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**Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017**  
*Provisional data*

**The population registered in Spain's Continuous Register  
decreased in 17,982 persons by 2016, standing at 46.5 million**

**Of the total population, 90.2% are Spanish nationals and 9.8% are  
foreigners**

January 1st, 2017, the total number of residents in Spain registered in the Continuous Register<sup>1</sup> was 46,539,026 inhabitants, according to the Previews Continuous Register, indicating a decrease of 17,982 persons, as compared with the data from January 1st, 2016<sup>2</sup>.

Out of this total, 41,989,168 were persons with Spanish nationality and **4,549,858 were foreign nationals, representing 9.8% of the total number registered.**

The figures published today 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.

During the year 2016, the number of registered Spaniards experienced a net increase of 50,741 persons (0.1%), while the number of registered foreign nationals decreased by 68,723 persons (-1.5%)<sup>3</sup>. Among the latter, those belonging to the EU-28 decreased by 80,978 (-4.4%), whereas non-community citizens increased by 12,255 persons (0.4%).

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<sup>1</sup> When referring to population and registered population, this Press Release refers to the population registered in the Continuous Register, which is the coordination file of all the Municipal Registers managed by 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*.

<sup>2</sup> Variations regarding Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2016 are due to different causes detailed in the methodological note at the end of this press release.

<sup>3</sup> 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 150,000 persons have change their nationality from foreign national to Spaniard in 2016.

### Population registered in the Continuous Register by nationality

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Population January 1st, 2017 (Provisional data)		Population January 1st, 2016 (Definitive data)		Absolute variation	Relative variation (in %)
	Number of persons	% as compared with the total	Number of persons	% as compared with the total		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>46,557,008</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-17,982</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Spaniards	41,989,168	90.2	41,938,427	90.1	50,741	0.1
Foreign nationals	4,549,858	9.8	4,618,581	9.9	-68,723	-1.5
EU-28	1,763,614	3.8	1,844,592	4.0	-80,978	-4.4
Non-EU	2,786,244	6.0	2,773,989	6.0	12,255	0.4

### Population registered by sex, place of birth and age

49.0% of the total number of registered persons were men and 51.0% were women. Among the Spaniards, there were more females (51.1%), while among the foreign nationals there were more males (50.4%).

### Population registered in the Continuous Register by sex

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Total	% as compare with the total	Spaniards	% as compared with the total of Spaniards	Foreign nation:	% as compared with the total of foreign nationals
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>41,989,168</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Men	22,817,410	49.0	20,522,824	48.9	2,294,586	50.4
Women	23,721,616	51.0	21,466,344	51.1	2,255,272	49.6

**86.8% of the registered population was born in Spain and 13.2% was born abroad.** By nationality, 95.1% of the Spaniards were born in Spain, whereas in the case of the foreign nationals this figure was 10.2%.

### Distribution by place of birth and nationality

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Total	Born Spain	% as compare with the total	Born abroad	% as compared with the total
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>	<b>40,378,568</b>	<b>86.8</b>	<b>6,160,458</b>	<b>13.2</b>
Spaniards	41,989,168	39,912,363	95.1	2,076,805	4.9
Foreign national	4,549,858	466,205	10.2	4,083,653	89.8

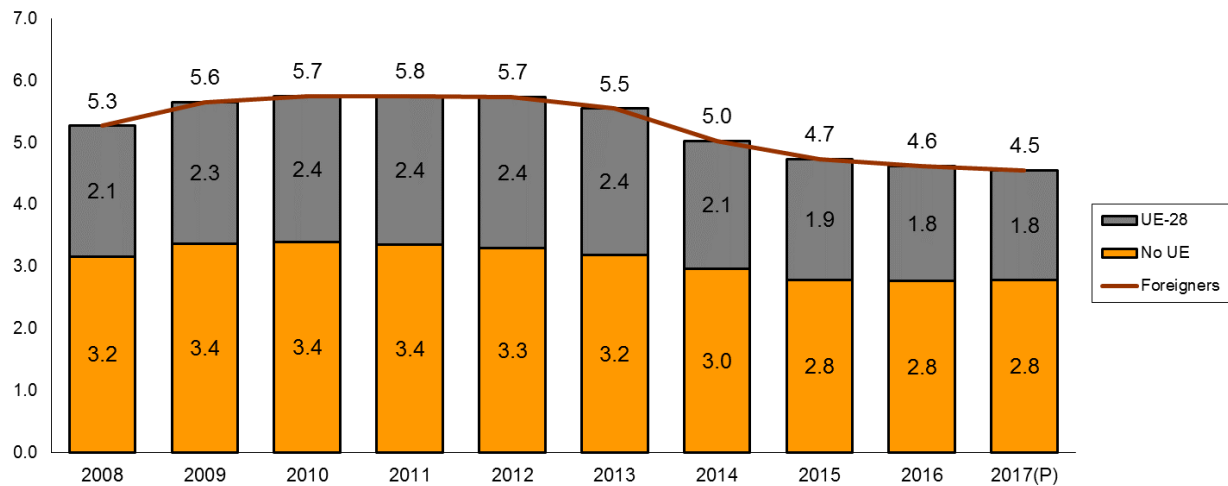
Since 1998, when the Official figures of population from the Revision of the Municipal Register at 1 January were published for the first time, the population registered in Spain had increased every year. During 2012 it began to decrease, trend which continued in 2016. This year it experienced a decrease of 17,982 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.

