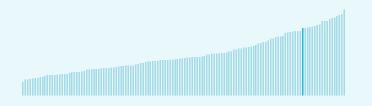


The Global Innovation Index (GII) ranks world economies according to their innovation capabilities.

Consisting of **roughly 80 indicators**, grouped into innovation inputs and outputs, the GII **aims to capture the multi-dimensional facets of innovation**.

# Austria ranking in the Global Innovation Index 2023

Austria ranks 18th among the 132 economies featured in the GII 2023.



Austria ranks 17th among the 50 highincome group economies.



Austria ranks 10th among the 39 economies in Europe.



### > Austria GII Ranking (2020-2023)

The table shows the rankings of Austria over the past four years. Data availability and changes to the GII model framework influence year-on-year comparisons of the GII rankings. The statistical confidence interval for the ranking of Austria in the GII 2023 is between ranks 14 and 18.

	GII Position
2020	19th
2021	18th
2022	17th
2023	18th

Innovation Inputs	Innovation Outputs
18th	23rd
16th	24th
17th	21st
18th	15th

Austria performs better in innovation outputs than innovation inputs in 2023.

This year Austria ranks 18th in innovation inputs. This position is lower than last year.

Austria ranks 15th in innovation outputs. This position is higher than last year.



### → Expected vs. observed innovation performance

The bubble chart below shows the relationship between income levels (GDP per capita) and innovation performance (GII score). The trend line gives an indication of the expected innovation performance according to income level. Economies appearing above the trend line are performing better than expected and those below are performing below expectations.



> Austria is an innovation leader, ranking in the top 25 of the GII.

# > Innovation overperformers relative to their economic development ↑ GII Score Innovation leader Performing above expectations for level of development Performing at expectations for level of development Performing below expectations for level of 30 development Size legend (Population) 0 0.8 0.9 1 →GDP per capita, PPP logarithmic scale (thousands of \$)

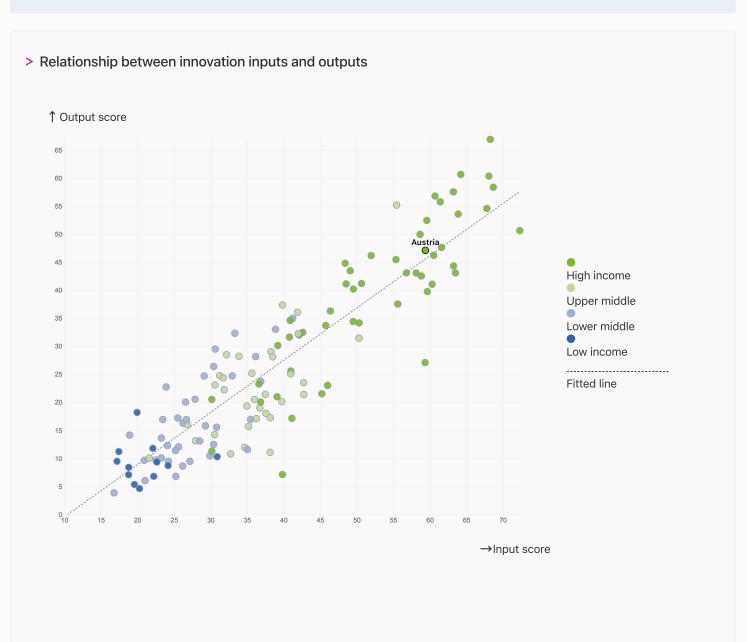


### → Effectively translating innovation investments into innovation outputs

The chart below shows the relationship between innovation inputs and innovation outputs. Economies above the line are effectively translating costly innovation investments into more and higher-quality outputs.



> Austria produces more innovation outputs relative to its level of innovation investments.





### → Overview of Austria's rankings in the seven areas of the GII in 2023

The chart shows the ranking for each of the seven areas that the GII comprises. The strongest areas for Austria are those that rank above the GII (shown in blue) and the weakest are those that rank below.

Highest rankings → • 11th Human capital and research 12th Infrastructure 13th 2 pillars \* 17th Knowledge and technology outputs • 18th Global Innovation Index 19th Business sophistication ← Lowest rankings 39th Market sophistication \* Institutions, Creative outputs

### > Highest rankings



Austria ranks highest in Human capital and research (11th), Infrastructure (12th), Institutions, Creative outputs (13th) and Knowledge and technology outputs (17th).

