


Permanent Positions in Publicly Financed Symphony and Chamber Orchestras

Source: unisono – German Orchestra Union

Daten: 1992 to 2024

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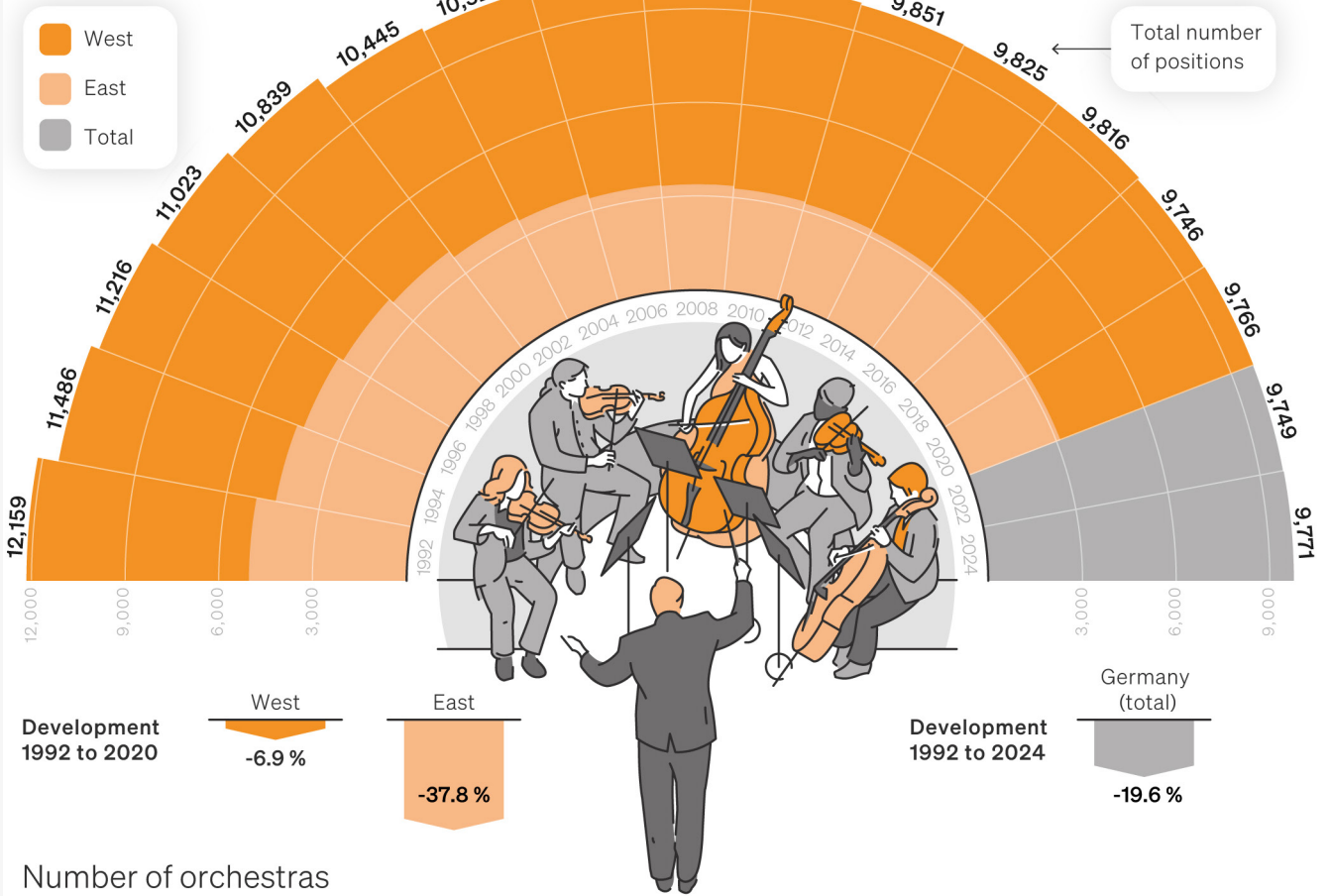
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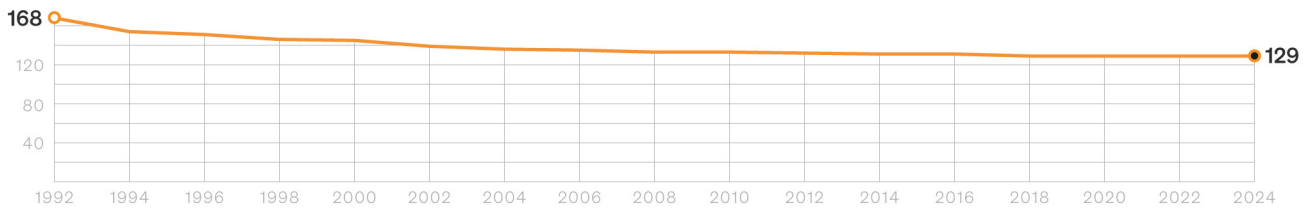
ORCHESTRA



Number of positions



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	Number of positions registered																
	1992	1994	1996	1998	2000	2002	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024
East	5,032	4,411	4,198	4,032	3,878	3,637	3,545	3,398	3,372	3,290	3,230	3,186	3,143	3,133	3,132		
West	7,127	7,075	7,018	6,991	6,961	6,808	6,780	6,654	6,665	6,632	6,621	6,639	6,673	6,613	6,634		
Total	12,159	11,486	11,216	11,023	10,839	10,445	10,325	10,052	10,037	9,922	9,851	9,825	9,816	9,746	9,766	9,749	9,771

	Number of Orchestras																
Total	168	154	151	146	145	139	136	135	133	133	132	131	131	129	129	129	129

NOTE

The figures are based on positions formally listed in the budgets of orchestras and theatres, not on those that are actually filled. They cover all publicly financed theater, concert and chamber orchestras in Germany as well as Germany's radio symphony and radio orchestras. Regarding the division into East and West, it should be noted that Berlin orchestras are assigned according to their respective sector of the city. Since 2022, unisono does no longer distinguish between East and West, as the consolidation process in East Germany is considered complete after more than three decades since reunification.

SOURCE INFORMATION

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