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Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad at 1 January 2013

The Spanish population resident abroad increases 6.3%, during 2012 reaching 1.9 million persons

Argentina, Brasil, Cuba, France and the United States, are the countries that register the highest increase of resident population with Spanish nationality

In 2012, over two out of three new registrations were of persons born abroad

The number of persons with Spanish nationality resident abroad reached 1,913,248, according to data from the Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad (RSRA) dated 1 January 2013. This represents an increase of 6.3% (114,413 persons), as compared with the data at 1 January 2012.

By continent, 62.9% of persons registered in the RSRA had established residence in America, 34.0% in Europe and 3.0% in the rest of the world.

The greatest increase in registered persons, as compared with the data at 1 January 2012, was recorded in America, with 81,757 more registered persons, and Europe with 28,441.

In relative terms, the greatest increases were in Asia (11.6%) and America (7.2%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad by continent

Continent	At 1 January 2013	At 1 January 2012	Variation	
			Absolut	Relative
TOTAL	1,931,248	1,816,835	114,413	6.30
Europe *	656,841	628,400	28,441	4.53
África	16,618	15,707	911	5.80
America	1,214,985	1,133,228	81,757	7.21
Asia	24,484	21,940	2,544	11.60
Oceania	18,320	17,560	760	4.33

(*)Excluding Spain

Population with Spanish nationality by continent and place of birth

34,9% of Spaniards resident abroad were born in Spain, 59.1% were born in their current country of residence and 5.4% in other countries.

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad by continent and place of birth

Continent	TOTAL	Place of birth			
		Spain	Country of residence	Other countries	No data recorded
TOTAL	1,931,248	673,662	1,141,836	104,554	11,196
Europe *	656,841	349,653	256,215	45,737	5,236
Africa	16,618	8,117	6,852	1,550	99
America	1,214,985	293,750	863,601	52,028	5,606
Asia	24,484	11,898	8,801	3,700	85
Oceania	18,320	10,244	6,367	1,539	170

(*) Excluding Spain.

New registrations during 2012 accounted for 8.2% (157,933 persons) as compared with the total number of registrations at 1 January 2013.

The highest number of registrations during 2012 corresponds to those born in their country of residence (64.3%). And, by continent, to those resident in America (65.6%)

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad registered during 2012 by continent and place of birth

Continent	TOTAL	Place of birth			
		Spain	Country of residence	Other countries	No data recorded
TOTAL	157,933	43,671	101,539	12,720	3
Europe *	45,915	23,574	15,676	6,663	2
África	2,926	1,559	1,105	262	-
America	103,649	15,321	83,094	5,234	-
Asia	4,349	2,602	1,290	456	1
Oceania	1,094	615	374	105	-

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality by continent and age group

14.4% of those registered in the RSRA were aged under 16 years old, 62.4% were aged 16 to 64 years old, and 23.1% were aged 65 years old or over.

By continent, 54.3% of persons under the age of 16 years were resident in America and 40.5% in Europe. For the group aged 16 to 64 years old: 61.2% were resident in America and 35.7% in Europe. It was worth noting that 72.8% of persons aged 65 years old and over were resident in America, whereas only 25.4% were resident in Europe.

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years old	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	1,931,248	278,811	1,206,095	446,342
Europe *	656,841	112,953	430,602	113,286
Africa	16,618	5,455	9,529	1,634
America	1,214,985	151,409	738,651	324,925
Asia	24,484	6,894	15,806	1,784
Oceania	18,320	2,100	11,507	4,713

(*) Excluding Spain.

Considering the new registrations during 2012, the highest number was registered by persons between 16 and 64 years old (65.8%)

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad registered during 2012 by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years old	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	157,933	42,680	103,959	11,294
Europe *	45,915	14,428	29,330	2,157
África	2,926	1,328	1,535	63
America	103,649	25,134	69,600	8,915
Asia	4,349	1,477	2,786	86
Oceania	1,094	313	708	73

(*) Excluding Spain.

En las nuevas inscripciones realizadas durante 2012 de los nacidos en España, dominan los residentes en Europa (un 54,0%) y con 16 a 64 años (un 65,6%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad born in Spain registered during by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years old	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	43,671	10,833	28,643	4,195
Europe *	23,574	4,452	17,393	1,729
África	1,559	583	937	39
America	15,321	5,275	7,727	2,319
Asia	2,602	455	2,108	39
Oceania	615	68	478	69

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality by country

The foreign countries in which the most persons with Spanish nationality resided were Argentina (385,388), France (206,589), Venezuela (183,163) and Germany (116,056).

