

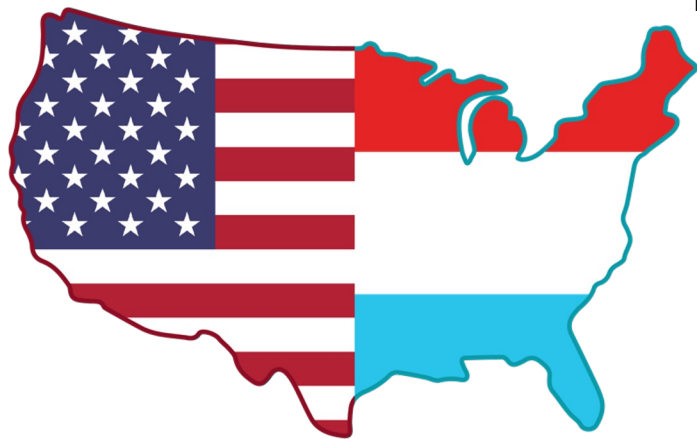
Analysis of New Luxembourgish Nationals: 2023

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Ministry of Justice Update

According to the Ministry of Justice, from 2008-2023, 40.641 adults have reclaimed Luxembourgish nationality through an ancestor alive on 1.1.1900, including:



3.797 Americans (+616 YoY)



12.269 Brazilians (+4.054 YoY)

Nationality Procedures 2023 – Recovery (Article 89)

Country of Origin	New Citizens (Adults only)
1. Brazil	4.054
2. USA	616
3. France	113
4. Belgium	88
TOTAL	4.930

A total of 11.904 adults obtained Luxembourgish nationality in 2023, 4.930 (41%) recovering Luxembourgish nationality through an ancestor alive on 1.1.1900.

Context

It's important to remember that it takes 4 months after applying for the nationality for it to come into effect.

Therefore, these statistics really concern applications from September 2022-August 2023.

The Chamber of Deputies only voted on 21.12.22 to extend the deadline to recover Luxembourgish nationality from 31.12.22-31.12.25. So the majority of applicants thought 2022 was their final deadline. As many as over 100 people per day applied in October and November 2022.

These 2023 numbers largely concern the applications from the last 4 months of 2022.



Context

An article in Virgule.lu stated that as of 28.3.2023, 11.495 Brazilians had reclaimed Luxembourgish nationality.

Because the delay for nationality is 4 months, 28.3.2023 would have included most of the November 2022 applicants.

Therefore, only 774 more Brazilians reclaimed the nationality from December 2022-August 2023. Probably a large majority of which was still in December 2022.



The screenshot shows a news article on the Virgule.lu website. The article is titled "Législatives: les partis vont chercher des voix au... Brésil" and is categorized under "Campagne électorale". The text of the article discusses the invitation by the Association of Luxembourgish citizens of Brazil to five political parties from the Grand-Duché de Luxembourg to run in the upcoming legislative elections in Brazil. It also mentions that the campaign is also taking place on the Atlantic coast.

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Campagne électorale

Législatives: les partis vont chercher des voix au... Brésil

Sur invitation de l'Association des citoyens luxembourgeois du Brésil, cinq partis politiques du Grand-Duché se rendent dans le plus grand pays d'Amérique du Sud. La campagne des législatives se joue ainsi aussi de l'autre côté de l'Atlantique.

Les plus récents

- Deux coproductions luxembourgeoises à la Berlinale 2024
- La famille d'un résident retrouvé mort à Howald ne peut pas organiser de funérailles
- Le nombre de demandeurs d'emploi dépasse les 18.000
- Les conducteurs de train appelés à une grève de six jours en Allemagne
- Le trafic ferroviaire reprend entre Esch-sur-Alzette et Differdange
- Fiscalité: le Luxembourg au cœur d'une polémique en Belgique
- Une alerte au vent émise pour toute cette journée de lundi
- Retour sur la construction polémique du Mudam lancée le 22 janvier 1999
- La facture d'électricité augmentera le 1er février entre 8,6% et 9,8% pour la plupart des Français
- Début à Paris du procès des attentats de Trèbes et Carcassonne

