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Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2015
Provisional data

The population registered in the Continuous Municipal Register decreased by 170,392 persons, standing at 46.6 million persons in the last year

The number of registered foreign nationals decreases by 304,623 and the number of Spaniards increases by 134,231

At 1 January 2015, the total number of residents in Spain registered in the Continuous Register¹ was 46,600,949 inhabitants, according to the Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register, indicating a decrease of 170,392 persons, as compared with the data from 1 January 2014².

Out of this total, 41,882,085 were persons with Spanish nationality and **4,718,864 were foreign nationals, representing 10.1% of the total number registered.**

The figures published today are a provisional preview. The final figures, once the procedure for obtaining them has been finalised, and on receipt of a favourable report from the Registration Council, shall be submitted to the National Government prior to the end of the year for approval by Royal Decree, which shall be published in the Official Spanish Gazette.

During the year 2014, the number of registered Spaniards experienced a net increase of 134,231 persons (0.3%), while the number of registered foreign nationals decreased by 304,623 persons (-6.1%)³. Among the latter, those belonging to the EU-28 decreased by 114,304 persons (reaching a total figure of 1,942,599 persons), whereas non-community citizens decreased by 190,319 persons (standing at 2,776,265).

¹ When referring to population and registered population, this Press Release refers to the population registered in the Continuous Municipal Register, which is the coordination file of all the Municipal Registers managed by the INE. Population refers to those persons who reside in Spain, that is, it does not include Spaniards resident abroad. For those, there is the Statistics on the Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad done by INE.

² Variations regarding Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2014 are due to different causes detailed in the methodological note at the end of this press release.

³ It is worth noting that, in balances by nationality, variations in number of Spaniards or in number of foreign nationals contain the changes of nationality which have been registered in Continuous Municipal Register Statistics during the year. About 230,000 persons have change their nationality from foreign national to Spaniard in 2014.

Population registered in the Continuous Municipal Register by nationality

Provisional Data. Preview of the continuous Municipal Register Statistics at January 2015

	Population at 1 January 2015 (Provisional Data)		Population at 1 January 2015 (Definitive Data)		Absolute variation	Relative variation (in %)
	% as		% as			
	Number of Persons	compared with the total	Number of Persons	compared with the total		
TOTAL	46,600,949	100.0	46,771,341	100.0	-170,392	-0.4
Spaniards	41,882,085	89.9	41,747,854	89.3	134,231	0.3
Foreign Nationals	4,718,864	10.1	5,023,487	10.7	-304,623	-6.1
EU-28	1,942,599	4.2	2,056,903	4.4	-114,304	-5.6
non EU	2,776,265	6.0	2,966,584	6.3	-190,319	-6.4

Population registered by sex, place of birth and age

49.1% of the total number of registered persons were male and 50.9% were female. Among the Spaniards, there were more females (51.1%), while among the foreign nationals there were more males (51.0%).

Population registered in the Continuous Register by sex

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	Total	% as compared with the total	Spaniards	% as compared with the total of Spaniards	Foreign Nationals	% as compared with the total of Foreign Nationals
Both sexes	46,600,949	100.0	41,882,085	100.0	4,718,864	100.0
Males	22,880,878	49.1	20,475,280	48.9	2,405,598	51.0
Females	23,720,071	50.9	21,406,805	51.1	2,313,266	49.0

86.8% of the registered population was born in Spain and 13.2% was born abroad. By nationality, 95.5% of the Spaniards were born in Spain, whereas in the case of the foreign nationals this figure was 9.8%.

Distribution by place of birth and nationality

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	Total	Born in Spain	% as compared with the total	Born Abroad	% as compared with the total
TOTAL	46,600,949	40,446,266	86.8	6,154,683	13.2
Spaniards	41,882,085	39,985,892	95.5	1,896,193	4.5
Foreign Nationals	4,718,864	460,374	9.8	4,258,490	90.2

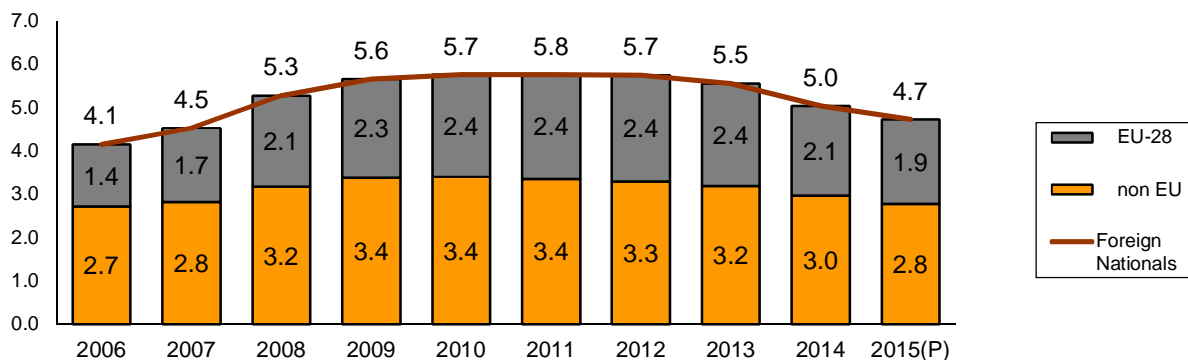
Since 1998, when the Official figures of population from the Revision of the Municipal Register at 1 January were published for the first time, the population registered in Spain had increased every year. In 2012 it began to decrease, trend which continued in 2014. This year it experienced a decrease of 170,392 persons, according to provisional data.

Since 2000, that increase was mainly due to the registration of foreign nationals, whose figure stood at 5,751,487 at 1 January 2011 from 923,879 in 2000.

