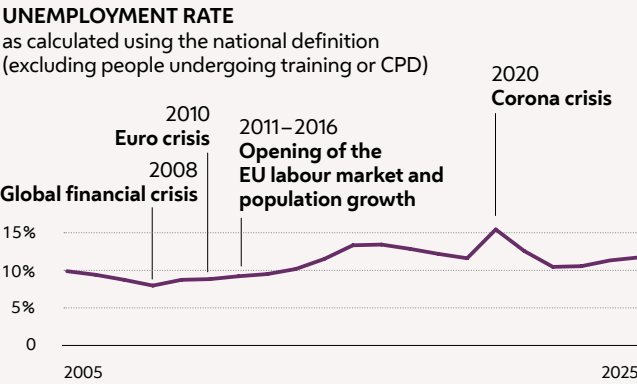
Employment in Vienna

31 Oct. 2024



Unemployment

2005–2025



Growing your greens

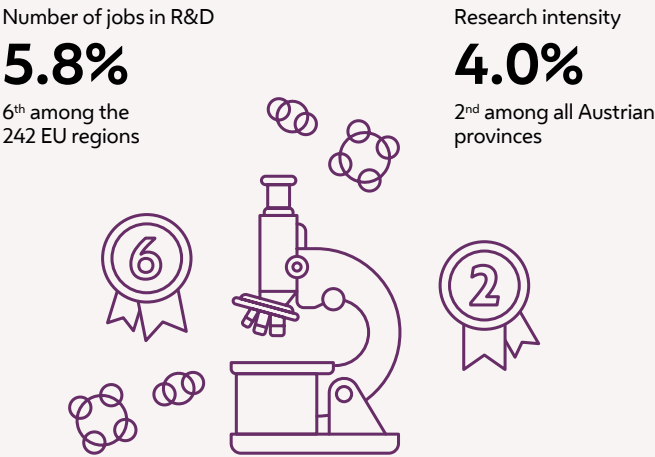
2025

VIENNA'S SHARE IN AUSTRIA'S OVERALL VEGETABLE PRODUCTION
It is hard to believe, but for some vegetable varieties, Vienna is the leading producer in Austria.



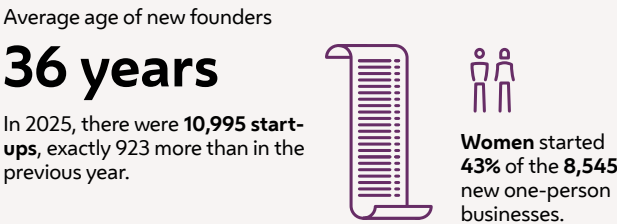
Research & development

2023



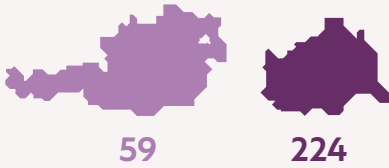
New businesses

2025



New international businesses

2025



In 2025, more international companies set up business in Vienna than in all other federal provinces of Austria combined.

Top 3 countries of origin of new international businesses



Investment volume

€525 million



New jobs created

+1,682

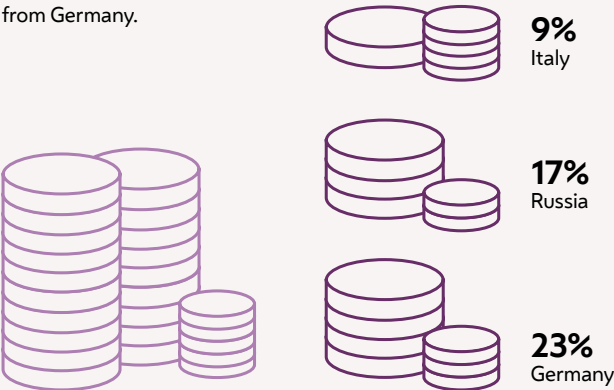


Foreign direct investments

2023

€117.6 billion

About a fourth of all foreign direct investment in 2023 came from Germany.