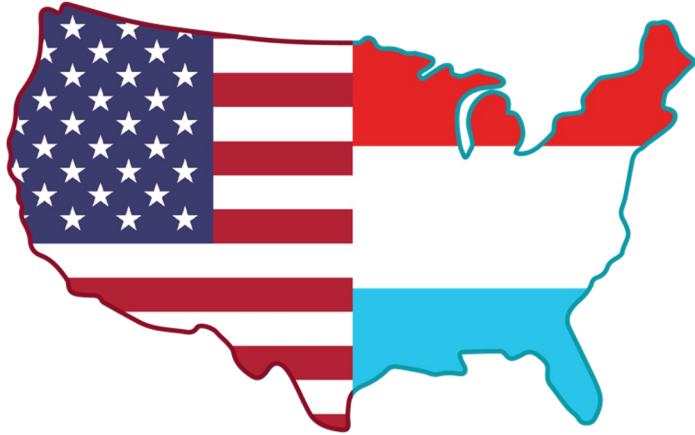


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GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG
PASSEPORT

11.495 Brésiliens ont obtenu la nationalité grand-ducale parce qu'ils avaient un ancêtre luxembourgeois.
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In Perspective

Some people can still reclaim the nationality until December 2025, including:



712 Americans



3.013 Brazilians

However, it's important to remember that some people have abandoned their applications for different reasons (death, old age, sickness, decision not to continue).

Going Deeper

In reality, the actual increase of new nationals is significantly more than these numbers would reveal:

-These statistics do not include minor children

-Additionally, more and more people are applying for Luxembourgish nationality under Article 23 (parent or grandparent who is/was Luxembourgish)

-Finally, the Ministry of Justice publishes no statistics about the people who directly receive a certificate of nationality because they were born a Luxembourgish national by simple fact of the law (Art. 7). For the US, this likely concerns up to 2x as many people as those who “reclaimed” nationality in 2023.



Big Picture

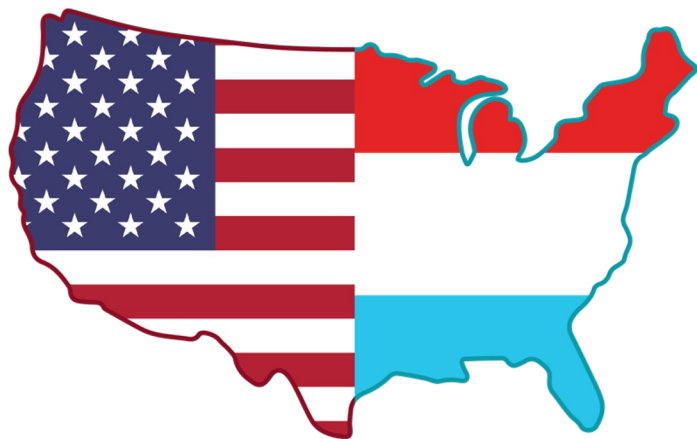
To understand how many new Luxembourgish nationals there are in the world, it's necessary to look at the statistics from the RNPP.

The screenshot shows the data.public.lu website interface. At the top right, there is a logo for 'LE GOUVERNEMENT DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG'. Below it, there are links for 'Se connecter', 'S'enregistrer', and language options 'EN' and 'FR'. A search bar labeled 'Recherche' is also present. The main navigation menu includes 'Données', 'Réutilisations', 'Organisations', 'Contribuer', 'Actualités', and 'Nous contacter'. The breadcrumb trail reads: 'Accueil > Jeux de données > Registre national des personnes physiques RNPP : Nombre de Luxembourgeois habitant à l'étranger'. The main title of the dataset is 'Registre national des personnes physiques RNPP : Nombre de Luxembourgeois habitant à l'étranger', with a '1 favoris' badge. Below the title, it says 'Mis à jour le 7 janvier 2024 — Creative Commons Zero (CC0)'. There are three tabs: 'Producteur', 'Métadonnées', and 'Actions'. The 'Producteur' tab is active, showing the logo of 'CTIE Luxembourg' and the text: 'Centre des technologies de l'information de l'Etat. Le Centre des technologies de l'information de l'Etat (CTIE) est le principal prestataire et hébergeur de services et solutions informatiques du gouvernement du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg. Dans une optique d'optimisation de l'utilisation des ressources limitées disponibles et de recherche de...'. It also indicates '22 jeux de données'. On the right side, there is a 'SOMMAIRE' section with a list of items: 1. Description, 2. Fichiers (42), 3. Ressources communautaires (0), 4. Réutilisations (2), and 5. Discussions (0).

