



Registered health care professionals. 2022

		% Women	Inter-annual variation %
Total*	946,515	68.8	2.7
Nurses	336,321	84.2	2.1
Doctors	292,413	53.4	3.0
Pharmacists	79,288	71.9	1.5
Physiotherapists	66,178	61.6	5.6
Dentists	40,968	58.4	1.4
Psychologists specialised in health care	38,427	82.1	2.2
Veterinarians	36,337	52.9	2.2
Opticians-optometrists	19,113	68.1	1.8
Speech therapist	11,462	93.1	5.2
Podiatrists	9,698	62.0	7.2
Occupational therapists	7,560	90.4	11.5
Dental technicians	7,463	30.9	-0.6
Biologists specialised in health care	651	63.3	4.2
Chemists specialised in health care	319	58.7	3.9
Physicists specialised in health care	317	32.9	6.0

93.1% of Speech therapists are women

According to the registered health care professionals statistics, the number of registered doctors increased by 3.0% in 2022 and the number of nurses increased by 2.1%.

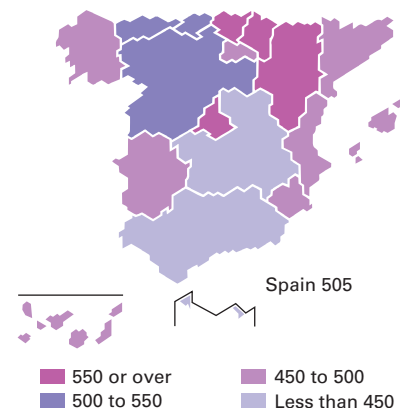
The group with a majority is the nurses' (35.5% of the total), followed by doctors (30.9%) and pharmacists (8.4%). Women are in the majority except among dental technicians and medical physicists. As for speech therapist, 93.1% are women.

The rate of non-retired registered nurses rises in 2022 to 6.18 for every thousand inhabitants.

The average rate of non-retired registered doctors is 5.05 per 1,000 inhabitants. The highest rates are in Comunidad de Madrid (6.2), País Vasco and Aragón (both 5.7). And the lowest rates are in Melilla, Ceuta and Castilla-La Mancha (all of them below 4.0).

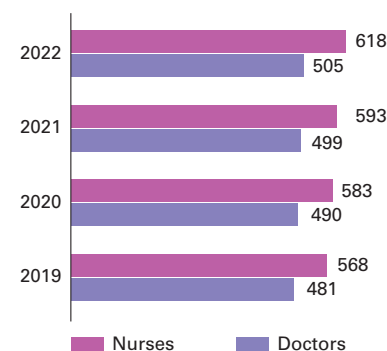
Non-retired registered doctors. 2022

Rate per 100,000 inhabitants



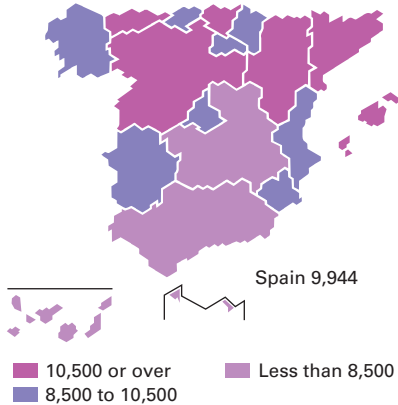
Non-retired physicians and nurses

Rates per 100,000 inhabitants



Hospital morbidity rate. 2022

Per 100,000 population



People with a long-term disease or health issue*. 2022

% of population aged 16 and over

European Union	36.1
Finland	53.0
Estonia	47.1
Portugal	44.7
Sweden	42.0
Latvia	41.0
France	40.7
Hungary	39.3
Spain	38.9
Cyprus	38.8
Germany	38.3
Lithuania	36.8
Poland	36.6
Slovenia	36.5
Netherlands	36.3
Austria	36.2
Slovakia	35.1
Czechia	35.0
Denmark	33.4
Croatia	32.7
Malta	31.1
Ireland	29.5
Belgium	27.0
Greece	25.0
Luxembourg	22.7
Bulgaria	22.4
Romania	19.8
Italy	17.9

* Duration of at least 6 months.