From that time the number of foreigners began to descend, producing the greatest drop during 2013 (- 522.751). This trend has been maintained in subsequent years and in 2016 the balance (- 68.723) has been that of lesser intensity.

**Foreign nationals registered in the Continuous Register (millions)**

Continuous Register Statistics January 1st



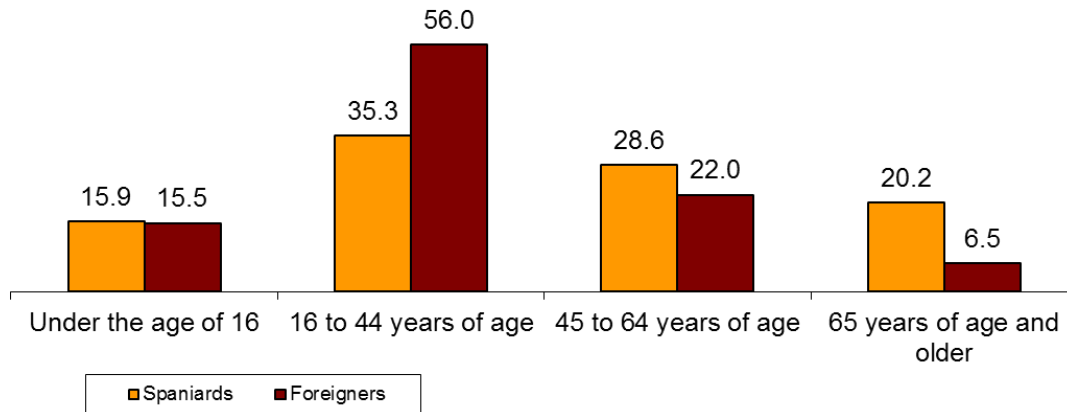
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By age, 15.9% of the population was younger than 16 years of age, 37.3% was between 16 and 44, 28.0% was between 45 and 64, and 18.8% was 65 years old or older.

By nationality, notably the group of 16 to 44 years of age presenting the differences more accused in the percentage of age between Spaniards and foreigners, being also increased the percentage of foreigners compared to the Spaniards. Thus, whereas those Spaniards registered in these ages represented 35.3% of the total, the percentage rose to 56.0% in the case of the foreign nationals.

**Percentage of population registered by nationality and age groups**

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017



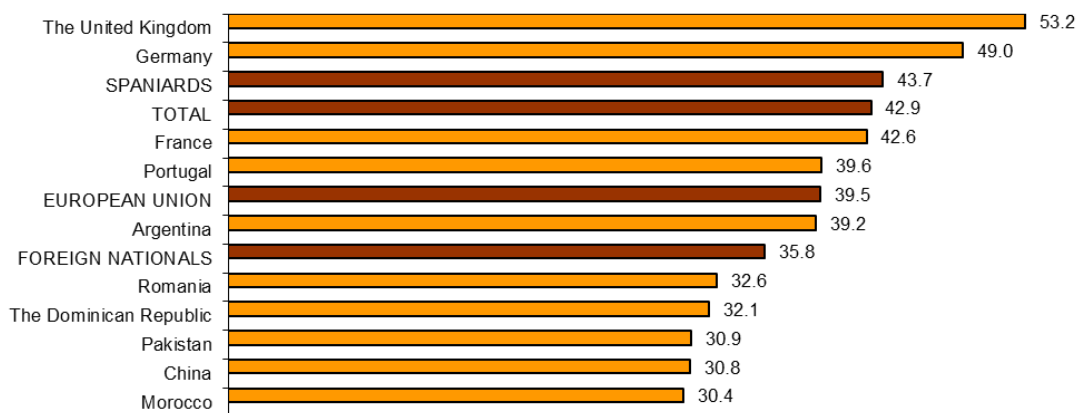
The **average age** of the resident population registered in the registry is 42.9 years of age. For the Spaniards is 43.7 years of age, and for the foreigners is 35.8 years of age (for citizens of countries belonging to the European Union is 39.5 years of age).

The highest average ages among the main nationalities were found in the British citizens (53.2 years old), German citizens (49.0) and French citizens (42.6).

Conversely, the lowest average ages corresponded to Moroccan citizens (30.4 years of age), Chinese citizens (30.8) and Pakistani citizens (30.9).

**Average age by countries (main nationalities)**

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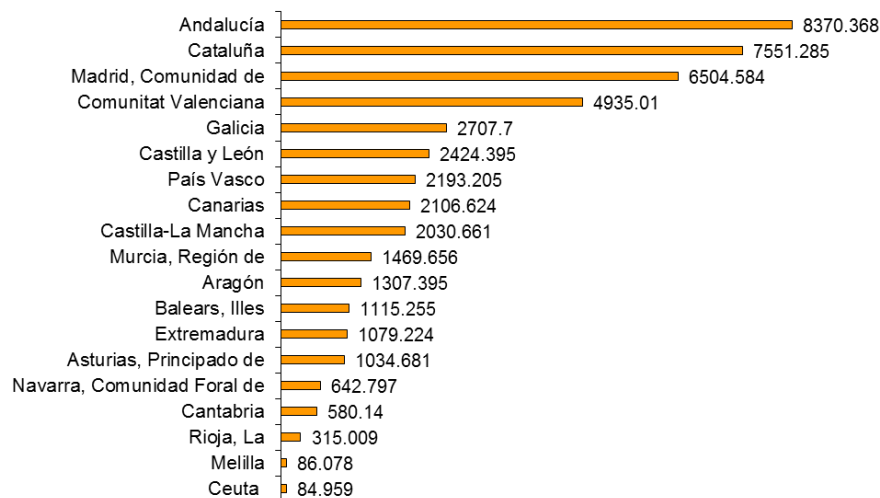
## Data by Autonomous City and Community

