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**Municipal elections on 24 May 2015****EU citizens may vote in the municipal elections if they express their wish to exercise that right in Spain****The deadline for expressing the wish to vote in the next municipal elections finishes on 30 December 2014.****The Electoral Census Office has sent a communication to 422,008 EU citizens to enable the paperwork**

Citizens who are nationals of other countries of the European Union (EU) and are aged 18 years old or more on that day may vote in the municipal elections of 24 May 2015.

**In order to vote it is a requirement to have expressed one's wish to exercise that right beforehand**, paperwork which it has been possible to carry out in municipal councils on an ongoing basis since 2006.

EU citizens who have expressed the wish to vote in previous electoral procedures and continue to be resident in Spain remain voters, without the need to complete a fresh statement. There is currently a total of 418,187 voters who are nationals of other countries of the European Union for the municipal elections.

**Paperwork for expressing one's wish to vote**

**EU citizens, who are on the municipal register** and have not yet expressed their wish to exercise their right to vote in Spain, must do so if they wish to vote in the next municipal elections of 2015.

On a general basis, citizens can express their wish to vote by going to the municipal council where they are registered.

Moreover, in order to enable this paperwork, the Electoral Census Office has posted a communication to 422,008 registered persons who were not written to regarding previous municipal elections and have not expressed that wish.

These citizens need only complete and sign the formal statement contained in the communication and send it to the corresponding Provincial Delegation of the Electoral Census Office. Moreover, those with a Foreigner's Identity Number (NIE) may express their wish online, by going to the Electronic Headquarters on the website of the National Statistics Institute: <https://sede.ine.gob.es/en>

In turn, those resident in Spain that **are not on the Municipal Register** should go to their Municipal Council to be included on the municipal register and then complete the statement for voting available in the Municipal Council.

The **deadline** for expressing the wish to vote in the next municipal elections **finishes on 30th December 2014**.

Information may be obtained from municipal councils, provincial delegations of the Electoral Census Office and by calling the **telephone number 901-101-900**.

### **Voters and communications sent by province**

The largest presence of voters who are nationals of other countries of the EU is in the provinces of Alicante/Alacant (with 70,420), Madrid (55,677), Barcelona (31,781) and Illes Balears (21,052).

The provinces with the highest number of communications sent are Madrid (58,349), Barcelona (45,195), Alicante/Alacant (38,424), Málaga (31,890) and Valencia/València (29,602).

**Non-Spanish citizens of the European Union resident in Spain, by province**  
Data on 1 September 2014

Province	EU voters in municipal elections	Communications sent
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>418,187</b>	<b>422,008</b>
Albacete	1,315	2,422
Alicante/Alacant	70,420	38,424
Almería	13,878	12,003
Araba/Álava	1,227	650
Asturias	2,490	4,458
Ávila	649	956
Badajoz	1,245	3,364
Balears, Illes	21,052	24,822
Barcelona	31,781	45,195
Bizkaia	2,495	4,042
Burgos	1,804	3,003
Cáceres	840	1,454
Cádiz	4,455	4,848
Cantabria	3,873	1,921
Castellón/Castelló	12,855	8,127
Ciudad Real	2,017	4,248
Córdoba	4,110	1,126
Coruña, A	2,055	3,275
Cuenca	2,266	2,810
Gipuzkoa	1,813	3,568
Girona	11,335	7,957
Granada	6,467	5,663
Guadalajara	3,318	2,483
Huelva	6,149	6,171
Huesca	2,639	2,405
Jaén	797	1,187
León	1,937	1,942
Lleida	3,532	7,570
Lugo	1,040	1,143
Madrid	55,677	58,349
Málaga	38,182	31,890
Murcia	12,615	8,650
Navarra	2,600	4,560
Ourense	2,449	1,946
Palencia	380	524
Palmas, Las	12,242	16,756
Pontevedra	3,465	3,242
Rioja, La	2,482	2,836
Salamanca	951	1,394
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	20,369	16,776
Segovia	1,473	1,732
Sevilla	3,580	7,162
Soria	899	519
Tarragona	8,111	8,109
Teruel	1,212	1,079
Toledo	4,255	5,874
Valencia/València	18,570	29,602
Valladolid	1,740	2,940
Zamora	694	883
Zaragoza	6,252	9,454
Ceuta	36	116
Melilla	99	378

### Electores y comunicaciones Voters and communications sent by country

By country, the greatest presence of voters corresponds Romania (105,938), the United Kingdom (100,114), Germany (44,398), Italy (41,779) and France (31,343).

The nationalities with the highest number of communications sent are Romania (145,302), the United Kingdom (58,427), Italy (45,911), Bulgaria (28,756) and Germany (27,721).

### Non-Spanish citizens of the European Union resident in Spain, by country

Data on 1 September 2014

Province	EU voters in municipal elections	Communications sent
TOTAL	418,187	422,008
Germany	44,398	27,721
Austria	2,160	2,140
Belgium	9,148	6,957
Bulgaria	19,737	28,756
Cyprus	21	137
Croatia	30	1,683
Denmark	3,182	2,521
Slovenia	159	530
Estonia	194	817
Finland	2,647	3,357
France	31,343	26,524
Greece	787	1,716
Hungary	965	3,289
Ireland	4,207	4,598
Italy	41,779	45,911
Latvia	466	1,718
Lithuania	1,782	4,082
Luxembourg	174	154
Malta	33	90
Netherlands	14,248	10,606
Poland	7,969	12,069
Portugal	19,571	23,271
United Kingdom	100,114	58,427
Czech Republic	1,028	2,251
Slovak Republic	863	1,679
Romania	105,938	145,302
Sweden	5,244	5,702

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