# Information Guide

## Austria

A guide to information sources on the Republic of Austria.

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General information

- Austria: [Federal Chancellery](#)
- European Union: European Countries: [Austria](#)
- United Nations: Data: Country Profiles: [Austria](#)
- Wikipedia: [Austria](#)
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Country profiles: [Austria](#)
- United States: CIA: The World Factbook: [Austria](#)
- United States: Department of State:: [Austria](#)
- BBC News: Country profile: [Austria](#)
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: [Austria](#)
- The Guardian: World news: [Austria](#)
- Google: Search for websites on [Austria](#)
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: [Austria](#)
- NationMaster: Home: Country Info: Profiles: [Austria](#)

Agricultural information

- Austria: [Federal Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry, the Environment and Water Management](#)
- European Commission: DG Agriculture and Rural Development: Rural development policy 2014-2020: Country Files: [Austria](#)
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development (ENRD): [Austria](#)
- European Commission: European Network for Rural Development: [A partnership between Europe and Farmers](#)
- AgroWeb Network: Central and Eastern Europe: [Austria](#)
- OECD: Agriculture and Fisheries: [Austria](#)
- Organic Europe: Organic farming in Europe: [Austria](#)

Competition policy information

- Austria: [Austrian Competition Authority](#)
- OECD: Competition: [Austria](#)

Culture and language information

- Austria: [Federal Minister for Arts and Culture, Constitution and Media](#) (a short description of the Austrian Federal Chancellery)
- Austria: [The Arts and Culture Division of the Federal Chancellery of Austria](#)
- European Commission: Programmes: Creative Europe: Tools: Creative Europe Desks: [Austria](#) [select a country]
- Council of Europe/ERICarts: Compendium: Cultural Policies and Trends in Europe: [Austria](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: [Austria](#)
- SIL International: Ethnologue: Languages of [Austria](#)
- Euromosaic: [Minority Languages in the European Union](#) [select country]
Defence and security information

- Austria: Ministry of Defence (in German)
- Austrian Armed Forces
- NATO: Relations with Austria

Economic information

- ESO: Austria: Economic situation
- Austria: Federal Ministry of Finance
- Austria: Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy
- Austria: Austrian Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology
- Austria: Austrian National Bank
- Austria: Federal Ministry of Finance: Taxation
- Austria: Federal Ministry of Finance: Customs
- European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: Austria
- European Commission: DG Economic and Financial Affairs: Austria
  - Stability and Convergence Programmes 2015: Austria
  - Council Recommendation on the 2016 national reform programme of Austria
  - 2016 Country Report
- European Commission: DG Taxation and Customs Union: taxes in Europe database: Austria
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development: The EBRD in Austria
- International Monetary Fund: Austria and the IMF
- OECD: Country information: Austria
- UNIDO: Country Profile: Austria
- UNCTAD/WTO: International Trade Centre: Austria
- WTO: Austria and the WTO
- Deutsche Bank Research: Charts Austria
- European Commission: DG Regional Policy: Country Factsheets: Austria
- United States: Commercial Service: Doing Business in Austria

Education information

- Austria: Federal Ministry for Education
- Austria: Austrian Agency for International Cooperation in Education and Research
- Council of Europe/ European Union: Youth Partnership: Knowledge/ EKCYP: Austria: Background Information on Youth Policy
- European Commission: Youth Partnership: Youth Policy: Austria
- European Commission: Education and Training: Study in Europe: Austria
- European Commission: Programmes: Erasmus+: Contacts: National Agencies: Austria [choose country]
- European Commission: Eurydice: Austria
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Education and Youth [select topic then country]
- Council of Europe/UNESCO/European Commission: ENIC-NARIC – Gateway to Recognition of Academic and Professional Qualifications: Austria [offers links to national education authorities and information sites]
- OECD: Education: Austria
- UNESCO Institute for Statistics: Education profile: Austria
- World Bank: EdStats: Austria
• EuroEducation: European Education Directory: Education System in Austria [select country]
• NationMaster.com: Education Statistics
• Wikipedia: Education in Austria

Employment information

• Austria: Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection
• European Commission: DG Employment and Social Affairs: European Employment Strategy: National Reform Programmes [select country]
• European Commission: Europe 2020: Europe 2020 in your country: Austria
• European Commission: EURES: Living and Working: Austria
• Eurofound: Home: Observatories: European Observatory of Working Life-EurWORK: Austria
• European Trade Union Institution: Worker Participation: National Industrial Relations in Austria
• Federation of European Employers: Industrial relations across Europe: Austria
• OECD: Employment Statistics: Austria
• International Labour Organization: NATLEX: Austria

Energy information

• Austria: Austrian Energy Agency
• European Commission: DG Energy:
  o Statistics by Country: [select country]
  o Energy Statistical Pocketbook [select year and country]
  o National Renewable Energy Action Plans [select country]
• European Commission: ManagEnergy:Energy Agencies in Austria
• International Energy Agency:
  o Countries: Austria
  o Statistics and Balances: Austria
• United States: Energy Information Administration: Country information: Austria