In 2011 and 2012, net registrations of foreign nationals were negative (-15,229 and -190,020, respectively). In 2013, they registered the greatest decrease (-545,980), and in 2014 it was also significant (-304,623)

Foreign nationals registered in the Continuous Municipal Register (millions)

Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January



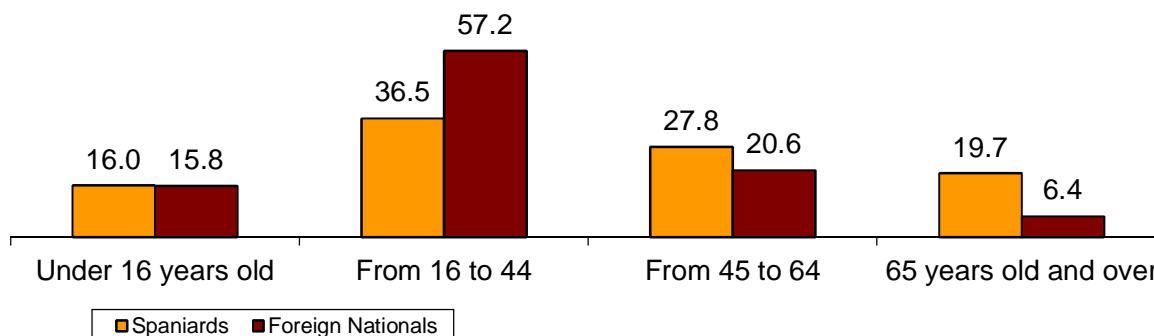
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By age, 16% of the population is under 16 years old, 38.6% is between 16 and 44 years old and 45.4% is 45 years old or over.

By nationality, it is worth noting the difference in the group of 16 to 44 years old. Thus, whereas those Spaniards registered in these ages represented 36.5% of the total, the percentage rose to 57.2% in the case of the foreign nationals.

Percentage of population registered by nationality and age groups

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2015



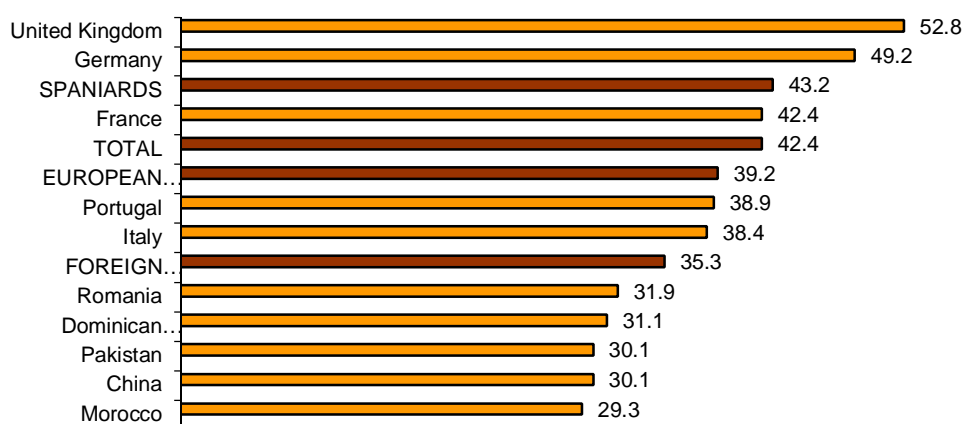
The **average age** of the registered population was 42.4 years old, being that of Spaniards of 43.2 years old and that of foreign nationals of 35.3 years old.

The highest average ages among the main nationalities were found in the British citizens (52.8 years old), German citizens (49.2) and French citizens (42.4).

Conversely, the lowest average ages corresponded to Moroccan citizens (29.3 years of age), Pakistani citizens (30.1) and Chinese citizens (30.1).

Average age by countries (main nationalities)

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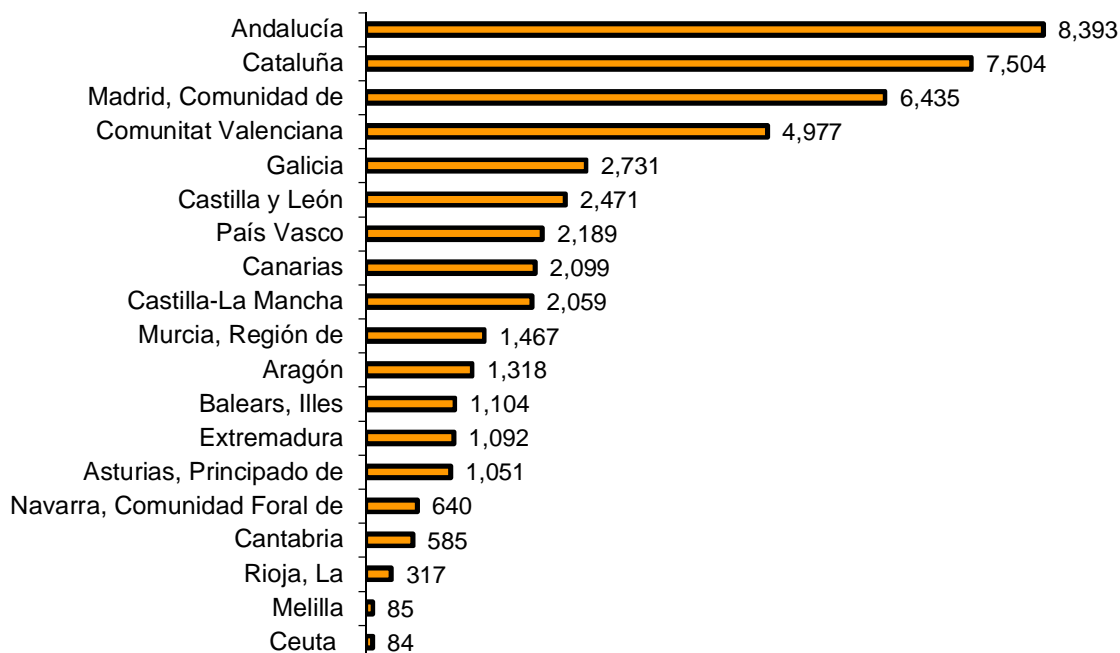
Data by Autonomous City and Community

Like the previous year, the most populated Autonomous Communities were Andalucía, Cataluña, Comunidad de Madrid and Comunitat Valenciana

The Autonomous Communities with the lowest population were again La Rioja, Cantabria and Comunidad Foral de Navarra.

