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GREIFSWALD – AN OVERVIEW

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We are Greifswald



Dear reader,

Since 2005, Greifswald has been known as the 'University and Hanseatic City'. The name encapsulates two key components of the city's history and identity. Our population is growing. The university, in particular, ensures that Greifswald is the youngest city in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern; as the city's largest employer, the university is also a major factor in our economy. In recent years, Greifswald has developed into a nationally and internationally renowned centre for science, technology and research, particularly in the fields of health, maritime studies and plasma physics and their interdisciplinary applications.

In addition to interesting jobs, the city offers a high quality of life in one of Germany's most beautiful sailing regions, along with a wide range of sporting and cultural activities. The birthplace of painter Caspar David Friedrich, Greifswald attracts thousands of visitors every year .

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Stefan Fassbinder'. The signature is stylized and written in a cursive script.

Dr. Stefan Fassbinder
Mayor

A brief history

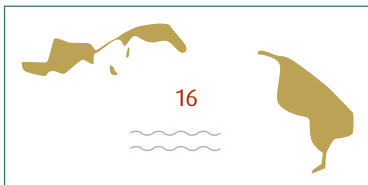
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- 1199** Cistercian monks establish the monastery of Hilda on the southern bank of the mouth of the river Ryck, near rich salt deposits. Since the 14th century, this monastery has been known as Eldena
 - 1248** First documentary mention of the 'oppidum Gripheswald' among the monastery's landholdings
 - 1250** Granting of the Lübeck law, market settlement thus gains town status
 - 1278** Greifswald becomes a member of the Hanseatic League
 - 1456** Opening of Greifswald University, the second oldest in northern Europe, initiated by mayor Heinrich Rubenow
 - 1648** In the Peace of Westphalia, Greifswald falls along with Western Pomerania to Sweden
 - 1774** Caspar David Friedrich, the most important painter of German Romanticism, is born in Greifswald
 - 1815** Transfer of Swedish Pomerania, and thus Greifswald, to Prussia
 - 1945** 30 April – surrender of the undestroyed city to the Soviet army without a fight
 - 2000** Opening of the Picture Gallery at the Pomeranian State Museum



- 2005 Greifswald acquires the designation of University and Hanseatic City
- 2010 100th anniversary of the Friedrich-Loeffler-Institut, Federal Research Institute for Animal Health on the island of Riems
- 2011 Loss of the city's county status
- 2016 28 April – after five years of construction, the Greifswald flood barrier enters into operation as part of the storm tide protection system.

This is Greifswald

The city's oldest buildings include the ruins of the Eldena monastery and its three large parish churches. Construction of the city began in the 13th century and continued over many years. The gabled house at Markt 13 is considered the city's oldest house. It was built around 1290 as the home of a Hanseatic merchant. The Fangenturm was built as part of the city fortifications (defensive structure) in 1270/80.



Tallest building
Cathedral 99.97 m

51 km²

urban area

Ryck

DISTRICTS

- 1 City centre
- 2 Steinbeckervorstadt
- 3 Fleischervorstadt
- 4 Northern Mühlenvorstadt
- 5 Southern Mühlenvorstadt/Obstbausiedlung
- 6 Fettenvorstadt/Stadtrandsiedlung
- 7 Ostseevierviertel
- 8 Schönwalde I/Südstadt
- 9 Schönwalde II
- 10 Industrial area
- 11 Ladebow
- 12 Wieck
- 13 Eldena
- 14 Groß Schönwalde
- 15 Friedrichshagen
- 16 Riems/Koos island



Greifswald has
12 conservation areas,
422 heritage assets,
including 2 settlements
with a total of 65 buildings
1 mobile monument:
Greif sailing-school ship

