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**Statistics on Domestic Violence and Gender Violence  
Year 2014**

**The total number of victims of gender violence holding protective orders or interim measures recorded in the Register<sup>1</sup> is 27,087 women, 0.1% less than in 2013**

**The rate of victims of gender violence in 2014 is 1.3 per 1,000 women aged 14 years old and over**

**The total number of victims of domestic violence is 7,084, 0.3% higher than in 2013**

The total persons recorded in the Register as victims of gender violence or domestic violence in 2014 reached 34,407, registering an increase of 0.1% as compared with the previous year. A total of 31,538 of them were females and 2,869 of them were males.

**Evolution of victims and persons reported (holding protective orders or interim measures) in gender and domestic violence by sex<sup>2</sup>**

	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%) 2014/2011	Variation rate (%) 2014/2013
<b>Gender violence</b>						
Total Victims (females)	32,242	29,146	27,122	27,087	-16.0	-0.1
Total Persons Reported (males)	32,142	29,048	27,017	26,987	-16.0	-0.1
<b>Domestic violence</b>						
Total Victims	7,744	7,298	7,060	7,084	-8.5	0.3
Males	2,863	2,788	2,635	2,703	-5.6	2.6
Females	4,881	4,510	4,425	4,381	-10.2	-1.0
Total Persons Reported	5,632	5,400	5,037	4,988	-11.4	-1.0
Males	4,289	4,091	3,790	3,684	-14.1	-2.8
Females	1,343	1,309	1,247	1,304	-2.9	4.6
Total Persons Reported who are victims at the sar	376	197	194	236	-37.2	21.6
Males	207	115	129	166	-19.8	28.7
Females	169	82	65	70	-58.6	7.7

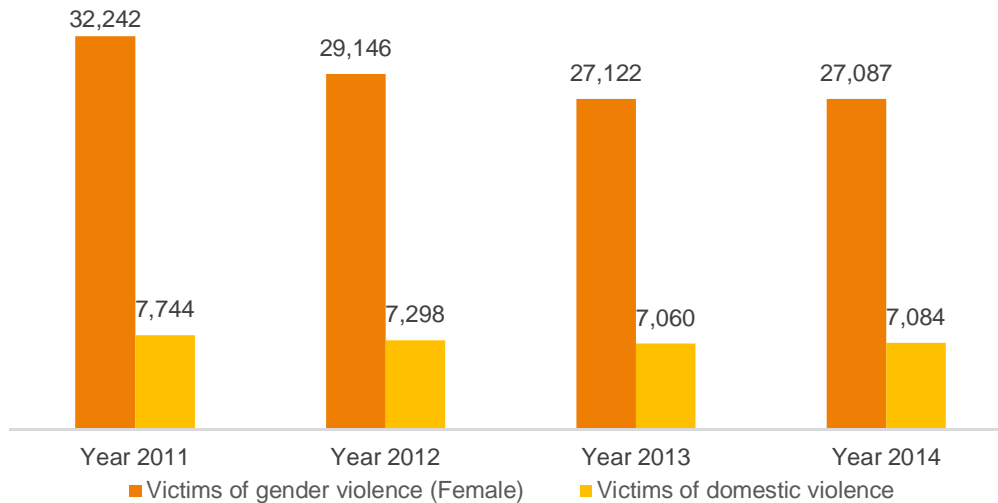
Note: Results referred to cases issuing protective orders or interim measures registered during 2014.

Source: Statistical use of the Central Register for the protection of victims of domestic and gender violence

<sup>1</sup> Central Register for the protection of victims of domestic and gender violence where those victims holding protective or restraining orders are registered. Belonging to the Ministry of Justice.

<sup>2</sup> The series of the Statistics on Domestic Violence and Gender Violence begins with the results of 2011

### Evolution of victims (holding protective orders or interim measures) in gender and domestic violence



Worth noting is the decrease registered both in the number of victims of gender violence (–16.0%) and in the number of victims of domestic violence (–8.5%) since 2011.

### Gender violence

Gender Violence is understood to be all physical and psychological act of violence (including attacks on sexual freedom, threats, coercion or arbitrary denying of freedom) carried out against a woman by a man who is or has been her spouse, or who is or has been linked to her by a similar sentimental relationship, even if without cohabitation.

### Victims of gender violence

27,087 victims of gender violence (women) were registered in 2014, in cases in which interim measures or protective orders had been ordered, 0.1% less as compared with the previous year.

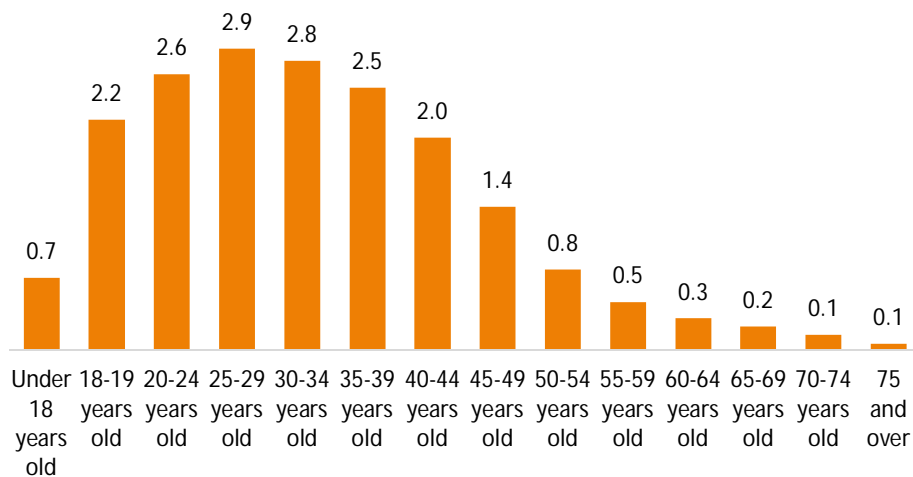
By age group, almost half of the victims of gender violence (49.3%) were aged 25 to 39 years old, a similar figure to that registered in 2013. The average age of the victims was 36.4 years old, a very similar figure to that registered in the previous year (36.2).

As compared with the previous year, the highest increase in the number of victims was registered among those persons aged 65 to 74 years old and those under 18.

**Victims of gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by age group**

	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%)
TOTAL	27,122	27,087	-0.1
Under 18 years old	499	576	15.4
18 to 19 years old	856	911	6.4
20 to 24 years old	3,186	3,025	-5.1
25 to 29 years old	3,960	3,860	-2.5
30 to 34 years old	4,780	4,602	-3.7
35 to 39 years old	4,799	4,880	1.7
40 to 44 years old	3,774	3,830	1.5
45 to 49 years old	2,495	2,495	0.0
50 to 54 years old	1,272	1,293	1.7
55 to 59 years old	610	676	10.8
60 to 64 years old	406	382	-5.9
65 to 69 years old	221	268	21.3
70 to 74 years old	112	141	25.9
75 and over	152	148	-2.6

**Victims of gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by age group (rates per 1,000 females aged 14 and over)**



The rates of victims, as compared with the total population of women, reached their peak in the bracket aged 25 to 29 years old (2.9 victims per 1,000 women aged 14 years old and over), followed by the bracket aged 30 to 34 years old (2.8 victims per 1,000 women aged 14 years old and over) and the bracket aged 20 to 24 years old (2.7).

Regarding birthplace, two out of three victims of gender violence were born in Spain (68.0% of the total victims), a very similar proportion to that registered in 2013.