Population registered by Autonomous City and Community (thousand)

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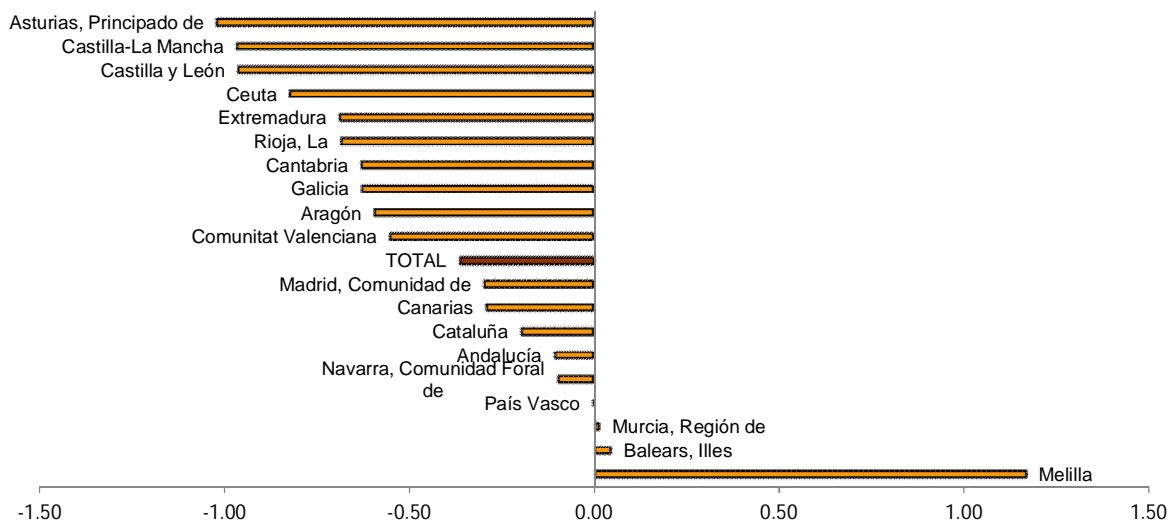


In the last year, the population decreased in all the Autonomous Communities and it only increased in Illes Balears (517 more persons) and Región de Murcia (231 more persons). Also it increased in the Autonomous City of Melilla (988 more persons).

Comunitat Valenciana (-27,673), Castilla y León (-24,049) and Castilla-La Mancha (-20,093) registered the greatest reductions of population in absolute terms between 1 January 2014 and 1 January 2015. In turn, the slightest decreases of population corresponded to País Vasco (-90 persons), Comunidad Foral de Navarra (-636) and La Rioja (-2,184).

In relative terms, the greatest decreases of population were registered in Principado de Asturias, Castilla-La Mancha and Castilla y León (-1.0% in all of them).

**Population registered by Autonomous City and Community
Relative variation (%) between 2014 and 2015**



Distribution of foreign citizens registered in the Continuous Municipal Register by Autonomous City and Community

The proportion of foreign citizens over the total population residing in Spain stood at 10.1%.

The Autonomous Communities with the highest proportion of foreign nationals were Illes Balears (17.4%), Región de Murcia (14.2%) and Comunitat Valenciana (14.0%). The Autonomous City of Melilla also registered one of the highest percentages (15.1%).

Conversely, those with the lowest proportions of foreign nationals were Extremadura (3.1%), Galicia (3.3%) and Principado de Asturias (3.9%).

In 2014, the number of foreign nationals decreased in every Autonomous Community and it only increased in the Autonomous City of Melilla (219 more).

The Autonomous Communities registering the greatest decreases of foreign nationals, in absolute terms, were Comunidad de Madrid (-69,130), Cataluña (-63,402), and Comunitat Valenciana (-41,949).

In turn, the slightest reductions of foreign population during that period corresponded to the Autonomous City of Ceuta (-387 persons), Cantabria (-3,157) and La Rioja (-3,250).

In relative terms, the greatest decreases of foreign population were registered in Extremadura (-9.6%), Castilla-La Mancha (-9.2%) and Cantabria (-9.1%).

In the Autonomous City of Melilla the relative increase was 1.7%.

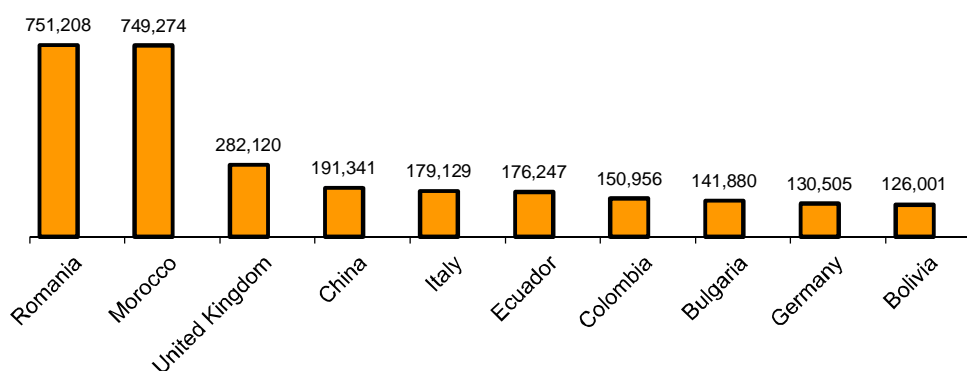
Distribution of foreign citizens by nationality

The foreign nationals residing in Spain, registered in the Continuous Register and belonging to the EU-28 reached 1,942,599. Among those, **the most numerous were the Romanian citizens (751,208)**, followed by those from the United Kingdom (282,120) and Italy (179,129).