↑ Island of Rügen 30 km

Berlin 200 km ↓

○ 13° 22'
50" EAST

54° 05'
45" NORTH

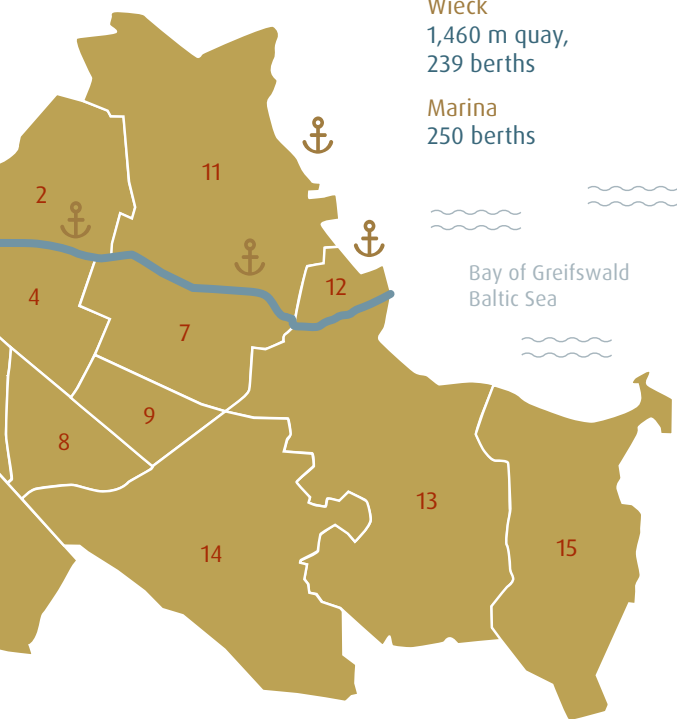
Harbours

Museum harbour
700 m quay,
variable berths,
46 historic ships,
oldest ship: Pommernland
Zeesboot (1880)

Ladebow
400 m quay,
4 berths

Wieck
1,460 m quay,
239 berths

Marina
250 berths



Bay of Greifswald
Baltic Sea

North-south dimensions 7.5 km

East-west dimensions 12.3 km

Elevation
7 m above sea level



Highest elevation
Ebertberg 29.6 m
above sea level

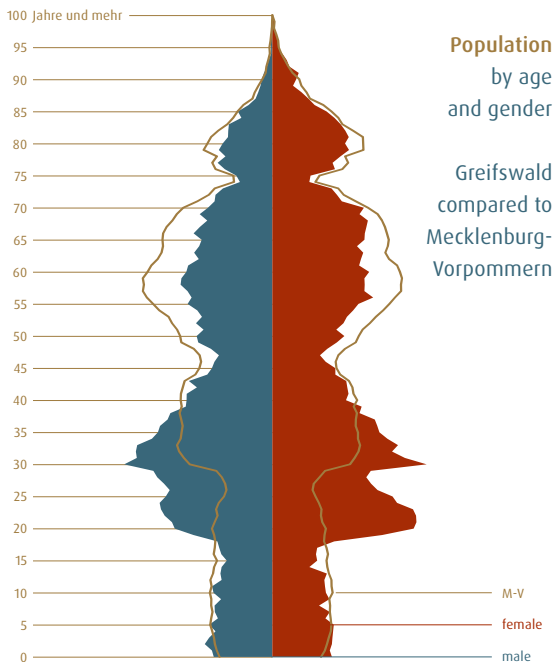
Population

61,918

RESIDENT POPULATION

58,020
primary residence

3,898
secondary



43 years

AVERAGE AGE

509
live births

869
deaths

One in five inhabitants of Greifswald are between 18 and 30 years of age. The city owes its youthful image predominantly to its students.



Economy and labour market

Employees subject to social security contributions

28,811

at their place of work

23,414

at home

2,332



7.5%

unemployed (annual average)

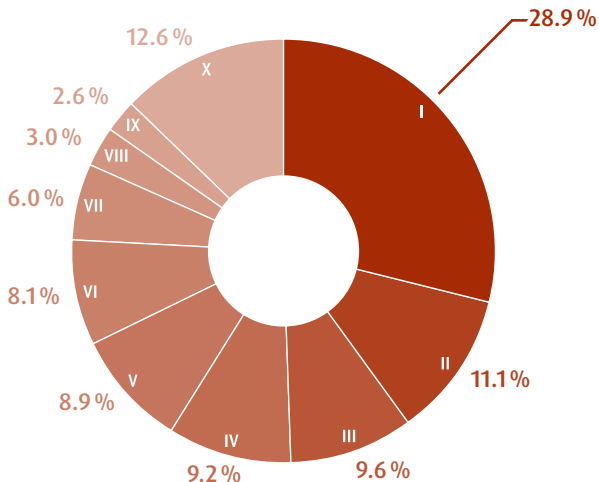
12,632

commute into Greifswald



7,239

commute elsewhere from Greifswald



Over 20% of employees in Greifswald have an academic degree. This is the most in M-V.