**Victims of gender violence (holding protective or interim measures) by birthplace<sup>1</sup>**

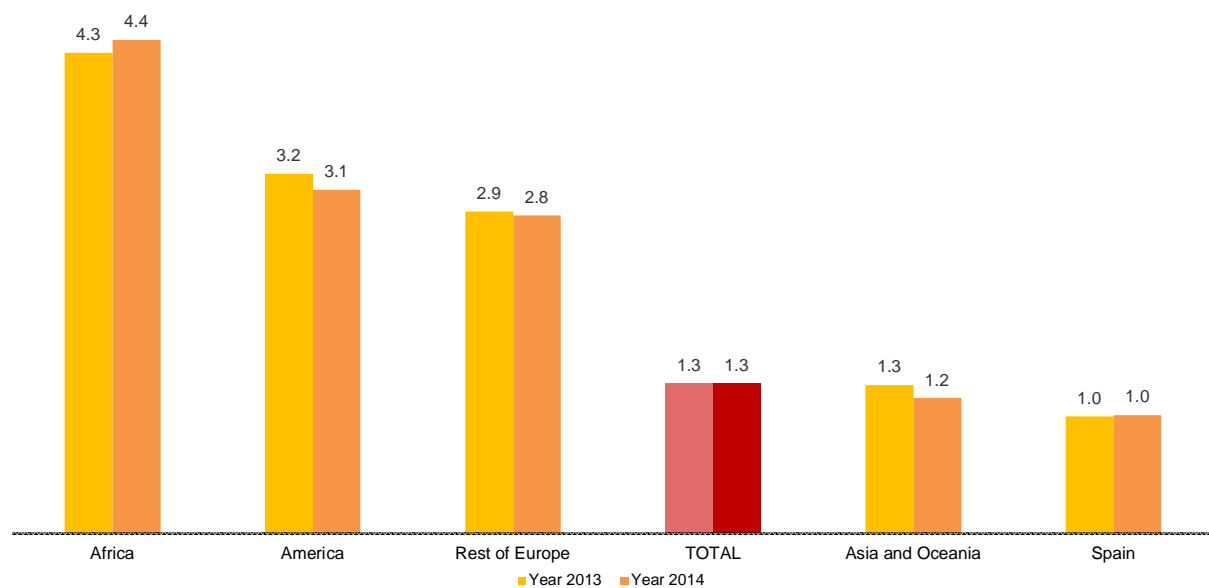
	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%)
TOTAL	27,122	27,087	-0.1
Born in Spain	18,175	18,412	1.3
Born abroad	8,947	8,675	-3.0
Europe	3,181	3,118	-2.0
America	4,001	3,762	-6.0
Africa	1,574	1,617	2.7
Asia and Oceania	191	178	-6.8

<sup>1</sup> Birthplace does not necessarily correspond to nationality

The victims rate per 1,000 women aged 14 and older was almost three times higher among women born outside Spain (3.0) than that among women born in Spain (1.0).

Among the victims born outside Spain, the highest rates were registered among those born in Africa and America, while the lowest were registered among those women born in Asia and Oceania.

**Rate of victims of gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by birthplace (rates per 1,000 females aged 14 and over)**



Rates calculated on the female population aged 14 and over by using the provisional population data on 1 July

By Autonomous Community, Andalucía (7,012), Comunitat Valenciana (3,940) and Comunidad de Madrid (2,973) registered the highest rates of registered victims in 2014. In turn, the Autonomous Cities of Ceuta and Melilla, and La Rioja registered the lowest rates of registered victims.

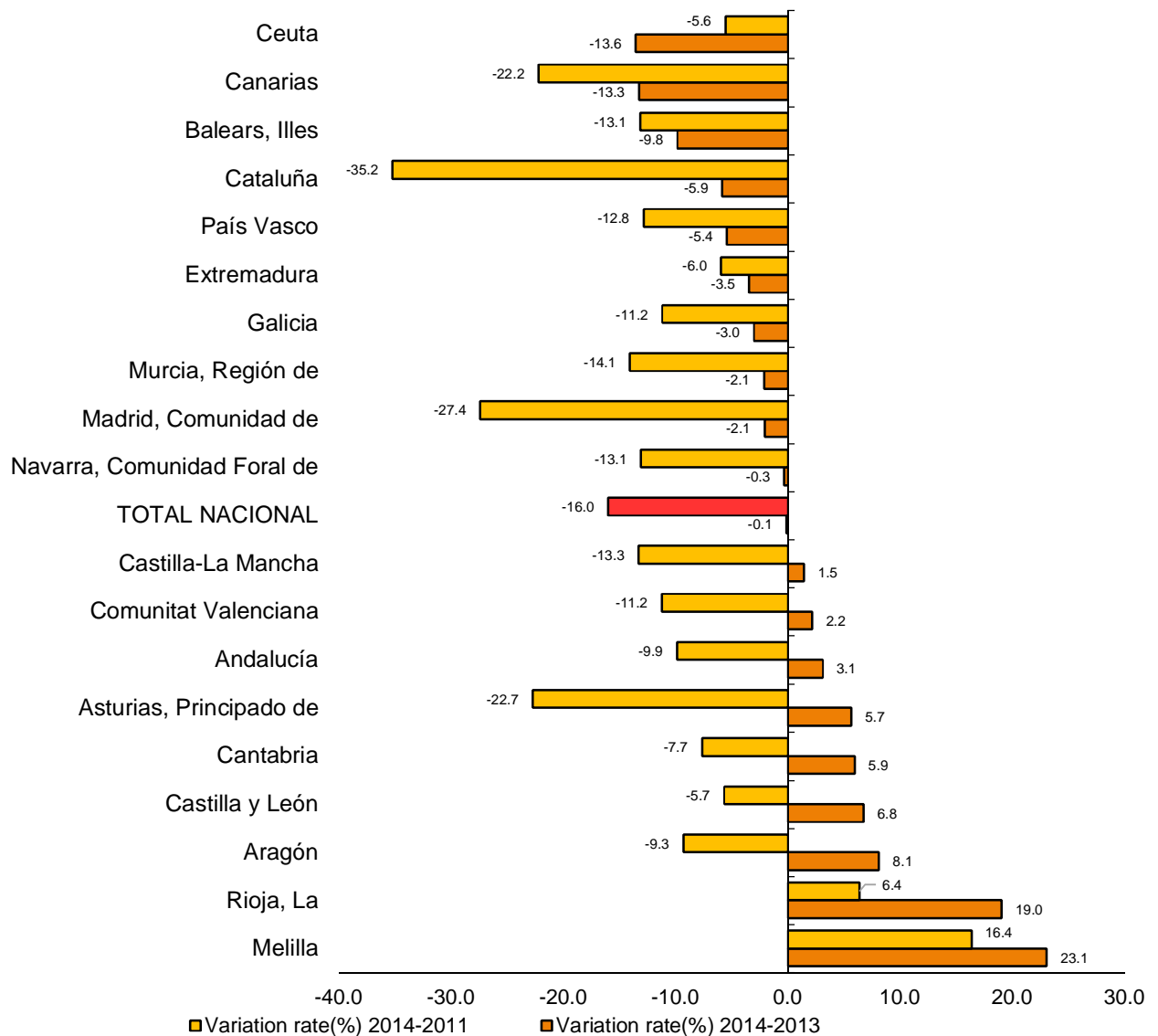
**Evolution of victims of gender violence holding protective orders or interim measures by Autonomous Communities and Cities**