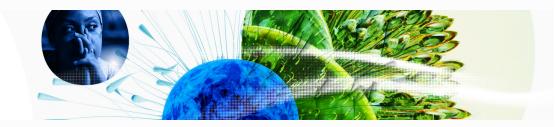
### > Lowest rankings



Austria ranks lowest in Market sophistication (39th), Business sophistication (19th) and Knowledge and technology outputs (17th).

The full WIPO Intellectual Property

Statistics profile for Austria can be found on this link.



### → Benchmark of Austria against other country groupings for each of the seven areas of the GII Index

The charts shows the relative position of Austria (blue bar) against other country groupings (grey bars), for each of the seven areas of the GII Index.

# > High-Income economies

Austria performs above the high-income group average in Knowledge and technology outputs, Creative outputs, Business sophistication, Human capital and research, Infrastructure, Institutions.

### > Europe

Austria performs above the regional average in all the pillars.

Knowledge and technology outputs

Top 10 | Score: 58.96

Austria | Score: 45.30

Europe | Score: 38.80

High income | Score: 38.62

Creative outputs

Top 10 | 56.09

Austria | 48.91

High income | 40.27

Europe | 39.87

**Business sophistication** 

Top 10 | 64.39

**Austria** | 55.71

High income | 46.38

Europe | 44.61

Market sophistication

Top 10 | 61.93

High income | 46.42

Austria | 44.42

Europe | 43.65

Human capital and research

Top 10 | 60.28

**Austria** | 57.97

High income | 46.30

Europe | 44.05

Infrastructure

Top 10 | 62.83

Austria | 60.36

High income | 55.85

Europe | 54.69

Institutions

**Top 10** | 79.85

Austria | 78.46

High income | 68.16

Europe | 61.69



### → Innovation strengths and weaknesses in Austria

The table below gives an overview of the indicator strengths and weaknesses of Austria in the GII 2023.



> Austria's main innovation strengths are **Cost of redundancy dismissal** (rank 1), **Domestic industry diversification** (rank 3) and **GERD financed by abroad**, % **GDP** (rank 5).

### Strengths

#### Weaknesses

Rank	Code	Indicator name	Rank	Code	Indicator name
1	1.2.3	Cost of redundancy dismissal	125	5.3.4	FDI net inflows, % GDP
3	4.3.2	Domestic industry diversification	93	6.2.1	Labor productivity growth, %
5	5.2.3	GERD financed by abroad, % GDP	56	5.1.5	Females employed w/advanced degrees, %
6	1.3.1	Policies for doing business	52	5.3.1	Intellectual property payments, % total trade
7	6.3.2	Production and export complexity	50	5.3.2	High-tech imports, % total trade
7	5.1.3	GERD performed by business, % GDP	48	7.3.4	Mobile app creation/bn PPP\$ GDP
7	1.2.2	Rule of law	48	4.2.1	Market capitalization, % GDP
8	6.2.3	Software spending, % GDP	46	7.1.1	Intangible asset intensity, top 15, %
8	3.3.2	Environmental performance	35	1.3.2	Entrepreneurship policies and culture
8	2.3.2	Gross expenditure on R&D, % GDP	31	6.1.3	Utility models by origin/bn PPP\$ GDP
9	7.3.2	Country-code TLDs/th pop. 15-69			

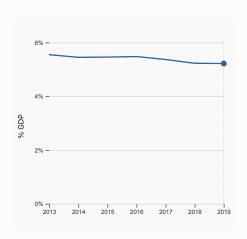


FTE/mn pop.

### → Austria's innovation system

As far as practicable, the plots below present unscaled indicator data.

### > Innovation inputs in Austria



2.1.1 Expenditure on education, % GDP

was equal to 5.22% GDP in 2019, down by

and equivalent to an indicator rank of 30.

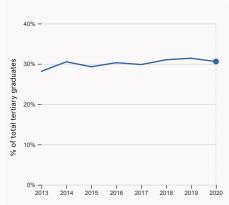
0.01 percentage points from the year prior –

# 2.2.2 Graduates in science and

engineering, %

Average score

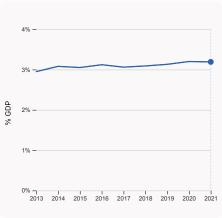
was equal to 30.58% of total tertiary graduates in 2020, down by 0.82 percentage points from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 16.