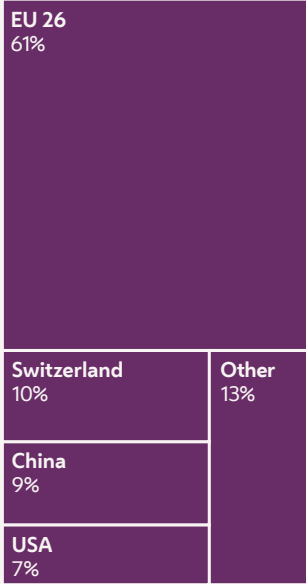


Foreign trade

2025

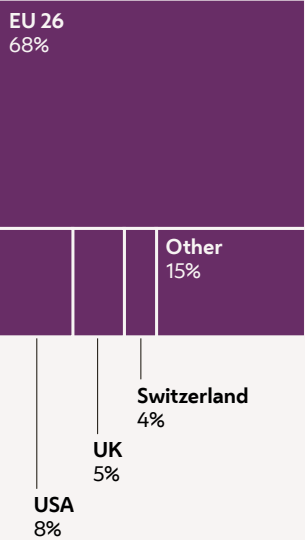
Imports to Vienna

€51.5bn



Exports from Vienna

€29.7bn



Top 3 of EU 26	€20.4bn	Top 3 of EU 26	€9.4bn
Germany	30%	Germany	26%
Italy	6%	Italy	5%
France	4%	Poland	5%

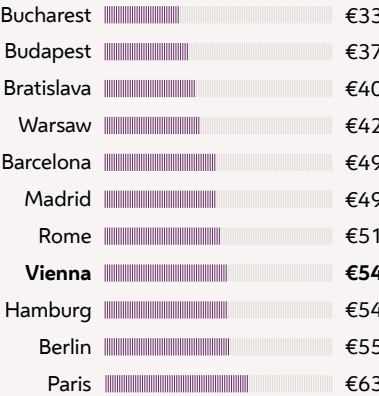
Cost of living

2026

Cost of living index including housing (New York City = 100)



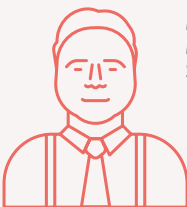
This index estimates the prices of consumer goods (food, restaurants, transportation, and utilities), including housing costs, in comparison to New York City.



Politics

Vienna City Senate and Provincial Government

2026



Mayor and Governor
Michael Ludwig
SPÖ

Deputy Mayor and
Executive City Councillor
Bettina Emmerling
NEOS

Deputy Mayor and
Executive City Councillor
Barbara Novak
SPÖ

EXECUTIVE CITY COUNCILLORS ("GOVERNMENT")

Jürgen Czernohorsky, SPÖ
Climate, Environment,
Democracy and Personnel

Bettina Emmerling, NEOS
Education, Youth, Integration,
Transparency and Vienna Markets

Peter Hacker, SPÖ
Social Affairs, Public Health
and Sports

Elke Hanel-Torsch, SPÖ
Housing, Housing Construction,
Urban Renewal and Women's Issues

Veronica Kaup-Hasler, SPÖ-seat
Cultural Affairs and Science

Barbara Novak, SPÖ
Finance, Business, Labour,
International Affairs and Digital
Innovation

Ulli Sima, SPÖ
Urban Planning, Mobility and
Vienna Public Utilities

CITY COUNCILLORS WITHOUT PORTFOLIO

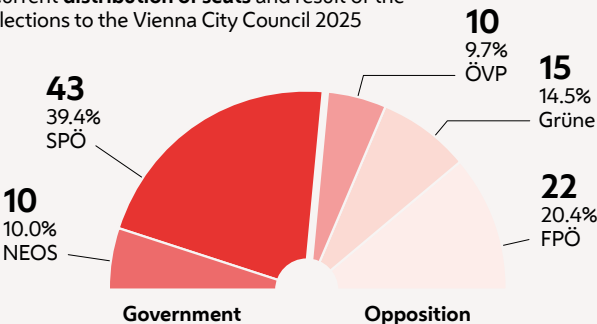
Stefan Berger (FPÖ)
Kasia Greco (ÖVP)
Peter Kraus (Die Grünen)

Dominik Nepp (FPÖ)
Ulrike Nittmann (FPÖ)
Judith Pühringer (Die Grünen)

Vienna City Council and Provincial Parliament

2026

Current **distribution of seats** and result of the
elections to the Vienna City Council 2025



Public servants

2026



Approx. 90,000
public servants
work for the City of Vienna.

About 2/3
of them are women.



34,500
Vienna City
Administration

31,000
Vienna Hospital
Group

3,500
Vienna Public
Utilities

18,000
Teaching
staff

1,650
Other*

* Wiener Wohnen (900), Wien Kanal (500),
outsourced divisions (250)

Vienna's public administration is becoming ever more efficient

Today, one city administration staff member serves the equivalent of
60 Viennese inhabitants, up by more than a third from 26 years ago.