Environmental information

• Austria: Federal Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry, the Environment and Water Management (in German)
• Austria: Environmental Agency
• European Commission: DG Environment: LIFE Programme: Austria
• European Environment Agency:
  o EIONET – European Environment Information and Observation Network: Austria
  o NCR- SOE: State of the Environment Reporting Information System: Austria
• European Environment Agency: EPANET – European Network of the Heads of Environment Protection Agencies: Austria
• European Environmental Bureau: Members: Austria
• FAO: Country profiles: Austria
• OECD: Environment: Austria
• Friends of the Earth International: Austria
• Greenpeace Austria (in German)
European policies and relations with the European Union

- Austria: [Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs](https://www.bmeia.gv.at/)<br>
- Austrian National Bank: [Austria and the Euro](https://www.oesterreichische-bank.at/)<br>
- Austrian National Bank: [SEPA: Single Euro Payments Area](https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sepasepa/what-is-sepa)<br>
- Austrian National Bank: Further relevant information<br>
- Austria: Permanent Representation to the European Union<br>
- European Union: Countries: [Austria](https://europa.eu/geschaeftsstelle/)
- European Union: Europe Direct Information Network: [Austria](https://europa.eu/youreurope/citizens/)<br>
- European Commission: Representation in Austria (in German)<br>
- European Commission: Enterprise Europe Network: [Austria](https://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/)
  o Austria and the Euro<br>
- European Parliament: [EP Information Offices](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/homepage_en) [click on map to select country]
- European Investment Bank: Finance Contracts signed in [Austria](https://www.eib.org/)
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Austria](https://www.coe.int/en/web/council-of-europe/)
- OECD: Countries: [Austria](https://www.oecd.org/)
  o Austria: [Permanent delegation to the OECD](https://www.oecd.org/)

Geographic information and maps

- European Union: Europe Maps: [Austria](https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/europe-maps/)
  [select country]<br>
- FAQ: Country profiles: Geography: [Austria](https://ec.europa.eu/)
- Lonely Planet: Map of [Austria](https://www.lonelyplanet.com/)
- MapsOfWorld.com: [Austria map](https://www.mapsofworld.com/country/austria.html)
- University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library: Map Collection: Austria maps

Health information

- Austria: [Federal Ministry of Health](https://www.bmi.gv.at/)
- European Union: Your Europe: Citizens: Health: National contacts in Austria
- European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA):<br>  o Country Overviews: [Austria](https://emcdda.europa.eu/country-overviews/austria)
  o Drug Treatment Profiles: [Austria](https://emcdda.europa.eu/country-overviews/austria/drug-treatment-profiles)
  o Country Legal Profiles: [Austria](https://emcdda.europa.eu/country-overviews/austria/country-legal-profiles)
- OECD: Health: [Austria](https://www.oecd.org/health/)
- OECD: Stats: Health Status: [Austria](https://stats.oecd.org/)
- World Health Organization:<br>  o Countries: [Austria](https://www.who.int/en/)
  o Regional Office for Europe: [Austria](https://euro.who.int/en/)
  o European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies: Health System Reviews: [Austria](https://www.euro.who.int/en/)

Human rights information

- Austria: Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs: [Human Rights](https://www.bmeia.gv.at/en/)
- Council of Europe: European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: [Austria](https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/)
- European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI): Reports on: [Austria](https://ec.europa.eu/justice/fundamental-rights/)

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• European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission): Documents on Austria
• European Court of Human Rights:
  o Country Profiles: Austria
  o Country Fact Sheets 1959-2010 [select country]
  o Violation by Article and by State 1959-2012
  o Statistics on Judgments by State 1959-2010
• United Nations:
  o Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: OHCHR: Austria
  o UNHCR - The UN Refugee Agency: Country Information: Austria
• United States: Department of State:
  o Country Human Rights Practices: Austria [2015]
  o Reports on International Religious Freedom: Austria [2015]
• Amnesty International: Austria
• Amnesty International: Annual Report: Austria (2013) [in German]
• European Committee for the Prevention of Torture: Documents and visits: Austria
• Reporters Without Borders: freedom of Information in Austria

Intellectual property information

• Austria: Austrian Patent Office (in German)
• European Patent Office: Directory of patent Information Centres: Austria [select country]
• World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member states: Austria

Investment information

• Austria: ABA: Invest in Austria
• Austria: Austrian Business International
• OECD: Investment: Austria
• OECD: Industry and Entrepreneurship: Austria
• World Bank: Countries: Austria
• United Kingdom: Trade & Investment: Countries: Austria
• United States: Commercial Service: Doing Business in Austria

Justice and home affairs information

• Austria: Federal Ministry of Justice (in German)
• Austria: Federal Ministry of the Interior (in German)
• European Commission: DG Justice: Data Protection: National Policy Documents: Austria [select country and topic]
• Council of Europe: European Commission for Democracy through Law (Venice Commission):Documents on country: Austria
• Group of States against Corruption (GRECO): Evaluation and Compliance Reports [select country]
• OECD: Bribery and Corruption: Austria
• University of Bern: International Constitutional Law: Countries: Austria
• EUDO Observatory on Citizenship: Citizenship laws and policy: Austria
Living and working information

