



# Religions, beliefs and important buildings in Austria

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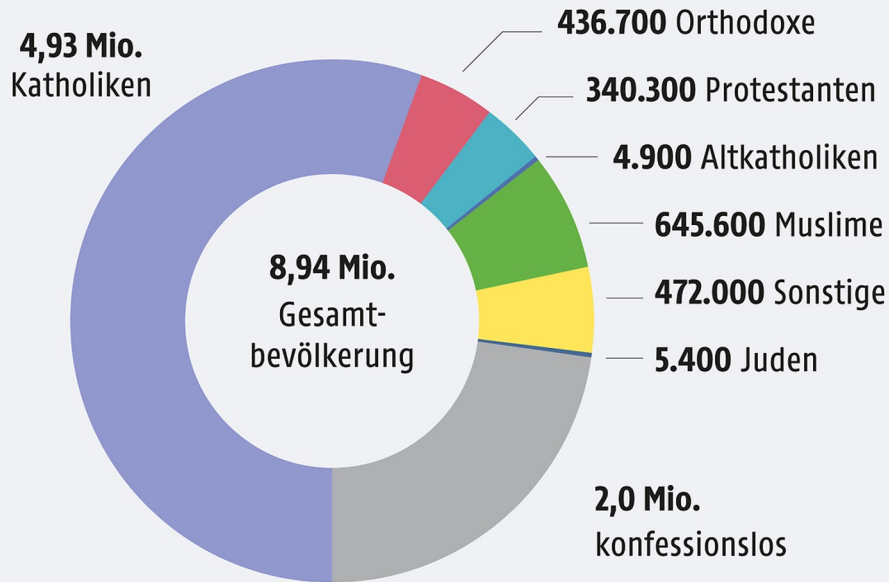


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# Religions in austria

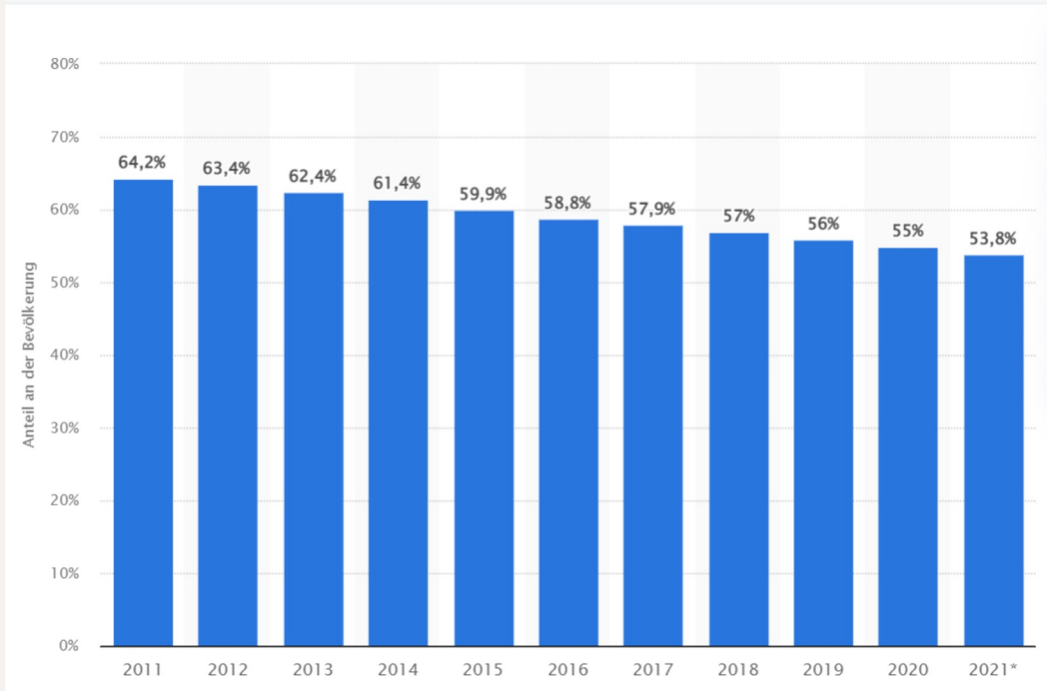
## Religionen in Österreich



- Almost 5 Mio Catholics
- 2nd biggest group: Muslims
- Almost 3/4 believe in one God
- 2 Mio without religious confession

# Development of Catholics

- Less and less people feel affiliated to a religion
- Last 20 years people without religious beliefs have increased (12% → 22,5%)
- Countryside much more Catholics
- Church tax