The Autonomous Communities most populated are Andalucía, Cataluña and Comunidad de Madrid as they were January 1st, 2016

In turn, 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)

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

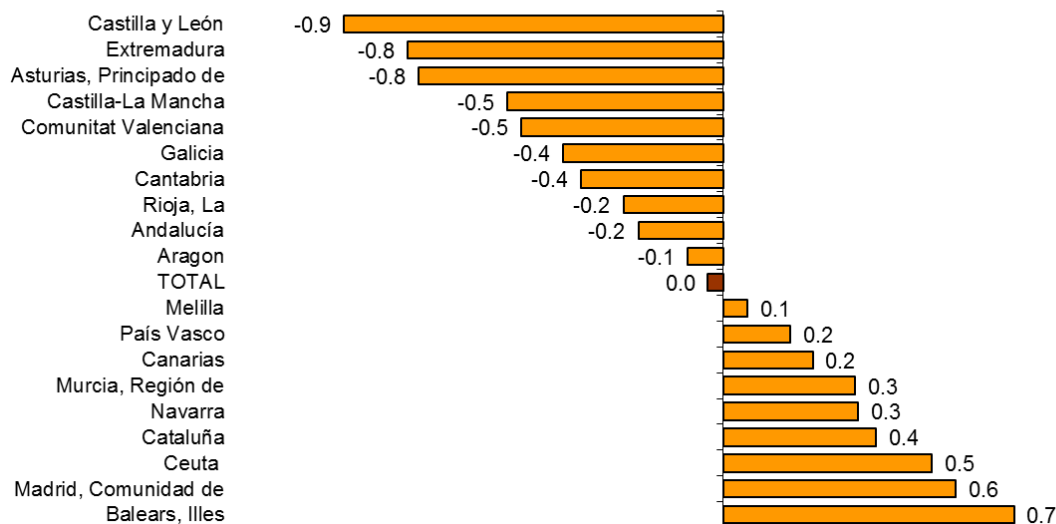


In the last year the population has decreased in 10 Autonomous Communities and has increased in the rest. Comunidad de Madrid (37,588 more persons), Cataluña (28,689 more) and Illes Balears (8,035 more) experienced the largest increases. The population has also increased in the autonomous cities of Ceuta (440 persons more) and Melilla (52 more).

The greatest reductions in population in absolute terms between January 1st, 2016 and January 1st, 2017 occurred in Comunitat Valenciana (- 24.958), Castilla y León (- 23.124) and Andalusia (- 17.739). In turn, the slightest decreases corresponded to La Rioja (-785 persons), Aragón (-1,168) and Cantabria (-2,066).

In relative terms, Castilla y León (- 0.9%), Extremadura and Principado de Asturias (both with - 0.8%) present the greatest reductions in population. In turn, the largest increases were registered in Balears (0.7%), Comunidad de Madrid (0.6%) and Cataluña (0.4%).

**Population Registered by Autonomous City and Community  
Relative variation (%) between 2016 and 2017**



**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 9.8% January 1st, 2017.

The Communities with the highest proportion of foreign nationals are Illes Balears (16.7%), Cataluña (13.8%) and Región de Murcia (13.5%). It should be noted that also the Autonomous City of Melilla (with a 15.5% of the foreign population).

In contrast, those with the lowest proportion of foreign nationals were Extremadura (2.9%), Galicia (3.2%) and Principado de Asturias (3.7%).

During the year 2016 the number of foreigners decreased in all regions, except in Cataluña (15,057 more persons), País Vasco (2,967 more persons) and Comunidad de Madrid (886 more). The population has also increased in the Autonomous Cities of Ceuta (210 more persons) and Melilla (27).

The Communities registering the greatest decreases of foreign nationals are Comunitat Valenciana (-35.784), Andalucía (-20.127) y Castilla-La Mancha (-7.297).

In turn, the slightest reductions of foreign population correspond to the Comunidad Foral de Navarra (-395), Aragón (-679) and La Rioja (-837).

In relative terms, the greatest decreases of foreign population are registered in Extremadura (-6.9%), Castilla-La Mancha (-5.5%) and Comunitat Valenciana (-5.3%).

