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1.1. Contact organisation

Statistics Austria

1.1.1. Responsible party

Statistics Austria

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2. Metadata update Top	
2.1. Metadata last certified	14/12/2022
2.2. Metadata last posted	14/12/2022
2.3. Metadata last update	14/12/2022

3. Statistical presentation Top	
3.1. Data description	
The data present the results of the 2021 EU census on population and housing, following Regulation (EC) 763/2008; Regulation (EU) 2017/543; Regulation (EU) 2017/712 and Regulation (EU) 2017/881; Regulation (EU) 2018/1799.	
3.1.1. Resource title	
1 square km grid data from the Austrian population census 2021	
3.1.2. Resource abstract	
1 square km grid data from the Austrian population census 2021 - Total population.	

3.1.3. Resource type
Spatial data set series
3.1.3.1. Additional information if 'spatial data set' is marked
https://data.europa.eu/en
3.1.4. Resource locator
https://data.europa.eu/en
3.1.5. Unique resource identifier
https://data.inspire.gv.at
3.1.6. Coupled resource
3.1.7. Resource language
English
3.1.8. Keyword value
Population Distribution
3.1.9. Originating controlled vocabulary
https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/theme/pd
3.1.10. Metadata language
English
3.2. Classification system
EPSG:3035 - Equal Area Grid 'Grid_ETRS89-LAEA1000'
3.3. Coverage - sector
All Austrian 1 square km grid cells.
3.3.1. Topic category
Society
3.3.2. Spatial data service type

Download Service
3.4. Statistical concepts and definitions
The information is given separately for each census topic.
3.4.1. Statistical concepts and definitions - Total population
<p>For census purposes, the total population of the country consists of all the persons falling within the scope of the census in EU on usual residents.</p> <p>Usual residence means the place where a person normally spends the daily period of rest, regardless of temporary absences for purposes of recreation, holidays, visits to friends and relatives, business, medical treatment or religious pilgrimage.</p> <p>Persons usually resident in the place of enumeration but absent, or expected to be absent, at the time of the census for less than one year shall be considered as temporarily absent persons and thus included in the total usually population. In contrast, persons living or expected to live outside the place of enumeration for one year or more shall not be considered temporarily absent and shall therefore be excluded from the total population. This is regardless of the length of visits that they may pay to their families from time to time.</p> <p>Persons who are enumerated but do not meet the criteria for usual residence in the place of enumeration, i.e. do not live or do not expect to live in the place of enumeration for a continuous period of at least 12 months, are considered temporarily present and are therefore not counted in the total usually resident population. Unless otherwise stated in this report.</p>
3.4.2. Statistical concepts and definitions - Sex
Sex that is registered in the birth certificate. As a rule, this refers to the biological sex. However, a person can have his/her gender changed in the birth certificate (and thus CPR) under certain circumstances (gender reassignment surgery not necessary, but gender alignment has to have taken place); binary variable: female or male.
3.4.3. Statistical concepts and definitions - Age
The age reached at the reference date (in completed years).
3.4.4. Statistical concepts and definitions - Employed person
'Employed' persons comprise all persons aged 15 years or over who during the reference week: (a) performed at least one hour of work for pay or profit, in cash or in kind, or (b) were temporarily absent from a job in which they had already worked and to which they maintained a formal attachment, or from a self-employment activity.
3.4.5. Statistical concepts and definitions - Place of birth

The place of birth for persons born within the country is the civil division in which the person was born; for those born in other countries, it is the country of birth. For persons born in the country (the native-born population), the concept of place of birth usually refers to the geographic unit where the mother of the individual resided at the time of the person's birth.
3.4.6. Statistical concepts and definitions - Place of usual residence one year prior to the census
The relationship between the current place of usual residence and the place of usual residence one year prior to the census.
3.5. Statistical unit
grid cell
3.6. Statistical population
Persons enumerated in the 2021 census are those who were usually resident in the territory of the reporting country at the census reference date. Usual residence means the place where a person normally spends the daily period of rest, regardless of temporary absences for purposes of recreation, holidays, visits to friends and relatives, business, medical treatment or religious pilgrimage
3.7. Reference area
Austria
3.7.1. Geographic bounding box
8.34, 17.919, 45.354, 49.214
3.7.2. Spatial resolution
1000 Unit:m
3.7.3. Coordinate Reference System
EPSG:3035 - ETRS89 / LAEA Europe
3.8. Coverage - Time
Data refer to the situation in the reporting country at the census reference date.
3.9. Base period
Not applicable.