<https://data.public.lu/fr/datasets/registre-national-des-personnes-physiques-rnpp-nombre-de-luxembourgeois-habitant-a-letranger/>

THE REAL NUMBERS

According to the National Registry of Physical Persons, as of 31.12.23 there are:



14.972 Luxembourgish nationals
living in the USA (+2.704 YoY)



27.632 Luxembourgish nationals
living in Brazil (+7.693 YoY)

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According to the National Registry of Physical Persons, as of 31.12.23 there are:



541 Luxembourgish nationals
living in Argentina (+120)

BY COMPARISON

If the population of Luxembourgish nationals in the US and Brazil were communes in Luxembourg, they would be equivalent to:



USA: Bettembourg (#8, 2% of National Population)



BRAZIL: Differdange (#3, 4% of National Population)

IN JUST A YEAR

The 2023 increase of Luxembourgish nationals in these 2 countries alone would be equivalent to the populations of the communes:



USA: Koerich (#62)



BRAZIL: Wiltz (#19)

LUXEMBOURGERS BY COUNTRY, RNPP

Country	Luxembourgers
France	32.925 (+1.445)
Brazil	27.632 (+7.693)
Belgium	27.212 (+762)
Germany	20.446 (+825)
United States	14.972 (+2.704)

Brazil overtook Belgium to become the 2nd foreign country with the most Luxembourgish nationals in residence in approximately August 2023.

RNPP Numbers - 2023

Grouping	Luxembourgish Nationals	Change Since 31/12/22
AMERICAS (US, BR, AR)	43.145	(+10.517)
Neighbors (US, BR, AR)	80.583	(+3.032)
Worldwide	137.392	(+15.043)

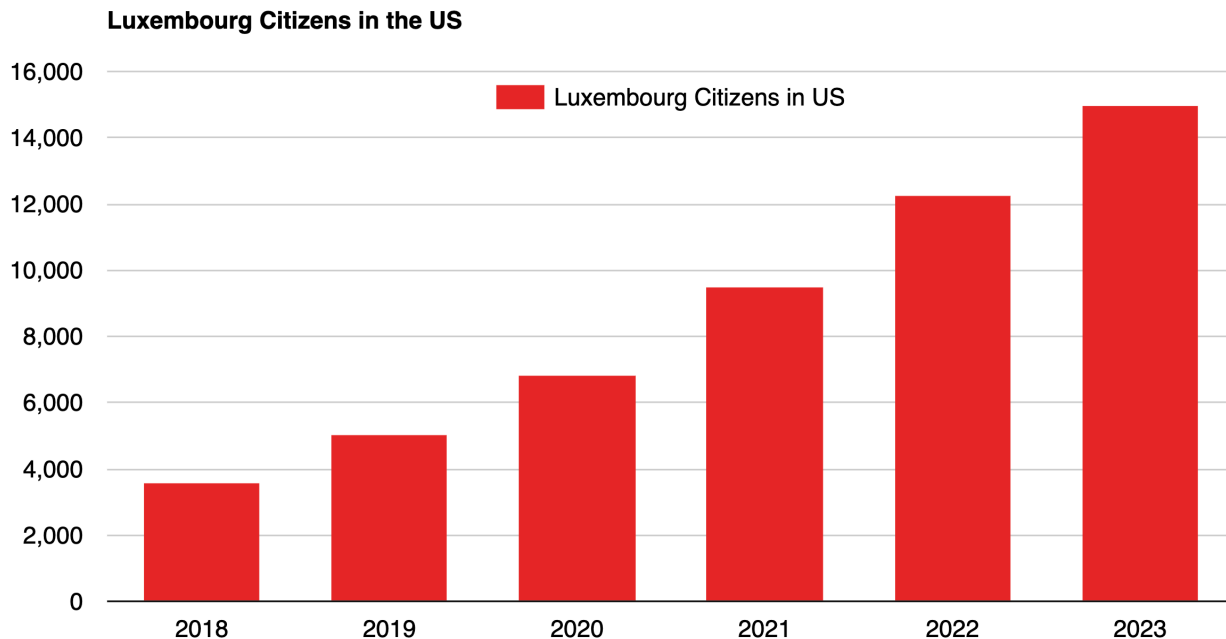
Registre national des personnes physiques (12/31/23)

The Luxembourgish nationals in the Americas make up 31% of Luxembourgers abroad, while those in the neighboring countries make up 59%.

