

Statistics on the Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad at 1 January 2015

The Spanish population resident abroad increases 6.1% in 2014

Argentina, Cuba, the United States of America, the United Kingdom and Ecuador are the countries recording the greatest increase in population with Spanish nationality

Two out of three new registrations in 2014 correspond to persons born outside of Spain

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad, by continent

The number of persons with Spanish nationality resident abroad reached 2,183,043 at 1 January 2015, according to data from the Register of Spaniards Resident Abroad (RSRA). This figure represents an increase of 6.1% (124,995 persons), as compared with the data at 1 January 2014.

By continent, 63.4% of the persons registered in the RSRA had established residence in America, 33.5% in Europe and 3.1% in the rest of the world.

The increases in registered persons, as compared with the data at 1 January 2014, were concentrated in America (with 81,030 more registered persons) and Europe (with 39,246).

In relative terms, the greatest increase was recorded in Asia (10.8%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad, by continent

Continent	Data at 1 January 2015	Data at 1 January 2014	Variation	
			Absolute	Relative
TOTAL	2,183,043	2,058,048	124,995	6.1
Europe (*)	730,839	691,593	39,246	5.7
Africa	18,274	17,273	1,001	5.8
America	1,383,626	1,302,596	81,030	6.2
Asia	30,441	27,485	2,956	10.8
Oceania	19,863	19,101	762	4.0

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality, by continent and place of birth

33.6% of the Spaniards resident abroad were born in Spain, 59.7% were born in their current country of residence and 6.3% were born 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	2,183,043	733,387	1,303,043	137,391	9,222
Europe (*)	730,839	383,525	279,633	63,457	4,224
Africa	18,274	8,312	8,168	1,705	89
America	1,383,626	315,039	998,217	65,670	4,700
Asia	30,441	15,529	10,108	4,744	60
Oceania	19,863	10,982	6,917	1,815	149

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality, by continent and age group

15.0% of those registered in the RSRA at 1 January 2015 were under 16 years of age, 62.7% were aged 16 to 64 years old, and 22.3% were aged 65 years old and over.

By continent, 54.5% of the persons under 16 years of age were resident in America and 40.1% were resident in Europe. In the group aged 16 to 64 years old, 62.0% resided in America and 35.0% in Europe. Regarding persons aged 65 years old and over, 73.5% were resident in America and 24.7% resided in Europe.

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad, by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years of age	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	2,183,043	326,617	1,369,056	487,370
Europe (*)	730,839	130,966	479,325	120,548
Africa	18,274	6,625	10,056	1,593
America	1,383,626	178,077	847,309	358,240
Asia	30,441	8,470	19,934	2,037
Oceania	19,863	2,479	12,432	4,952

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality registered in 2014, by continent and place of birth

Most of the new registrations in 2014 corresponded to residents in America (61.6%) and to persons born in their country of residence (56.0%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad and registered in 2014, by continent and place of birth

Continent	TOTAL	Place of birth			
		Spain	Country of residence	Other countries	No data recorded
TOTAL	174,571	58,671	97,697	18,200	3
Europe (*)	57,209	32,169	14,056	10,981	3
Africa	3,342	1,622	1,522	198	-
America	107,594	20,728	80,550	6,316	-
Asia	5,247	3,443	1,214	590	-
Oceania	1,179	709	355	115	-

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality registered in 2014, by continent and age group

Most of the new registrations in 2014 corresponded to persons aged 16 to 64 years old (64.1%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad and registered in 2014, by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years of age	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	174,571	52,972	111,878	9,721
Europe (*)	57,209	18,629	36,841	1,739
Africa	3,342	1,730	1,556	56
America	107,594	30,516	69,287	7,791
Asia	5,247	1,724	3,444	79
Oceania	1,179	373	750	56

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality registered in 2014 and born in Spain, by continent and age group

Considering the new registrations in 2014 of persons born in Spain, the highest numbers were recorded for persons resident in Europe (54.8%) and in America (35.3%). By age group, the group aged 16 to 64 years old recorded the highest number of new registrations (65.1%).

Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad, registered in 2014 and born in Spain, by continent and age group

Continent	TOTAL	Under 16 years of age	16 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
TOTAL	58,671	16,499	38,195	3,977
Europe (*)	32,169	7,540	23,155	1,474
Africa	1,622	625	956	41
America	20,728	7,582	10,762	2,384
Asia	3,443	653	2,763	27
Oceania	709	99	559	51

(*) Excluding Spain.

Population with Spanish nationality, by country

The foreign countries with the highest number of residents holding Spanish nationality at 1 January 2015 were Argentina (423,006), France (223,636), Venezuela (190,601) and Germany (130,279).

In absolute terms, the greatest increases were recorded in Argentina (18,895 more Spanish nationals), Cuba (10,804) and the United States of America (10,028).

In relative terms, in countries with more than 10,000 residents, the greatest increases were registered in Ecuador (27.6% more), Bolivia (23.4%) and Colombia (20.9%).

