



Reconstructing¹ and Vizualising² the population of Vienna by religion, 1971-2011

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Outline

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Aim & Objective

- Reconstruct the population since 1971 until 2011 by age, sex, and according to 7 religious categories:
 - Catholics 
 - Protestants 
 - Jews 
 - Muslims 
 - Orthodox 
 - Others 
 - No religion 
- What happened since 2001?
- Learn about the past to inform the future

Main available inputs for Vienna

- Census population by religion (5 out of 7 religious categories in 1971, 6 in 1981 and 1991, 7 in 2001), by age (5 year age groups) and by sex.
- Register based census data (2011) by age and sex
- Total births by religion of the mother by year
- Total deaths by sex
- Net-migration to Vienna by age and sex
- Religious mobility by age (until 1983) and sex (only for exits)

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Missing religious categories in census

- 1971: Catholics, Protestants, Muslims, Other, no religion, unknown
 - Missing: Jews (MA23) and Orthodox (old Catholics, nationality of the other religion population – all European are assumed to be Orthodox: 93 M—99 F).
- 1981 and 1991: Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Muslims, Other, no religion, unknown.
 - Missing: Orthodox (92 M – 95 F)
- 2001: Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Muslims, Other, no religion, unknown.
 - No missing categories

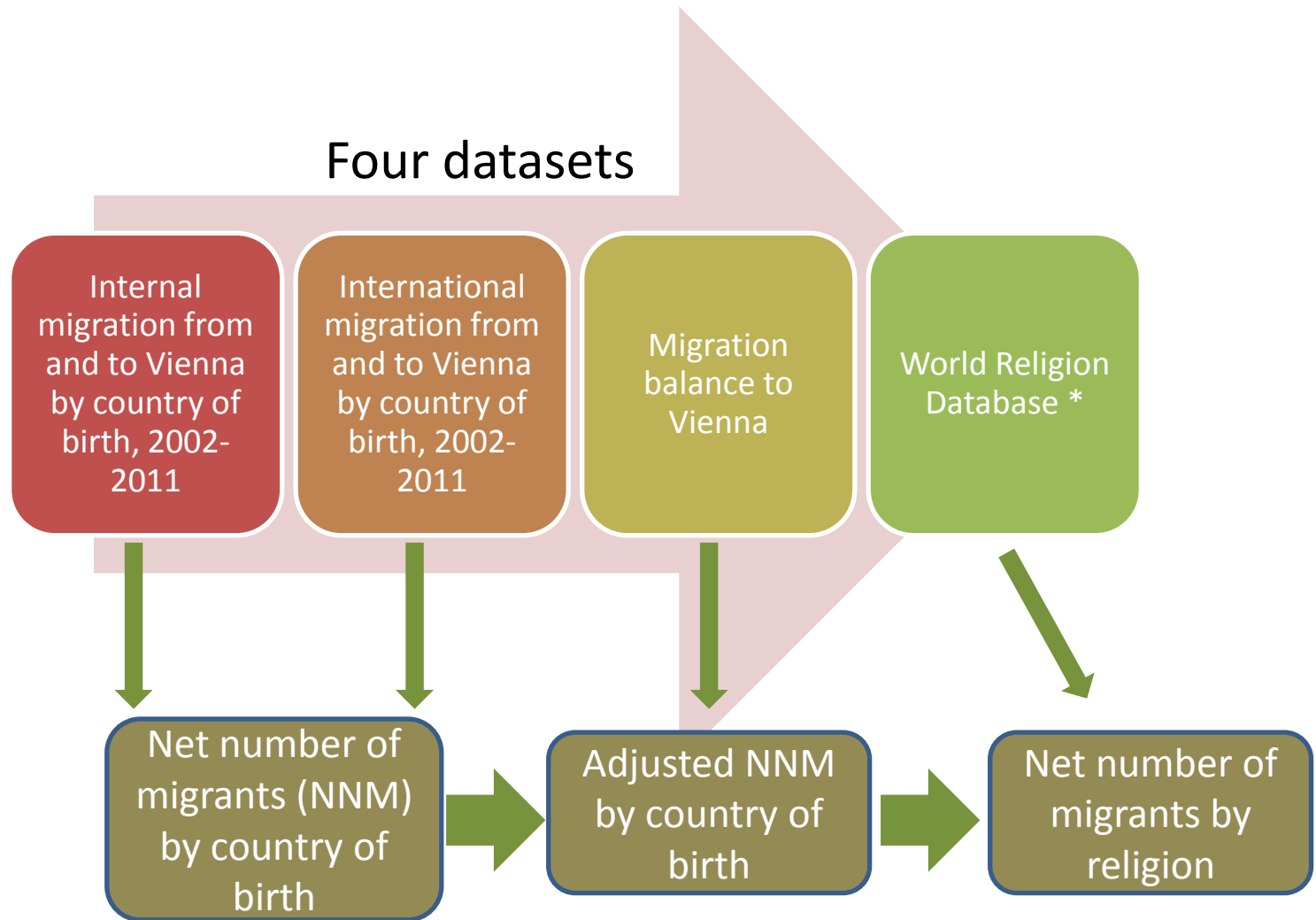
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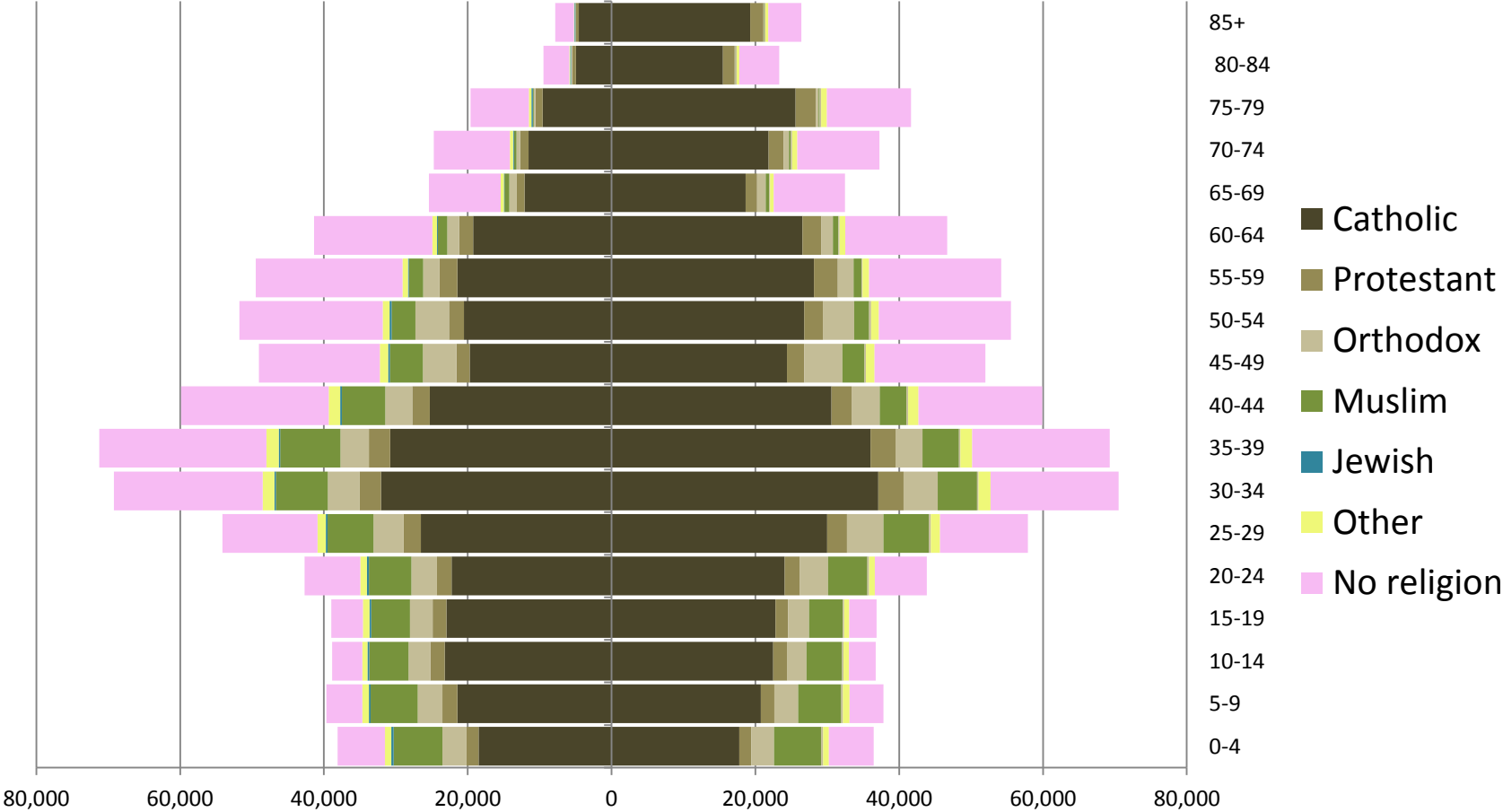
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- Between 2001 and 2011:
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Estimated migrant statistics by country of birth and random religious distribution

