# Age distribution at public music schools in the Association of German Music Schools (VdM) 

Source: Association of German Music Schools (VdM)<br>Data: 2000 to 2022

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Percentage of pupils by age group (VdM report 2022 referring to 2021)¹


Number of pupils by age group

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| Year | Number of music schools ${ }^{5}$ | Total number of pupils ${ }^{2}$ | younger than 6 |  | 6 to 9 |  | 10 to 14 |  | 15 to 18 |  | 19 to 25 |  | 26 to 60 |  | over 60 |  | age not specified |  |
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|  |  |  | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% | total | \% |
| 2000 | 980 | 867,961 | 121,260 | 14.0 | 251,735 | 29.0 | 284,968 | 32.8 | 118,898 | 13.7 | 35,150 | 4.1 | 50,562 | 5.8 | 5,388 | 0.6 | - | - |
| 2001 | 968 | 879,764 | 144,525 | 16.4 | 250,327 | 28.5 | 283,679 | 32.2 | 111,208 | 12.6 | 32,284 | 3.7 | 51,268 | 5.8 | 6,473 | 0.7 | - | - |
| 2002 | 966 | 890,079 | 165,237 | 18.6 | 250,100 | 28.1 | 279,675 | 31.4 | 107,076 | 12.0 | 30,160 | 3.4 | 50,799 | 5.7 | 7,032 | 0.8 | - | - |
| $2003{ }^{4}$ | 946 | 859,903 | 155,472 | 18.1 | 243,829 | 28.4 | 273,691 | 31.8 | 106,512 | 12.4 | 26,973 | 3.1 | 45,939 | 5.3 | 7,487 | 0.9 | - | - |
| 2004 | 939 | 888,347 | 160,515 | 18.1 | 248,187 | 27.9 | 278,740 | 31.4 | 112,869 | 12.7 | 29,567 | 3.3 | 50,298 | 5.7 | 8,171 | 0.9 | - | - |
| 2005 | 930 | 893,538 | 162,014 | 18.1 | 253,703 | 28.4 | 274,499 | 30.7 | 115,185 | 12.9 | 28,787 | 3.2 | 50,661 | 5.7 | 8,689 | 1.0 | - | - |
| 2006 | 924 | 903,261 | 158,719 | 17.6 | 255,115 | 28.2 | 276,332 | 30.6 | 121,809 | 13.5 | 29,553 | 3.3 | 53,043 | 5.9 | 8,690 | 1.0 | - | - |
| 2007 | 920 | 901,091 | 153,775 | 17.1 | 255,063 | 28.3 | 277,350 | 30.8 | 122,573 | 13.6 | 29,862 | 3.3 | 53,336 | 5.9 | 9,132 | 1.0 | - | - |
| 2008 | 914 | 930,007 | 160,764 | 17.3 | 266,156 | 28.6 | 286,828 | 30.8 | 121,465 | 13.1 | 30,626 | 3.3 | 53,420 | 5.7 | 10,748 | 1.2 | - | - |
| 2009 | 909 | 957,668 | 160,382 | 16.7 | 282,713 | 29.5 | 297, 205 | 31.0 | 120,542 | 12.6 | 31,186 | 3.3 | 54,480 | 5.7 | 11,160 | 1.2 | - | - |
| 2010 | 919 | 983,343 | 170,766 | 17.4 | 295,000 | 30.0 | 303,377 | 30.9 | 117,208 | 11.9 | 29,752 | 3.0 | 55,184 | 5.6 | 12,056 | 1.2 | - | - |
| 2011 | 920 | 1,006,646 | 176,326 | 17.5 | 304,572 | 30.3 | 311,796 | 31.0 | 116,391 | 11.6 | 28,783 | 2.9 | 55,776 | 5.5 | 13,002 | 1.3 | - | - |
| 2012 | 922 | 1,018,378 | 184,703 | 18.1 | 306,299 | 30.1 | 312,271 | 30.7 | 116,283 | 11.4 | 28,119 | 2.8 | 56,653 | 5.6 | 14,050 | 1.4 | - | - |
| 2013 | 929 | 1,025,180 | 181,385 | 17.7 | 313,172 | 30.6 | 311,729 | 30.4 | 117,613 | 11.5 | 26,203 | 2.6 | 59,294 | 5.8 | 15,784 | 1.5 | - | - |
| $2014{ }^{3}$ | 930 | 1,332,634 | 215,064 | 16.1 | 425,914 | 32.0 | 368,835 | 27.7 | 147,818 | 11.1 | 38,892 | 2.9 | 70,816 | 5.3 | 18,740 | 1.4 | 46,555 | 3.5 |