4. Unit of measure	Top
Counts of statistical units.	

5. Reference Period	Top
31/10/2021	
5.1. Temporal extent	
31/10/2021	

6. Institutional Mandate	Top
Law, set of rules or other formal set of instructions assigning responsibility as well as the authority to an organization for the collection, processing, and dissemination of census statistics.	
6.1. Institutional Mandate - legal acts and other agreements	
Bundesgesetz über die Durchführung von Volks-, Arbeitsstätten-, Gebäude- und Wohnungszählungen (Registerzählungsgesetz) BGBl. I Nr. 33/2006 idgF	
6.2. Institutional Mandate - data sharing	
Bundesgesetz über die Bundesstatistik (Bundesstatistikgesetz 2000) BGBl. I Nr. 163/1999 idgF	

7. Confidentiality	Top
7.1. Confidentiality - policy	
The data treatment is regulated in the legal basis for the register-based census: BGBl. I Nr. 33/2006.	
7.2. Confidentiality - data treatment	
The data are compiled from various spending-registers that provide their information. To ensure data privacy protection, all microdata are pseudonymised. A branch-specific personal identification number for official statistics (bPIN OS) is required before delivering the data to Statistics Austria. Each individual has a unique number. The administrative units get an encrypted version of these	

bPIN-OS which has to be linked to the data that is sent to Statistics Austria. Hence, only Statistics Austria is able to decode the bPIN-OS and to link the individuals.

The SDC method chosen for the Austrian census is Record Swapping. Swapping minimises the risk of disclosure, preserves the additivity and consistency of output tables, is easy to implement and to understand, and it is possible to conduct special analyses outside the Census Hub without changing the results.

8. Release policy

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8.1. Release calendar

Data are made available 14 months after the end of the reference period (December 2022)

8.2. Release calendar access

<https://www.statistik.at/en/medien/release-calendar>

8.3. Release policy - user access

All users were informed at the same time.

8.3.1. Conditions applying to access and use

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/metadata-codelist/ConditionsApplyingToAccessAndUse/noConditionsApply>

8.3.2. Limitations on public access

<https://inspire.ec.europa.eu/metadata-codelist/ConditionsApplyingToAccessAndUse/noConditionsApply>

9. Frequency of dissemination

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Decennial

10. Accessibility and clarity

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10.1. Dissemination format - News release

Results from the Austrian census are published in various news releases. For a list of news releases see: https://www.statistik.at/medien/en/press-releases
10.2. Dissemination format - Publications
Results from the Austrian census are published in various publications releases. For a list of publications releases see: https://www.statistik.at/en/services/tools/services/publikationen
10.3. Dissemination format - online database
https://ec.europa.eu/CensusHub2/
10.4. Dissemination format - microdata access
Not available.
10.5. Dissemination format - other
Not available.
10.6. Documentation on methodology
The documentation on methodology will be available as soon as it is finished on https://www.statistik.at .
10.7. Quality management - documentation
The national quality report will be available as soon as it is finished on https://www.statistik.at .

11. Quality management	Top
11.1. Quality assurance	
In the whole process the guidelines for Statistics Austria according to the Federal Statistics Act and the Register-based Census law were applied.	
11.1.1. Lineage	
Official preliminary dataset, quality is assured.	
11.1.2. Conformity, specification	
Regulation (EU) No 2018/1799 of 21 November 2018.	
11.1.3. Conformity, degree	

Conform to Regulation (EU) No 2018/1799.

