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**Number of naturalisations decreased by 20.5% during the first half of 2020**

**Vienna**, 2020-08-19 – 4 254 persons acquired Austrian citizenship during the first half of 2020, according to Statistics Austria. The number of naturalisations decreased by 20.5% compared to the first half of 2019 (5 349 naturalisations). Females accounted for 54.3% of all naturalisations, children and juveniles up to 18 years of age for 33.0%. Over a third of the new citizens has already been born in Austria (36.1%).

In the first half of 2020, the largest groups of naturalised people (41.9%) were former citizens of the following five countries: Serbia (503), Bosnia and Herzegovina (477), Turkey (397), Kosovo (231) and Iran – Islamic Republic (173).

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