	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%) 2014/2011	Variation rate (%) 2014/2013
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32,242</b>	<b>29,146</b>	<b>27,122</b>	<b>27,087</b>	<b>-16.0</b>	<b>-0.1</b>
Andalucía	7,780	7,161	6,800	7,012	-9.9	3.1
Aragón	850	728	713	771	-9.3	8.1
Asturias, Principado de	603	446	441	466	-22.7	5.7
Balears, Illes	876	776	844	761	-13.1	-9.8
Canarias	1,495	1,432	1,341	1,163	-22.2	-13.3
Cantabria	405	334	353	374	-7.7	5.9
Castilla y León	1,626	1,520	1,437	1,534	-5.7	6.8
Castilla-La Mancha	1,767	1,611	1,510	1,532	-13.3	1.5
Cataluña	3,552	3,038	2,444	2,301	-35.2	-5.9
Comunitat Valenciana	4,438	4,172	3,857	3,940	-11.2	2.2
Extremadura	773	746	753	727	-6.0	-3.5
Galicia	1,368	1,294	1,253	1,215	-11.2	-3.0
Madrid, Comunidad de	4,095	3,427	3,036	2,973	-27.4	-2.1
Murcia, Región de	1,288	1,180	1,131	1,107	-14.1	-2.1
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	367	311	320	319	-13.1	-0.3
País Vasco	662	675	610	577	-12.8	-5.4
Rioja, La	188	194	168	200	6.4	19.0
Ceuta	54	43	59	51	-5.6	-13.6
Melilla	55	58	52	64	16.4	23.1

The greatest annual variations were registered in Melilla (23.1%), La Rioja (19%) and Ceuta (-13.6%).

Since 2011, the number of victims decreased in all Autonomous Communities, except for Melilla and La Rioja, where the number of victims increased 16.4% and 6.4% respectively. The greatest decreases were registered in Cataluña (-35.2%), Comunidad de Madrid (-27.4%), Principado de Asturias (-22.7%) and Canarias (-22.2%).

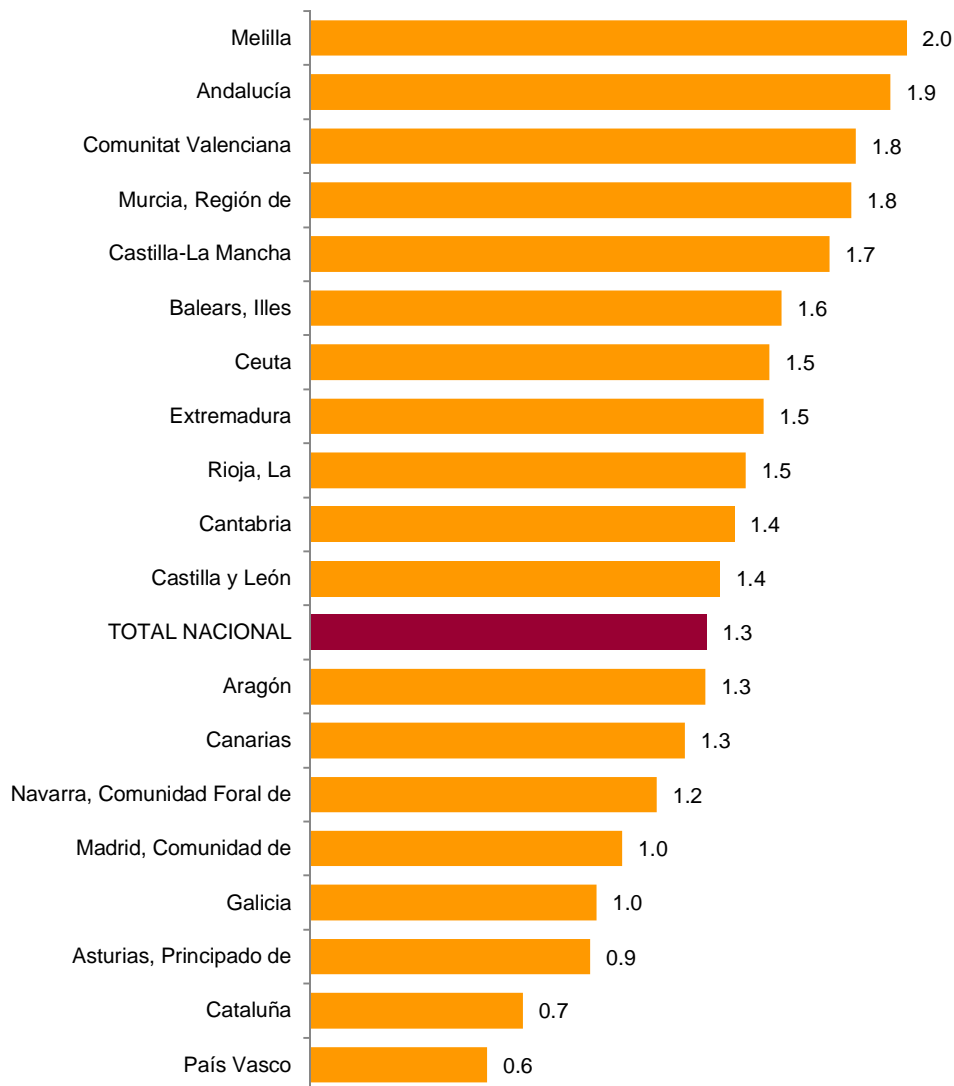
**Variation rate (%) of victims of gender violence (holding protection orders or interim measures) on 2013 and 2011**



In relative terms, the Autonomous City of Melilla (2.0 victims per 1,000 females aged 14 and older), Andalucía (1.9) and Comunitat Valenciana (1.8) registered the highest rates of victims of gender violence recorded.

Conversely, País Vasco (0.6), Cataluña (0.7) and Principado de Asturias (0.9) were the Autonomous Communities with the lowest rates of victims.

**Rate of victims of gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by Autonomous Communities and Cities in which the cases have been registered (rates per 1,000 females aged 14 and over)**



Rates calculated on female population aged 14 and over by using the provisional population data on 1 July

**Persons reported on gender violence**

26,987 males were reported in 2014 on gender violence in the cases with protective or interim orders and recorded in the Register throughout the year. This represents a decrease of 0.1% as compared with the previous year.

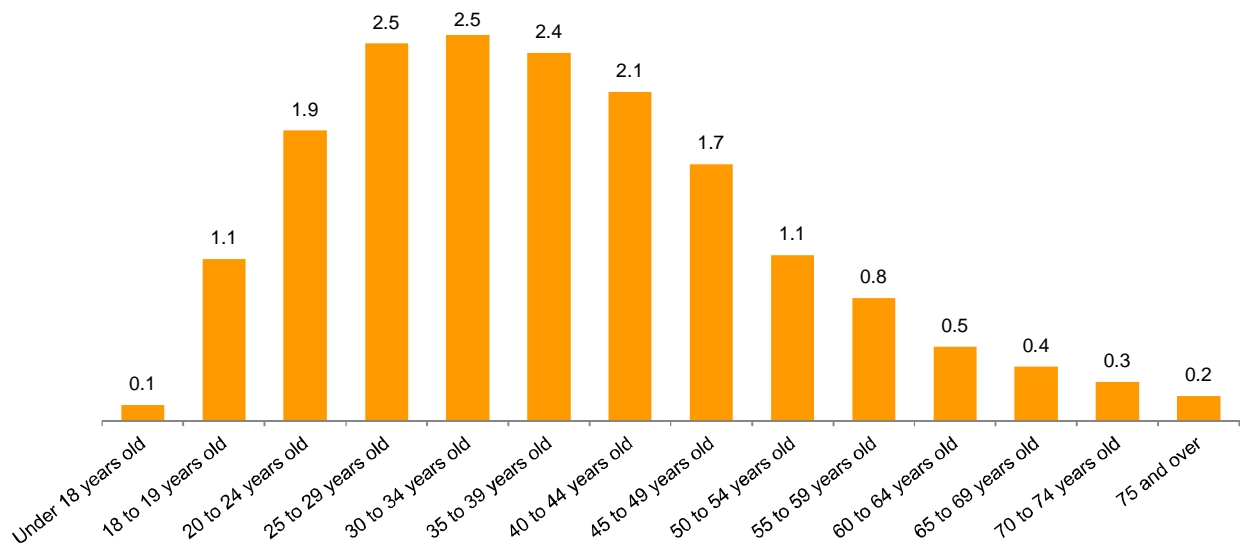
Almost half of the persons reported (49.5%) were aged 30 to 44 years old. The average age of the persons reported was 39.3 years old.