Among the group of non-European-Union foreign nationals, Moroccan citizens were the most numerous (749,274), followed by Chinese (191,341) and Ecuadorians ones (176,247).

Foreign nationals registered by country (main nationalities)

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Among the main nationalities, China (5,310 more foreign nationals during 2014), Russia (3,126) and Ukraine (2,317) increased the number of citizens.

Conversely, the greatest decreases in absolute value were recorded among citizens from the Romania (-45,846), Ecuador (-42,636) and Colombia (-30,919).

Foreign nationals registered by countries (main nationalities)

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	Provisional population at 1 January 2015 (Provisional Data)		Provisional population at 1 January 2014 (Definitive Data)		Absolute variation	Relative variation (in %)
	Number of persons	% as compared with the total of foreigners	Number of persons	% as compared with the total of foreigners		
TOTAL	4,718,864	100.0	5,023,487	100.0	-304,623	-6.1
Romania	751,208	15.9	797,054	15.9	-45,846	-5.8
Morocco	749,274	15.9	774,383	15.4	-25,109	-3.2
United Kingdom	282,120	6.0	300,286	6.0	-18,166	-6.0
China	191,341	4.1	186,031	3.7	5,310	2.9
Italy	179,129	3.8	180,999	3.6	-1,870	-1.0
Ecuador	176,247	3.7	218,883	4.4	-42,636	-19.5
Colombia	150,956	3.2	181,875	3.6	-30,919	-17.0
Bulgaria	141,880	3.0	151,579	3.0	-9,699	-6.4
Germany	130,505	2.8	140,511	2.8	-10,006	-7.1
Bolivia	126,001	2.7	150,703	3.0	-24,702	-16.4
France	99,302	2.1	103,552	2.1	-4,250	-4.1
Portugal	98,385	2.1	109,708	2.2	-11,323	-10.3
Ukraine	90,911	1.9	88,594	1.8	2,317	2.6
Pakistan	77,478	1.6	79,619	1.6	-2,141	-2.7
Dominican Republic	75,206	1.6	84,689	1.7	-9,483	-11.2
Argentina	75,037	1.6	85,803	1.7	-10,766	-12.5
Brazil	73,588	1.6	81,132	1.6	-7,544	-9.3
Peru	71,045	1.5	90,312	1.8	-19,267	-21.3
Paraguay	69,217	1.5	74,910	1.5	-5,693	-7.6
Russia	68,160	1.4	65,034	1.3	3,126	4.8

In relative terms, among the nationalities with the highest number of registered persons, the greatest decreases were recorded among citizens from Peru (-21.3%), Ecuador (-19.5%) and Colombia (-17.0%). In turn, the only increase was recorded among the citizens from Russia (4.8%), China (2.9%) and Ukraine (2.6%).

By group of countries, the EU-28 citizens were the most numerous, representing 41.2% of the total foreign citizens, followed by citizens from Africa, who accounted for 22.1% of the total foreign nationals.

Foreign nationals registered by groups of countries

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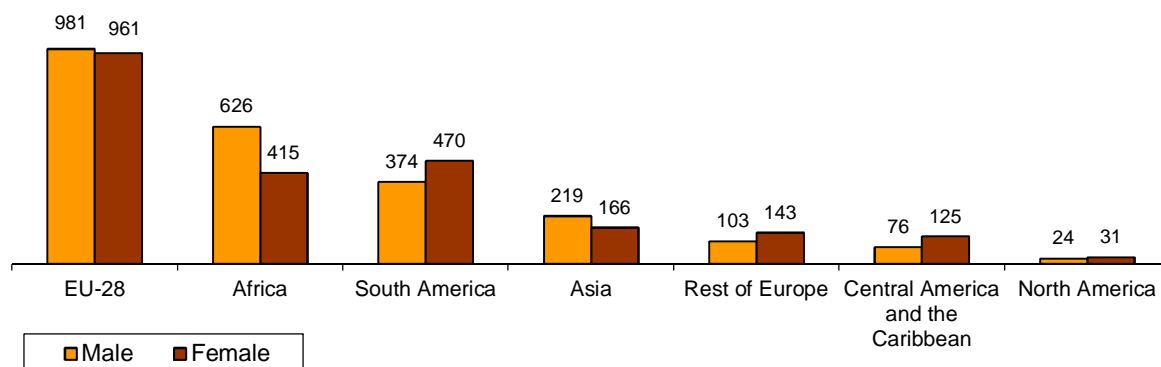
	At 1 January 2015 (Provisional Data)		A 1 de enero de 2014 (Final Data)	
	Number of persons	% of the total of Spain	Number of persons	% of the total of Spain
TOTAL	4,718,864	100.0	5,023,487	100.0
EU-28	1,942,599	41.2	2,056,903	41.0
Rest of Europe	246,089	5.2	242,262	4.8
Africa	1,040,910	22.1	1,076,164	21.4
North America	55,238	1.2	56,177	1.1
Central America and the Caribbean	201,149	4.2	211,571	4.2
South America	844,456	17.9	995,282	19.8
Asia	384,919	8.1	381,819	7.6
Rest	3,504	0.1	3,309	0.1

Distribution of the foreign population by sex

Among the foreign nationals, the proportion of female was greater among the American nationalities. In turn, more males were registered in most of the African and Asian nationalities.

Foreign nationals registered by sex and group of countries (thousand)

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Data of municipalities by size

Among the 8,119 Spanish municipalities, 4,933 had a population lower than 1,000 inhabitants.