- Austria: Relevant national government departments:
  - Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection
  - HELP-Service for Foreign Citizens
- European Commission: DG Press and Communication:
  - Your Europe: Citizens: Help and Advice for EU nationals and their family [select topic then country]
  - EU and Austria (in German)
- Eurofound - European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions:
  - Homepage
  - Austria
- European Observatory of Working Life (EurWORK): Austria [Note: Search country]
- United Kingdom: Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Travel and Living Abroad: Austria
- United States: Department of State: Countries: Austria
- JustLanded.com: Living and working in Austria

Media information

- Austria: RTR – Radio and Telecommunication Regulation-GmbH
- European Broadcasting Union: Broadcasting organisations: Austria
- European Journalism Centre: Media Landscape: Austria
- ENPA-European Newspaper Publishers Association: Austria
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News media: Austria
- Newslink: European Newspapers: Austria
- Online Newspapers: Austria
- Radiomap: Radio Stations in Austria (in German)

Political information (including Elections)

- ESO: Austria: Political situation
- ESO: Austria: Political situation: elections
- Austria: Government System
  - Constitution
  - Federal President (in German)
  - Federal Chancellor
  - Federal Ministries
  - Federal Press Service
  - Parliament
  - National Election Commission
- OECD: Public Governance: Austria
- OECD: Regulatory Reform: Austria
- NCCR Democracy:
  - Democracy Barometer: Austria
  - EU Profiler [select country]
- Parties and Elections in Europe: Countries: Austria
- United States: Library of Congress: Guide to Law Online: Austria
Public management information

- Austria: The Organisation of Austrian Administration
- European Commission: Interoperability Solutions for European Public Administrations (ISA): Joinup:
  - Communities: National Interoperability Framework Observatory (Nifo): egovernment factsheets [select country]
- European Public Sector Information Platform (ePSI): Country Reports 2006-2009 [select country]
- OECD: Public Governance: Austria

R&D information

- Austria:
  - Federal Ministry of Science, Research and Economy
  - Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology
- European Commission: Community Research and Development Information Service (CORDIS): National R&D Information Service: Austria
- European Commission: DG Research & Innovation:
  - European Research 2004-2009 [click on map to select country]
  - European Research Area 2014 [click on map to select country]
- European Commission: Innovation Union:
  - Innovation Union Competitiveness Report 2013
  - Research and Innovation Performance in Austria 2014
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Members [click on map to select country]
- OECD: Innovation: Austria
- OECD: Science and technology: Austria

Regional information

- Austria: Federal Chancellery of Austria
- Committee of the Regions: Europe in my Region: Austria
- Europäische Kommission: Science and Innovation:
  - European Research Area 2014
- Assembly of European Regions: AER Member Regions: Austria [select country]
- European Regions Research & Innovation Network (ERRIN): Members [click on map to select country]
- Council of Europe: Congress of Local and Regional Authorities: National Delegations: Austria
- OECD: Regional, Rural and Urban Development: Austria
- Regions:
  - Burgenland [in German]
    - Burgenland in the EU [in German]
  - Kärnten
    - Kärnten in the EU [in German]
  - Niederösterreich
    - Niederösterreich in Europe
  - Oberösterreich [in German]
    - Oberösterreich in Europe [in German]
Social information

- Austria: Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection
- European Commission:
  - DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion: Yours Social Security Rights in Austria [select country]
  - MISSOC Secretariat: Organisation of Social Protection [select country and year]
  - MISSOC Secretariat: Social Protection of the Self-Employed [select country and year]
- Council of Europe: European Social Charter: Country Factsheets: Austria
- OECD: Insurance and Pensions: Austria
- OECD: Social and Welfare Issues: Austria
- UNICEF: Information by Country: Austria
- United States: Social Security Administration:
  - Research, Statistics & Policy Analysis: Austria
  - Social Security Programs Throughout the World: Austria (2012-2013)

Statistical information

- Austria: National Bank
- Austria: National Statistical Office
- Eurostat: Country Profiles [select country]
- OECD: Country Statistical Profile: Austria [select country]
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: Austria
- United Nations: Statistics Division: Country Profiles: Austria
- World Bank: Data: Countries and Economies: Austria
- NationMaster: Nations of the World: Statistics on Austria

Tourism information

- Austria: Austria Tourism Website
- Guardian News & Media Ltd: Travel: Austria
- The Telegraph: Destinations: Austria
- Lonely Planet: Austria
- Rough Guides: Austria
- TripAdvisor: Europe Tourism: Austria

Transport information

- Austria: Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology
- Austria: Austrian Airlines
- Austria: National Railway: OEBB
- European Commission: DG Mobility & Transport:
  - EU Transport in Figures: Statistical Pocketbook (2016)
  - Road Safety: How is your Country Doing? (2014)
- Wikipedia: Transport in Austria

Weather information

- Austria: Central Institute for Meteorology and Geodynamics (ZAMG)
- BBC: Weather: Country Guides: Austria
- World Meteorological Organization: World Weather Information Service: Austria

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