Largest employers

by number of employees

3,451	Greifswald University Hospital
1,100	Braun Group
812	Hanse Yachts AG (in 17/18)
592	MEDIGREIF group of companies
565	Sparkasse Vorpommern
482	ml&s manufacturing, logistics and services GmbH & Co. KG
291	BDH-Klinik Greifswald
285	Stadtwerke Greifswald GmbH

Source: "Die 100 größten Unternehmen in M-V", published by NORD/LB , 18/12/2020

Economic sectors

of employees subject to social security contributions at the place of work

I	8,334	Health and social work
II	3,195	Trade, maintenance and repair of motor vehicles
III	2,755	Other economic services
IV	2,665	Professional, scientific and technical activities
V	2,572	Education
VI	2,330	Manufacturing
VII	1,722	Public administration, administration of justice; compulsory social security
VIII	865	Other service activities
IX	738	Accommodation and food service activities
X	3,635	Other

Politics and public administration



MAYOR

Dr. Stefan Fassbinder

Bündnis 90 / DIEGRÜNEN



FIRST DEPUTY

Jeannette von Busse

Head of Building Department



2. STELLVERTRETER

Achim Lerm

Leiter Haupt- und Personalamt

CITY PARLIAMENT

seats by party

43 seats · municipal council





FEDERAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES

headquartered in Greifswald

- Greifswald Employment Agency
- Jobcenter Vorpommern-Greifswald North
- M-V Office for Regional Planning and Development
- M-V Building and Real Estate Enterprise
- M-V State Development Institute
- State Office for Health and Social Affairs
- Greifswald State Archives
- M-V State Constitutional Court
- M-V Higher Administrative Court
- M-V Fiscal Court
- Greifswald Administrative Court
- Greifswald Local Court

University

www.uni-greifswald.de

10,366

STUDENTS

of whom **6,137**
women (59%)

of whom **840**
international students
(8%)

116 individual courses

leading to technical first degrees, state examinations,
teaching qualifications, Bachelor's and Master's degrees

Exchange relationships
with over **200**
universities worldwide



Students and
academics from more
than **90** countries

5 Faculties:

- Theological
- Law and Political Science
- Medicine (University Hospital)
- Philosophy
- Mathematics and Natural Sciences

5 Research focuses:

- Microbial proteomics and protein technologies
- Plasma physics
- Community and personalised medicine
- Cultures of the Baltic Sea region
- Environmental change – responses and adaptation

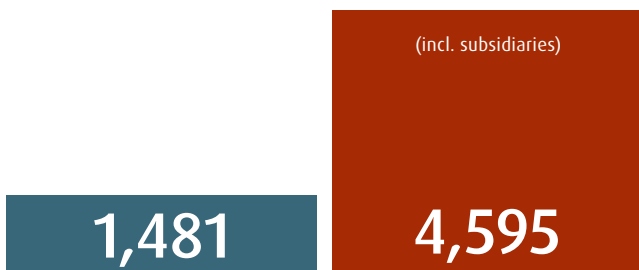
The University of Greifswald was founded in **1456** and is one of the oldest academic educational institutions in Germany and the Baltic region.

University hospital

www2.medizin.uni-greifswald.de

21 clinics and polyclinics	19 institutes
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Greifswald University Hospital has its origins in the founding of the university on 17 October 1456, when the Faculty of Medicine was also established. Today, Greifswald University Hospital's clinics/polyclinics, institutes and other centres work together to offer a wide range of services. The facilities are all based on the Beitz-Platz campus, allowing the institution efficient infrastructure. Innovative, interdisciplinary work comes to life here.



EMPLOYEES



PROFESSORS



World-class research

- **Friedrich-Loeffler-Institut (FLI)**

The Federal Research Institute for Animal Health operates from seven locations across Germany and has its headquarters on the island of Riems, a district of the University and Hanseatic City of Greifswald. The objectives of its work are to protect against infections, epizootics and infectious diseases transmissible from animals to humans. Around 420 staff currently work at the site.