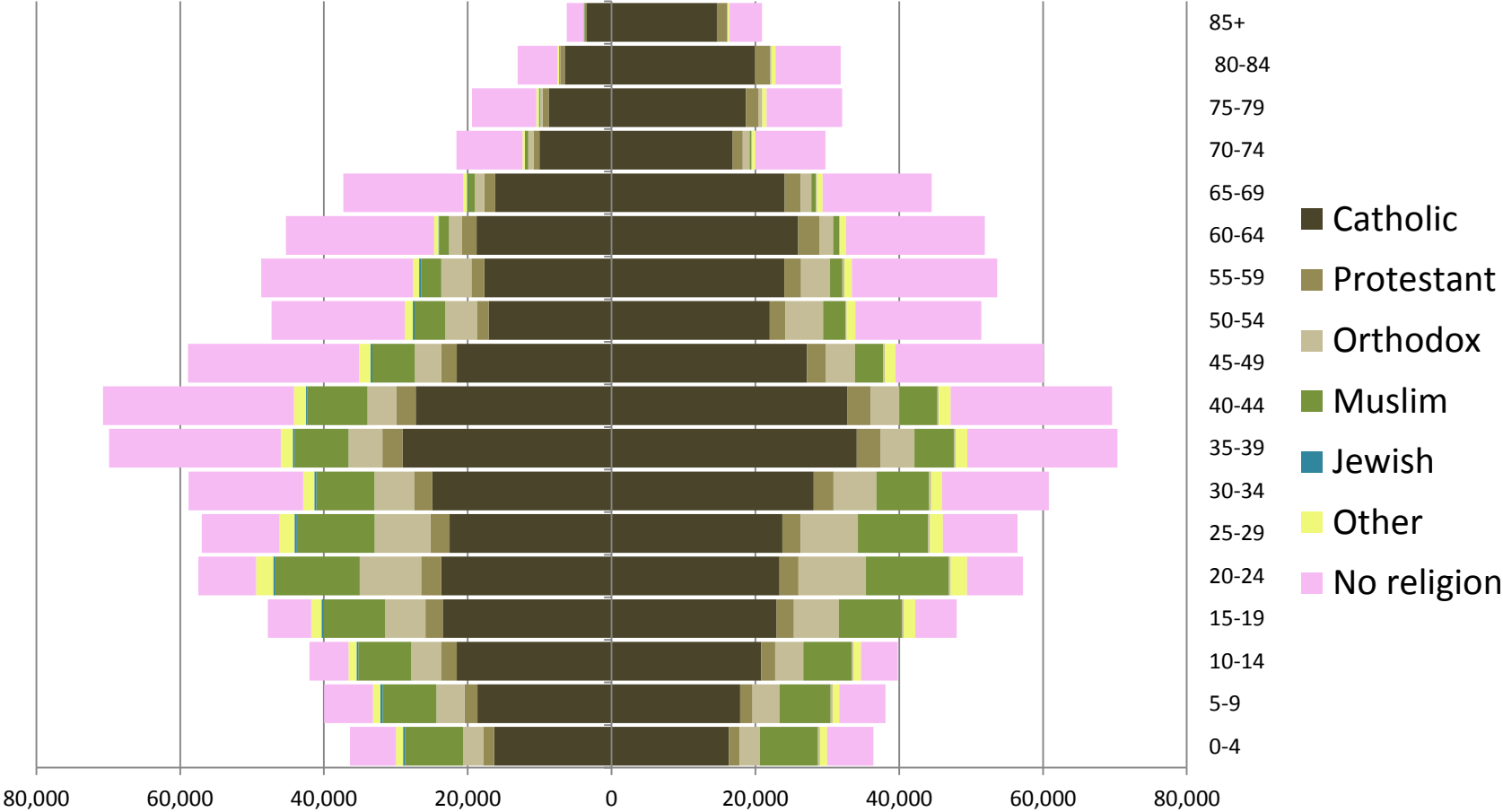


Population and religion pyramid in 2001



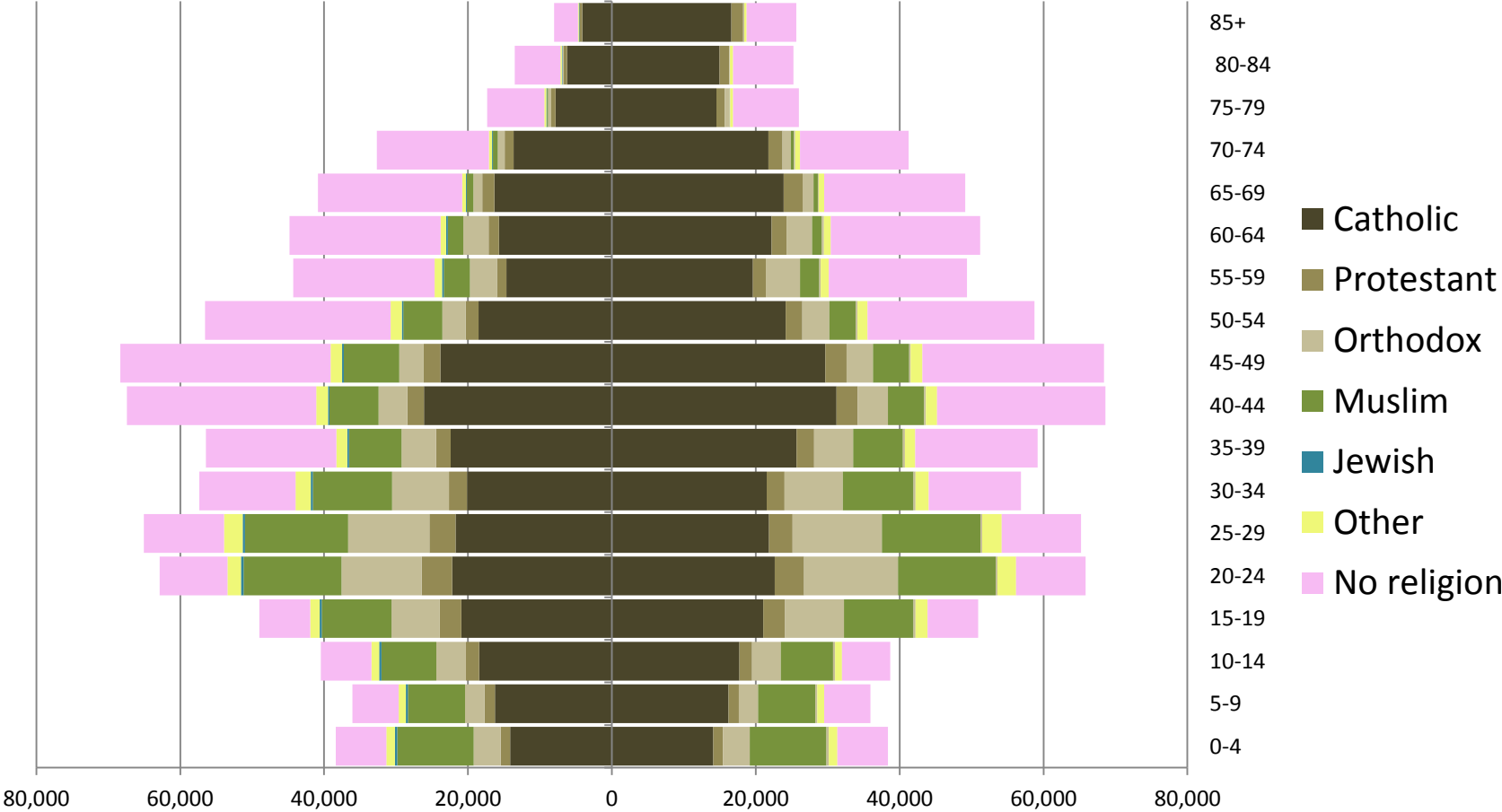
Source: Author's calculations based on several sources

Population and religion pyramid in 2006



