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Expenditure on social protection amounted to €117 bn or 29.3% of GDP in 2019

Vienna, 2020-12-03 – In 2019, **social expenditure** in Austria totalled €117 bn, as Statistics Austria reports. This represents 29.3% of the gross domestic product (GDP). Compared to the previous year, growth of social expenditure (+3.7%) was higher than of GDP (+3.2%). As a result, the **social expenditure-to-GDP ratio** slightly increased (2018: 29.2%) after reaching its peak in 2015 and 2016 (29.9%).

For more detailed information please refer to the [German version](#).