- **Max Planck Institute for Plasma Physics (IPP)**

The aim of fusion research at the IPP is to develop a climate and environmentally-friendly power plant. The energy is to be generated, as in the sun, from the fusion of atomic nuclei. Scientists, engineers and tradespeople from all four corners of the globe have built the Wendelstein 7-X fusion research facility in Greifswald to this end. It is the largest fusion plant of its type in the world, designed to investigate the suitability of the construction as a power plant.

- **Leibniz Institute for Plasma Research and Technology (INP)**

At INP, the largest non-university research institute for low-temperature plasmas in Europe, more than 200 staff are currently conducting research on physical plasmas. The technology is used, among other things, for coating surfaces, decontaminating air and liquids, sterilising food and in the medical sector and electrical engineering.

- **Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg Greifswald**

The institute's academic programme focuses on inviting academics for research visits to Greifswald within the framework of the Alfried Krupp Fellows Programme, organising academic lectures, conferences, symposia and summer schools and developing young scientists.



- **WITENO GmbH**

WITENO GmbH is a joint subsidiary of the City of Greifswald, the University of Greifswald and Sparkasse Vorpommern. As an interface between science and business, it offers advice, coaching and space. The focus is on biotech, bioeconomy, IT, medical technology, pharmaceuticals, the environment and energy and plasma technology. The location has the highest density of researchers in plasma technology and life sciences in the whole of Europe. The Centre for Life Science and Plasma Technology (Z4) will open next to the BioTechnikum in 2023, combining research, development and production under one roof. Both centres are perfectly integrated into the infrastructure of the university campus and offer the ideal environment for companies set to grow.

- **Center for Community Medicine**

Another highlight on the university campus will be the Center for Community Medicine. In future, it will be used to research diseases such as diabetes, obesity and cardiovascular illnesses and their increasing incidence in connection with demographic change in the population. The construction of this interdisciplinary centre for population-related health research will create jobs for about 380 employees with an area of over 7,000 m².

Housing

36,306

DWELLINGS TOTAL

35,583
in residential buildings

723
in non-residential buildings

612 dwellings



per 1,000 inhabitants

7.87 €/m²

average net rent exclusive of bills

7,547

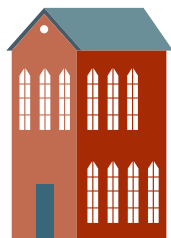
TOTAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS



3,944
containing
one dwelling



489
containing two
dwellings



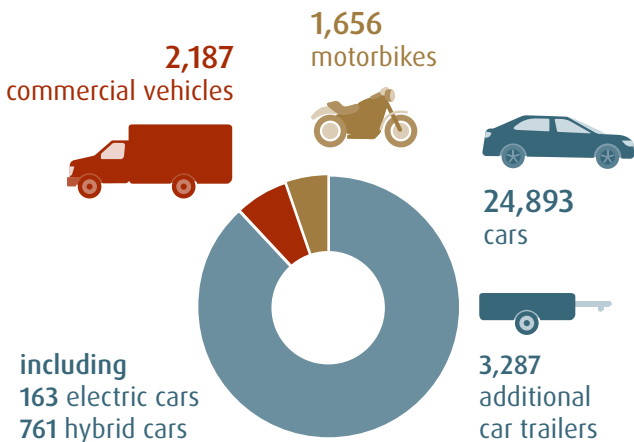
3,069
containing three or
more dwellings

230 RESIDENTIAL NEW BUILDS PER YEAR

Verkehr

28,736

REGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES



PUBLIC TRANSPORT

1,325,262

PEOPLE TRANSPORTED PER YEAR

836,034 scheduled kilometres	68 stops and stations
4 lines	68.9 km length



18 buses
including
13 using natural gas

Education

6 primary schools 2,079 pupils **2 regional schools** 927 pupils **3 grammar schools** 1,404 pupils



3 integrated comprehensives
1,197 pupils

4 other schools
785 pupils

18 general educational schools

12 publicly run 4,225 pupils	6 privately run 2,167 pupils
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6,392

PUPILS IN TOTAL

263 boys starting school **273** girls starting school

300 boys finishing school **272** girls finishing school

- general higher education entrance qualification: **235**
- advanced techn. college entrance qualification (school component): **27**
- intermediate school-leaving certificate: **194**
- vocational certificate: **68**
- special school certificate: **14**
- no leaving certificate: **34**