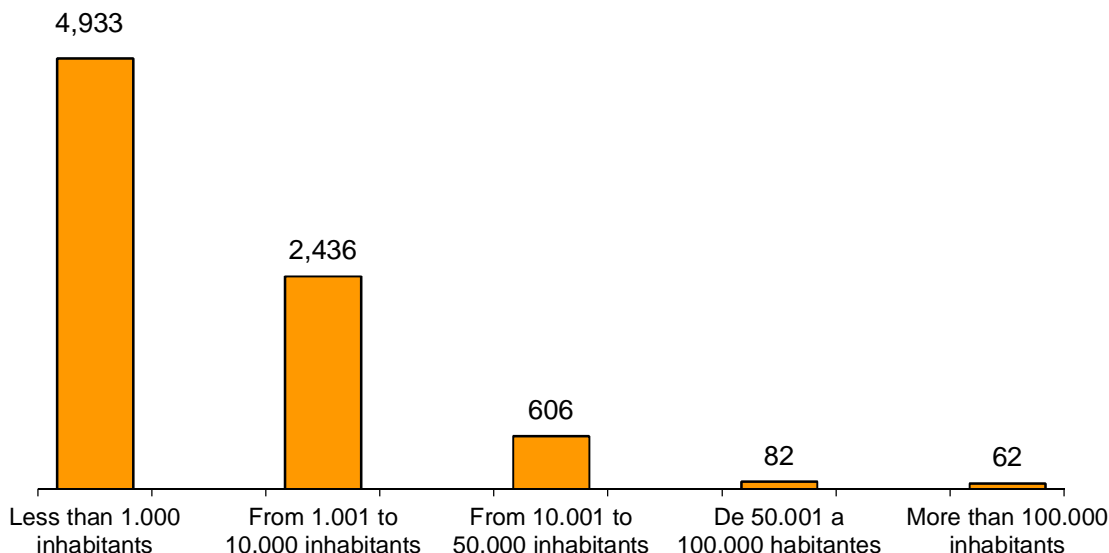
The Autonomous Communities with the greatest number of municipalities with less than 1,000 inhabitants were Castilla y León (with 1,989 municipalities), Castilla-La Mancha (637) and Aragón (622).

Conversely, the Autonomous Communities with the lowest number of municipalities with less than 1,000 inhabitants were Canarias (one municipality), Región de Murcia (three) and Illes Balears (six).

Regarding the municipalities with a bigger size, 62 municipalities with more than 100,000 inhabitants were registered in Spain. Among them, 12 belonged to Andalucía, 10 to Cataluña and 10 to Comunidad de Madrid.

Number of municipalities by size of municipality

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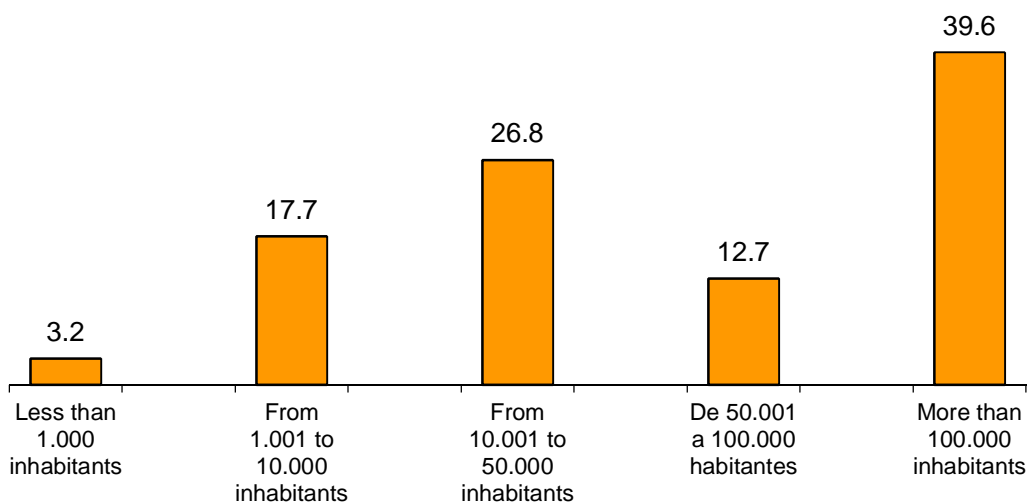


39.6% of the population registered in Spain resided in municipalities bigger than 100,000 inhabitants. By Autonomous Community, the greatest percentages were registered in Comunidad de Madrid (72.1%) and Aragón (50.5%). The lowest percentages corresponded to Castilla-La Mancha (8.4%) and Extremadura (13.7%).

In turn, 20.9% of the population resided in municipalities smaller than 10,000 inhabitants. By Autonomous Community, the highest percentages corresponded to Extremadura (51.4%) and Comunidad Foral de Navarra (45.4%), whereas the lowest ones corresponded to Región de Murcia (4.5%) and Comunidad de Madrid (5.8%).

Percentage of population registered by size of municipality

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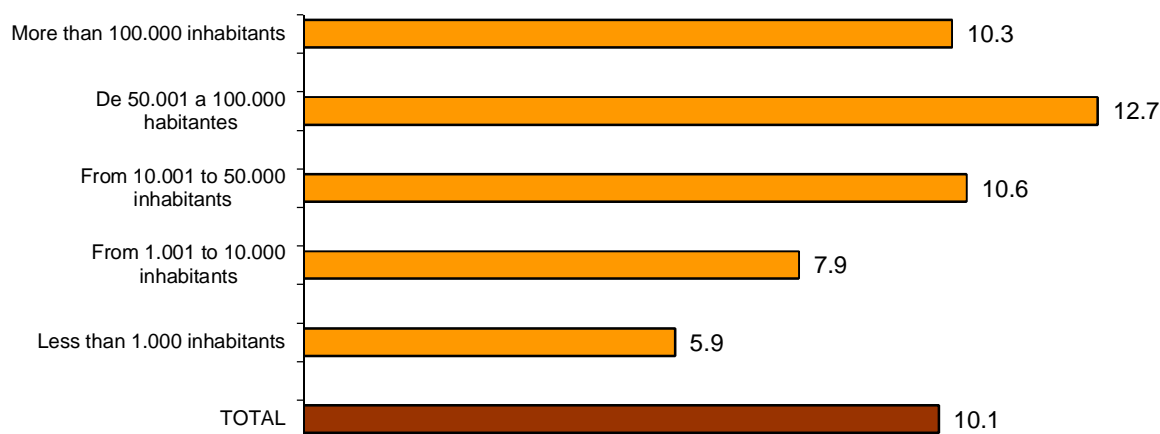


In the municipalities with less than 1,000 inhabitants, 5.9% of the population were foreign nationals. In the municipalities with more than 100,000 inhabitants, this percentage was 10.3%.