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Population and religion pyramid in 2011



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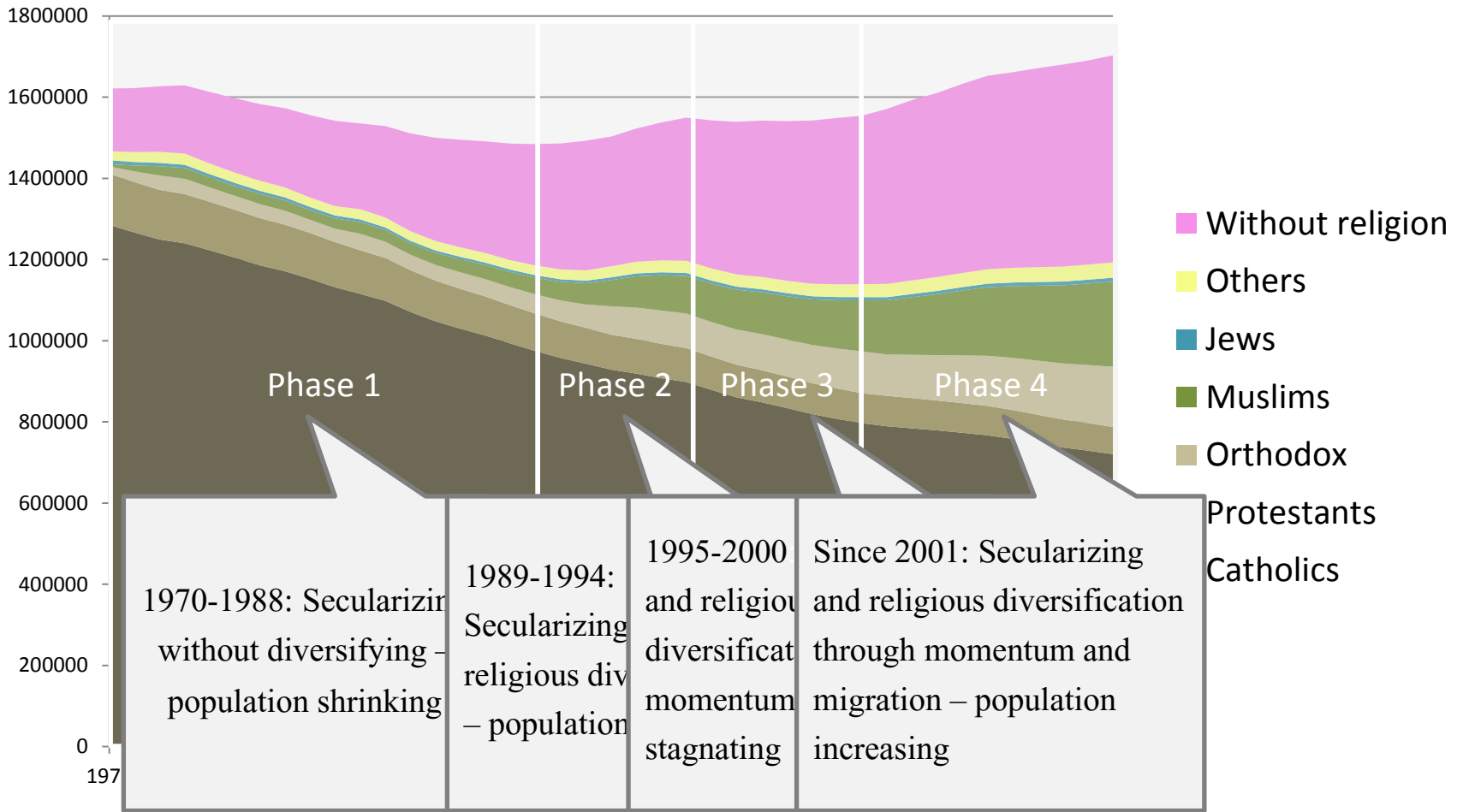
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 - Steps 5 & 6: Same as steps 2 & 3.