11.2. Quality management - assessment

Statistics Austria developed a special quality-framework for the quality assessment of register-based statistics. For the evaluation of the data, four quality-related hyperdimensions are computed. On the register-level a) the quality of the documentation of data b) the usability of the data and c) the validity compared to an external source are assessed by three hyperdimensions. The fourth hyperdimension evaluates the quality of the imputations. A quality-indicator can be derived from these four hyperdimensions. For the combination of the quality-measures and for further details on the comprehensive quality-framework see the documentation on quality assessment.

12. Relevance

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12.1. Relevance - User Needs

Counts of statistical units

12.2. Relevance - User Satisfaction

No user satisfaction surveys are carried out.

12.3. Completeness

Complete.

13. Accuracy

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13.1. Accuracy - overall

There are no particular reasons for data unreliability for this topic.

13.2. Sampling error

Not applicable.

13.3. Non-sampling error

Not applicable.

14. Timeliness and punctuality	Top
14.1. Timeliness	
According to Article 9 (1) of the Regulation (EU) No 2018/1799, Member States shall provide the Commission (Eurostat) with validated and aggregated data and with metadata on total population by 31 December 2022.	
14.1.1. Date of publication	
31/12/2022	
14.1.2. Date of last revision	
21/12/2022	
14.1.3. Date of creation	
21/12/2022	
14.2. Punctuality	
Not available.	

15. Coherence and comparability	Top
15.1. Comparability - geographical	
The definitions and technical specifications of Regulation (EU) 2018/1799 were applied. The comparability of data is assured.	
15.1.1. Geographic information - data quality	
Geographic quality principles, in particular territorial coverage and comparability, positional accuracy, as well as temporal coherence and completeness of the geographic data used for geocoding, as requested by Annex III to Reg. 2018/1799 are fulfilled.	
15.2. Comparability - over time	
Not available.	
15.3. Coherence - cross domain	

Figures provided by the National Statistical Institutes in the framework of the 2021 Population and Housing Census may differ from those transmitted in other statistical domains due to the cross domain differences in definitions and methodologies used. For additional information please see metadata specific to each domain.

15.4. Coherence - internal

Internal coherence is assured by regulations (Regulation (EC) No 763/2008, Regulation (EU) No 2017/543, Regulation (EU) No 1151/2010)

16. Cost and Burden

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Due to the method of a register-based census there is no burden for the population. The costs are reduced in comparison to a conventional census.

17. Data revision

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17.1. Data revision - policy

The published preliminary grid data on total population will be revised and replaced by final data in May 2023.

17.2. Data revision - practice

The published preliminary grid data on total population will be revised and replaced by final data in May 2023.

18. Statistical processing

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18.1. Source data

- Central Population Register
- Central Civil Status Register
- Business Register
- Central Social Security Register
- Tax Register
- Unemployment Register
- Register of Educational Attainment
- Register of Enrolled Pupils and Students

- Buildings and Dwellings Register
- Family allowance register
- Registers of public servants of the federal state and the "Laender" (NUTS2 level)
- Central Foreigner Register
- Register of Social Welfare Recipients
- Register of Alternative Civilian Service
- Conscription Register
- Register of car owners

18.2. Frequency of data collection

Continuously.

18.3. Data collection

Data are transmitted to Statistics Austria at regular intervals (at least annually).

18.4. Data validation

As data on various topics are provided by several administrative data holders the quality of the attributes enhances due to the principle of redundancy. A special rule set defined by Statistics Austria picks the most appropriate value for the census-micro-database for each individual according to the values in the spending registers. Furthermore plausibility-checks are carried out in the data processing. In the quality assessment a comparison of the spending registers to an external source (micro-census) is carried out and the trustworthiness of the final data is evaluated.

18.5. Data compilation

Details will be provided in national documentation as soon as it is finished <https://www.statistik.at>.

18.6. Adjustment

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Not available.

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