

## Hungary reveals new ideas to increase birth numbers by 2030

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Orban said Thursday at a conference on families that he was opposed to solving demographic issues by increasing migration but that both in Hungary and in Europe "numbers show that a decisive turn is needed" to boost birth rates.

Orban said that Hungary's population of 9.8 million had fallen by nearly 1 million since 1980.





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