6 vocational schools

<p>2 publicly run 2,447 pupils</p>	<p>4 privately run 854 pupils</p>
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3,301

PUPILS IN TOTAL

458 boys starting school **649** girls finishing school

- with diploma: **1,005**
- with leaving certificate: **102**

Children and young people

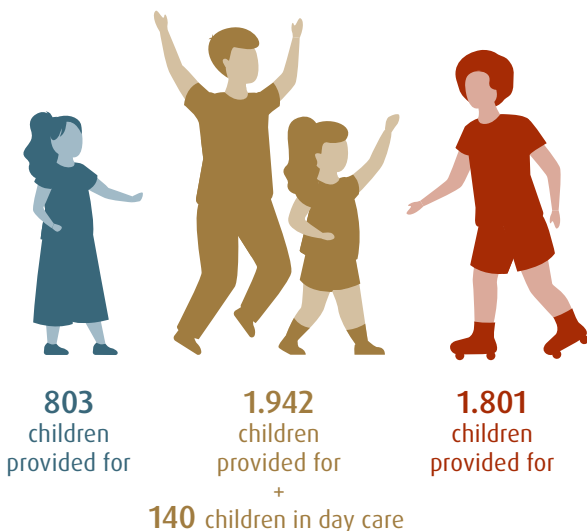


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FACILITIES/LOCATIONS

4.546

CHILDREN PROVIDED FOR



PUBLIC CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CLUBS

- TAKT youth leisure centre www.jfztakt.wordpress.com
- Labyrinth www.im-labyrinth.de
- KLEX youth centre www.das-klex.de

Sport

1



SKATEPARK

1



CLIMBING WALL

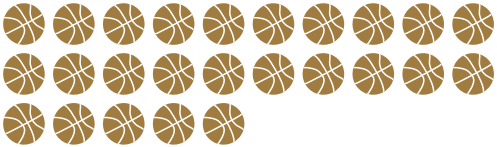
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SWIMMING FACILITIES

(leisure pool and Eldena swimming area)

25



SPORTS HALLS

27



SPORTS FIELDS

30



OTHER SPORTS FACILITIES

Culture and leisure

- **POMERANIAN STATE MUSEUM**

14,000 years of history in Pomerania & Picture Gallery

➦ www.pommersches-landesmuseum.de

- **VORPOMMERN THEATRE/CITY HALL**

➦ www.theater-vorpommern.de

- **ST. SPIRITUS**

Social and cultural centre

Exhibitions, workshops, cultural events

➦ www.kulturzentrum.greifswald.de

- **CASPAR-DAVID-FRIEDRICH (1774-1840)**

Caspar David Friedrich trail

Caspar David Friedrich Centre

➦ www.caspar-david-friedrich-greifswald.de

- **VORPOMMERN LITERARY CENTRE**

Wolfgang Koeppen (1906-1997)

➦ www.koeppenhaus.de

- **HANS FALLADA ASSOCIATION**

Birthplace of Hans Fallada (1893-1947)

➦ www.fallada.de

- **LIBRARIES**

Hans Fallada State Library

➦ stadtbibliothek.greifswald.de

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

(you can find information about all of the university's departmental libraries here)

➦ www.ub.uni-greifswald.de



• SEHENSWERTES IN GREIFSWALD

Ramparts
and sections of the medieval city wall

Botanical Gardens & Arboretum

Old Cemetery

Animal Park

University main building

Rubenow monument

Museum harbour and Fangenturm

Eldena windmill

Greifswald-Wieck fishing village with wooden drawbridge

Wieck flood barrier

Eldena monastery ruins

European Route of Brick Gothic

Schwedenstraße

Way of St James

Tourism

193,915
overnight stays

63,648
arrivals

2,095 beds

3.0 days stayed
on average

2 campsites/
caravan sites

35 hotels & overnight
accommodation

320 guided city tours/
sightseeing tours

5.017 participants in
city tours

MEETING FACILITIES

Seating capacities

Kulturbahnhof
(KuBa)