The highest number of persons reported corresponded to those under 20 years old and those aged 75 and over years old.

**Persons reported on gender violence with adoption of protective orders or interim measures by age**

	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%)
TOTAL	27,017	26,987	-0.1
Under 18 years old	76	90	18.4
18 to 19 years old	409	463	13.2
20 to 24 years old	2,282	2,255	-1.2
25 to 29 years old	3,309	3,310	0.0
30 to 34 years old	4,445	4,250	-4.4
35 to 39 years old	4,816	4,874	1.2
40 to 44 years old	4,267	4,225	-1.0
45 to 49 years old	3,130	3,107	-0.7
50 to 54 years old	1,831	1,808	-1.3
55 to 59 years old	1,072	1,146	6.9
60 to 64 years old	567	583	2.8
65 to 69 years old	374	391	4.5
70 to 74 years old	205	218	6.3
75 and over	234	267	14.1

**Rate of persons reported on gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by age (rates per 1,000 males aged 14 and over)**



Rates calculated on the female population aged 14 or over by using the provisional population data on 1 July



The highest rate of persons reported corresponded to the 30-34 (2.5 persons reported per 1,000 males aged 14 and over), and the 25-29 (2.5) age groups, followed by the 35-39 (2.4) years old group.

By birthplace, two out of every three persons reported (68.4% of the total) had been born in Spain, the proportion remained the same than in 2013.

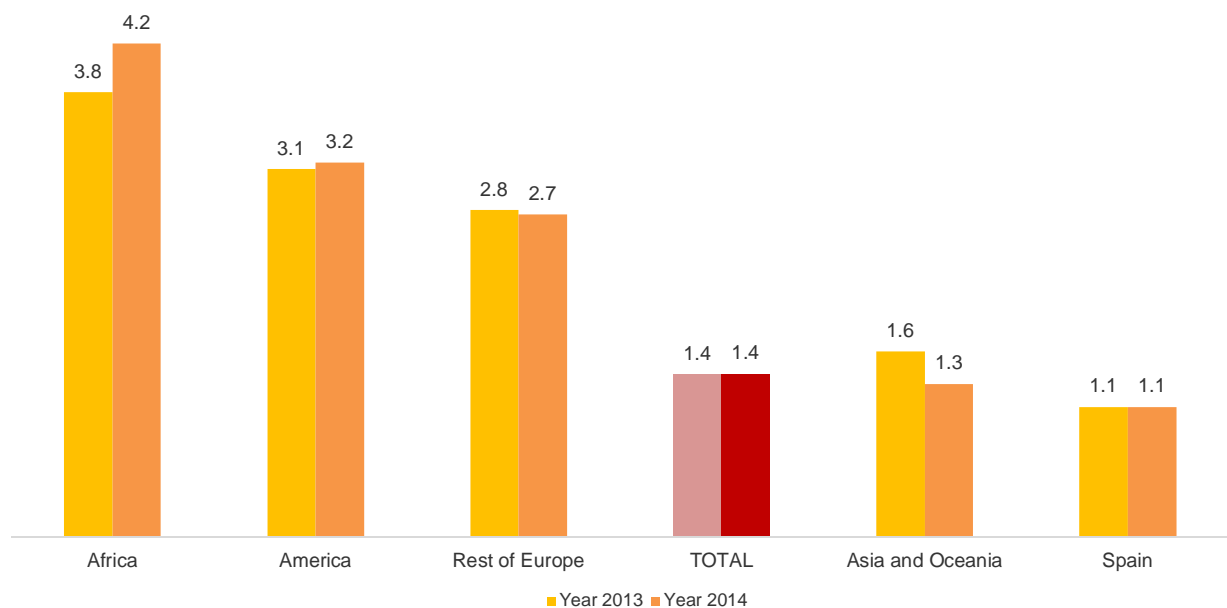
**Persons reported on gender violence with adoption of protective orders or interim measures by birthplace**

	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%)
TOTAL	27,017	26,987	-0.1
Born in Spain	18,447	18,466	0.1
Born abroad	8,570	8,521	-0.6
Europe	3,098	2,992	-3.4
America	3,017	2,991	-0.9
Africa	2,168	2,310	6.5
Asia and Oceania	287	228	-20.6

The rate of persons reported per 1,000 males aged 14 years old and over was greater among those born abroad (3.1) than among those born in Spain (1.1).

Within those born abroad, the highest rates of reported persons corresponded to those born in Africa and America. The lowest rates were recorded among those born in Asia and Oceania.

**Rate on persons reported on gender violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by birthplace (rates per 1,000 males aged 14 or over)**



Rates calculated on the male population aged 14 or over by using the provisional data on 1 July

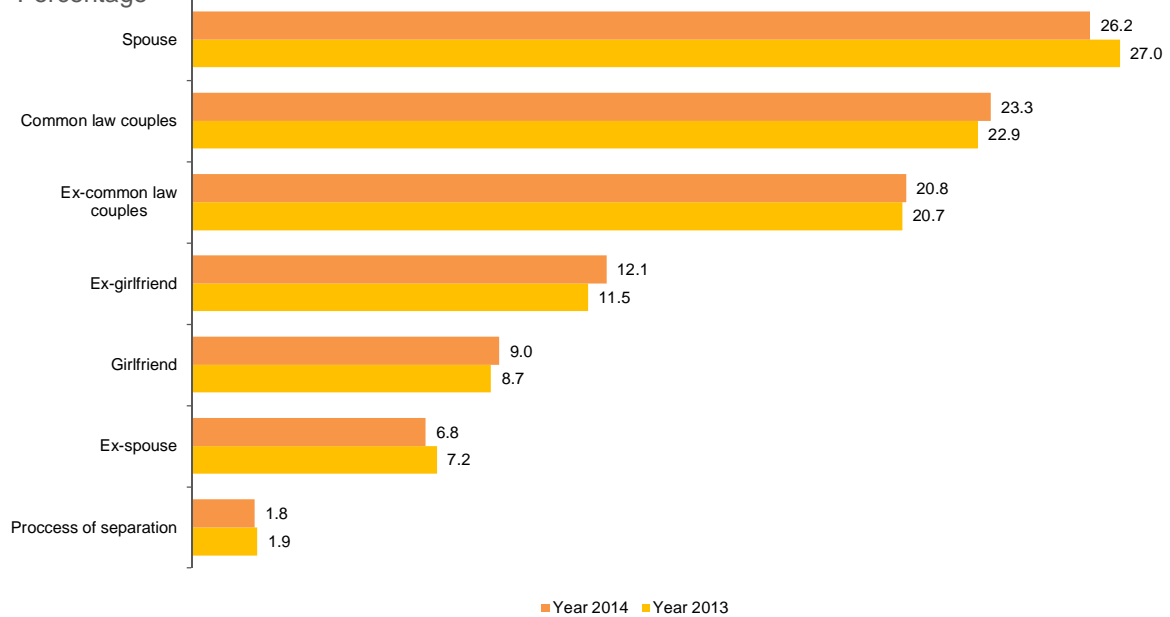
### Relationship victim/reported person

Regarding the type of relationship existing between the victim and the reported person, in 26.2% of the cases, the victim and the reported person were spouses, and in 6.8%, they were ex-spouses.