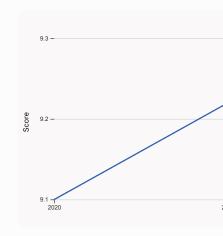
#### 2.3.1 Researchers, FTE/mn pop.

was equal to 6,163 FTE/mn pop. in 2021, up by 5.71% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 9.

2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021



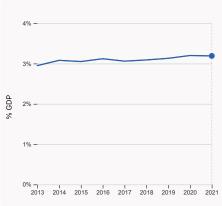
was equal to an average score of 44.13 for the top 3 universities in 2022, down by 0.38% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 27.



#### 2.3.4 QS university ranking, top 3

was equal to a score of 9.22 in 2021, up by 1.32% from the year prior - and equivalent to an indicator rank of 31.

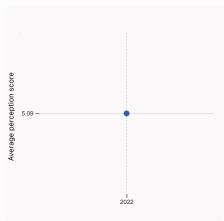
3.1.1 ICT access



#### 2.3.2 Gross expenditure on R&D, % GDP

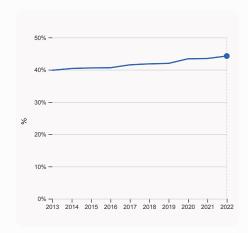
was equal to 3.19% GDP in 2021, down by 0.01 percentage points from the year prior and equivalent to an indicator rank of 8.





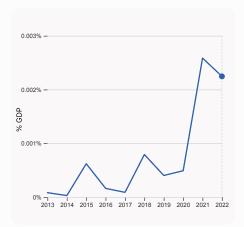


was equal to an average perception score of 5.09 in 2022, equivalent to an indicator rank of 31.



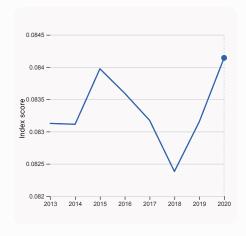
#### 5.1.1 Knowledge-intensive employment, %

was equal to 44.26% in 2022, up by 0.77 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 24.



#### 4.2.4 VC received, value, % GDP

was equal to 0.00225% GDP in 2022, down by 0.00034 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 35.

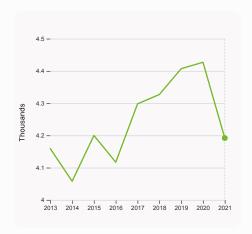


#### 4.3.2 Domestic industry diversification

was equal to an index score of 0.084 in 2020, up by 1.19% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 3.

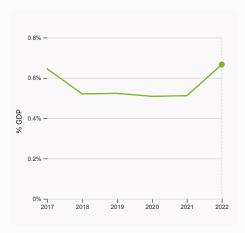


### > Innovation outputs in Austria



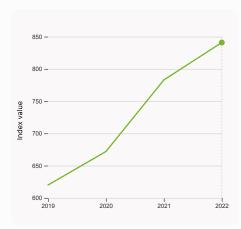
#### 6.1.1 Patents by origin

was equal to 4.19 Thousands in 2021, down by 5.31% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 11.



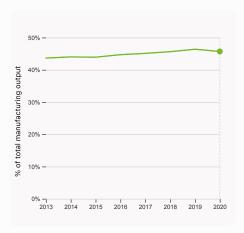
#### 6.2.3 Software spending, % GDP

was equal to 0.666% GDP in 2022, up by 0.15 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 8.



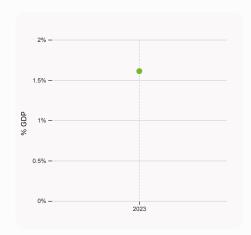
#### 6.1.5 Citable documents H-index

was equal to an index value of 841 in 2022, up by 7.41% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 18.



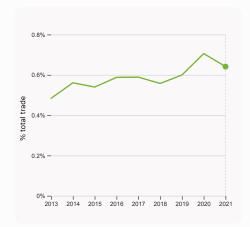
#### 6.2.4 High-tech manufacturing, %

was equal to 45.7% of total manufacturing output in 2020, down by 0.69 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 19.



#### 6.2.2 Unicorn valuation, % GDP

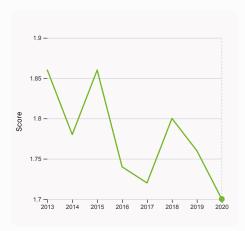
was equal to 1.61 % GDP in 2023 – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 27.



