

Statistics on Foreigners in the Federal Republic (1950–2001)

Abstract

These figures show a thirteen-fold overall increase in the number of foreigners residing in the Federal Republic during the second half of the twentieth century (from approximately 500,000 in 1950 to over seven million in 2001). There was also a steady rise in Turkish immigration as a result of the guest-worker program of the 1960s, which also brought a smaller influx of Yugoslavs and Italians.

Source

Country of origin of foreigners in Germany^[1]

1950–2001 (in thousands)

Year	Total	Turk.	Yug.	It.	Gr.	Sp.	Aus.	Port.	NL.	Pol.
1950	548	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.
1951	486	1	23	22	3	1	47	0	75	103
1955	467	2	21	25	3	2	63	0	78	80
1961	686	7	16	197	42	44	57	1	65	n.s.
1967	1807	172	141	413	201	177	116	24	98	54
1969	2381	322	332	515	271	207	121	37	99	48
1971	3439	653	594	590	395	270	163	75	109	50
1973	3966	911	702	631	408	287	173	112	106	42
1975	4090	1077	678	601	390	247	174	119	110	45
1977	3948	1118	630	571	328	201	169	111	107	45
1979	4144	1268	621	594	297	182	169	110	106	51
1981	4630	1546	637	625	299	177	176	109	109	83
1983	4535	1552	613	565	292	166	172	100	109	n.s.
1985	4279	1402	591	531	281	153	173	77	108	n.s.
1987	4241	1454	522	500	256	129	150	69	n.s.	121
1989	4846	1613	611	520	294	127	171	75	n.s.	220
1991	5882	1780	775	560	337	135	187	93	n.s.	271
1993	6878	1918	1239	563	352	133	186	106	n.s.	261
1995	7174	2014	798	586	360	132	185	125	n.s.	277
1997	7366	2107	721	608	363	132	185	132	n.s.	283
1999	7344	2054	737	616	364	130	186	133	111	292
2001	7319	1948	628	616	363	129	189	133	112	310

Abbreviations

n.s. = not specified; Gr. = Greece; It. = Italy; Yug. = Yugoslavia; NL. = Netherlands; Aus. = Austria (without Hungary); Pol. = Poland; Port. = Portugal; Sp. = Spain; Turk. = Turkey.

NOTES

[1] For the period up to and including 1989, in the Federal Republic only.

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