The highest percentage of foreign nationals (12.7%) was registered in municipalities with a population between 50,001 and 100,000 inhabitants.

Percentage of foreign nationals registered by size of municipality

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2015



In Spain, there were 209 municipalities with a percentage of foreign nationals higher than 25.0%, as compared with its total population. 20 out of 209, this percentage exceeded 50%

In more than a half of the municipalities (4,595) the percentage of foreign nationals did not exceed 5%, as compared with the total population.

Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2015

Provisional data

National data

Population registered in the Continuous Municipality Register by year (thousand)

Data of the Continuous Municipality Register at 1 January 2015

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015(P)
TOTAL	44,709	45,201	46,158	46,746	47,021	47,190	47,265	47,130	46,771	46,601
Spaniards	40,565	40,681	40,889	41,097	41,273	41,439	41,529	41,584	41,748	41,882
Foreign nationals	4,144	4,520	5,269	5,649	5,748	5,751	5,736	5,546	5,023	4,719
EU-28	1,429	1,710	2,104	2,275	2,352	2,397	2,445	2,361	2,057	1,943
non EU	2,715	2,809	3,164	3,374	3,396	3,354	3,291	3,185	2,967	2,776
% Foreign nationals	9.3	10.0	11.4	12.1	12.2	12.2	12.1	11.8	10.7	10.1

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Population registered in the Continuous Municipality Register by age

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	Total	% as compared with the total	Spaniards	% as compared with the total of Spaniards	Foreign Nationals	% as compared with the total of Foreign Nationals
TOTAL	46,600,949	100.0	41,882,085	100.0	4,718,864	100.0
Menores de 16 años	7,448,217	16.0	6,704,248	16.0	743,969	15.8
De 16 a 44	17,985,148	38.6	15,284,651	36.5	2,700,497	57.2
De 45 a 64	12,594,805	27.0	11,624,096	27.8	970,709	20.6
65 y más años	8,572,779	18.4	8,269,090	19.7	303,689	6.4

Foreign nationals registered by sex and group of countries

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	Total	Hombres	% respecto al total del grupo de paises	Mujeres	% respecto al total del grupo de paises
TOTAL	4,718,864	2,405,598	51.0	2,313,266	49.0
EU-28	1,942,599	981,363	50.5	961,236	49.5
Africa	1,040,910	626,151	60.2	414,759	39.8
South America	844,456	374,001	44.3	470,455	55.7
Asia	384,919	218,669	56.8	166,250	43.2
Rest of Europe	246,089	103,459	42.0	142,630	58.0
Central America and Caribbean	201,149	75,877	37.7	125,272	62.3
North America	55,238	24,070	43.6	31,168	56.4
Rest	3,504	2,008	57.3	1,496	42.7

Average age by countries (main nationalities) and sex

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics at 1 January 2015

	Both sexes	Male	Female
TOTAL	42.4	41.1	43.7
SPANIARDS	43.2	41.8	44.6
FOREIGN NATIONALS	35.3	35.3	35.3
EUROPEAN UNION	39.2	39.5	38.9
United Kingdom	52.8	53.4	52.2
Germany	49.2	50.3	48.2
France	42.4	42.7	42.1
Portugal	38.9	39.5	38.1
Italy	38.4	39.0	37.5
Romania	31.9	31.7	32.1
Dominican Republic	31.1	29.7	32.3
China	30.1	30.0	30.1
Pakistan	30.1	31.9	25.1
Morocco	29.3	30.5	27.7

Data by Autonomous City and Community

Population registered in the Continuous Municipality Register by Autonomous City and Community

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	At 1 January de 2015 (Provisional Data)	At 1 January 2014 (Final Data)	Absolute variation	Relative variation
TOTAL	46,600,949	46,771,341	-170,392	-0.4
Andalucía	8,393,252	8,402,305	-9,053	-0.1
Aragón	1,317,504	1,325,385	-7,881	-0.6
Asturias, Principado de	1,050,917	1,061,756	-10,839	-1.0
Balears, Illes	1,103,959	1,103,442	517	0.0
Canarias	2,098,649	2,104,815	-6,166	-0.3
Cantabria	584,940	588,656	-3,716	-0.6
Castilla y León	2,470,741	2,494,790	-24,049	-1.0
Castilla-La Mancha	2,058,518	2,078,611	-20,093	-1.0
Cataluña	7,504,008	7,518,903	-14,895	-0.2
Comunitat Valenciana	4,977,171	5,004,844	-27,673	-0.6
Extremadura	1,092,056	1,099,632	-7,576	-0.7
Galicia	2,731,406	2,748,695	-17,289	-0.6
Madrid, Comunidad de	6,435,152	6,454,440	-19,288	-0.3
Murcia, Región de	1,467,049	1,466,818	231	0.0
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	640,154	640,790	-636	-0.1
País Vasco	2,188,895	2,188,985	-90	0.0
Rioja, La	316,818	319,002	-2,184	-0.7
Ceuta	84,263	84,963	-700	-0.8
Melilla	85,497	84,509	988	1.2

Foreign nationals registered in the Continuous Municipality Register by Autonomous City and Community

