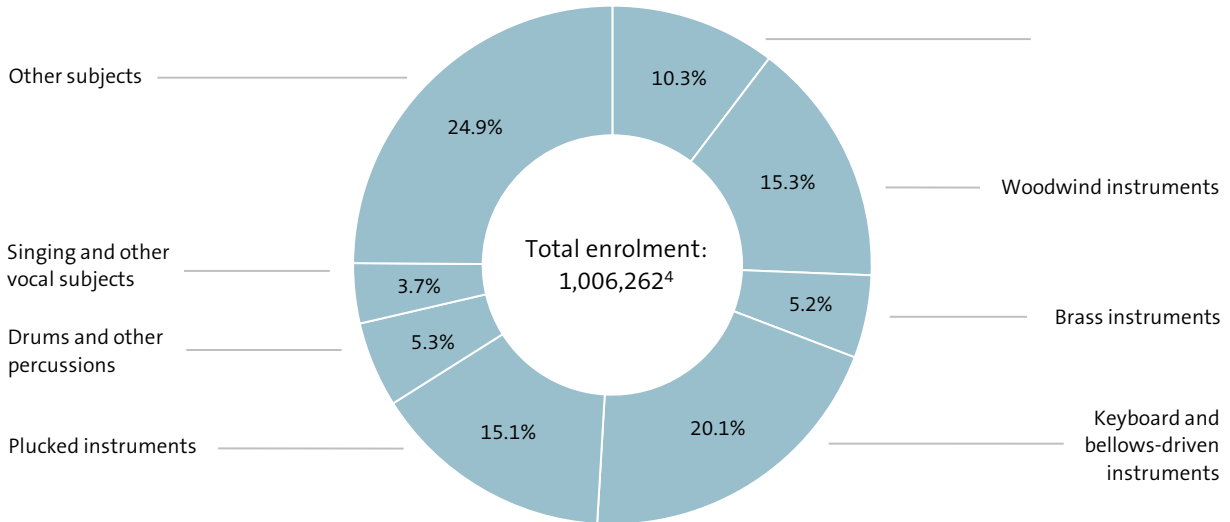


» Pupils enrolled at public music schools, by instrument

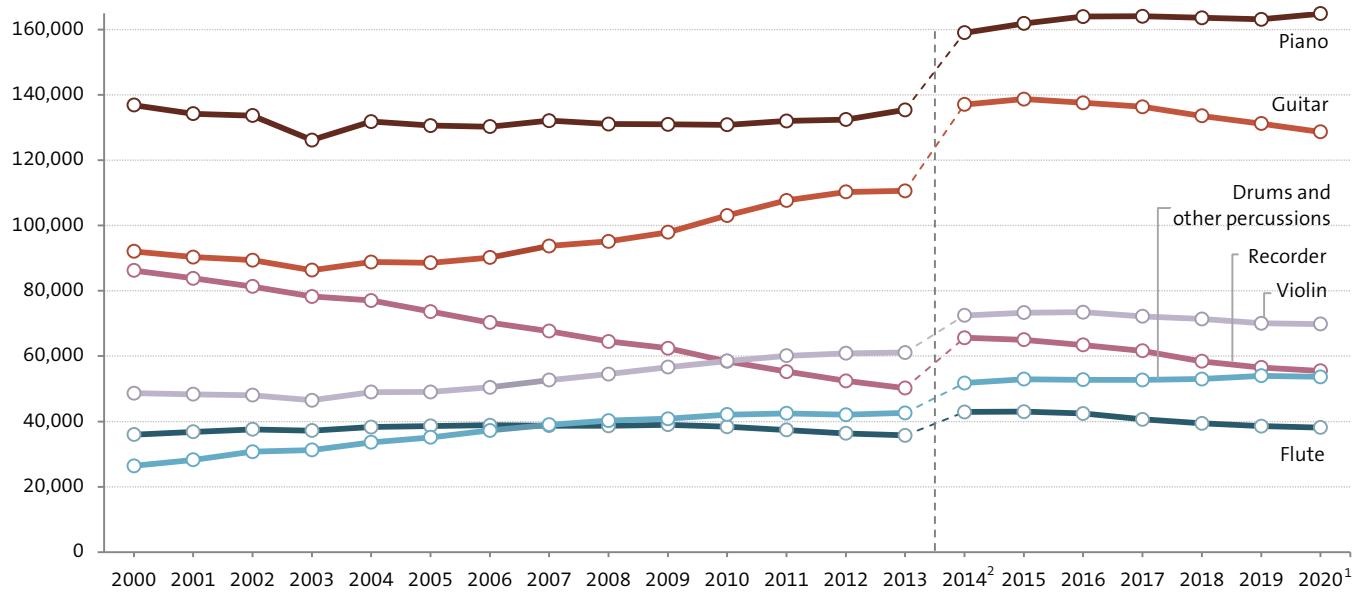
Subject		2000		2013		Change from 2000 to 2013	2020 ¹	
		Total	%	Total	%	%	Total	%
String instruments	Violin	48,678	7.8	61,092	7.9	+25.5	69,811	6.9
	Viola	2,024	0.3	2,906	0.4	+43.6	4,290	0.4
	Violoncello	12,396	2.0	18,579	2.4	+49.9	24,306	2.4
	Double bass	1,320	0.2	2,735	0.4	+107.2	4,138	0.4
	Other string instruments	428	0.1	1,046	0.1	+144.4	1,386	0.1
Woodwind instruments	Recorder	86,223	13.9	50,215	6.5	-41.8	55,485	5.5
	Flute	35,982	5.8	35,754	4.6	-0.6	38,153	3.8
	Oboe	2,865	0.5	3,173	0.4	+10.8	3,816	0.4
	Bassoon	1,405	0.2	2,231	0.3	+58.8	2,633	0.3
	Clarinet	22,905	3.7	24,488	3.2	+6.9	26,543	2.6
	Saxophone	17,756	2.9	21,759	2.8	+22.5	26,298	2.6
	Other woodwind instruments	435	0.1	611	0.1	+40.5	1,068	0.1
Brass instruments	Horn	3,393	0.6	4,711	0.6	+38.8	6,599	0.7
	Trumpet	20,962	3.4	22,407	2.9	+6.9	27,584	2.7
	Trombone	4,531	0.7	7,209	0.9	+59.1	10,142	1.0
	Tenor horn ²	1,805	0.3	2,173	0.3	+20.4	4,170	0.4
	Other brass instruments	1,376	0.2	2,955	0.4	+114.8	3,439	0.3
Keyboard & bellows-driven	Piano	136,863	22.0	135,400	17.5	-1.1	164,876	16.4
	Accordion	17,263	2.8	11,370	1.5	-34.1	12,009	1.2
	Keyboard and electric organ	44,111	7.1	24,901	3.2	-43.5	23,998	2.4
	Other keyboard and bellows-driven instr.	2,440	0.4	2,333	0.3	-4.4	1,807	0.2
Plucked instruments	Guitar	92,066	14.8	110,597	14.3	+20.1	128,638	12.8
	Harp	1,434	0.2	2,588	0.3	+80.5	4,367	0.4
	Bağlama/arabic lute/saz	-	-	-	-	-	1,308	0.1
	Electric guitar	7,390	1.2	13,015	1.7	+76.1	9,769	1.0
	Electric bass	1,893	0.3	3,191	0.4	+68.6	3,429	0.3
	Other plucked instruments	2,811	0.5	2,927	0.4	+4.1	4,488	0.4
Drums and other percussions		26,383	4.3	42,644	5.5	+61.6	53,642	5.3
Other instruments		6,487	1.0	3,114	0.4	-52.0	-	-
Singing and other vocal subjects ³		17,626	2.8	25,929	3.3	+47.1	37,673	3.7
Other subjects	Instrument merry-go-rounds	-	-	14,464	1.9	-	28,650	2.8