In turn, in 23.3% of the cases, they kept a common law relationship, in 20.8%, they were ex-common law couples.

#### Relationship victim/reported person

Percentage



In three out of every four couples (75.0%) the reported person was between 20 and 54 years old and the victim was between 18 and 44 years old.

By birthplace, 58.9% were couples whose partners were born both in Spain, 7.3% were couples whose partners were born both in America and 6.2% were couples whose partners were born both in other countries of the European Union.

#### Relationship victims/reported person

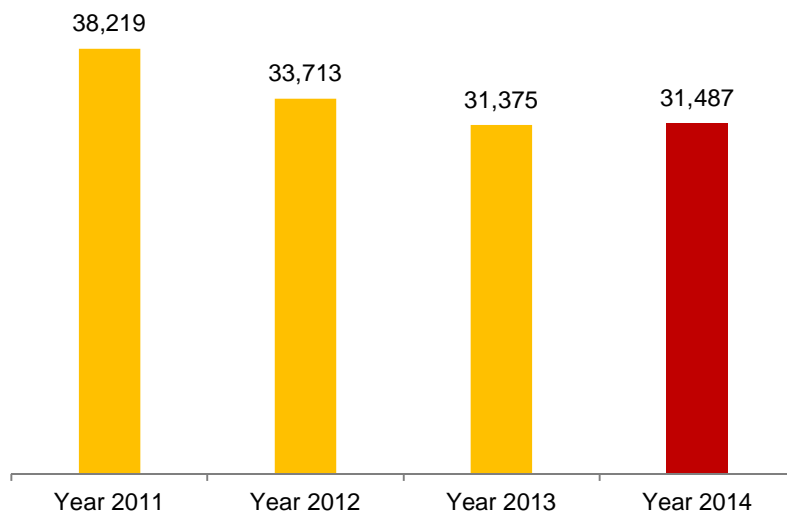
	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%) 2014/2011	Variation rate (%) 2014/2013
Spouse	9,158	7,967	7,335	7,092	-22.6	-3.3
Common law couple	7,748	6,790	6,213	6,307	-18.6	1.5
Ex-common law couple	6,661	6,066	5,615	5,638	-15.4	0.4
Ex-girlfriend	3,445	3,396	3,132	3,274	-5.0	4.5
Girlfriend	2,294	2,336	2,366	2,429	5.9	2.7
Ex-spouse	2,310	2,065	1,940	1,848	-20.0	-4.7
Process of separation	626	526	521	499	-20.3	-4.2

## Punishable offences and interim measures of gender violence

31,487 punishable offences<sup>3</sup> were registered in 2014, imputed to those persons reported for cases of gender violence registered during that year, 0.4% more than in the previous year. Worth noting is the decrease in the number of punishable offences between 2011-2014 (-17.6%).

The average number of punishable offences per person reported remained the same than in the previous year, that is, 1.2.

### Punishable offences imputed



29,374 crimes and 2,113 misdemeanours were accounted for among the total punishable offences imputed in 2014. The most frequent crimes were those relating to *Injuries* (55.9% of the crimes), *Threats* (19.8%) and *Torture and other crimes against moral integrity* (15.1%).

The total interim measures ordered<sup>4</sup> and recorded in the Register for cases of gender violence in 2014 reached 83,156; that is, 0.4% more than in the previous year.

Considering the nature of the measures, 75.2% were of a penal nature, and 24.8% were of a civil nature.

The most frequent penal interim measures were the *prohibition of approaching given persons* (35.4% of the total penal measures), the *prohibition of communicating with given persons* (33.5%) and *conditional release* (15.3%).

Among the civil interim measures, the most frequent ones were the *establishment of custody rights* (26.3% of the total civil measures), the *establishment of food provision rights* (26.1%) and the *establishment of the visitation regime* (23.9%).

<sup>3</sup> Each person reported could be imputed more than one punishable offence

<sup>4</sup> For each case, several interim measures can be ordered

## Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence is understood to be all physical or psychological violence carried out by a man or a woman, on any of the persons listed in article 173.2 of the Criminal Code (descendants, ancestors, spouses, siblings, etc.) with the exception of specific cases of gender violence.

### Victims of domestic violence

7,084 victims of domestic violence holding interim measures or protective orders were registered in 2014, representing 0.3% more than in the previous year. Among them, 61.8% were female, and 38.2% of them were male.

### Victims of domestic violence (holding protection orders or interim measures) by sex and age group

	Year 2013		Year 2014		Variation rate (%)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
<b>TOTAL</b>	2,635	4,425	2,703	4,381	2.6	-1.0
Under 18 years old	465	744	561	811	20.6	9.0
18 to 19 years old	77	147	66	146	-14.3	-0.7
20 to 24 years old	167	282	170	244	1.8	-13.5
25 to 29 years old	132	211	126	176	-4.5	-16.6
30 to 34 years old	143	194	153	184	7.0	-5.2
35 to 39 years old	185	264	173	260	-6.5	-1.5
40 to 44 years old	214	410	217	355	1.4	-13.4
45 to 49 years old	222	413	209	430	-5.9	4.1
50 to 54 years old	197	352	225	383	14.2	8.8
55 to 59 years old	199	316	163	314	-18.1	-0.6
60 to 64 years old	149	235	150	262	0.7	11.5
65 to 69 years old	132	236	148	213	12.1	-9.7
70 to 74 years old	129	193	112	209	-13.2	8.3
75 and over	224	428	230	394	2.7	-7.9

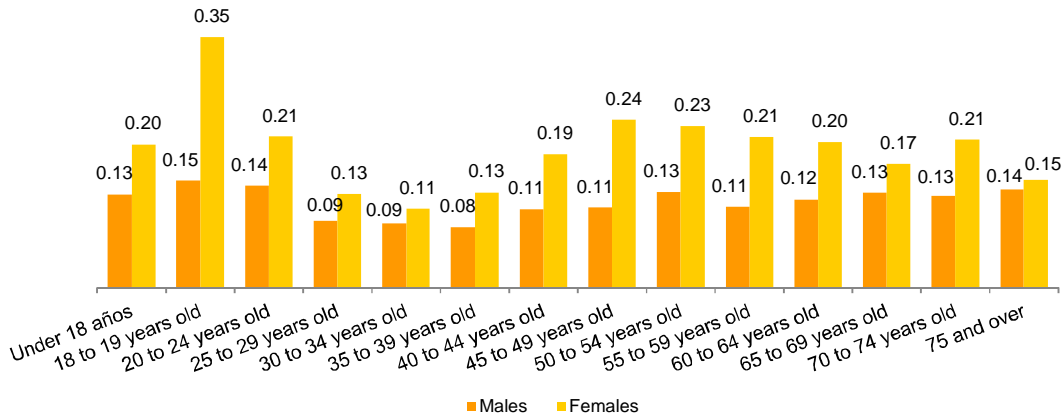
The total number of victims of domestic violence was greater than the number of persons reported, with a rate of 1.4 victims for each person reported, the same that the previous year.