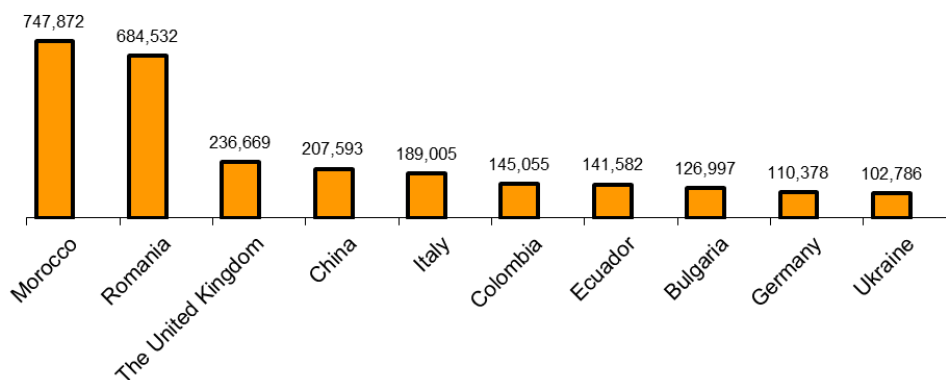
## Distribution of foreign citizens by nationality

The foreign nationals registered in the Continuous Register and belonging to the EU-28 reached 1,763,614. Among those, the most numerous were the Romanian citizens (684,532), followed by those from the United Kingdom (236,669) and Italy (189,005).

Among the group of non-European-Union foreign nationals, Moroccan citizens were the most numerous (747,872), followed by Chinese (207,593) and Colombian ones (145,055).

### Foreign nationals registered by country (main nationalities)

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017



The main nationalities, during 2016 include the increase in the number of citizens of Venezuela (14,238 foreigners more), China (7,446) and Italy (6,736). Conversely, the greatest decreases in absolute value were recorded among citizens from the Romania (-32,930), United Kingdom (-19,832) and Ecuador (-16,703).

In relative terms, among the nationalities with the highest number of registered persons, the greatest decreases were recorded among citizens from Bolivia (-11.5%), Ecuador (-10.6%) and Germany (-7.9%). By contrast, the largest increases are among the citizens of Venezuela (26.2%), Ukraine (3.8%), China and Italy (3.7% both).

## Foreign nationals registered by country (main nationalities)

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Provisional population January 1st, 2017 (Provisional Data)		Provisional population January 1st, 2016 (Definitive Data)		Absolute Variation	Relative Variation (in %)
	Number of Persons	% as compared with the	Number of Persons	% as compared with the total		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,618,581</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-68,723</b>	<b>-1.5</b>
Morocco	747,872	16.4	755,459	16.4	-7,587	-1.0
Romania	684,532	15.0	717,462	15.5	-32,930	-4.6
The United Kingdom	236,669	5.2	256,501	5.6	-19,832	-7.7
China	207,593	4.6	200,147	4.3	7,446	3.7
Italy	189,005	4.2	182,269	3.9	6,736	3.7
Colombia	145,055	3.2	140,527	3.0	4,528	3.2
Ecuador	141,582	3.1	158,285	3.4	-16,703	-10.6
Bulgaria	126,997	2.8	133,951	2.9	-6,954	-5.2
Germany	110,378	2.4	119,820	2.6	-9,442	-7.9
Ukraine	102,786	2.3	99,060	2.1	3,726	3.8
Bolivia	102,236	2.2	115,575	2.5	-13,339	-11.5
France	95,645	2.1	97,587	2.1	-1,942	-2.0
Portugal	87,781	1.9	91,371	2.0	-3,590	-3.9
Pakistan	80,009	1.8	78,323	1.7	1,686	2.2
Brazil	75,880	1.7	73,398	1.6	2,482	3.4
Russia	71,845	1.6	70,927	1.5	918	1.3
Paraguay	70,802	1.6	69,286	1.5	1,516	2.2
Argentina	70,011	1.5	71,971	1.6	-1,960	-2.7
The Dominican Republic	69,630	1.5	71,855	1.6	-2,225	-3.1
Venezuela	68,639	1.5	54,401	1.2	14,238	26.2

By group of countries, the EU-28 citizens were the most numerous, representing 38.8% of the total foreign citizens. It is followed by African, that supposed a 22.8% of the total.

## Foreign nationals registered by groups of countries

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	January 1st, 2017 (Provisional data)		January, 1st; 2016 (Final data)	
	Number of persons	% of the total of Spain	Number of persons	% of the total of Spain
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,618,581</b>	<b>100.0</b>
EU-28	1,763,614	38.8	1,844,592	39.9
Rest of Europe	260,033	5.7	256,880	5.6
Africa	1,037,138	22.8	1,048,129	22.7
North America	59,933	1.3	57,661	1.2
Central America and Caribbear	219,077	4.8	206,967	4.5
South America	788,112	17.3	799,980	17.3
Asia	417,598	9.2	400,540	8.7
The rest	4,353	0.1	3,832	0.1

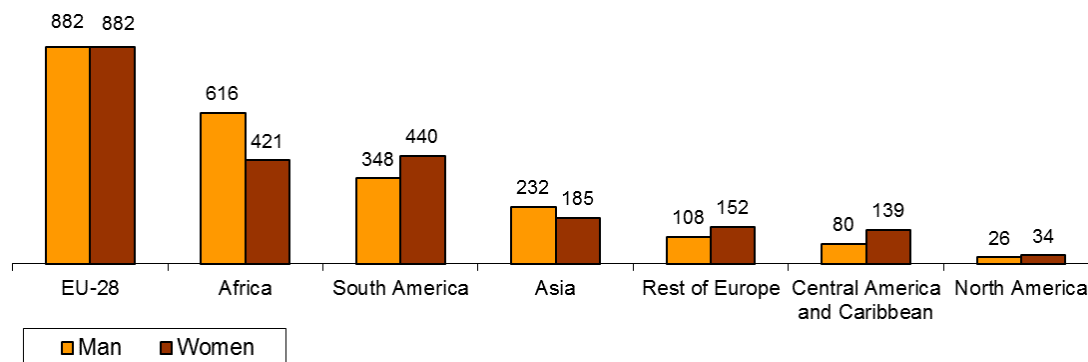


## Distribution of the foreign population by sex

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

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

Provisional Data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017



## Data of municipalities by sections

Among the 8,124 Spanish municipalities, 4,983 had a population lower than 1,000 inhabitants.