Source: Eurostat

Discharges by disease group according to the ICD10-ES MC classification. 2022

		Inter-annual variation (%)
Total	4,751,829	5.3
Circulatory system	584,830	0.4
Digestive system	583,045	5.3
Respiratory system	486,307	35.9
Injuries, poisoning and other external-cause consequences	449,406	5.6
Tumours	447,567	2.0

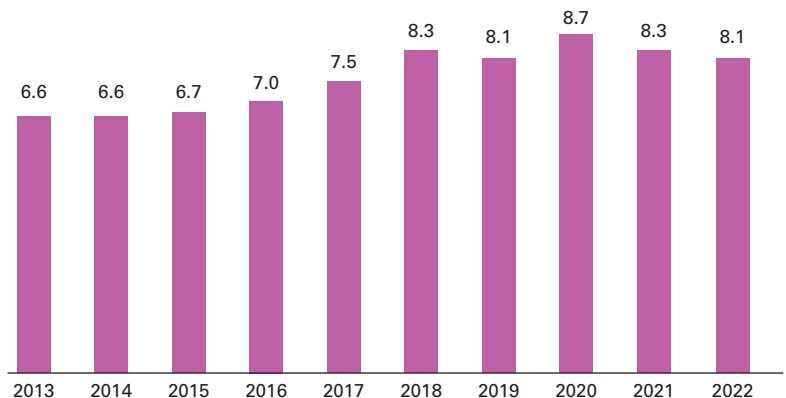
Hospital discharges for infectious diseases fall, while hospital discharges for respiratory disease rise 35.9%

According to the Hospital Morbidity Survey, there were 4,751,829 hospital discharges in 2022, 5.3% more than in 2021. That is 9,944 for every 100,000 inhabitants. Cataluña (11,511), Principado de Asturias (11,472) and País Vasco (11,009) recorded the highest figures.

The average length of stay per hospital discharge was 8.1 days, two tenths less than the previous year.

The pandemic led to a change in the reasons for hospitalisation when compared to previous years, affecting the number of respiratory diseases to a greater extent, which fell significantly. This changed in 2022. Therefore, *respiratory system diseases* increased 35.9%, while *infectious and parasitic diseases* (COVID-19 infection included) decreased 13.6%.

Average patient stay by discharge year (days)



Deaths according to cause of death. 2022

		% Women	Inter-annual variation %
All causes	464,417	49.5	3.0
Circulatory system diseases	121,341	52.9	1.8
Tumours	114,828	40.9	1.0
Respiratory system diseases	43,024	44.3	21.0
Infectious diseases and diseases caused by parasites ¹	38,589	47.9	-16.1
Nervous system diseases and disease of the senses	26,765	60.1	7.0
Digestive system diseases	23,266	47.9	3.1
Mental and behavioural disorders	22,744	66.9	10.9
External causes of death	18,574	37.0	10.4

1. Includes the identified and unidentified (suspected) COVID-19 virus.

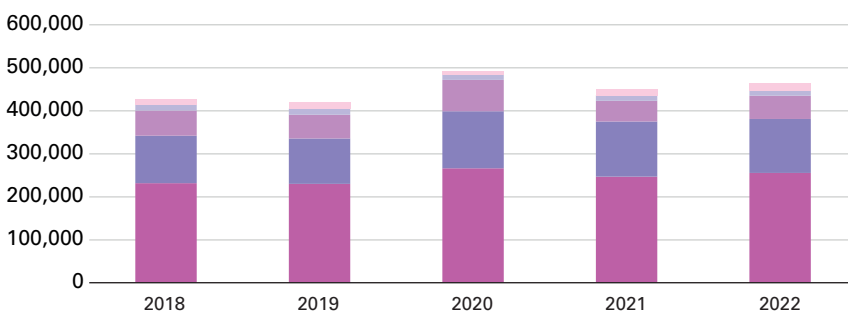
16.1% less deaths due to infectious diseases

In 2022, the Death Statistics according to cause of death recorded a total of 464,417 deaths, 3.0% less than in the previous year. Women represented 49.5% of the total. For another year, diseases of the circulatory system were the leading cause of death while tumours were second. Tumour mortality increased slightly (1.0%) and remained the leading cause of death in men and the second in women.

Infectious and parasitic diseases (including COVID-19 since 2020) drop one place from the previous two years and rank as the fourth cause.

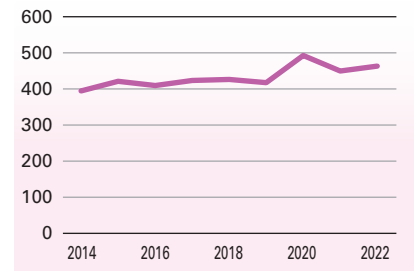
External causes account for 4.0% of the total. Suicide remained the leading external cause of death, with 4,227 deaths, 5.6% more than in 2021.

Death by place of occurrence



Deaths from all causes

Thousands



Main causes of death according to sex. 2022

% over each group's total

Men	Women
Tumours	29.0
Circulatory system diseases	27.9
Circulatory system diseases	24.4
Tumours	20.4
Diseases of the respiratory system	10.2
Diseases of the respiratory system	8.3

In 2022, 31,606 persons died due to COVID-19, 19.9% less than the previous year.



- Hospital centre
- Home
- Health care home
- Somewhere else
- Not specified