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	At 1 January 2015 (Provisional Data)		At 1 January 2014 (Final Data)		Absolute variation	Relative variation
	Number of persons	% of the total of the Community	Number of persons	% of the total of the Community		
TOTAL	4,718,864	10.1	5,023,487	10.7	-304,623	-6.1
Andalucía	633,957	7.6	661,520	7.9	-27,563	-4.2
Aragón	139,993	10.6	149,231	11.3	-9,238	-6.2
Asturias, Principado de	41,264	3.9	45,124	4.2	-3,860	-8.6
Balears, Illes	192,265	17.4	203,112	18.4	-10,847	-5.3
Canarias	252,278	12.0	267,138	12.7	-14,860	-5.6
Cantabria	31,605	5.4	34,762	5.9	-3,157	-9.1
Castilla y León	134,698	5.5	146,818	5.9	-12,120	-8.3
Castilla-La Mancha	177,939	8.6	196,033	9.4	-18,094	-9.2
Cataluña	1,025,812	13.7	1,089,214	14.5	-63,402	-5.8
Comunitat Valenciana	697,681	14.0	739,630	14.8	-41,949	-5.7
Extremadura	34,092	3.1	37,716	3.4	-3,624	-9.6
Galicia	90,354	3.3	98,245	3.6	-7,891	-8.0
Madrid, Comunidad de	810,823	12.6	879,953	13.6	-69,130	-7.9
Murcia, Región de	208,191	14.2	215,869	14.7	-7,678	-3.6
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	55,777	8.7	59,550	9.3	-3,773	-6.3
País Vasco	137,397	6.3	141,316	6.5	-3,919	-2.8
Rioja, La	36,668	11.6	40,018	12.5	-3,350	-8.4
Ceuta	5,149	6.1	5,536	6.5	-387	-7.0
Melilla	12,921	15.1	12,702	15.0	219	1.7

Data of municipalities by size

Number of municipalities by size of municipality and Autonomous Community

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	TOTAL	Less than 1.000 inhabitants	From 1.001 to 10.000 inhabitants	From 10.001 to 50.000 inhabitants	De 50.001 a 100.000 habitantes	More than 100.000 inhabitants
TOTAL	8,119	4,933	2,436	606	82	62
Andalucía	773	203	416	125	17	12
Aragón	731	622	96	11	1	1
Asturias, Principado de	78	17	40	17	2	2
Balears, Illes	67	6	38	21	1	1
Canarias	88	1	45	34	4	4
Cantabria	102	33	59	8	1	1
Castilla y León	2,248	1,989	236	14	5	4
Castilla-La Mancha	919	637	243	33	5	1
Cataluña	947	487	339	98	13	10
Comunitat Valenciana	542	219	225	83	11	4
Extremadura	387	209	165	10	2	1
Galicia	314	27	231	49	4	3
Madrid, Comunidad de	179	47	83	29	10	10
Murcia, Región de	45	3	12	26	2	2
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	272	188	74	9	0	1
País Vasco	251	100	109	36	2	4
Rioja, La	174	145	25	3	0	1
Ceuta	1	0	0	0	1	0
Melilla	1	0	0	0	1	0

Percentage of population registered by size of municipality and Autonomous Community
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	TOTAL	Less than 1.000 inhabitants	From 1.001 to 10.000 inhabitants	From 10.001 to 50.000 inhabitants	De 50.001 a 100.000 habitantes	More than 100.000 inhabitants
TOTAL	100	3.2	17.7	26.8	12.7	39.6
Andalucía	100	1.3	18.2	29.7	15.0	35.8
Aragón	100	11.4	19.6	14.5	4.0	50.5
Asturias, Principado de	100	0.9	12.2	27.1	12.7	47.1
Balears, Illes	100	0.3	15.2	43.6	4.6	36.3
Canarias	100	0.0	10.1	37.6	12.4	39.9
Cantabria	100	2.9	32.4	25.9	9.1	29.7
Castilla y León	100	18.6	25.6	12.3	13.0	30.5
Castilla-La Mancha	100	8.2	35.4	29.4	18.6	8.4
Cataluña	100	2.6	16.1	27.5	12.4	41.4
Comunitat Valenciana	100	1.8	16.1	36.7	15.0	30.4
Extremadura	100	9.4	42.0	20.7	14.2	13.7
Galicia	100	0.7	29.6	33.5	12.6	23.6
Madrid, Comunidad de	100	0.3	5.5	10.5	11.6	72.1
Murcia, Región de	100	0.2	4.3	39.8	11.0	44.7
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	100	8.6	36.8	24.0	0.0	30.6
País Vasco	100	2.1	17.6	33.9	6.4	40.0
Rioja, La	100	9.1	27.4	15.8	..	47.7
Ceuta	100	..	..	..	100.0	..
Melilla	100	..	..	..	100.0	..

Percentage of foreign nationals registered by size of municipality and Autonomous Community
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	TOTAL	Less than 1.000 inhabitants	From 1.001 to 10.000 inhabitants	From 10.001 to 50.000 inhabitants	De 50.001 a 100.000 habitantes	More than 100.000 inhabitants
TOTAL	10.1	5.9	7.9	10.6	12.7	10.3
Andalucía	7.6	6.5	6.1	6.8	14.7	6.0
Aragón	10.6	8.0	12.9	11.7	9.2	10.1
Asturias, Principado de	3.9	1.5	3.0	2.7	3.3	5.1
Balears, Illes	17.4	19.7	14.6	18.7	32.9	15.1
Canarias	12.0	15.0	7.1	16.0	25.2	5.4
Cantabria	5.4	2.3	3.6	5.2	6.8	7.3
Castilla y León	5.5	4.0	6.2	5.9	6.0	5.3
Castilla-La Mancha	8.6	6.8	8.9	10.1	8.2	5.1
Cataluña	13.7	8.5	10.1	13.9	12.1	15.6
Comunitat Valenciana	14.0	10.9	13.7	14.1	18.5	12.1
Extremadura	3.1	1.8	2.8	4.6	2.6	3.4
Galicia	3.3	2.1	2.3	3.3	3.6	4.5
Madrid, Comunidad de	12.6	10.4	12.8	11.7	13.0	12.7
Murcia, Región de	14.2	5.9	11.5	17.0	16.2	11.5
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	8.7	4.0	9.1	8.7	..	9.6
País Vasco	6.3	4.4	5.5	5.5	6.8	7.3
Rioja, La	11.6	7.8	12.5	12.4	..	11.5
Ceuta	6.1	..	..	..	6.1	..
Melilla	15.1	..	..	..	15.1	..