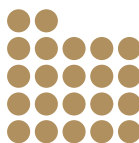
600 seats

Stadthalle
Greifswald



500 seats

Mercure
Hotel



220 seats

Technologie-
zentrum-
Vorpommern



150 seats

130 seats



Alfried Krupp
Wissenschafts-
kolleg

110 seats



VCH Hotel

100 seats



Pomeranian
State Museum

100 seats



Bio
Technikum



DISCOVER GREIFSWALD BY BIKE

The innovative StadtRad Greifswald bike rental system offers the opportunity to explore Greifswald and the surrounding area in comfort and in a way that is kind to the environment. Rent a bike via the MV-Rad app or by phone from nearly 30 stations throughout the city and return it there or to any other MV-Rad station in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

www.stadtrad-greifswald.de 

SIGHTS

- Market and fish market
- Markt 11 and 13 Gothic gabled houses
- Town hall
- Museum harbour & museum shipyard
- St Nicholas Cathedral
- Parish Church of St James
- Parish Church of St Mary
- Provost Church of St Joseph
- Eldena monastery ruins
- and many more...

City tours, guest rooms and much more can be found at www.greifswald.info or from Greifswald Tourist Information in the town hall on the Marktplatz.

Key dates

2024
Caspar David
Friedrich jubilee

2037
International
Hanseatic Day

EASTER
SATURDAY

- Easter market

APRIL

- Maritime season opening

MAY

- Garden market (beginning of May)
- Nordischer Klang – The Festival of the North (beginning of May)

JUNE

- Eldena Monastery market (mid-June)
- Greifswald Bach Week – The Festival of Sacred Music in the North
- Koeppentage – Greifswald literature festival

JULY

- Eldena Jazz Evenings (1st weekend of July)
- Gaffelrig fishing festival (3rd weekend of July)

AUGUST

- A Day with Caspar David Friedrich (last Saturday in August)

SEPTEMBER

- Greifswalder Culture Night

OCTOBER

- Harvest Festival (1st Sunday in October)

NOVEMBER

- PolenmARkT – festival of Polish culture

DECEMBER

- Christmas market

Further information on events in Greifswald at www.kulturkalender.greifswald.de



International relations

TWIN CITIES

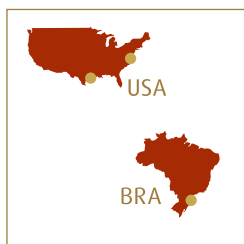
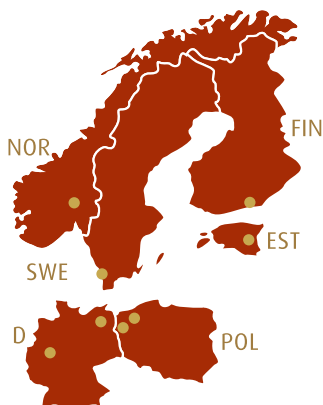
City	Since	Inhabitants
Szczecin (PL)	2010	≈ 410.000
Newport News (USA)	2007	≈ 186.000
Osnabrück (D)	1988	≈ 165.000
Lund (SWE)	1990	≈ 87.000
Kotka (FIN)	1959	≈ 51.000
Hamar (NOR)	1997	≈ 28.000
Goleniów (PL)	2006	≈ 22.000

Since 1994
member of the New Hanseatic League

Since 1999
Member of the Union of Baltic Cities

Since 2016
Member of Cities for Life – Cities against Death Penalty

Since 2016
Member of Mayors for Peace



CITY FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATIONS

City	Since	Inhabitants
Pomerode (BRA)	2001	≈ 34,000
Tartu (EST)	2006	≈ 95,000

COOPERATIONS

City	Since	Inhabitants
Benxi (CHN)	2014	≈ 1,326,000
Drohobytch (UKR)	2016	≈ 76,000
Samos Island (GRC)	2017	≈ 33,000
Vyborg (RUS) dormant	2018	≈ 80,000

250 CASPAR
JAHRE DAVID
FRIEDRICH

LIGHT CHARACTER

from Greifswald.

caspar-david-friedrich-greifswald.de

#casparwho

Portrait of Caspar David Friedrich, Albert Freyberg (Pomeranian State Museum, Greifswald)



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Greifswald

250 CASPAR
JAHRE DAVID
FRIEDRICH
2024 in Greifswald



Die Beauftragte der Bundesregierung
für Kultur und Medien



welcome center

REGION GREIFSWALD

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in the Greifswald region*

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and services



Work



Housing
& living



Family



Leisure
& recreation

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