Three phases of change in Vienna

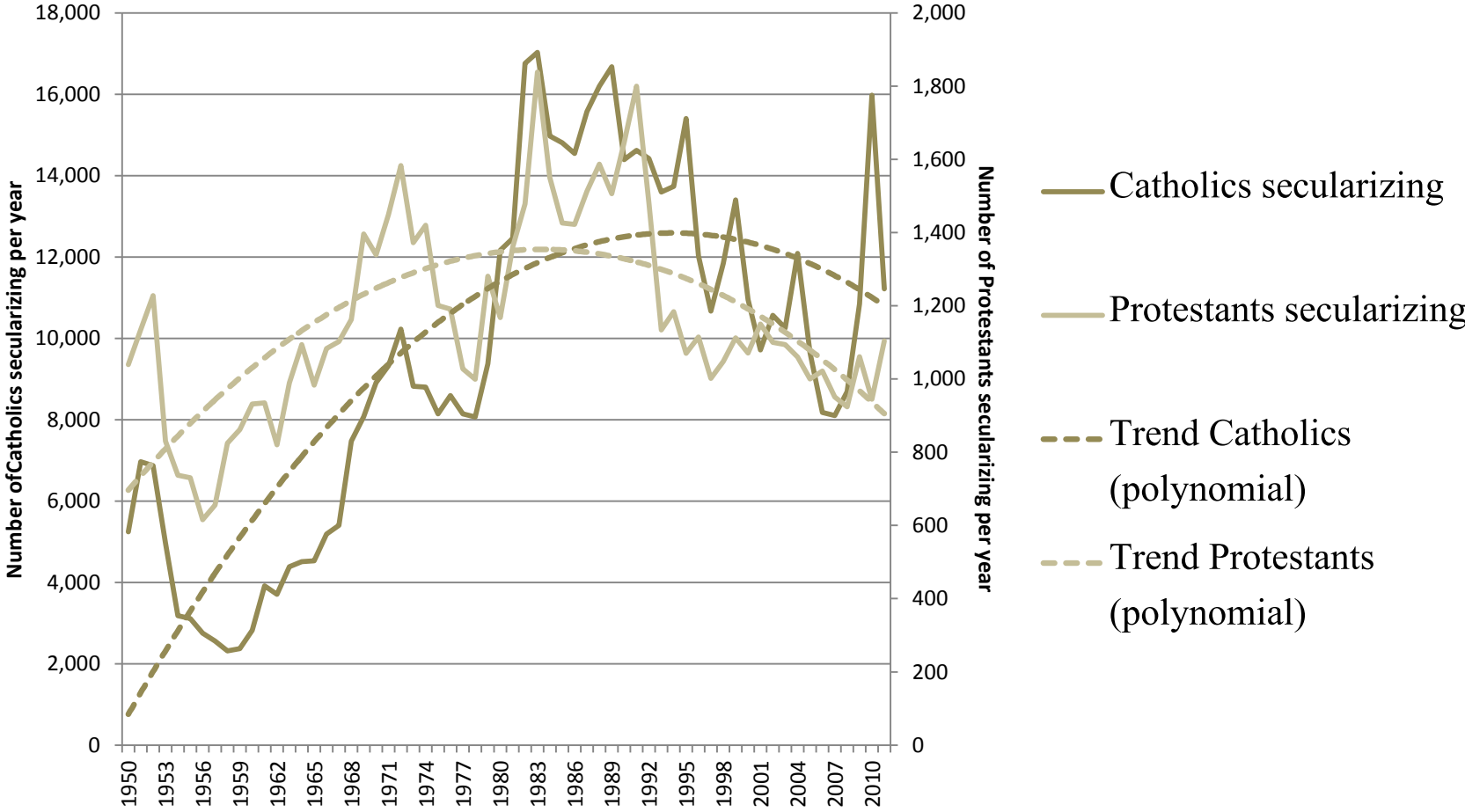
- Phase 1: 1970-1988: Secularizing without diversifying – population shrinking
- Phase 2: 1989-1994: Secularizing and religious diversification – population increasing
- Phase 3: 1995-2000: Secularizing and religious diversification through momentum – population stagnating
- Since 2001: Secularizing and religious diversification through momentum and migration – population increasing

Total population by religion, 1971-2011



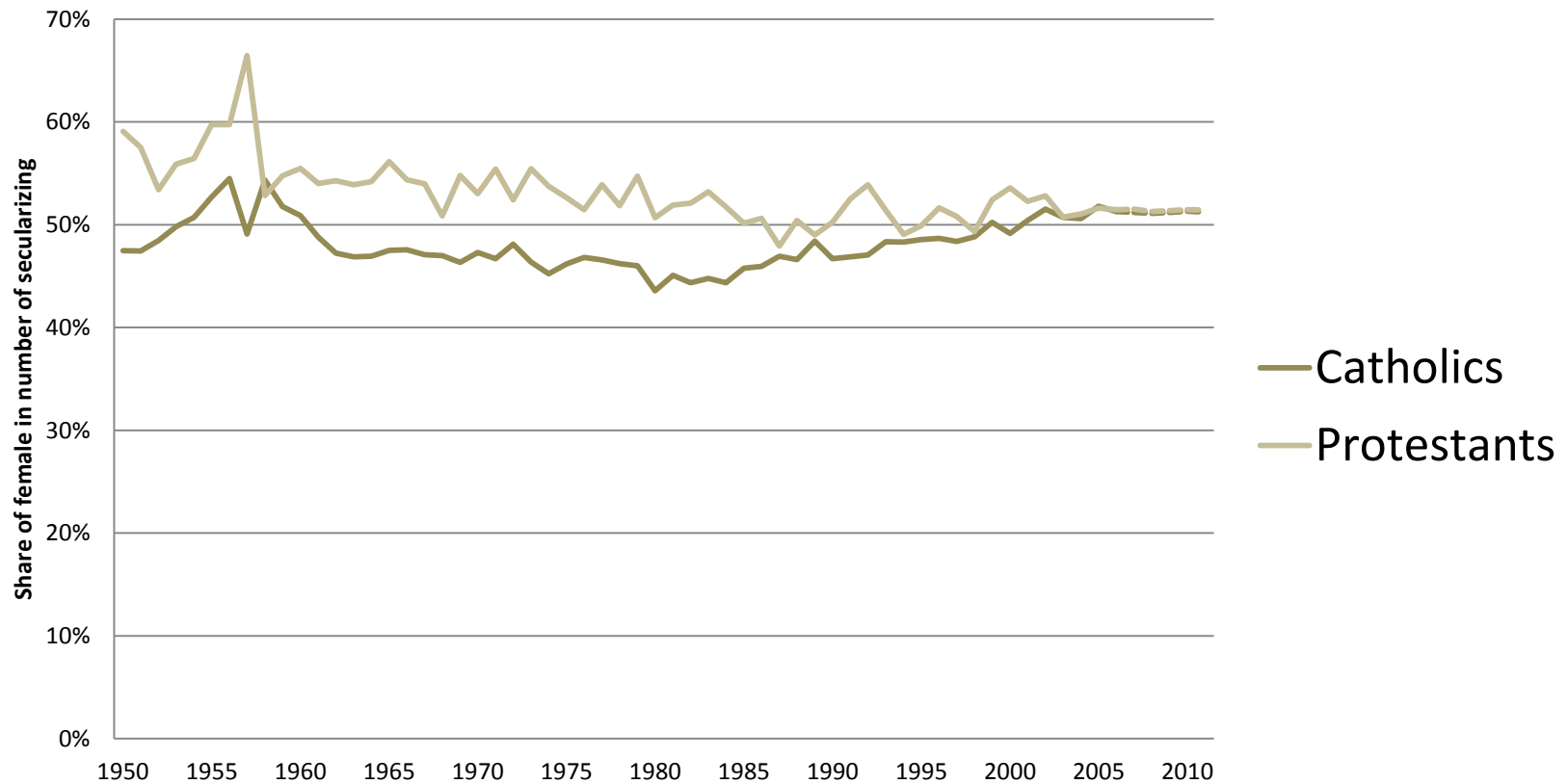
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Religious mobility of Protestants and Catholics