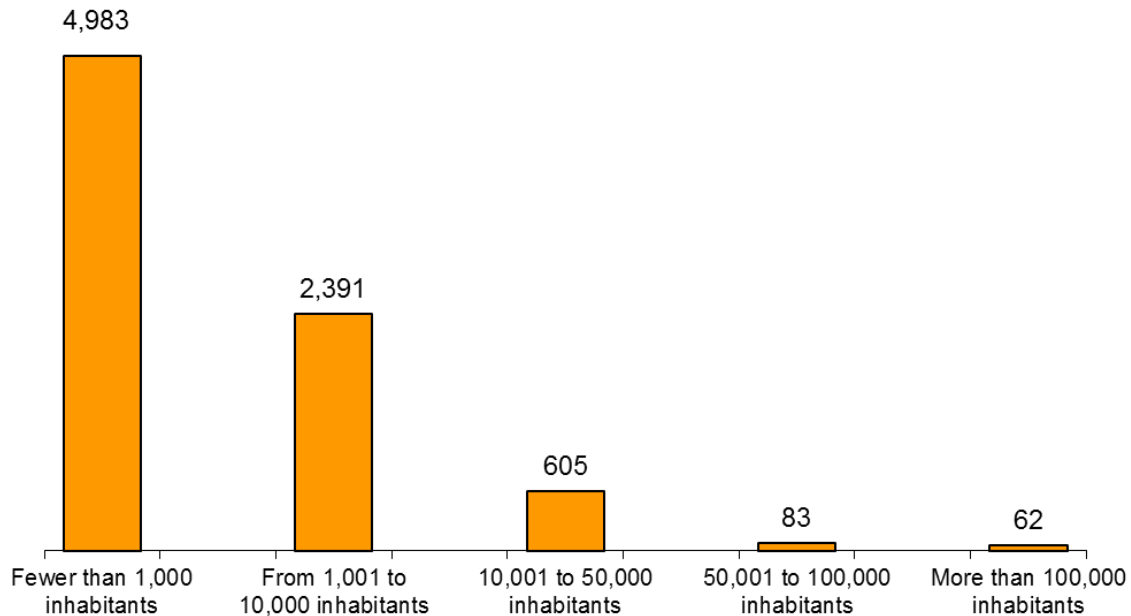
The Autonomous Communities with the greatest number of municipalities with less than 1,000 inhabitants were Castilla y León (with 1,998 municipalities), Castilla-La Mancha (640) and Aragón (627).

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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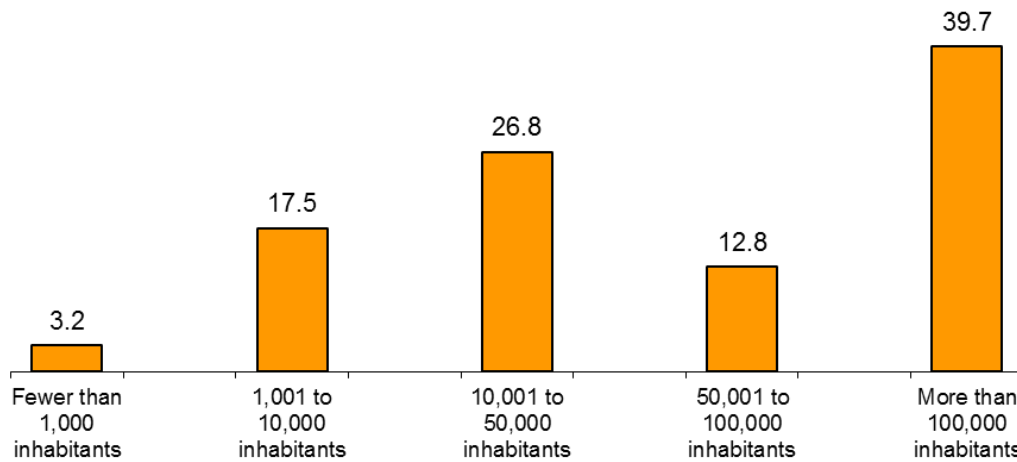


39.7% of the population registered in Spain resided in municipalities bigger than 100,000 inhabitants. By Autonomous Community, the greatest percentages were registered in Comunidad de Madrid (72.0%) and Aragón (50.8%). The lowest percentages corresponded to Castilla-La Mancha (8.5%) and Extremadura (13.9%).

In turn, 20.7% of the population resided in municipalities smaller than 10,000 inhabitants. By Autonomous Community, the highest percentages corresponded to Extremadura (50.9%), Comunidad Foral de Navarra and Castilla (43.8%), whereas the lowest ones corresponded to Región de Murcia (3.8%) and Comunidad de Madrid (5.4%).