Moreover, a total of 236 persons appeared as both reported persons and victims at the same time.

Unlike the gender violence, domestic violence affected all age groups more uniformly. Among them, it is worth noting the age group under 18 years old (19.4% of the total). The average age of the victims was 42.8 years old.

In relative terms, it can be observed that cases of domestic violence were more frequent among females of 18 to 19 years old (0.4 per 1,000 females of that age group).

**Rate of victims of domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and age group (rates per 1,000 inhabitants)**



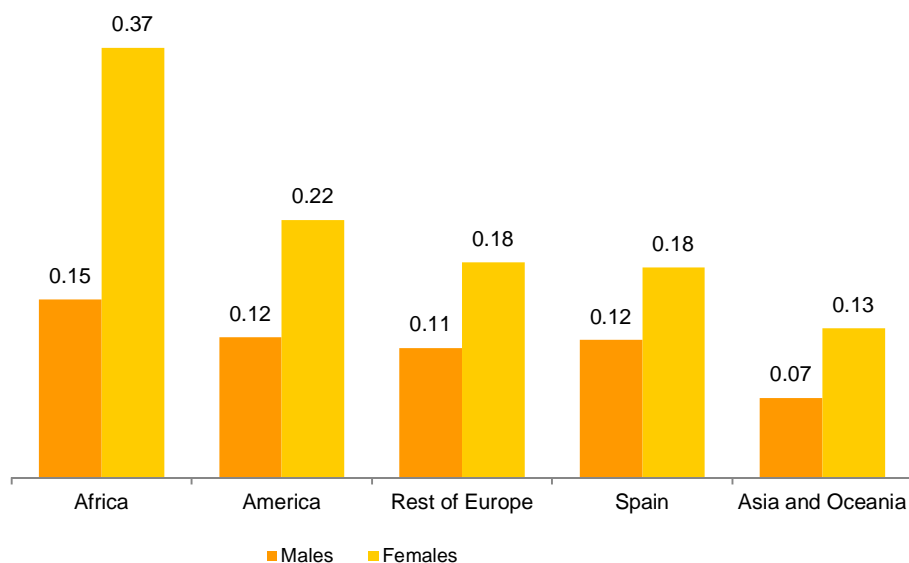
Rates calculated on the total population of men and women by using the provisional population data on 1 July

Regarding birthplace, 84.8% of female victims of domestic violence and 87.1% of male victims of domestic violence were born in Spain, similar proportions to those registered in 2013.

**Victims of domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and birthplace**

	Year 2013		Year 2014		Variation rate (%)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
<b>TOTAL</b>	2,635	4,425	2,703	4,381	2.6	-1.0
Born in Spain	2,288	3,756	2,354	3,715	2.9	-1.1
Born abroad	347	669	349	666	0.6	-0.4
Europe	134	227	128	214	-4.5	-5.7
America	135	285	119	284	-11.9	-0.4
Africa	71	135	89	146	25.4	8.1
Asia and Oceania	7	22	13	22	85.7	0.0

However, in relative terms (rates per 1,000 inhabitants), cases of domestic violence among females born in Spain presented the same rate as those born abroad (0.2). In the case of male victims, those born abroad also presented the same rate as those born in Spain (0.1). The highest rates of victims were those from Africa both in the case of males (0.15) and females (0.37).



Rates calculated on the basis of the total population of men and women by using the provisional population data on 1 July

By Autonomous Community, those that registered the highest rates of victims of registered domestic violence in 2014 were the Andalucía (1,596), Comunitat Valenciana (973) and Cataluña (829). In turn, the lowest rates were recorded in the Autonomous Cities of Ceuta (4) and Melilla (19), and Comunidad Foral de Navarra (71).

### Victims of domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by Autonomous Communities and Cities in which the cases have been registered

	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%) 2014/2011	Variation rate (%) 2014/2013
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,744</b>	<b>7,298</b>	<b>7,060</b>	<b>7,084</b>	<b>-8.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Andalucía	1,778	1,671	1,644	1,596	-10.2	-2.9
Aragón	138	160	143	158	14.5	10.5
Asturias, Principado de	183	176	189	197	7.7	4.2
Balears, Illes	119	138	142	152	27.7	7.0
Canarias	344	338	304	262	-23.8	-13.8
Cantabria	133	110	96	113	-15.0	17.7
Castilla y León	431	428	441	433	0.5	-1.8
Castilla-La Mancha	326	402	351	375	15.0	6.8
Cataluña	1,034	964	821	829	-19.8	1.0
Comunitat Valenciana	988	912	976	973	-1.5	-0.3
Extremadura	188	196	210	194	3.2	-7.6
Galicia	462	359	414	406	-12.1	-1.9
Madrid, Comunidad de	791	712	676	639	-19.2	-5.5
Murcia, Región de	290	282	209	262	-9.7	25.4
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	98	61	91	71	-27.6	-22.0
País Vasco	356	287	270	309	-13.2	14.4
Rioja, La	55	73	61	92	67.3	50.8
Ceuta	14	11	5	4	-71.4	-20.0
Melilla	16	18	17	19	18.8	11.8

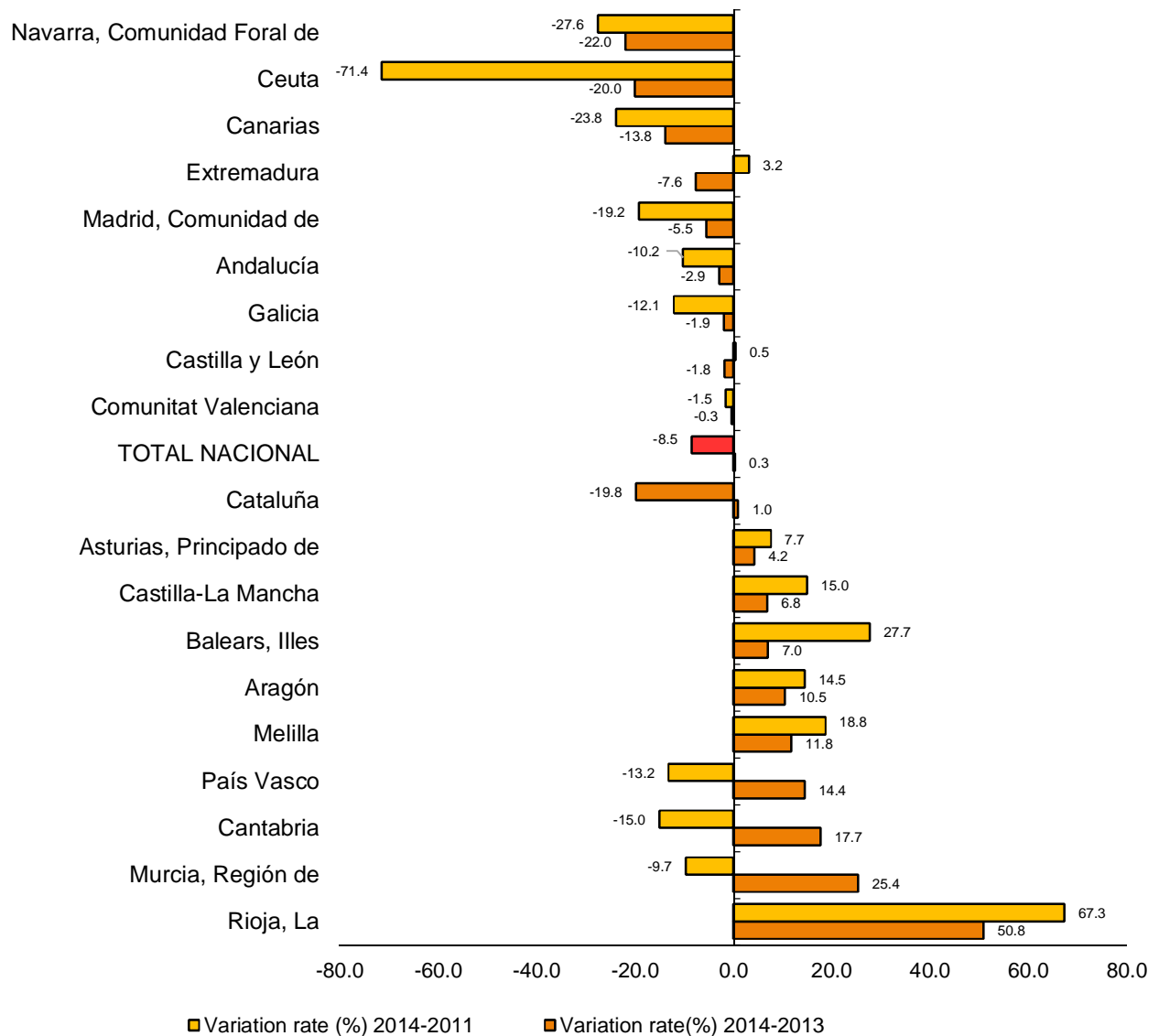
**Victims of domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and Autonomous Communities and Cities in which the cases have been registered**