Source: Author's calculation based on Statistics Austria (several years)

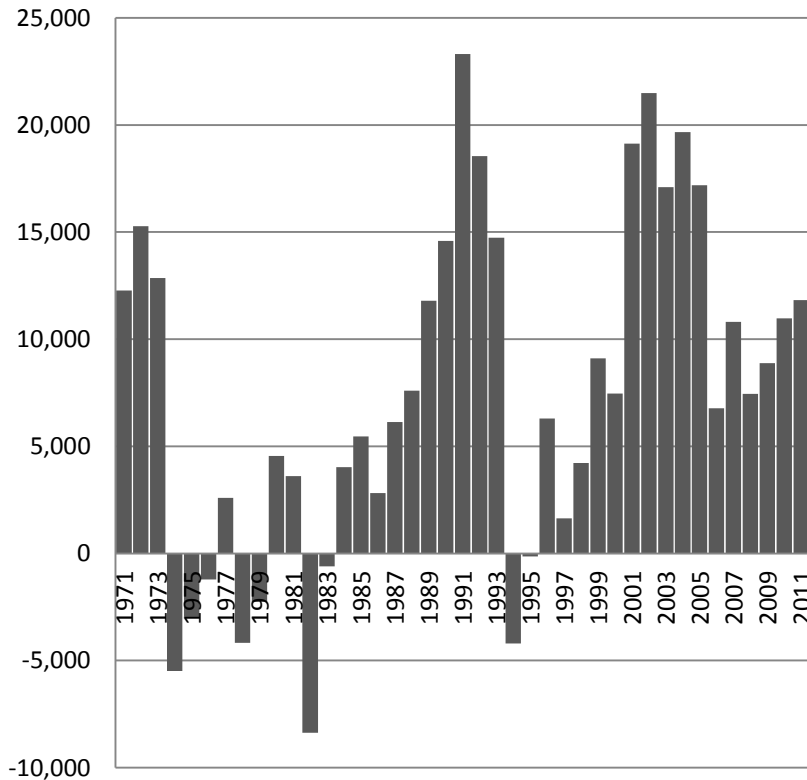
Men and Women used to secularize differently – not anymore



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A short history of migration to Vienna

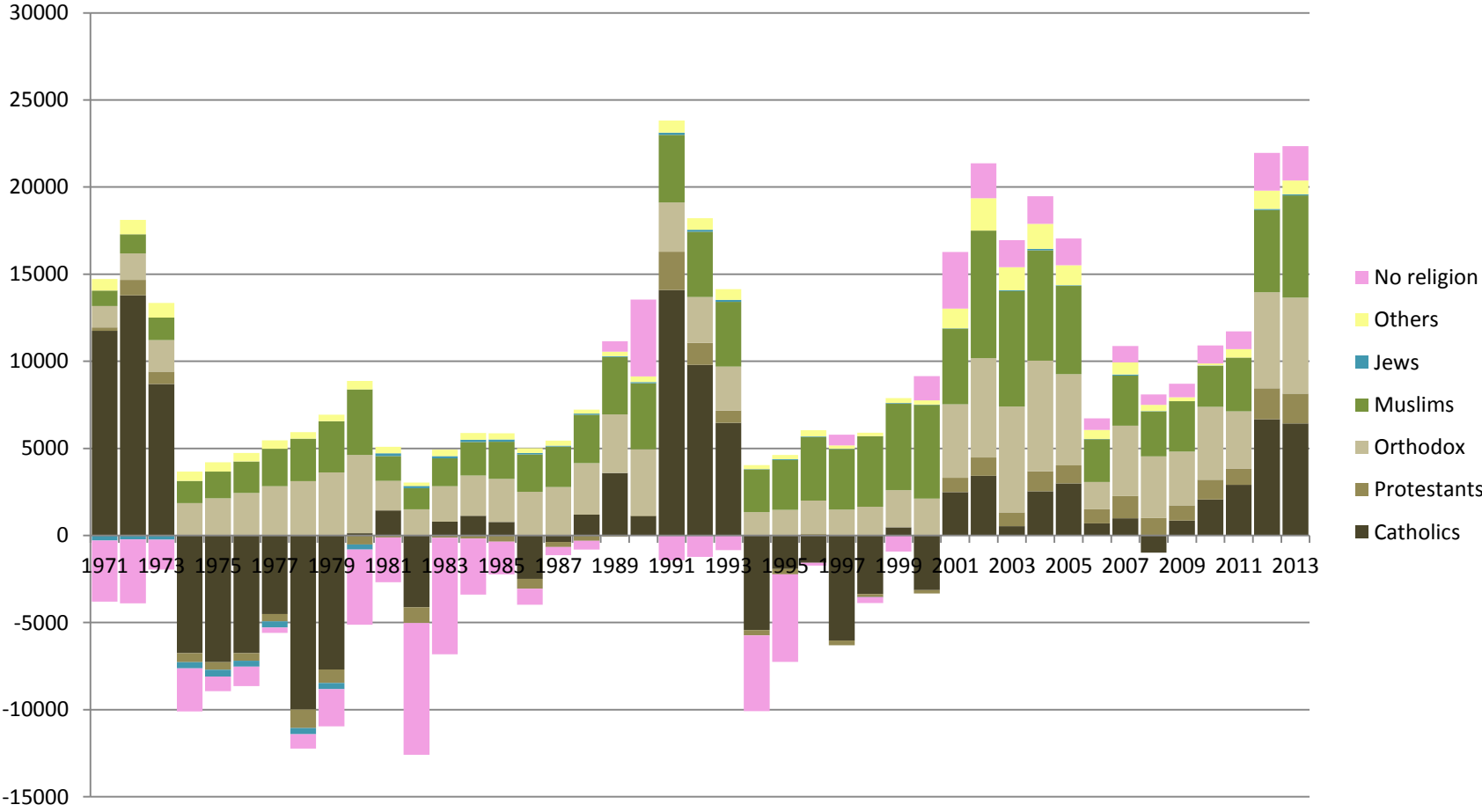
Net migration to Vienna, 1971-2011



Source: Statistics Austria

- -1974: Guest workers mainly from Yugoslavia and Turkey
- 1975-1986: Low to negative net migration
- 1986-1993: Increased net-migration to Vienna escalating with the fall of the Berlin Wall & the war in Yugoslavia (69% from Former Yugoslavia in 1992)
- 1994-1999: Reduced net-migration
- 2000-2005: Increased immigration (63% from Former Yugoslavia and Turkey in 2000)
- 2006-2009: decline in immigration (changes in legislation) and increase in EU migration (3/4 EU & 66% = Germany, Poland, Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Hungary)
- 2009-2013: Revival of migration

