

Press Releases

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Municipal elections of May 28, 2023 European Union (EU) Voters

EU citizens will be able to vote in municipal elections in Spain if they express their desire to do so

The deadline to register to vote ends on January 30, 2023

The Electoral Census Office will send a communication to 451,397 EU citizens to facilitate this procedure

Citizens of the European Union (EU) residing in Spain who are 18 or older on voting day will be able to vote in the municipal elections of May 28, 2023. **To be able to vote in these elections, EU citizens must have previously expressed their desire to vote.** This procedure can be carried out in town halls, since 2006, and, since 2020, electronically using the Electronic Headquarters of the INE.

Those already registered in the electoral census will maintain their status as voters without the need to complete a new declaration. This will be the case until they directly request exclusion or leave Spain. To date, there are 331,328 EU voters registered in the electoral census for municipal elections.

Procedures for those who wish to vote

EU citizens who want to vote, are registered on the electoral roll and who have not previously expressed a desire to exercise their right to vote in municipal elections, may do so by any of the established procedures.

The process can be can carried out at any time through the Electronic Headquarters of the INE, https://sede.ine.gob.es/, if you have a Cl@ve, or by going to the municipality where you are registered. where a form prepared by the Electronic Census Office (OCE) will be provided. This form is also available at the INE Electronic Office and can be completed by citizens before going to their town hall.

The OCE will send a letter by mail to 451,397 registered persons who have not been contacted in previous elections and who have not expressed a desire to vote. This mailing will contain a CTT code that can be used to express the intention to vote electronically using a new procedure available until January 30, 2023.

These citizens must complete and sign the formal declaration - contained in the mailing - and send it to the corresponding provincial delegation of the OCE. They may also make their declaration online, by visiting the INE Electronic Headquarters: https://sede.ine.gob.es using the CTT received.

Those residing in Spain who are not registered in the Municipal Register must go to their town hall to register and fill out a declaration form.

The deadline to express the desire to vote in the next municipal elections ends on January 30, 2023.

Information can be requested at town halls, the provincial delegations of the OCE and by calling 900 343 232.

Voters and communications to be sent by provinces

The provinces with the highest number of voters in the EU for municipal elections are Madrid (53,199), Barcelona (31,559) and Alicante/Alacant (29,131).

On the other hand, the provinces with the highest number of mailings to be sent are Barcelona (71,263), Madrid (62,500) and Alicante/Alacant (40,367).

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Voters in municipal elections and number of communications sent, by provinces

Province	Voters in municipal elections	Communications to be sent
TOTAL	331,328	451,397
Araba/Álava	1,327	535
Albacete	1,359	1,943
Alicante/Alacant	29,131	40,367
Almería	8,000	9,313
Ávila	675	674
Badajoz	1,105	3,003
Balears, Illes	16,285	27,447
Barcelona	31,559	71,263
Burgos	1,614	2,608
Cáceres	907	779
Cádiz	2,882	4,709
Castellón/Castelló	9,687	9,534
Ciudad Real	2,016	3,437
Córdoba	3,344	1,441
Coruña, A	1,783	3,267
Cuenca	2,412	2,186
Girona		
Granada	12,213 4,643	8,149
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Guadalajara	3,315	2,700
Gipuzkoa	1,615	3,684
Huelva	6,102	5,294
Huesca	2,728	2,450
Jaén	598	760
León	1,858	1,399
Lleida	3,498	6,340
Rioja, La	2,616	2,646
Lugo	968	1,204
Madrid	53,199	62,500
Málaga	18,461	32,779
Murcia	7,540	6,644
Navarra	2,478	4,340
Ourense	2,332	1,631
Asturias	2,038	2,995
Palencia	333	391
Palmas, Las	12,588	18,440
Pontevedra	2,814	3,671
Salamanca	833	1,350
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	25,648	20,413
Cantabria	3,174	2,460
Segovia	1,640	1,583
Sevilla	3,256	5,639
Soria	731	691
Tarragona	7,084	9,750
Teruel	1,191	1,178
Toledo	4,671	4,400
Valencia/València	15,598	32,001
Valladolid	1,543	
Bizkaia	2,243	3,503
Zamora	695	659
Zaragoza	6,896	8,076
Ceuta	29	91
Melilla	73	

Electors and communications to be sent by country of nationality

The nationalities with the largest number of voters in municipal elections are Romania (105,696), Italy (56,953) and Germany (39,092).

On the other hand, the nationalities with the highest number of mailings to be sent are Italy (112,289), Romania (109,272) and France (42,729).

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Voters in municipal elections and number of mailings to send, by nationality

Country	Voters in municipal elections	Communications to be sent
TOTAL	331,328	451,397
Germany	39,092	37,661
Austria	2,068	2,840
Belgium	10,582	14,107
Bulgaria	18,863	20,856
Cyprus	48	378
Croatia	274	1,637
Denmark	2,604	3,077
Slovenia	253	842
Estonia	356	1,110
Finland	2,104	3,281
France	32,833	42,729
Greece	1,015	2,676
Hungary	1,462	4,528
Ireland	4,458	9,582
Italy	56,953	112,289
Latvia	724	2,085
Lithuania	2,228	4,412
Luxembourg	173	382
Malta	54	291
Netherlands	14,162	18,844
Poland	8,608	14,409
Portugal	19,582	30,689
Czech Republic	1,198	2,467
Slovak Republic	1,028	1,728
Romania	105,696	109,272
Sweden	4,910	9,225

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