INCREASE OVER 5 YEARS - USA

There has been an increase of 11,370 Luxembourgish nationals living in the United States since December 2018.

24% of this growth occurred in 2023 alone.



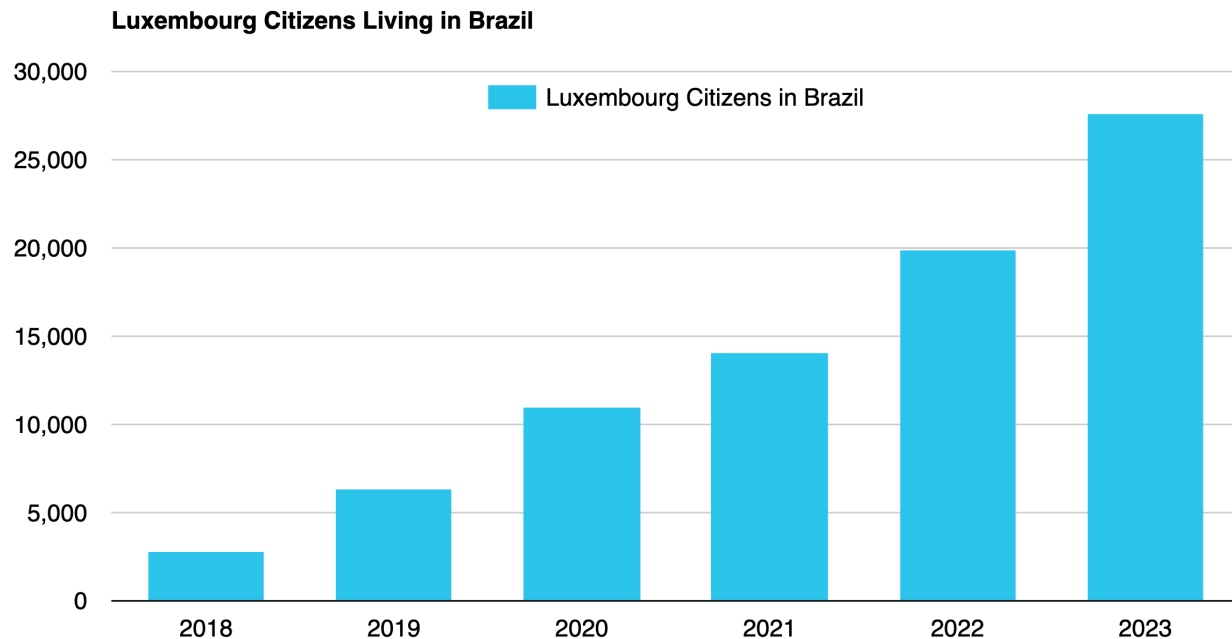
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INCREASE OVER 5 YEARS - BRAZIL

There has been an increase of **24,778** Luxembourgish nationals living in Brazil since December 2018.

31% of that growth comes from 2023, an increase of **7,693** citizens.

Neither figure includes people who have already moved to Luxembourg (at least 1,000).



Registre national des personnes physiques (12/31/23)

LuxCitizenship Estimation – 31/12/23

The RNPP did not archive the number of Luxembourgers living abroad before 30/4/2018, however using Ministry of Justice data we've estimated the number of native Luxembourgers vs dual nationals in the Americas*.

Country	Dual Nationals through Ancestry	Native Luxembourgers**
Brazil	26,405***	1,227
USA	13,208	1,764
Argentina	380	161

**There are small numbers of dual nationals in Canada, Paraguay, and Mexico not included*

***Defined as Luxembourgish national before dual nationality came into force (2008)*

****At least 1,000 dual nationals have already moved to Luxembourg and are not counted*