	Classroom music-making with woodw. instr.	-	-	24,960	3.2	-	52,834	5.3
	Classroom music-making with string instr.	-	-	8,367	1.1	-	16,363	1.6
	Classroom music-making with choral classes	-	-	5,776	0.7	-	24,296	2.4
	Classroom music-making with keyboard instr.	-	-	-	-	-	1,833	0.2
	Classroom music-making with plucked instr.	-	-	-	-	-	9,566	1.0
	Classroom music-making with percussions	-	-	-	-	-	14,034	1.4
	Elementary music classes	-	-	-	-	-	56,983	5.7
	Band classes	-	-	2,667	0.3	-	6,632	0.7
	Others	-	-	76,112	9.8	-	39,206	3.9
Total enrolment⁴		621,251	100.0	774,399	100.0	+24.7	1,006,262	100.0

» Pupils enrolled at public music schools, by instrument

Percentage of pupils by instrument or voice, 2020¹



Number of pupils for most frequently chosen instruments



» Pupils enrolled at public music schools, by instrument

Note: This chart shows the number of students in instrumental and vocal subjects (without ensemble or supplementary subjects) enrolled at public music schools in the Association of German Music Schools (VdM). 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.

¹ Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic has not yet been captured as the data reflect student numbers of the preceding year. See note.

² As of 2014, a new methodology of data collection has been applied. See note.

² As of 2015, including baritone horn.

³ As of 2010, including voice training.

⁴ The total number of students differs from that given in statistic 'Age distribution at public music schools in the Association of German Music Schools (VdM)', since the present chart excludes pupils enrolled in ensemble and supplementary courses.

Source: Compiled and calculated by the German Music Information Centre from VdM-Jahresbericht 2020, ed. Association of German Music Schools (VdM), 2021, and various issues of Statistisches Jahrbuch der Musikschulen in Deutschland, published annually by the VdM.