# 6.3.1 Intellectual property receipts, % total trade

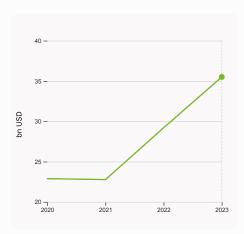
was equal to 0.641% total trade in 2021, down by 0.064 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 26.





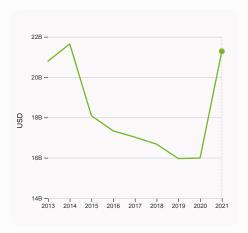


was equal to a score of 1.7 in 2020, down by 3.41% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 7.



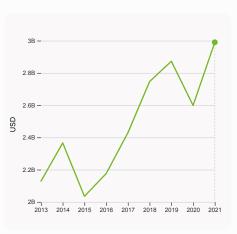
### 7.1.3 Global brand value, top 5,000

was equal to 35.506 bn USD in 2023, up by 21.6% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 29.



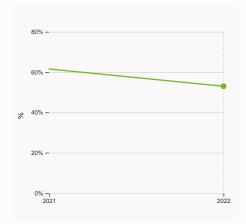
#### 6.3.3 High-tech exports

was equal to 21,281,208,725 USD in 2021, up by 33.12% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 23.



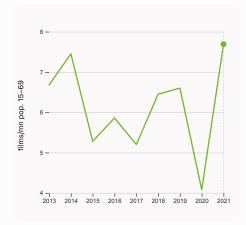
### 7.2.1 Cultural and creative services exports

was equal to 2,990,227,000 USD in 2021, up by 15.075% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 24.



#### 7.1.1 Intangible asset intensity, top 15, %

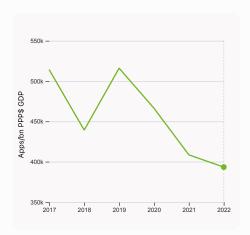
was equal to 53% in 2022, down by 8.55 percentage points from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 46.



### 7.2.2 National feature films/mn pop. 15-69

was equal to 7.69 films/mn pop. 15–69 in 2021, up by 88.48% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 11.





7.3.4 Mobile app creation/bn PPP\$ GDP

was equal to 393,345.9 Apps/bn PPP\$ GDP in 2022, down by 3.72% from the year prior – and equivalent to an indicator rank of 48.



### → Austria's innovation top performers

### > 2.3.3 Global corporate R&D investors from Austria

Rank	Firm	Industry		R&D Growth	R&D Intensity
			[mn EUR]	[%]	[%]
277	AMS-OSRAM	Technology Hardware & Equipment	688	45	14
762	KONTRON	Technology Hardware & Equipment	211	15	16
851	AT&S AUSTRIA TECHNOLOGIE & SYSTEMTECHNIK	Electronic & Electrical Equipment	187	42	12
903	VOESTALPINE	Industrial Metals & Mining	174	13	1

Source: European Commission's Joint Research Centre (https://iri.jrc.ec.europa.eu/scoreboard/2022-eu-industrial-rd-investment-scoreboard). Note: European Commission's Joint Research Centre ranks the top 2,500 firms by R&D investment annually.

### > 2.3.4 QS university ranking of Austria's top universities

Rank	University	Score
151	UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA	50.60
179	TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITAT WIEN	45.70
284	GRAZ UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY	36.10

Source: QS Quacquarelli Symonds Ltd (https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/world-university-rankings/2023).

Note: QS Quacquarelli Symonds Ltd annually assesses over 1,200 universities across the globe and scores them between [0,100]. Ranks can represent a single value "x", a tie "x=" or a range "x-y".

### > 6.2.2 Top Unicorn Companies in Austria

Rank	Unicorn Company	Industry	City	Valuation, bn USD
1	BITPANDA	Fintech	Vienna	4
2	GOSTUDENT	Edtech	Vienna	4

Source: CBInsights, Tracker – The Complete List of Unicorn Companies: https://www.cbinsights.com/research-unicorn-companies



### > 7.1.1 Top 15 intangible-asset intensive companies in Austria

Rank	Firm	Intensity, %
1	VERBUND AG	70.55
2	OMV AG	14.69
3	ANDRITZ AG	72.16

Source: Brand Finance (https://brandirectory.com/reports/gift-2022). Note: Brand Finance only provides within economy ranks.

