

Hessen Migration Facts and Figures 2019-2020

- Hessen`s population reached 6,295,949 at the end of September, 2020.
- The population growth in 2019 was made up of 37,000 foreigners and -8,500 Germans through net migration and -6,600 through natural decrease (births less deaths).
- In 2019, 150,140 foreigners migrated to Hessen (immigration).
- Out of all people who immigrated to Hessen in 2019 Europeans from other EU-countries remain the largest foreign-born group (56%).
- About half of all people (49 %) who ever migrated to Hessen came for family reasons.
- About 9,200 foreigners came to Hessen to apply for asylum. In 2015, there were nearly 80,000 refugees (2019).
- In 2019, 113,100 foreigners left Hessen (emigration).
- A total of 13,780 were granted German citizenship (2019).
- Today, 34 percent of the Hessen population have a so-called migration background (2020). A person has a migration background „if he or she or at least one parent did not acquire German citizenship by birth“ . (Federal Office of Statistics)
- Due to the COVID-19 crisis, 2020 is expected to be a historical low for migration to Hessen.