2000
43
inhabitants per city
administration staff
member



2026
59
inhabitants per
city administration
staff member

The budget of the City of Vienna

2025

Total payments as recorded
in the financial statements

€21.4 billion

€2.7 billion
Payments for investments
by the City of Vienna



21%
Social welfare and
housing promotion



19%
Health



19%
Education, schools,
sports and sciences



16%
Local authority
tasks and general
administration



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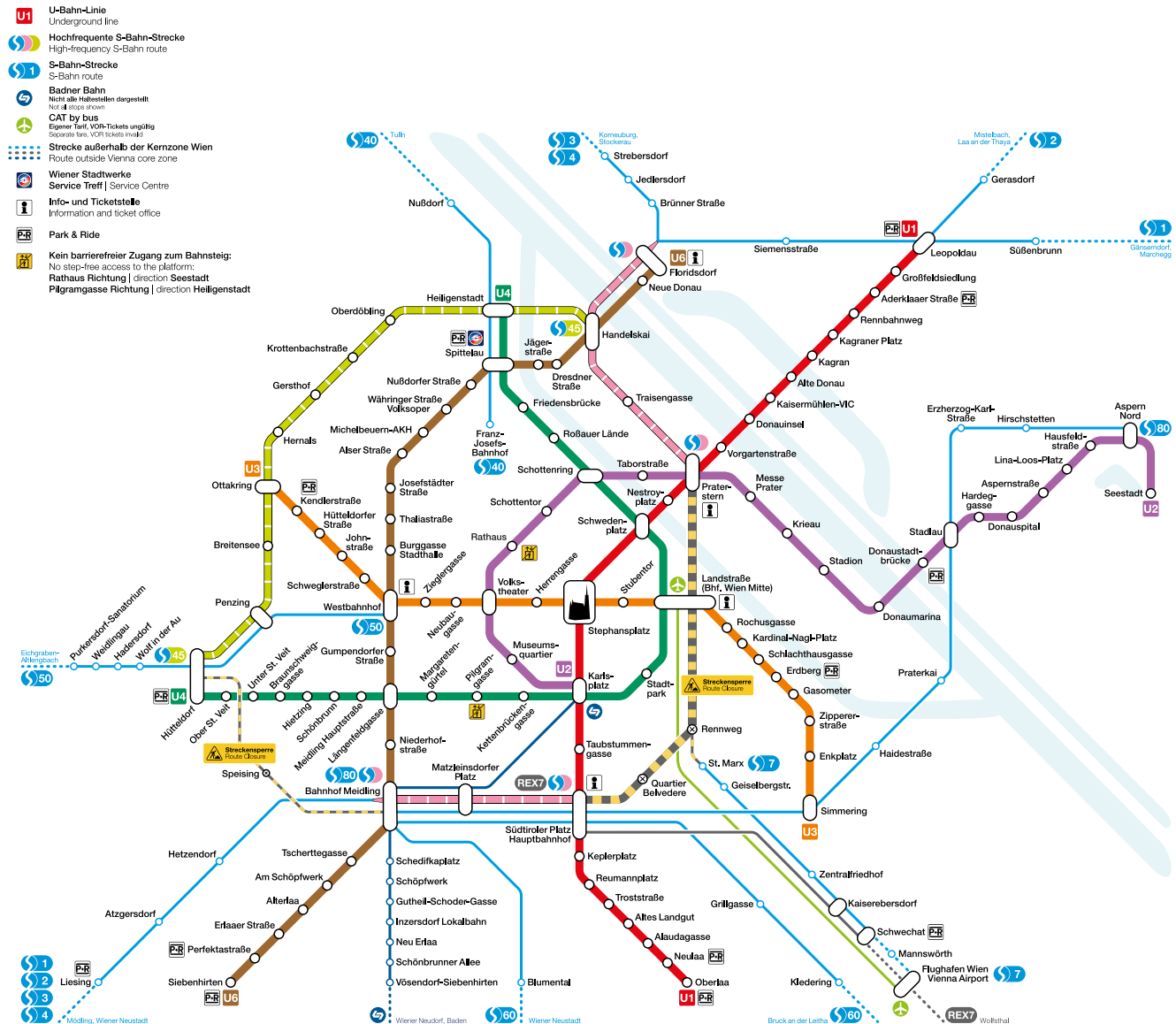
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