### > 7.1.3 Top 5,000 companies in Austria with highest global brand value

Rank	Brand	Industry	Brand Value, mn USD
1	RED BULL	Soft Drinks	6,961.6
2	ERSTE	Banking	3,677.8
3	A1	Telecoms	2,165.5

Source: Brand Finance (https://brandirectory.com). Note: Rank corresponds to within economy ranks.



GII 2023 rank

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# **Austria**

Output rank	Input rank Inco	<u> </u>		Population (mn)	GDP, PPP\$ (bn)	GDP per cap	ita, PPP\$
15	18 Hi	gh EUI	₹	8.9	599.5	66,68	0.1
		Score / Value	Rank			Score / Value	Rank
		78.5	13	Business sophis	tication	55.7	19
1.1 Institutional en	vironment	76.2	15	5.1 Knowledge workers	<b>;</b>	54.0	25 ♦
1.1.1 Operational sta	bility for businesses*	72.2	22	5.1.1 Knowledge-intensiv	ve employment, %	44.3	24
1.1.2 Government ef	fectiveness*	80.1	11	5.1.2 Firms offering form	al training, %	42.6	29
1.2 Regulatory env	ironment	92.3	6	5.1.3 GERD performed b	y business, % GDP	2.2	7 •
1.2.1 Regulatory qua	ality*	77.1	20	5.1.4 GERD financed by	business, %	50.6	27
1.2.2 Rule of law*		92.1	7 •	5.1.5 Females employed	·	13.4	56 ○ ◊
1.2.3 Cost of redunc	•	8.0	1 •	5.2 Innovation linkages		63.6	9
1.3 Business enviro		66.9	25	5.2.1 University-industry		68.3	26
1.3.1 Policies for doi	•	82.4	6 •	5.2.2 State of cluster de	·	81.1	10
1.3.2 Entrepreneurs	hip policies and culture <sup>†</sup>	51.5	35 🔾	5.2.3 GERD financed by		0.5	5 •
🙎 Human capit	tal and research	58.0	11	5.2.4 Joint venture/strat 5.2.5 Patent families/bn	egic alliance deals/bn PPP\$ GDP PPP\$ GDP	0.0 3.5	36 ♦ 11
2.1 Education		62.0	24	5.3 Knowledge absorp	tion	49.5	22
2.1.1 Expenditure on	education, % GDP	<b>©</b> 5.2	30	5.3.1 Intellectual propert	y payments, % total trade	0.7	52 🔾
	nding/pupil, secondary, % GDP/cap		18	5.3.2 High-tech imports,	% total trade	9.1	50 ○
2.1.3 School life exp	ectancy, years	16.0	37	5.3.3 ICT services impor	ts, % total trade	3.4	11
2.1.4 PISA scales in	reading, maths and science	491.0	27	5.3.4 FDI net inflows, %	GDP	-1.0	125 🔾
2.1.5 Pupil-teacher r	ratio, secondary	9.4	23	5.3.5 Research talent, %	in businesses	63.3	9
2.2 Tertiary educat	tion	55.6	5	✓ Knowledge and to the property of the p	achnology outputs	45.3	17
2.2.1 Tertiary enrolm	nent, % gross	87.2	15	Willowieuge and	echnology outputs	45.5	17
2.2.2 Graduates in s	science and engineering, %	30.6	16	6.1 Knowledge creation	1	45.2	18
2.2.3 Tertiary inbour	nd mobility, %	18.0	10	6.1.1 Patents by origin/bi	n PPP\$ GDP	7.8	11
	development (R&D)	56.3	17	6.1.2 PCT patents by original	. ,	2.4	12
2.3.1 Researchers, F		6,163.0	9	6.1.3 Utility models by o		0.5	31 〇
	ture on R&D, % GDP	3.2	8 •		nical articles/bn PPP\$ GDP	n/a	n/a
· ·	ate R&D investors, top 3, mn US\$	59.2	25	6.1.5 Citable documents	H-index	44.4	18
2.3.4 QS university I	ranking, top 3*	44.7	27	6.2 Knowledge impact	and the Or	48.9	19
<b>‡</b> Infrastructur	re	60.4	12	6.2.1 Labor productivity	= :	0.2	93 🔾
			47	6.2.2 Unicorn valuation,		1.6 0.7	27 8 ●
	d communication technologies (IC	-	<b>17</b> 31	6.2.3 Software spending 6.2.4 High-tech manufac		45.7	19
3.1.1 ICT access* 3.1.2 ICT use*		88.4 93.1	13	6.3 Knowledge diffusion		41.9	30
3.1.3 Government's	online carvice*	93.1 87.0	19	6.3.1 Intellectual propert		0.6	26 ♦
3.1.4 E-participation		76.7	21	6.3.2 Production and exp		88.1	7 •
3.2 General infrast		49.8	18	6.3.3 High-tech exports,		7.9	23
3.2.1 Electricity outp		7,480.7	23	6.3.4 ICT services expor		3.6	31
3.2.2 Logistics perfo		86.4	7	6.3.5 ISO 9001 quality/b		7.1	40
3.2.3 Gross capital f		27.1	36	<b>4</b> 0		40.0	40
3.3 Ecological sust		45.0	26	Creative outputs		48.9	13
3.3.1 GDP/unit of en	ergy use	13.7	33	7.1 Intangible assets		50.1	25
3.3.2 Environmental	performance*	80.7	8 •	7.1.1 Intangible asset into	ensity, top 15, %	53.0	46 ○ ◊
3.3.3 ISO 14001 env	rironment/bn PPP\$ GDP	2.6	34	7.1.2 Trademarks by orig	in/bn PPP\$ GDP	58.2	39
Lul Market cophi	ictication	44.4	39 ♦	7.1.3 Global brand value,	top 5,000	7.5	29
<u>ш</u> Market sophi	stication	44.4	39 ♦	7.1.4 Industrial designs b	y origin/bn PPP\$ GDP	5.9	17
4.1 Credit		47.9	32	7.2 Creative goods and	services	37.3	17
4.1.1 Finance for sta	rtups and scaleups†	61.3	31		re services exports, % total trade	1.1	24
4.1.2 Domestic cred	it to private sector, % GDP	92.8	32	7.2.2 National feature file		7.7	11
	crofinance institutions, % GDP	n/a	n/a		media market/th pop. 15-69	63.2	7
4.2 Investment		17.8	41 ♦	7.2.4 Creative goods exp	oorts, % total trade	1.2	42
4.2.1 Market capitali		28.7	48 ○ ◊	7.3 Online creativity	emains (TLDs)/th 45 CO	58.0	15
	al (VC) investors, deals/bn PPP\$ GD		23		omains (TLDs)/th pop. 15-69	42.1	18
4.2.3 VC recipients,		0.1	33	7.3.2 Country-code TLD:		68.2	9 •
4.2.4 VC received, v		0.0	35 ♦	7.3.3 GitHub commits/m 7.3.4 Mobile app creation		50.7 71.0	20 48 〇
	ication, and market scale	67.5	24	7.5.4 Mobile app creation	INDITE FEW ODE	/1.0	40 (
	ate, weighted avg., %	1.5 99.4	20 3 ●				
4.3.2 Domestic indu 4.3.3 Domestic marl		599.5	41				
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NOTES: • indicates a strength; O a weakness; • an income group strength;  $\diamond$  an income group weakness; \* an index; \* a survey question, • indicates that the economy's data are older than the base year; see appendices for details, including the year of the data, at https://www.wipo.int/gii-ranking. Square brackets [] indicate that the data minimum coverage (DMC) requirements were not met at the sub-pillar or pillar level.