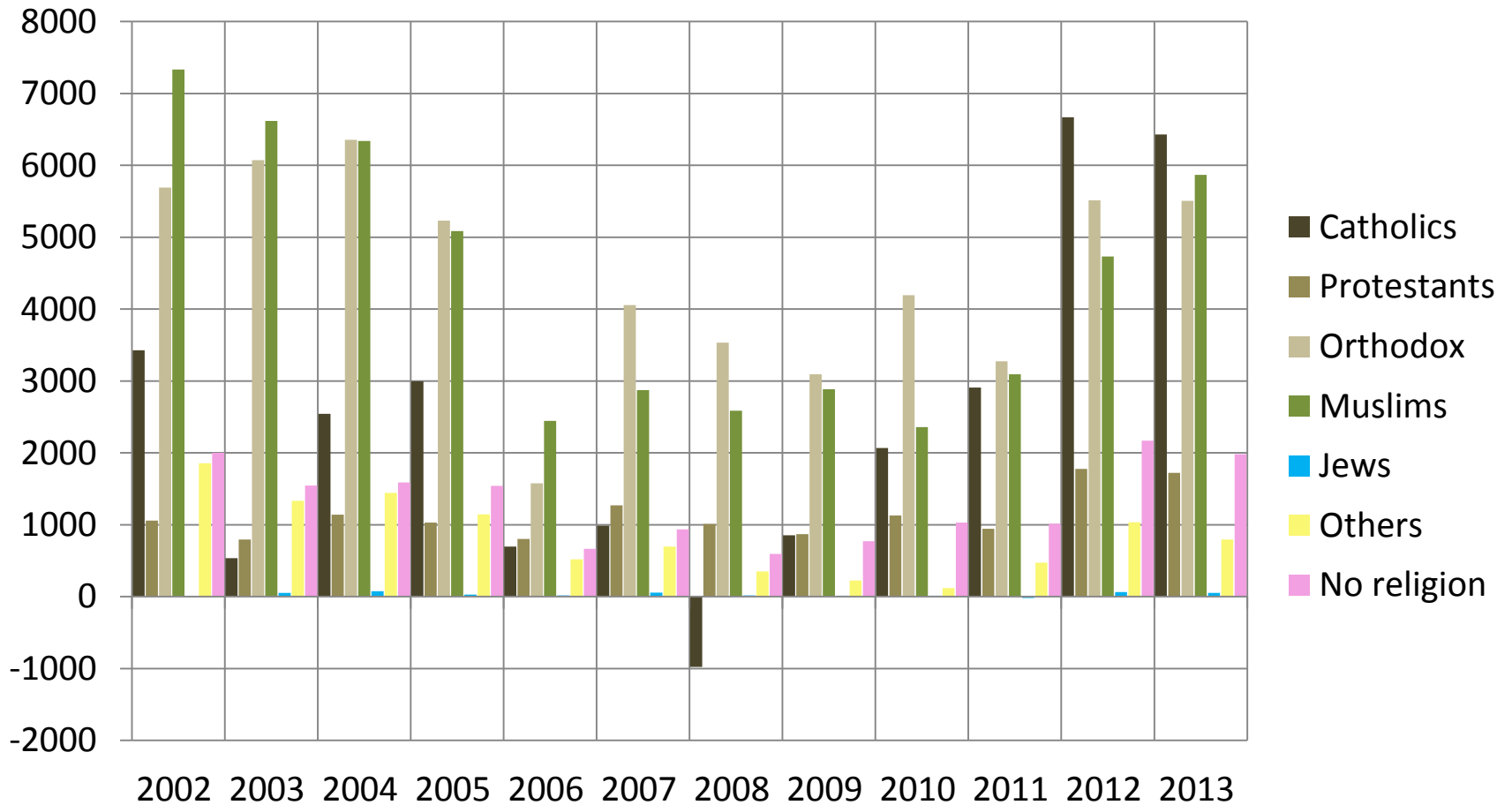
Total net number of migrants* to Vienna by religion



Note: Including internal and international migrants

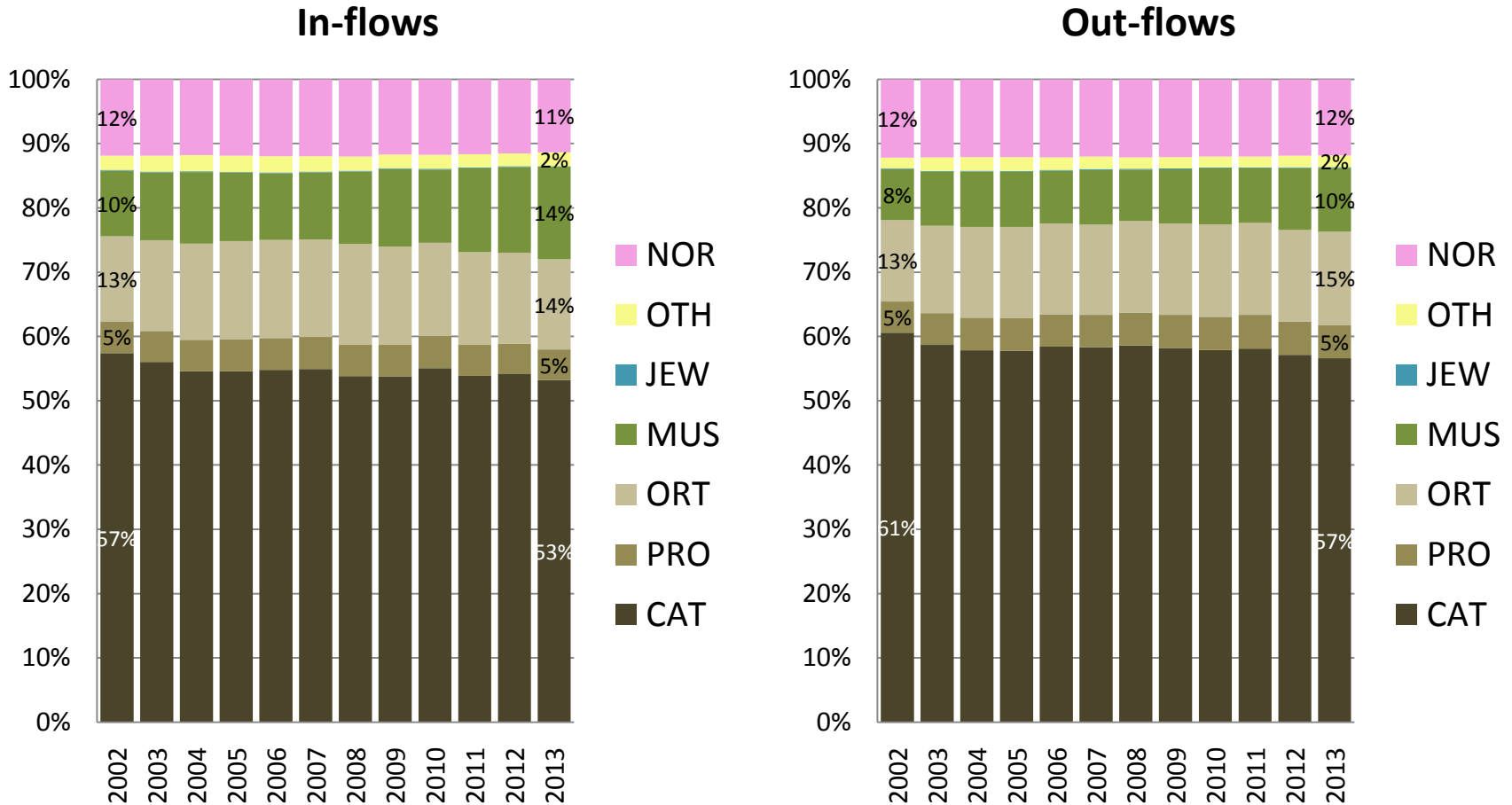
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Net migration by religion, 2002-2013



