

Mainz-Bingen District Administration

The district administration, with its headquarters in Ingelheim and offices in Mainz, Bingen and Oppenheim, has many responsibilities, including the maintenance of district school buildings and equipment, urban land-use planning, protection of the environment, waste management, youth and social work, unemployment benefits, vehicle registration and much more.

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The County

A government administrative reform created the district of Mainz-Bingen in 1969. The district covers 606 square kilometers from Guntersblum to Bacharach and its boundary stretches for 80 kilometers directly along the Rhine river. In many of the 66 towns and communities of the district, monuments testify to the long and eventful history of the region. One of the main features of the county is the world famous wine that is produced in three areas: the Mittelrhine, the Nahe, and the Rhinehessen. The area of the Mittelrhinetal (Middle Rhine Valley), between Bingen and Bacharach, has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2002. Located at the edge of the Rhine-Main area, Mainz-Bingen is connected to this metropolitan area via the highways, the Rhine (Europe's largest waterway), the rail network, and the excellent public transportation system. Area airports in Frankfurt and Hahn (Hunsrück) connect the county with the entire world.

Mainz-Bingen is one of the few regions in which the population continues to grow. This brings with it a particular responsibility toward families, children and youth. The reconcilability of family and work is therefore an important socio-political issue and responsibility, which the county addresses with deep commitment. The goal is to offer all parents a child-care opportunity suited to their individual needs. The district's massive expansion project continues to provide a large increase in the number of available places in various types of day-care centers in order to meet these needs.

Despite its modern structure and economic strength, the area has kept its original charm and provides a varied recreational offering. The broad variety of registered and non-registered clubs means there's something to suit everyone. Besides that, a study has shown that more than half the district's population is involved in volunteer work in clubs. The county supports this commitment with financial backing for projects that are otherwise supported entirely by volunteers.

There are many things that speak for Mainz-Bingen: excellent infrastructure, outstanding day-care and school offerings, institutions for further education, an incomparable landscape, social facilities, cultural activities and plentiful recreational activities. Above all, the people here are special; they are cosmopolitan, welcoming, and hospitable. Although they may seem unassuming, they are always willing to share their tables in wine taverns and restaurants.

The District's Coat of Arms

The Mainz-Bingen district's coat of arms symbolizes the political forces that have shaped the history of the region: Empire, Electoral Mainz, and the Electoral Palatinate. The heraldic emblems are the imperial eagle, the Mainz wheel, and the lion. The coat of arms is divided in two under a golden heraldic area. In this area, one can see a right-facing, black eagle with red claws. A silver, six-spoked wheel can be seen below, on a red background. Opposite the wheel, on a black background, is a right-facing, golden lion with a red crown and red claws.

Facts and Figures

Source: Rhineland-Palatinate Statistics Office, GfK and county statistics

GDP at market prices per earner (as of 2012)	78,420 euros
Above state average by	about 23%
Purchasing power per capita (2014)	25,200 euros
Above national average by	19%
Disposable income per capita (2012)	26,004 euros
Above national average by	
Unemployment Rate (11/2014)	3,9%
At national level	6,7%
Population increase (since 1998)	7%
Spaces in full-day day-care centers: available/needed (9/2014)	4,871/ 4,119
Percentage of children under 3 in day-care	60,75%
Percentage of 2-year-olds in day-care (9/2014)	100%
Number of students in county schools (9/2014)	15,287

Economy

Economically, the district boasts a productive cooperation between small and medium-sized enterprises, as well as large companies with an international reputation. The county is one of the economically strongest regions in Germany. In Rhinland-Palatinate, Mainz-Bingen is the leading county. Time and again, nationwide scientific studies show the economic strength and sustainability, as well as the family friendliness of the county.

The character of the county is shaped, in addition to global corporations, especially by small and medium-sized enterprises of craftsmanship and manufacturing and in the area of services and trade. Large companies, such as the global corporation Boehringer Ingelheim, Eckes Granini Group and the chemical factory Budenheim, as well as the large number of small and medium-sized businesses offer secure jobs. This is reflected in the permanently low unemployment rate of the county. The magazine Focus Money named Mainz-Bingen the German district with the strongest economy in 2014.

Regional Institutions

Rhineland-Palatinate Tourism organizes the marketing for touristic activities in the region and offers – all in one place – information about sights and events, plus the possibility of online booking. (www.rheinessen-info.de, info@rheinessen-info.de)

The EDG (energy company) Rhineland-Palatinate makes an important contribution to environmental protection as a provider of local heat supply. It restores and replaces outdated heating systems and engages in producing energy through biomass and solar energy. (www.edg-mbh.de, info@edg-mbh.de)

The **Rhine-Nahe Transport Association, (RNN)**, manages and coordinates the interests of associated regional authorities. After coming

to a consensus with all participants, RNN works with the transportation companies to turn words into action. The district administration is in charge of local public transport in the Mainz-Bingen district. (<http://www.rnn.info>, info@rnn.info)

County Schools and Educational Institutes

With the responsibility of running 20 secondary schools, the county has invested millions in building, maintenance and equipment in recent years – about 120 million euros just since the year 2000. By now nearly all schools run by the county have extended their hours to offer a full rather than a half-day schedule. Since 2004, the county has invested over 25 million euros in these buildings. Altogether the county runs 5 grammar schools, 4 comprehensive schools, 4 secondary technical schools, 2 vocational schools and 5 special education schools.