# → Data availability

The following tables list indicators that are either missing or outdated for Austria.



> Austria has missing data for one indicator and outdated data for one indicator.

# > Missing data for Austria

Code	Indicator name	Economy Year	Model Year	Source
4.1.3	Loans from microfinance institutions, % GDP	n/a	2021	International Monetary Fund, Financial Access Survey (FAS)

### > Outdated data for Austria

Code	Indicator name	Economy Year	Model Year	Source
2.1.1	Expenditure on education, % GDP	2019	2021	UNESCO Institute for Statistics



### → About the Global Innovation Index

- The Global Innovation Index (GII) is published by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), a specialized agency of the United Nations.
- Recognizing that innovation is a key driver of economic development, the GII aims to provide an innovation ranking and rich analysis referencing around 130 economies. Over the last decade, the GII has established itself as both a leading reference on innovation and a "tool for action" for economies that incorporate the GII into their innovation agendas.



The Index is a ranking of the innovation capabilities and results of world economies. It measures innovation based on criteria that include institutions, human capital and research, infrastructure, credit, investment, linkages; the creation, absorption and diffusion of knowledge; and creative outputs.

The GII has two sub-indices: the Innovation Input Sub-Index and the Innovation Output Sub-Index, and seven pillars, each consisting of three sub-pillars.