# Visible Festivities:

## Main festivities:

- Easter
- Christmas
- New Year's Eve

## Maypole:

- Countryside of Austria
- On May 1st
- Dancing around it
- Often gets stolen from other villages



## Easter:

Loads of decorations:

- Easter Eggs hanging on trees
- Fake Easter Bunnies



# Visible Festivities: Christmas

Christmas Markets (Christkindlmarkt) everywhere around the city, in Vienna there is about 20 of them

Things you can get at a christmas market:

- Punsch (with or without alcohol)
- Waffles and crêpes
- Candied almonds and apples
- Potato fritters
- Presents

Plenty of decorations:

- Fairy lights
- Decorated christmas trees



# Churches in general

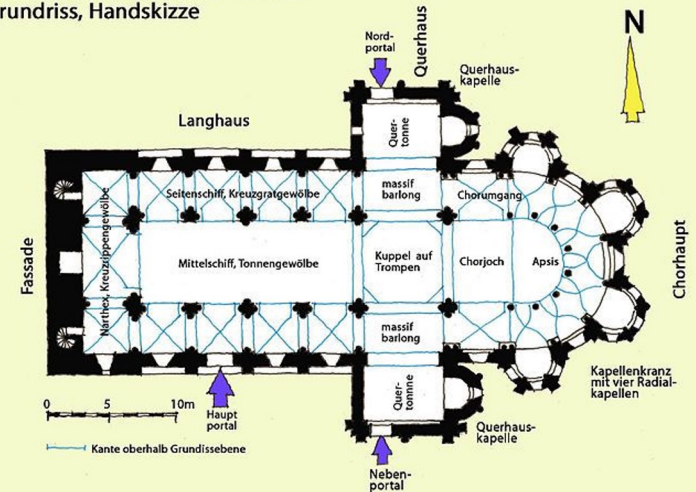
Definition: place where christians exercise faith

Most of them have towers, cupola sometimes

Ground plan mostly the same (gothic) (not modern)



Notre-Dame d'Orcival  
Grundriss, Handskizze



# Styles of churches

Romanesque: massive churches, only sacral buildings, cupolas, from 900 to 1240 (Austria), few decoration, not too much of them because changed

Gothic: high, thin buildings, from France, in Austria from 1250 to 1530, pointed arches, coloured glass windows, quite often in Austria

Baroque: very rich decorations, gold, sculptures, stuck, from Italy, in Austria from 1650-1750, cupolas, paintings on the ceiling or in cupola





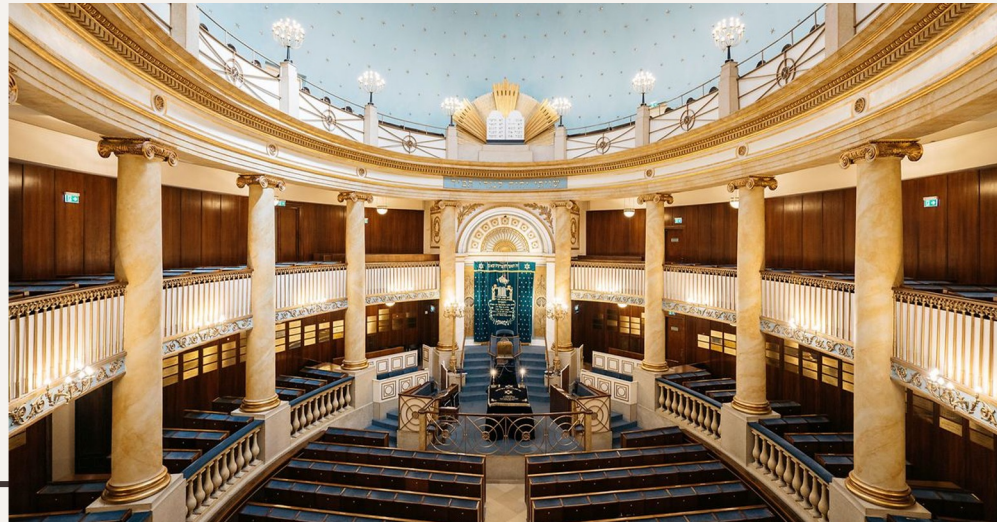
# Judaism in Austria

- In 1938 the 206.00 israelites made 3% of the austrian citizens
- At the moment only 5.400 Jews are living in Austria, which equals to 0.06 % of the total population
- Most of the Jews living in Austria have returned from the former Soviet Union since 1945
- Austria had the first Museum about art and Monuments in Judaism between 1895-1938



# Synagogues in Austria

- In Austria are 37 churches for israelites, most of them are in Vienna.
- The most popular synagogue is the Stadttempel in the capital of Austria.
- The building exists since 1826 and was planned by Joseph Kornhäusl.
- Non Catholic churches had to be tucked away.