District Adult Education Center (KVHS): The KVHS' guiding principle of educational work is to initiate and promote life-long learning together with its 21 local organizations. In this way, the county effectively supports and promotes the people's participation in professional, social and cultural life. (www.kvhs-mainz-bingen.de)

The Foundation for "Culture in the County of Mainz-Bingen": With their promotion of cultural events, the foundation sets up landmarks to promote cultural diversity in the county.

Further Educational Institutions of the Region: FH Bingen, Johannes Gutenberg University – Mainz, FH Mainz, FH Worms

International Partnerships

The first partnership of the county was founded in 1952 with the province of Verona and today is one of the oldest municipal partnerships of Europe. It is supported by the numerous partnerships between German and Italian towns, clubs and schools. In 1993, the "Freundschaftskreis Mainz-Bingen e.V." (International Friendship club) was founded to deepen these partnerships.

The county of Mainz-Bingen has maintained a partnership with the district of Rusumo in Rwanda since 1987. In 1989, the club "Landkreis Mainz-Bingen – Distrikt Rusumo e.V." was founded. Through membership fees and donations, numerous aid projects were supported in cooperation with the state of Rhineland-Palatinate and the Mainz Aid Organization "Human Help Network".

In June 2001, the partnership charter with the county of Nysa (Poland) was signed. The goal of this partnership is the promotion of exchanges – especially among young people, the extension of existing contacts, the reduction of prejudices and the expansion of friendly relations.

In addition to the three partnerships, there are friendly connections to the French association of municipalities Beaune Cote et Sud.

Overview of the Cites and Municipalities

The district of Mainz-Bingen consists of **10 regional authorities** with a total of **66 municipalities**.

Source: KommWis, as of 31-12-2014

	population		population
County of Mainz-Bingen	215.550	Federated Municipality of Bodenheim	20.229
		<i>Burgomaster Dr. Robert Scheurer</i>	
City of Bingen	26.712	Bodenheim	7.570
<i>Mayor Thomas Feser</i>		Gau-Bischofsheim	2.065
		Harxheim	2.326
City of Ingelheim	26.493	Lörzweiler	2.291
<i>Mayor Ralf Claus</i>		Nackenheim	5.977
Municipality of Budenheim	8.940	Federated Municipality of Rhein-Nahe	15.444
<i>Burgomaster Rainer Becker</i>		<i>Burgomaster Franz-Josef Riediger</i>	
Federated Municipality of Gau-Algesheim	17.279	Bacharach	2.014
<i>Burgomaster Dieter Linck</i>		Breitscheid	149
Appenheim	1.478	Manubach	322
Bubenheim	917	Münster-Sarmsheim	2.918
Engelstadt	773	Niederheimbach	797
Gau-Algesheim	7.060	Oberdiebach	842
Nieder-Hilbersheim	659	Oberheimbach	599
Ober-Hilbersheim	1.065	Trechttingshausen	1.073
Ockenheim	2.607	Waldalgesheim	4.116
Schwabenheim	2.720	Weiler	2.614
Federated Municipality of Rhein-Selz	41.780	Federated Municipality of Sprendlingen-Gensingen	14.692
<i>Burgomaster Klaus Penzer</i>		<i>Burgomaster Manfred Scherer</i>	
Dalheim	1.071	Aspishheim	916
Dexheim	1.470	Badenheim	620
Dienheim	2.228	Gensingen	4.015
Dolgesheim	953	Grolsheim	1.285
Dorn-Dürkheim	982	Horrweiler	759
Eimsheim	542	St. Johann	868
Friesenheim	742	Sprendlingen	4.263
<i>Guntersblum</i>	3.936	Welgesheim	573
Hahnheim	1.606	Wolfsheim	759
Hillesheim	671	Zotzenheim	634
Köngernheim	1.390	Federated Municipality of Nieder-Olm	33.685
Ludwigshöhe	583	<i>Burgomaster Ralph Spiegler</i>	
Mommenheim	3.250	Essenheim	3.530
Nierstein	8.301	Jugenheim	1.668
Oppenheim	7.422	Klein-Winternheim	3.779
Selzen	1.562	Nieder-Olm	10.024
Uelversheim	1.126	Ober-Olm	4.575
Undenheim	2.877	Sörgenloch	1.202
Weinolsheim	750	Stadecken-Elsheim	4.941
Wintersheim	318	Zornheim	3.966
Federated Municipality of Heidesheim	10.296		
<i>Burgomaster Joachim Barrmann</i>			
Heidesheim	7.627		
Wackernheim	2.669		

The county of Mainz-Bingen in five minutes



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