In relative terms the highest increases were recorded in Ecuador (51.6%), Chile (16.4%) and Peru (13.8%)

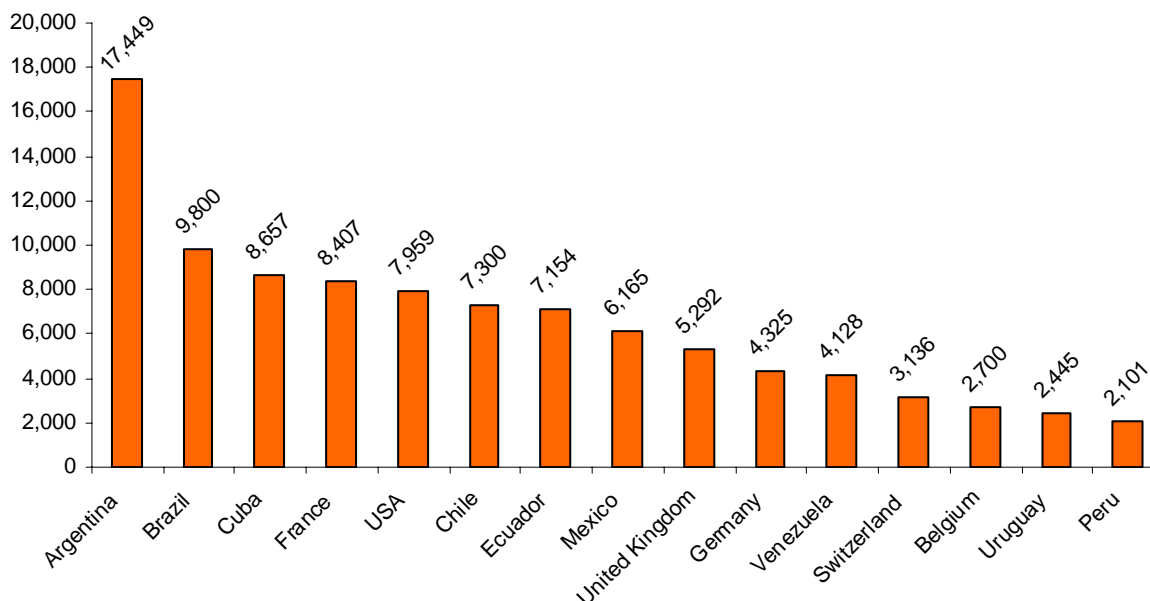
Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad by country *

Country of residence			Variation	
	Data at 1 January 2013	Data at 1 January 2012	Absolute	Relative
Germany	116,056	111,731	4,325	3.87
Andorra	24,014	23,995	19	0.08
Argentina	385,388	367,939	17,449	4.74
Australia	17,679	16,977	702	4.14
Belgium	50,318	47,618	2,700	5.67
Brazil	110,422	100,622	9,800	9.74
Canada	13,283	12,400	883	7.12
Chile	51,768	44,468	7,300	16.42
Colombia	18,213	16,253	1,960	12.06
Cuba	97,980	89,323	8,657	9.69
Ecuador	21,009	13,855	7,154	51.63
The United States of America	94,585	86,626	7,959	9.19
France	206,589	198,182	8,407	4.24
Italy	19,707	18,945	762	4.02
Mexico	100,782	94,617	6,165	6.52
The Netherlands	20,926	20,128	798	3.96
Peru	17,315	15,214	2,101	13.81
Portugal	10,635	10,013	622	6.21
The United Kingdom	74,389	69,097	5,292	7.66
The Dominican Republic	17,382	15,902	1,480	9.31
Switzerland	99,539	96,403	3,136	3.25
Uruguay	62,491	60,046	2,445	4.07
Venezuela	183,163	179,035	4,128	2.31

(*) The table shows all countries with more than 10,000 residents with Spanish nationality

Considering the RSRA of 1 January 2013 as compared to that of 1 January 2012 in the countries with over 10,000 residents with Spanish nationality, it is worth noting the increases registered in Argentina (17,449 more registrations), Brazil (9,800 more), Cuba (8,657 more) and France (8,407 more).

Spanish nationality population resident abroad increase during 2012 by country (*)



(*) Countries with increases of over 2,000 residents

Informative annex

Persons of Spanish nationality (whether or not this is their only nationality) who are usually resident outside Spain, are registered in the central file of the Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad (RSRA), with the data submitted by the relevant consular registration Offices and Sections, from the Registers of Spaniards residents abroad.

Statistical use of the RSRA only enables obtaining the classification of registered persons, considering the classification variables of the file.

More information at: http://www.ine.es/en/metodologia/t20/t203024509_en.pdf