| 2015 | 931 | 1,400,483 | 235,598 | 16.8 | 443,024 | 31.6 | 376,655 | 26.9 | 149,291 | 10.7 | 37,290 | 2.7 | 74,244 | 5.3 | 20,837 | 1.5 | 63,544 | 4.5 |
| 2016 | 930 | 1,412,838 | 239,192 | 16.9 | 449,751 | 31.8 | 367,593 | 26.0 | 149,585 | 10.6 | 38,228 | 2.7 | 77,781 | 5.5 | 22,504 | 1.6 | 68,204 | 4.8 |
| 2017 | 928 | 1,451,496 | 242,774 | 16.7 | 464,704 | 32.0 | 368,347 | 25.4 | 149,254 | 10.3 | 38,516 | 2.7 | 79,716 | 5.5 | 25,726 | 1.8 | 82,459 | 5.7 |
| 2018 | 929 | 1,463,894 | 248,161 | 17.0 | 472,648 | 32.3 | 367,682 | 25.1 | 147,983 | 10.1 | 39,529 | 2.7 | 81,036 | 5.5 | 27,932 | 1.9 | 78,923 | 5.4 |
| 2019 | 931 | 1,474,856 | 252,515 | 17.1 | 477,880 | 32.4 | 367,317 | 24.9 | 144,504 | 9.8 | 40,224 | 2.7 | 82,079 | 5.6 | 30,054 | 2.0 | 80,283 | 5.4 |
| 2020 | 933 | 1,514,068 | 256,723 | 17.0 | 492,412 | 32.5 | 366,377 | 24.2 | 141,445 | 9.3 | 41,250 | 2.7 | 84,278 | 5.6 | 33,082 | 2.2 | 98,501 | 6.5 |
| $2021{ }^{1}$ | 933 | 1,437,393 | 221,184 | 15.4 | 458,755 | 31.9 | 367,857 | 25.6 | 137,973 | 9.6 | 40,036 | 2.8 | 80,632 | 5.6 | 33,713 | 2.3 | 97,243 | 6.8 |
| $2022{ }^{1}$ | 934 | 1,369,112 | 214,185 | 15.6 | 437,386 | 31.9 | 343,936 | 25.1 | 130,567 | 9.5 | 40,273 | 2.9 | 76,365 | 5.6 | 32,641 | 2.4 | 93,759 | 6.8 |

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NOTE

The data is based on an annual full survey of the Association of German Music Schools (VdM) among its member schools; most recently these were 934 public music schools. Figures up to and including the year 2013 are taken from 1 January of the year concerned; those after 2014 are based on a full calendar year (1 January to 31 December of the preceding year). This change of methodology has a significant impact on the number of students, for the later figures also include pupils enrolled in projects or other courses of limited duration as well as those who dropped out during the year and were thus previously excluded from statistics based on the 1 January reference day.

FOOTNOTES
${ }^{1}$ The data reflect number of student enrolments of the previous calendar year 2021.
${ }^{2}$ Excl. enrolments in multiple subjects.
${ }^{3}$ Excluded are 12 music schools in Berlin that were not member of the VdM at the time of data collection and evaluation in 2003, comprising 37,839 pupils in total.
${ }^{4}$ As of 2014, a new methodology of data collection has been applied. See note.
${ }^{5}$ Number of VdM member music schools on 1 January of the subsequent year.

## QUELLENINFORMATIONEN

Compiled and calculated by the German Music Information Centre from VdM-Jahresbericht 2022, ed. Association of German Music Schools (VdM), 2023, and various issues of Statistisches Jahrbuch der Musikschulen in Deutschland, published annually by the VdM.

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