Source: Author's calculation based on Statistics Austria and World Religion Database

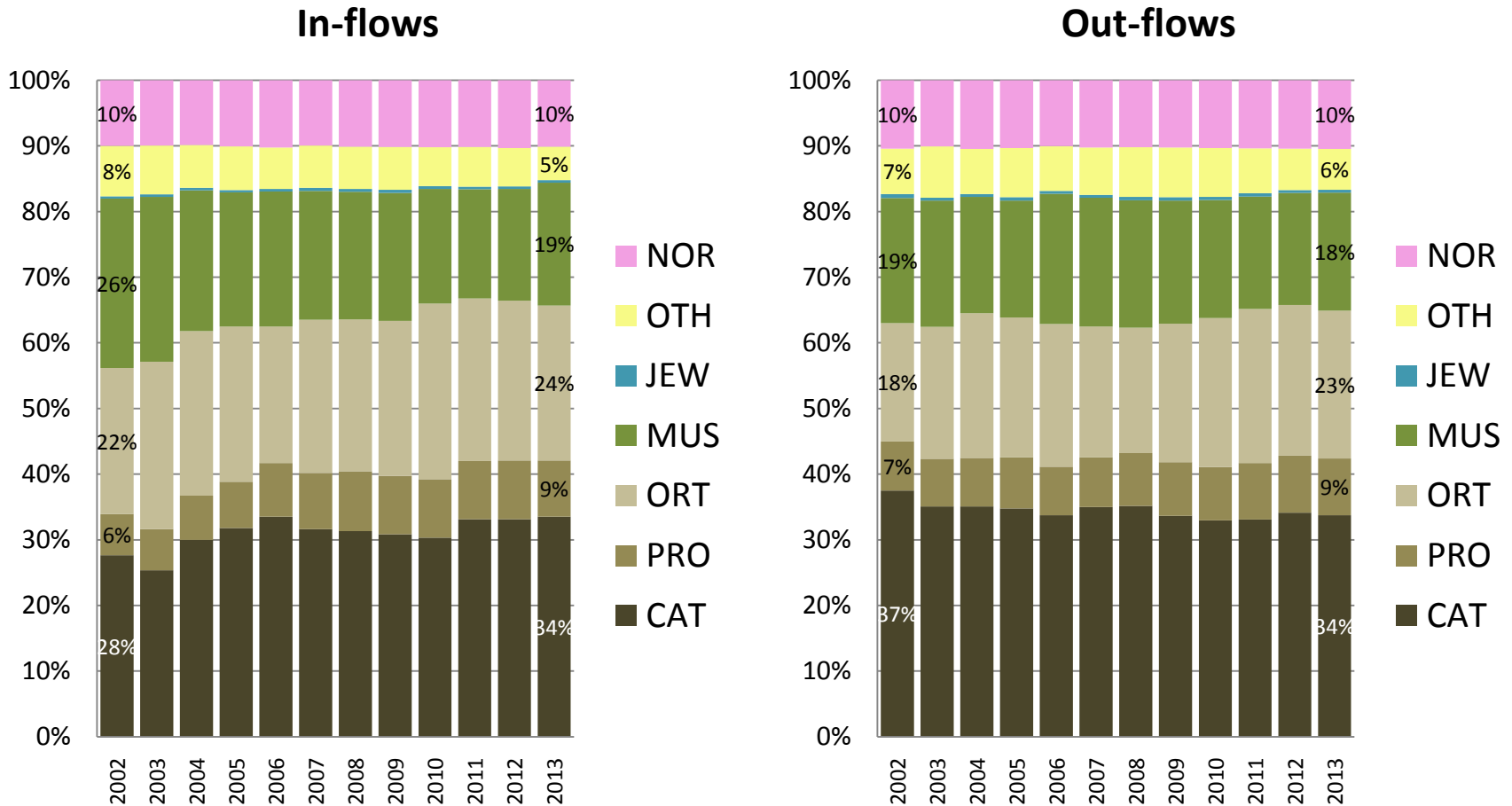
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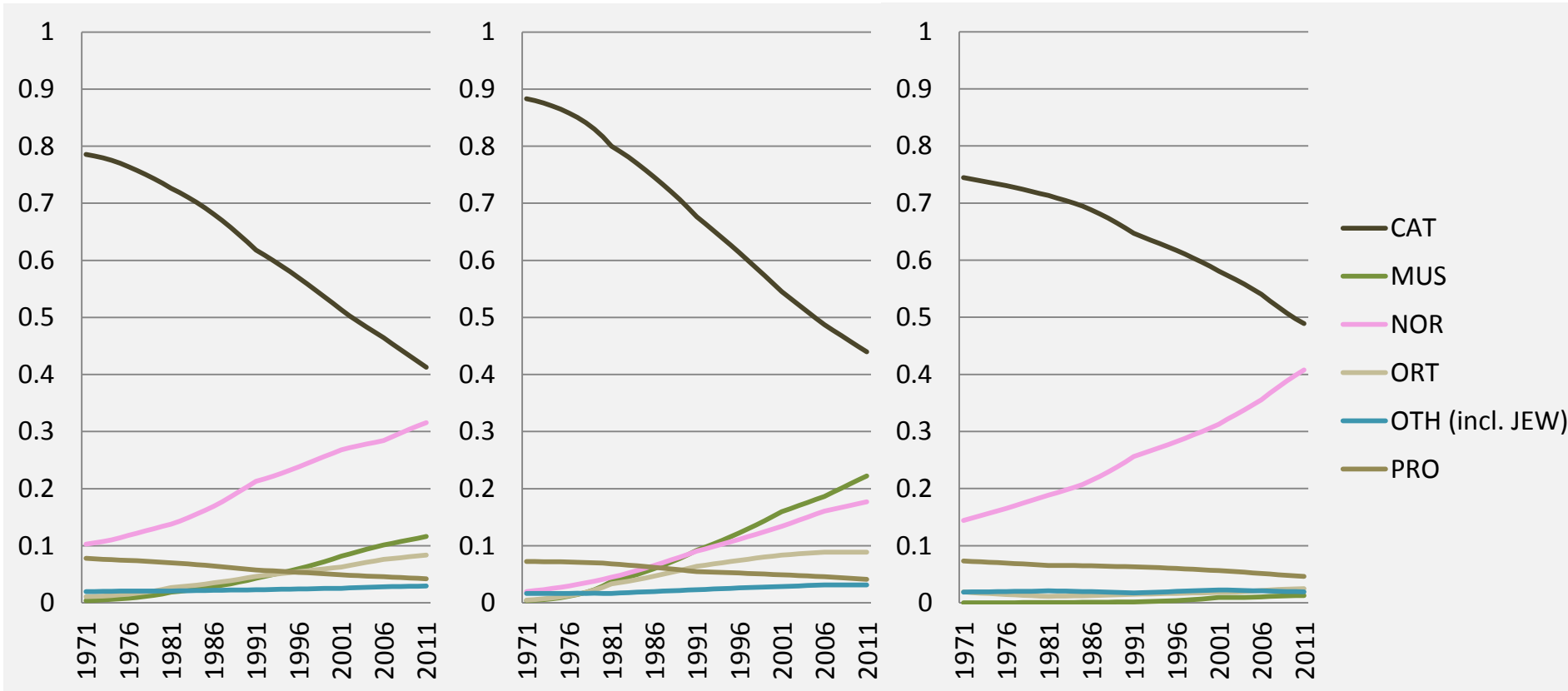
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Share (in %) of the population by religion and age groups (Total, 0-14, 65+)