**Percentage of Population Registered by Size of Municipality**

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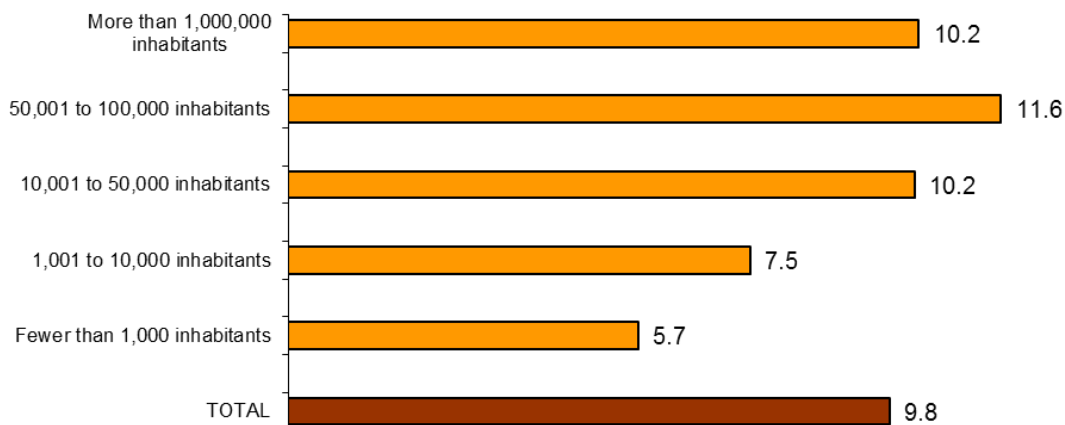


In the municipalities with less than 1,000 inhabitants, 5.7% of the population were foreign nationals. In the municipalities with more than 100,000 inhabitants, this percentage was 10.2%.

The highest percentage of foreign nationals (11.6%) 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 Register Statistics January 1st, 2017



In Spain, there were 187 municipalities with a percentage of foreign nationals higher than 25.0%, as compared with its total population. 14 out of 209, this percentage exceeded 50%.

In more than a half of the municipalities (4,739) the percentage of foreign nationals did not exceed 5.0%, as compared with the total population.

## Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

Provisional data

### National data

#### 1. Population registered in the Continuous Register by year

Data of the Continuous Municipality Register January 1st

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017(P)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,157,822</b>	<b>46,745,807</b>	<b>47,021,031</b>	<b>47,190,493</b>	<b>47,265,321</b>	<b>47,129,783</b>	<b>46,771,341</b>	<b>46,624,382</b>	<b>46,557,008</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>
Spaniards	40,889,060	41,097,136	41,273,297	41,439,006	41,529,063	41,583,545	41,747,854	41,894,738	41,938,427	41,989,168
Foreign nationals	5,268,762	5,648,671	5,747,734	5,751,487	5,736,258	5,546,238	5,023,487	4,729,644	4,618,581	4,549,858
EU-28	2,104,424	2,274,978	2,351,939	2,397,014	2,445,242	2,360,978	2,056,903	1,947,110	1,844,592	1,763,614
non-EU	3,164,338	3,373,693	3,395,795	3,354,473	3,291,016	3,185,260	2,966,584	2,782,534	2,773,989	2,786,244
% Foreigners	11.4	12.1	12.2	12.2	12.1	11.8	10.7	10.1	9.9	9.8

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#### 2. Population registered in the Continuous Register by age

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Total	% as compared with the total	Spaniards	% as compared with the total of Spaniards	Foreign nation	% as compared with the total of foreign nationals
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>41,989,168</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Under the age of 16	7,404,454	15.9	6,697,023	15.9	707,431	15.5
16 to 44 years of age	17,354,740	37.3	14,807,132	35.3	2,547,608	56.0
45 to 64 years of age	13,020,198	28.0	12,020,981	28.6	999,217	22.0
65 years of age and old	8,759,634	18.8	8,464,032	20.2	295,602	6.5

#### 3. Foreign nationals registered by sex and group of countries

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Total	Men	% as compared with group total of countries	Women	% as compared with group total of countries
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>2,294,586</b>	<b>50.4</b>	<b>2,255,272</b>	<b>49.6</b>
EU-28	1,763,614	881,826	50.0	881,788	50.0
Rest of Europe	260,033	108,100	41.6	151,933	58.4
Africa	1,037,138	615,969	59.4	421,169	40.6
North America	59,933	26,019	43.4	33,914	56.6
Central America and Caribbe	219,077	80,013	36.5	139,064	63.5
South America	788,112	347,887	44.1	440,225	55.9
Asia	417,598	232,332	55.6	185,266	44.4
The rest	4,353	2,440	56.1	1,913	43.9

#### 4. Average age by countries (main nationalities) and sex

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Municipal Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Both sexes	Men	Women
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>41.6</b>	<b>44.2</b>
SPANIARDS	43.7	42.3	45.1
FOREIGN NATIONALS	35.8	35.7	35.8
EUROPEAN UNION	39.5	39.7	39.2
The United Kingdom	53.2	53.8	52.7
Germany	49.0	50.0	48.1
France	42.6	42.9	42.3
Portugal	39.6	40.0	38.9
Argentina	39.2	38.3	40.0
Romania	32.6	32.2	33.0
The Dominican Republic	32.1	30.8	33.1
Pakistan	30.9	32.5	26.6
China	30.8	30.7	30.9
Morocco	30.4	31.5	29.0

