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Number of deaths 12.7% higher than the average of the previous five years in 3rd week of 2021

Vienna, 2021-02-04 – According to preliminary results by Statistics Austria, 2 004 people died in Austria in calendar week 3 (from 18 to 24 January 2021). This is 12.7% more than the five-year average (2016–2020) for the same calendar week. Slightly fewer people (1 950 each) died in the two previous weeks (calendar week 2, from 11 to 17 January 2021 and calendar week 1, from 4 to 10 January 2021).

"In the third week of 2021, the number of deceased persons rose slightly to 2 004. The excess mortality measured against the average of the same week of the previous five years increased for the first time in seven weeks, from 5.7% in the second to 12.7% in the third calendar week. At the peak in calendar week 49 of last year, this value was still 59%", says Statistics Austria Director General Tobias Thomas.

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](#).

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