Total population

Population 0-14

Population 65+



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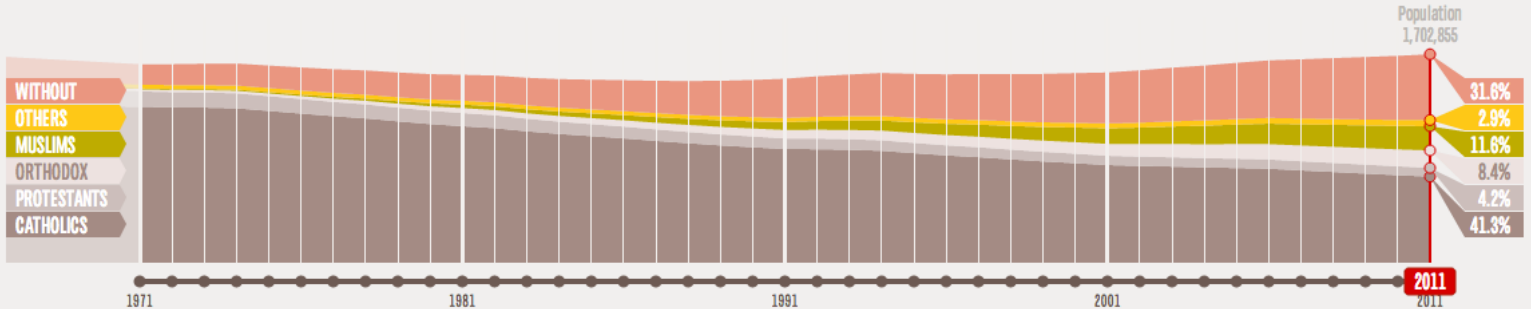
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Conclusion and Outlook

- The soft revolution: Main driving forces of religious change in the past have been secularization (1) and migration (2)
- Present trend: EU composition of migration and saturation of secularization
- Uncertainty about the future – momentum but mostly unpredictable change.
- Other forces at stake: Fertility, religious exogamy, transmission to children.

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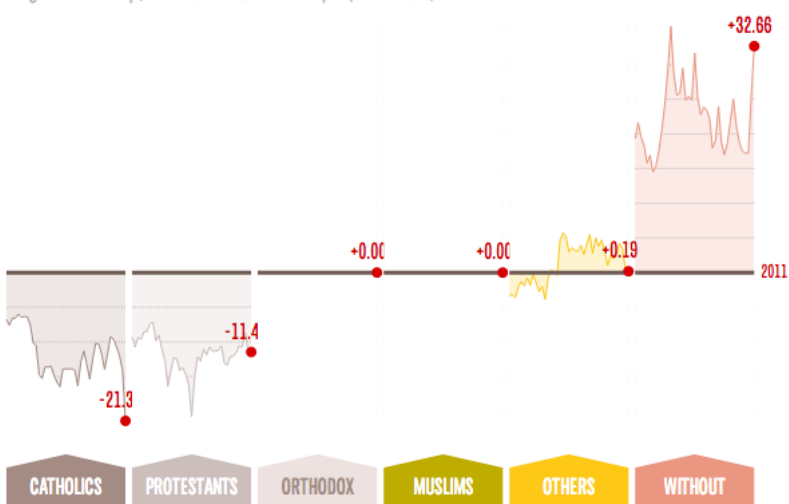
Increasing religious diversity in Vienna, 1971-2011



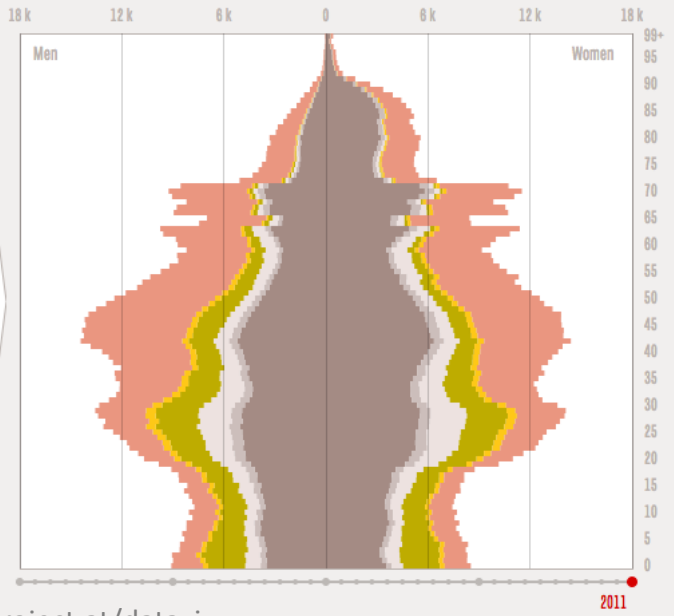
Forces shaping the religious composition

SECULARISATION MIGRATION FERTILITY MARRIAGE

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Population by age, sex and religion



Religious net mobility

Source: www.wirel-project.at/dataviz