#### Data by Autonomous City and Community

#### 5. Population registered in the Continuous Register for Communities and Autonomous Cities

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	January 1st, 2017 (Provisional Data)	January 1st, 2016 (Provisional Data)	Absolute Variation	Relative Variation
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46,539,026</b>	<b>46,557,008</b>	<b>-17,982</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Andalucía	8,370,368	8,388,107	-17,739	-0.2
Aragon	1,307,395	1,308,563	-1,168	-0.1
Asturias	1,034,681	1,042,608	-7,927	-0.8
Balearic Islands	1,115,255	1,107,220	8,035	0.7
Canary Islands	2,106,624	2,101,924	4,700	0.2
Cantabria	580,140	582,206	-2,066	-0.4
Castilla y León	2,424,395	2,447,519	-23,124	-0.9
Castilla-La Mancha	2,030,661	2,041,631	-10,970	-0.5
Cataluña	7,551,285	7,522,596	28,689	0.4
Valencian Community	4,935,010	4,959,968	-24,958	-0.5
Extremadura	1,079,224	1,087,778	-8,554	-0.8
Galicia	2,707,700	2,718,525	-10,825	-0.4
Madrid, Comunidad de	6,504,584	6,466,996	37,588	0.6
Murcia	1,469,656	1,464,847	4,809	0.3
Navarra	642,797	640,647	2,150	0.3
País Vasco	2,193,205	2,189,534	3,671	0.2
La Rioja	315,009	315,794	-785	-0.2
Ceuta	84,959	84,519	440	0.5
Melilla	86,078	86,026	52	0.1

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

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	January 1st, 2017 (Provisional Data)		January 1st, 2016 (Provisional Data)		Absolute Variation	Relative Variation
	Number of Persons	% of the total of the Community	Number of Persons	% of the total of the Community		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,549,858</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>4,618,581</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>-68,723</b>	<b>-1.5</b>
Andalucía	599,879	7.2	620,006	7.4	-20,127	-3.2
Aragon	132,134	10.1	132,813	10.1	-679	-0.5
Asturias	38,798	3.7	40,318	3.9	-1,520	-3.8
Balearic Islands	186,340	16.7	188,896	17.1	-2,556	-1.4
Canary Islands	245,821	11.7	249,414	11.9	-3,593	-1.4
Cantabria	29,388	5.1	30,451	5.2	-1,063	-3.5
Castilla y León	121,536	5.0	128,633	5.3	-7,097	-5.5
Castilla-La Mancha	160,815	7.9	168,112	8.2	-7,297	-4.3
Cataluña	1,038,455	13.8	1,023,398	13.6	15,057	1.5
Valencian Community	636,595	12.9	672,379	13.6	-35,784	-5.3
Extremadura	31,388	2.9	33,707	3.1	-2,319	-6.9
Galicia	86,881	3.2	87,966	3.2	-1,085	-1.2
Madrid, Comunidad de	793,513	12.2	792,627	12.3	886	0.1
Murcia	197,737	13.5	201,255	13.7	-3,518	-1.7
Navarra	54,431	8.5	54,826	8.6	-395	-0.7
País Vasco	142,392	6.5	139,425	6.4	2,967	2.1
La Rioja	34,765	11.0	35,602	11.3	-837	-2.4
Ceuta	5,643	6.6	5,433	6.4	210	3.9
Melilla	13,347	15.5	13,320	15.5	27	0.2

## Data of municipalities by sections

### 7. Number of Municipalities by Size of Municipality and Autonomous Communities

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	TOTAL	Fewer than	From 1,001	10,001 to	50,001 to	More than
		1,000 inhabitants	to 10,000 inhabitants	50,000 inhabitants	100,000 inhabitants	100,000 inhabitants
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,124</b>	<b>4,983</b>	<b>2,391</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>62</b>
Andalucía	778	214	410	125	17	12
Aragon	731	627	91	11	1	1
Asturias	78	18	41	15	2	2
Balearic Islands	67	6	37	23	0	1
Canary Islands	88	1	45	34	4	4
Cantabria	102	35	57	8	1	1
Castilla y León	2,248	1,998	227	14	5	4
Castilla-La Mancha	919	640	241	32	5	1
Cataluña	947	488	338	98	13	10
Valencian Community	542	224	221	82	11	4
Extremadura	388	215	160	10	2	1
Galicia	313	31	227	48	4	3
Madrid, Comunidad de	179	47	81	29	12	10
Murcia	45	3	11	27	2	2
Navarra	272	189	72	10	0	1
País Vasco	251	101	108	36	2	4
La Rioja	174	146	24	3	0	1
Ceuta	1	0	0	0	1	0
Melilla	1	0	0	0	1	0