	Year 2011		Year 2012		Year 2013		Year 2014	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Total	2,863	4,881	2,788	4,510	2,635	4,425	2,703	4,381
Andalucía	636	1,142	652	1,019	627	1,017	595	1,001
Aragón	60	78	61	99	51	92	59	99
Asturias, Principado de	80	103	72	104	60	129	63	134
Balears, Illes	40	79	58	80	47	95	58	94
Canarias	115	229	125	213	97	207	97	165
Cantabria	54	79	35	75	43	53	43	70
Castilla y León	163	268	159	269	171	270	166	267
Castilla-La Mancha	120	206	148	254	126	225	128	247
Cataluña	384	650	371	593	311	510	317	512
Comunitat Valenciana	368	620	339	573	372	604	372	601
Extremadura	69	119	65	131	76	134	80	114
Galicia	166	296	128	231	155	259	160	246
Madrid, Comunidad de	288	503	291	421	242	434	242	397
Murcia, Región de	110	180	112	170	80	129	92	170
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	36	62	20	41	34	57	31	40
País Vasco	142	214	123	164	114	156	154	155
Rioja, La	23	32	24	49	21	40	38	54
Ceuta	6	8	1	10	1	4	2	2
Melilla	3	13	4	14	7	10	6	13

The greatest annual variations in the number of victims were registered in La Rioja (50.8%) and Región de Murcia (-22.0%).

Since 2011, the greatest annual variations were registered in Ceuta (-71.4%), La Rioja (67.3%) and Illes Balears (27.7%).

**Variation rate (%) of victims of domestic violence (holding protection orders or interim measures) on 2013 and 2011**



The highest rates of victims (per 1,000 inhabitants) of registered domestic violence regarding males were registered in La Rioja (0.2), Comunitat Valenciana and Cantabria (both registering 0.1)

Regarding females, the highest rates were registered in La Rioja (0.3), the Autonomous City of Melilla (0.3) and Principado de Asturias (0.2).

**Persons reported for domestic violence**

In 2014, a total of 4,988 persons were reported for domestic violence, 1.0% less than in the previous year. Among them, 73.9% were males and 26.1% were females.

By age, nine out of ten persons reported were under 50 years old (87.7%). The average age of the persons reported was 35.2 years old.

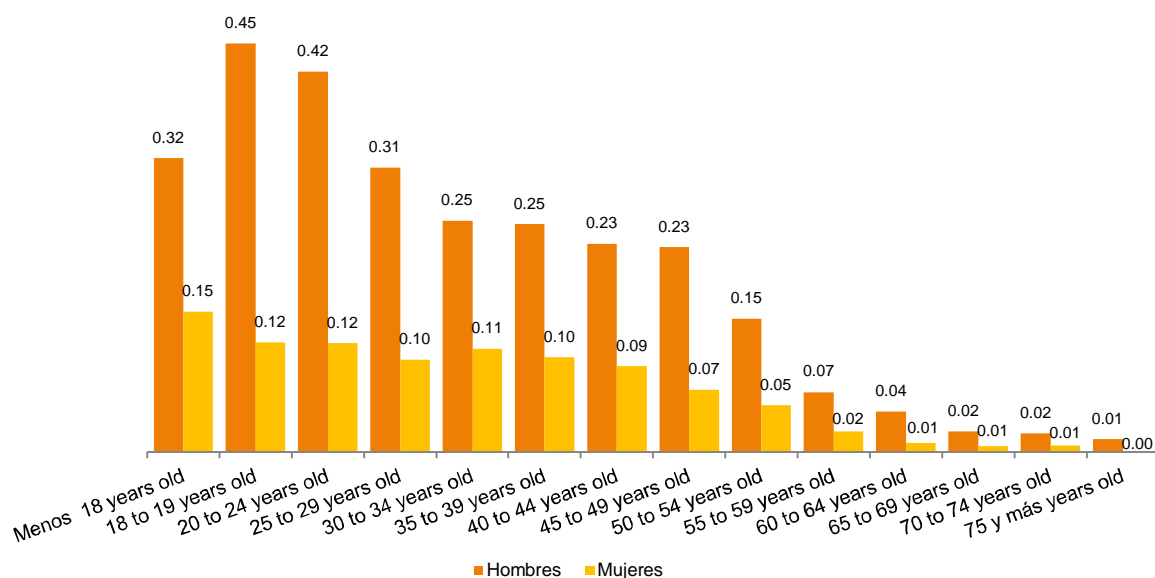


**Persons reported on domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and age group**

	Year 2013		Year 2014		Variation rate (%)	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
<b>TOTAL</b>	3,790	1,247	3,684	1,304	-2.8	4.6
Under 18 years old	262	100	289	130	10.3	30.0
18 to 19 years old	233	49	198	50	-15.0	2.0
20 to 24 years old	518	131	500	138	-3.5	5.3
25 to 29 years old	425	140	422	137	-0.7	-2.1
30 to 34 years old	446	186	431	190	-3.4	2.2
35 to 39 years old	529	204	511	204	-3.4	0.0
40 to 44 years old	488	165	452	179	-7.4	8.5
45 to 49 years old	434	121	419	125	-3.5	3.3
50 to 54 years old	216	61	246	87	13.9	42.6
55 to 59 years old	109	37	95	34	-12.8	-8.1
60 to 64 years old	58	22	54	13	-6.9	-40.9
65 to 69 years old	30	14	25	8	-16.7	-42.9
70 to 74 years old	22	10	18	7	-18.2	-30.0
75 and over	20	7	24	2	20.0	-71.4

The analysis of the rates per 1,000 persons showed that the greatest number of males reported was found in the group aged 18 to 24 years old, and the greatest number of females reported in the under 18 group.