# Islam in Austria

- Islam is the largest minority religion in the country practiced by 7.9% of the total population.
- Most Muslims came to Austria during the 1960s as migrant workers from Turkey and Yugoslavia.
- In late 1904 Bosnian Muslim students in Vienna established the first Muslim association in Austria.
- Almost 88% of Austrian Muslims feel closely connected with Austria and more than 62% of Muslims have routine leisure time contact with people of other religions.



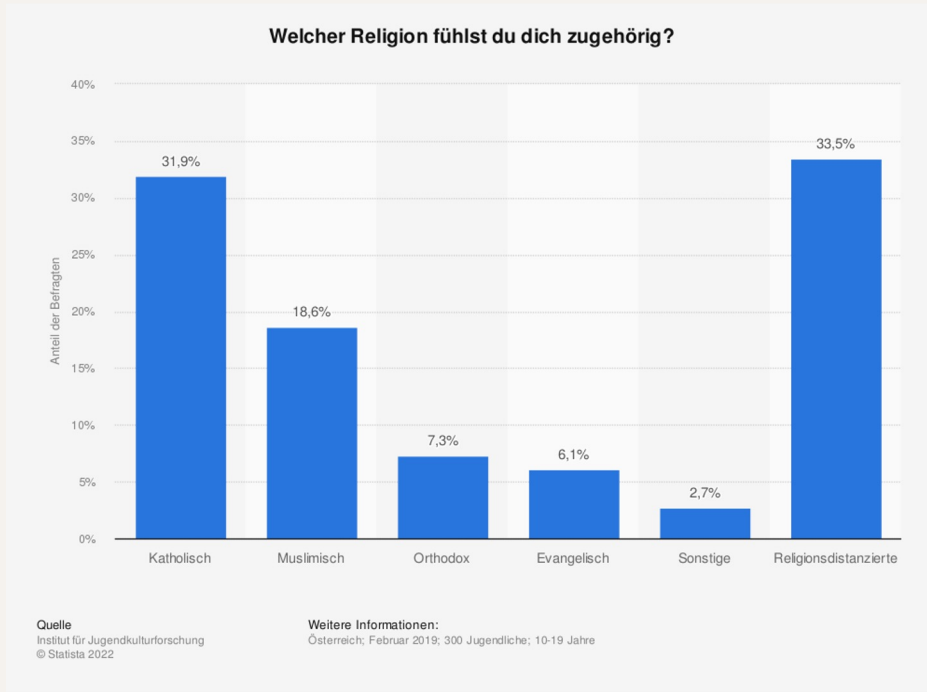


# Mosques in Austria

- Austrians Islam map: there is over 600 mosques in Austria
- Islamic center in vienna: one of the largest mosques in Austria that was founded in 1979, The center provides some facilities that teach you about Islam.
- Al-Nour Islam center In Graz Austria: it was founded in 1993,Visitors to the Al-Nour Mosque originally come from over 30 countries of origin and reflect the cosmopolitan character of the community

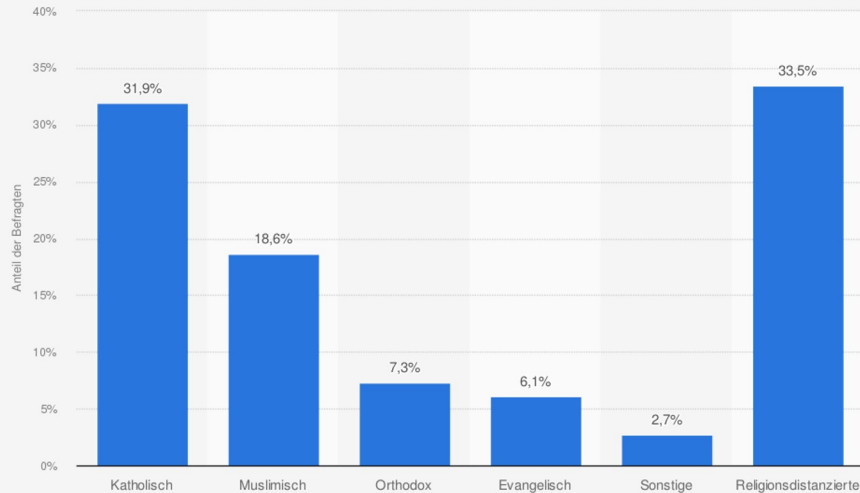


# Religion among teenagers



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Welcher Religion fühlst du dich zugehörig?



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Religionen in Österreich

**4,93 Mio.**  
Katholiken