## 8. Percentage of Population Registered by Size of Municipality and Autonomous Community

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	TOTAL	Fewer than 1,000 inhabitants	1,001 to 10,000 inhabitants	10,001 to 50,000 inhabitants	50,001 to 100,000 inhabitants	More than 100,000 inhabitants
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>39.7</b>
Andalucía	100	1.3	18.0	29.9	15.0	35.8
Aragón	100	11.4	19.0	14.7	4.0	50.8
Asturias, Principado de	100	0.9	13.8	25.0	12.7	47.6
Balearic Islands	100	0.3	14.3	49.0	..	36.4
Canarias	100	..	10.0	37.8	12.5	39.7
Cantabria	100	3.1	32.1	26.1	9.0	29.6
Castilla y León	100	18.5	25.3	12.4	13.1	30.7
Castilla-La Mancha	100	8.0	35.7	29.0	18.7	8.5
Cataluña	100	2.5	16.0	27.5	12.4	41.5
Valencian Community	100	1.8	16.2	36.5	14.8	30.7
Extremadura	100	9.8	41.1	20.8	14.4	13.9
Galicia	100	0.8	29.4	33.3	12.7	23.7
Madrid, Comunidad de	100	0.3	5.1	9.4	13.1	72.0
Murcia	100	0.1	3.7	40.4	11.1	44.7
Navarra	100	8.6	35.2	25.6	..	30.7
País Vasco	100	2.1	17.6	33.8	6.4	40.1
La Rioja	100	9.0	27.2	15.8	0.0	47.9
Ceuta	100	..	..	..	100.0	..
Melilla	100	..	..	..	100.0	..

## 9. Percentage of Foreign Nationals Registered by Size of municipality and Autonomous Community

Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	TOTAL	Fewer than 1,000 inhabitants	1,001 to 10,000 inhabitants	10,001 to 50,000 inhabitants	50,001 to 100,000 inhabitants	More than 1,000,000 inhabitants
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>10.2</b>
Andalucía	7.2	6.3	5.9	6.5	13.6	5.7
Aragón	10.1	7.7	12.5	11.2	8.5	9.5
Asturias	3.7	1.5	3.0	2.4	3.2	4.9
Balearic Islands	16.7	17.3	13.7	19.0	..	14.8
Canarias	11.7	16.8	7.1	15.7	23.4	5.3
Cantabria	5.1	2.5	3.4	4.9	5.8	7.0
Castilla y León	5.0	3.8	5.7	5.3	5.5	4.9
Castilla-La Mancha	7.9	6.4	8.3	9.0	7.7	4.7
Catalonia	13.8	8.4	9.9	13.6	12.0	16.2
Valencian Community	12.9	10.7	12.4	12.9	16.4	11.7
Extremadura	2.9	1.8	2.6	4.2	2.4	3.3
Galicia	3.2	2.0	2.3	3.1	3.6	4.2
Madrid, Comunidad de	12.2	9.3	12.2	11.1	11.2	12.5
Murcia	13.5	3.8	9.4	16.2	15.5	10.8
Navarra	8.5	4.0	9.2	8.1	..	9.1
País Vasco	6.5	4.4	5.6	5.7	7.1	7.6
La Rioja	11.0	7.3	12.4	12.0	..	10.7
Ceuta	6.6	..	..	..	6.6	..
Melilla	15.5	..	..	..	15.5	..

**10. Number of Municipalities by Percentage of Foreign Nationals Registered in the Continuous Register**  
 Provisional data. Preview of the Continuous Register Statistics January 1st, 2017

	Total	0%-5%	5%-10%	10%-15%	15%-20%	20%-25%	25%-50%	+50%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,124</b>	<b>4,739</b>	<b>1,827</b>	<b>856</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>14</b>
Andalucía	778	534	125	35	27	19	34	4
Aragón	731	329	206	111	52	20	13	0
Asturias	78	74	4	0	0	0	0	0
Balearic Islands	67	2	9	23	18	10	5	0
Canary Islands	88	37	18	11	5	5	12	0
Cantabria	102	89	12	1	0	0	0	0
Castilla y León	2,248	1,719	338	113	42	21	14	1
Castilla-La Mancha	919	429	283	127	51	14	13	2
Cataluña	947	308	314	187	80	27	31	0
Valencian Community	542	164	186	88	35	19	43	7
Extremadura	388	356	26	2	3	0	1	0
Galicia	313	294	14	4	1	0	0	0
Madrid, Comunidad de	179	12	66	66	27	7	1	0
Murcia	45	6	14	10	7	4	4	0
Navarra	272	166	64	31	8	3	0	0
País Vasco	251	135	99	16	0	1	0	0
La Rioja	174	85	48	31	7	1	2	0
Ceuta	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Melilla	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0



## Methodological note

The figures for the preview of Continuous Register Statistics at 01 January 2017 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 2018.

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 figures<sup>4</sup>.

Based on this procedure it must be clarified that the change produced regarding the previous figures, at 01 January 2016, 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 2016 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 01 January 2017. Those corresponding to the year 2016 will later make up the Residential Variations Statistics<sup>5</sup>.

### **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.

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

<sup>5</sup> In the statistical methodology for residential variations ([www.ine.es](http://www.ine.es)) you can check the causes and types of variation that are incorporated.

#### **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 has been varying from one year to another.

For the first time, figures January 1st, 2017 was not applied to the criterion on the percentage of verification by the City Hall management and they have discounted all pending registrations (that is, the modification by the verification or the decreased sent by the Town Hall does not figure up at INE).

#### **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 2016, the change in nationality of NCFNWPRP into Spanish was very significant.

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