**Rates on persons reported on domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and age group (rates per 1,000 persons aged 14 and over)**



Rates calculated on the total population of men and women by using the provisional data on 1 July

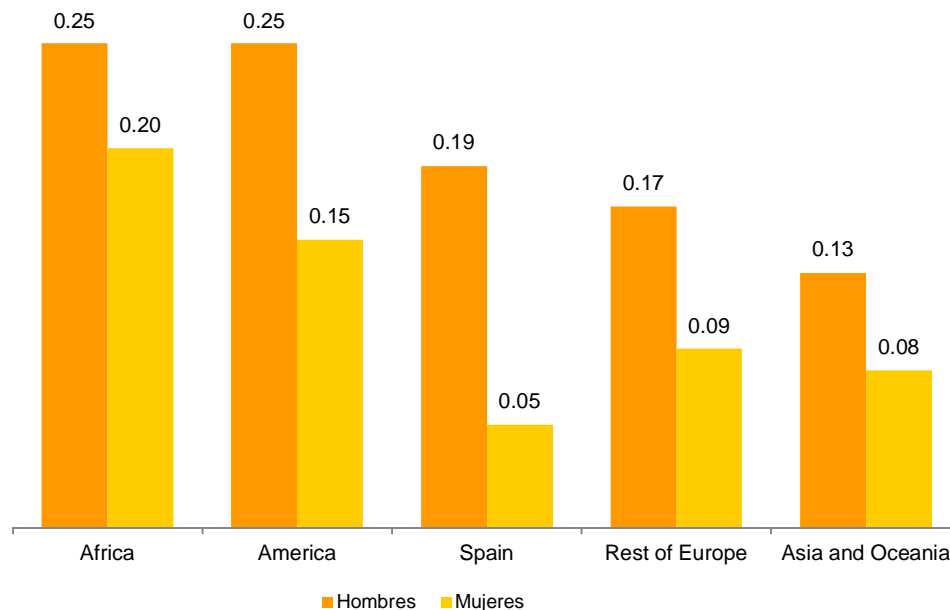
By birthplace, 71.8% of females and 84.4% of males reported in cases of domestic violence had been born in Spain.

**Persons reported on domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and birthplace**

	Year 2013		Year 2014		Variation rate %	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
TOTAL	3,790	1,247	3,684	1,304	-2.8	4.6
Born in Spain	3,196	910	3,110	936	-2.7	2.9
Born abroad	594	337	574	368	-3.4	9.2
Europe	194	89	180	102	-7.2	14.6
America	225	170	234	182	4.0	7.1
Africa	150	66	137	72	-8.7	9.1
Asia and Oceania	25	12	23	12	-8.0	0.0

In relative terms, the rate per 1,000 persons aged 14 years old and over was higher for those who had been born abroad. The highest rates of persons reported were registered for persons from Africa, both for males and females.

**Rates on reported persons on domestic violence (holding protective orders or interim measures) by sex and birthplace (rates per 1,000 persons aged 14 and over)**



Rates calculated on the total population of men and women by using the provisional population data on 1 July

**Relationship victim/reported person**

Considering the type of relationship existing between the victim and the reported person, in 28.9% of cases, the victim was the mother of the reported person, in 24.8% of the cases the victims were the children, in 12.2% the victim was the father and in 10.5% were the siblings.

### Relationship victims/reported persons

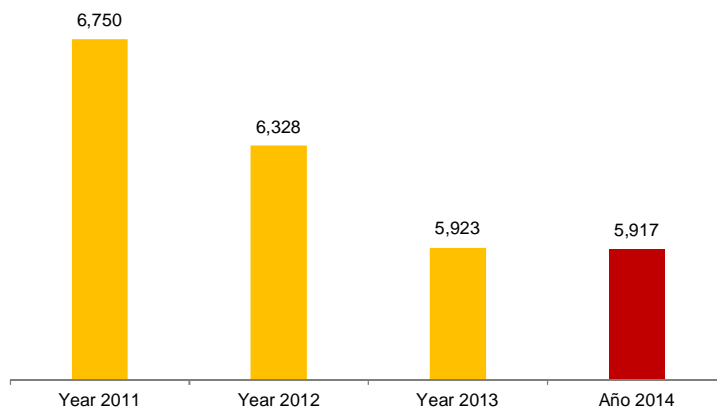
	Year 2011	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Variation rate (%) 2014/2011	Variation rate (%) 2014/2013
Father/Mother	3,086	3,003	3,091	3,096	0.3	0.2
Children	1,948	1,852	1,710	1,874	-3.8	9.6
Siblings	995	895	900	791	-20.5	-12.1
Grandparents	127	123	117	112	-11.8	-4.3
Grandchildren	54	58	35	45	-16.7	28.6
Rest of relationships	2,187	1,792	1,644	1,627	-25.6	-1.0

According to the birthplace, in 79.8% of the cases both the victim and the reported person had been born in Spain. In 4.4% of the cases they had been born in America and in 2.5% in Africa.

### Punishable offences and interim measures of gender violence

The number of punishable offences<sup>5</sup> imputed to those persons reported for domestic violence reached 5,917 in 2014; that is 0.1% less than in the previous year. The number of punishable offences per person reported was 1.2.

#### Punishable offences imputed



Of the total number of punishable offences, 5,461 were crimes and 456, misdemeanours.

The most frequent crimes were those relating to *Injuries* (49.7% of the crimes), *Threats* (22.6%) and *Torture and other crimes against moral integrity* (15.0%).

10,890 interim measures were ordered<sup>6</sup> in cases of domestic violence registered during the year 2014, 1.4% less than in the previous year. 75.3% were handed down to men, and 24.7% to women.

Considering the nature of the measures, 95.6% were *penal interim measures*, and 4.4% *civil interim measures*.

<sup>5</sup> Each person reported could be imputed more than one punishable offence.

<sup>6</sup> For each case, several interim measures can be ordered.

The most frequent penal interim measures were *the prohibition of approaching given persons* (35.4% of the total penal measures), *the prohibition of communicating with given persons* (29.0%) and *conditional release* (15.6%).

In turn, the most common civil interim measures were *establishment of custody rights* (28.2% of the total civil measures), *the establishment of the visitation regime* (17.6%) and the *establishment of food provision rights* (15.3%).

## Methodological note

The Statistics on Domestic Violence and Gender Violence provides information about defendants and victims holding protective orders and interim measures, issued in the year of reference and registered in the *Central Register for the protection of victims of domestic and gender violence*, owned by the Ministry of Justice.

It does not include data about people convicted by a judgment which has the force of *res judicata* nor about the total number of lodged complaints, but only about those which have been registered due to the further undertaking of interim measures.

Statistical use of this Register has been made by the National Statistics Institute (INE), by virtue of the Partnership Agreement signed by the two institutions on 3 July 2007.

The Central Register for the Protection of Victims of Domestic and Gender Violence records interim measures and protection orders relating to cases of domestic violence or gender violence, as well as data corresponding to sentences and security measures handed down as final or non-final sentences for crimes or misdemeanours.

From a conceptual point of view, the current focus of these statistics is geared towards **studying the pre-trial phase of the criminal process (proceedings initiated)**, in particular of **cases with interim measures ordered**, whereby they provide information regarding victims and persons reported with interim measures, and not regarding convicts, sentences or final sentences handed down. Nor does the information provided consider the total number of reports submitted, but only those that have given rise to their recording in the Register as a result of the interim measures ordered.

The investigation focuses on studying cases **recorded in the Register during the course of the reference period** of the information. The information provided derives, then, from proceedings initiated, which, as a result of the interim measures ordered, were recorded in the Register in 2014.

The purpose of these statistics is to ascertain the number of victims and persons reported in cases recorded in the Register during the course of the reference year, to examine their main socio-demographic features (sex, age, place of birth, type of relationship) and provide detailed information regarding interim measures ordered and punishable offences imputed.