	Total	0	(0%-2,5%]	(2,5%-5%]	(5%-10%]	(10%-15%]	(15%-20%]	(20%-25%]	(25%-30%]	(30%-50%]	0,5
TOTAL NACIONAL	8,119	802	2,058	1,735	1,839	907	398	171	82	107	20
Andalucía	773	8	304	204	130	46	24	16	13	24	4
Aragón	731	85	91	141	209	115	48	24	11	7	0
Asturias, Principado de	78	0	41	32	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Baleares, Illes	67	0	0	2	9	21	16	11	4	4	0
Canarias	88	0	13	21	21	11	5	5	3	9	0
Cantabria	102	3	44	39	15	1	0	0	0	0	0
Castilla y León	2,248	500	702	469	363	121	54	20	12	6	1
Castilla-La Mancha	919	100	136	172	266	151	56	22	10	4	2
Cataluña	947	13	91	197	298	191	97	31	17	12	0
Comunitat Valenciana	542	11	42	86	200	90	39	19	6	36	13
Extremadura	387	24	254	76	25	3	3	1	1	0	0
Galicia	314	0	204	91	13	4	1	1	0	0	0
Madrid, Comunidad de	179	1	4	6	45	80	29	13	1	0	0
Murcia, Región de	45	0	2	2	14	12	6	4	3	2	0
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	272	27	66	73	71	20	12	1	1	1	0
País Vasco	251	0	43	96	99	12	0	1	0	0	0
Rioja, La	174	30	21	28	55	29	7	2	0	2	0
Ceuta	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Melilla	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

Methodological note

The figures for the preview of Continuous Register Statistics at 1 January 2015 are a provisional preview. The final figures, once the procedure for obtaining them is completed, and following the favourable report of the Registration Council, will be submitted to the National Government by the end of the year, for approval via a Royal Decree, to be published in the Official State Gazette. After availability of these figures, the final data will be obtained for the different variables of the Register, which will be made public in January 2016.

The procedure for obtaining the population figures resulting from the Municipal Register Revision at 1 January contains different phases, and is regulated in the Resolution dated 25 October 2005, of the President of the National Statistics Institute and the Director General for Local Cooperation, dictating technical instructions to the Municipal Councils regarding the annual revision of the Municipal Register and about the procedure for obtaining the proposal for official population figures⁴.

Based on this procedure it must be clarified that the change produced regarding the previous figures, at 1 January 2014, are mainly due to the following reasons:

1. Natural increase registered in the Continuous Register

Difference between registrations due to birth and cancellations due to death registered in the Continuous Register. They may be from the year 2014 or prior.

2. Balance by Residential Variation Statistics

Difference between registrations and cancellations due to changes of residence that may have any variation date prior to 1 January 2015. Those corresponding to the year 2014 will later make up the Residential Variations Statistics.

3. Balance by expiry for Non-Community Foreign Nationals Without a Permanent Residence Permit (NCFNWPRP)

NCFNWPRP, upon not having a permanent residence permit are compelled to renew their register every two years, as established in article 16.1 of Law 7/1985. If they do not do so, cancellation due to expiry of their register shall be carried out. If register is pending (that is, neither renewal nor cancellation is sent to the INE from the town council) in the moment the population figures are obtained, it is not accounted for.

This is a consolidated procedure that has been in use since the year 2006. The differences are mainly due to the registers that were not accounted for in the previous date and are now, due to the fact that the registration has been renewed, as well as registered cancellations due to expiration and those not accounted for because the corresponding variation was not received from the town council.

⁴ BOE 11-23-2005. RESOLUTION of 17 November 2005 of the Ministry General Subsecretariat of the Presidency, by which the mentioned resolution is published.

4. Balance by verification for Community and Non-Community Foreign Nationals With a Permanent Residence Permit (non-NCFNWPRP)

Since the year 2009, by virtue of different agreements of the Registration Council, a progressive verification procedure of the continuity of residence in the municipality has been carried out by town councils, for community or non-community foreign nationals with a permanent residence permit, every 2 or 5 years, depending on whether or not they are registered in the Central Register of Foreign Nationals.

The criteria to not account for the registers for which residency has not been confirmed started with the figures at 1 January 2013 and varies from one year to another. For the figures at 1 January 2015, besides not accounting for the registrations pending in municipalities that have processed less than 20% of the affected registers, not accounted for either are the pending registers (that is, the modification due to verification and the cancellation sent by the town council do not appear in the INE) with a variation date prior to 2007 or 2010, depending on whether or not the foreign national was registered in the Central Register of Foreign Nationals.

5. Balance by Rest of Non-residential and Procedure Variations

This balance is the difference between the rest of variations not considered in the previous sections, such as, registrations due to omission and cancellations due to undue inscription of Spanish Citizens who unlike foreign nationals, are not included in Residential Variation Statistics as they are not considered migratory movements but adjustment in the register, cancellations due to duplicates in the Register, registers that present incidences that do not allow them to be accounted for, etc.

6. Changes in nationality

Besides the aforementioned, and tending to the nationality, it must be taken into account that the variations in the number of Spanish citizens or in the number of foreign nationals imply the changes in nationality that have been registered in the Continuous Register. In the year 2014, the change in nationality of NCFNWPRP into Spanish was very significant.