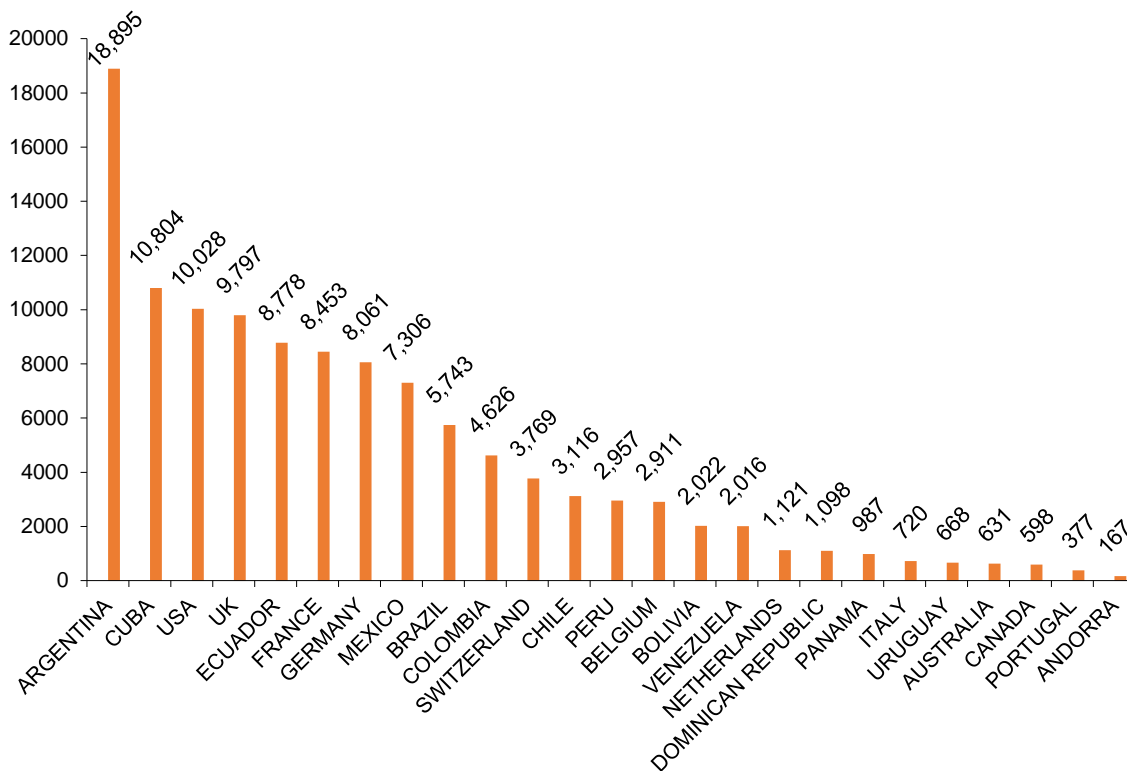
Population with Spanish nationality resident abroad, by country (*)

Country of residence	Data at 1 January 2015	Data at 1 January 2014	Variation	
			Absolute	Relative
Germany	130,279	122,218	8,061	6.6
Andorra	24,485	24,318	167	0.7
Argentina	423,006	404,111	18,895	4.7
Australia	18,987	18,356	631	3.4
Belgium	56,123	53,212	2,911	5.5
Bolivia	10,678	8,656	2,022	23.4
Brazil	123,266	117,523	5,743	4.9
Canada	14,726	14,128	598	4.2
Chile	59,220	56,104	3,116	5.6
Colombia	26,749	22,123	4,626	20.9
Cuba	119,662	108,858	10,804	9.9
Ecuador	40,645	31,867	8,778	27.6
The United States of America	113,502	103,474	10,028	9.7
France	223,636	215,183	8,453	3.9
Italy	21,618	20,898	720	3.5
Mexico	115,620	108,314	7,306	6.8
The Netherlands	23,095	21,974	1,121	5.1
Panama	10,519	9,532	987	10.4
Peru	22,625	19,668	2,957	15.0
Portugal	11,224	10,847	377	3.5
The United Kingdom	91,316	81,519	9,797	12.0
The Dominican Republic	20,026	18,928	1,098	5.8
Switzerland	107,016	103,247	3,769	3.7
Uruguay	64,495	63,827	668	1.1
Venezuela	190,601	188,585	2,016	1.1

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

Increases in recorded registrations in 2014 exceeded 2,000 persons in a total of 16 countries.

Increase in the population with Spanish nationality resident abroad in 2014, by country (*)



(*) Countries with increases of more than 2,000 residents.

Informative annex

The target population of study for these statistics is the Spanish population resident abroad. This includes all persons holding Spanish nationality, whether it is their only nationality or not, who are registered as regular residents in the Consular Office Register corresponding to their place of residence. This registration has been notified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation to the INE, so as to be incorporated into the central file of the RSRA.

Those registrations carried out during the year prior to 1 January of the reference year correspond to new registrations due to any possible reason (birth, nationalisation, omission and emigration abroad of persons living in Spain).

The statistical use of the RSRA central file only enables obtaining the distribution of registered persons and the distribution of new registrations, by variable, on the reference date, but without being able to provide information regarding the reasons for the variations occurring with regard to the previous year.

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