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## **Municipal elections on 22 May 2011**

### **EU citizens may vote in the municipal elections if they express their wish to exercise that right in Spain**

#### **The Electoral Census Office has sent a communication to 757,495 EU citizens to enable the paperwork**

Citizens who are nationals of other countries of the European Union (EU) and are aged 18 years old or more on that day may vote in the municipal elections of 22 May 2011.

**In order to vote it is a requirement to have expressed one's wish to exercise that right beforehand**, paperwork which it has been possible to carry out in municipal councils on an ongoing basis since 2006.

Those who have expressed this wish and continue to be resident in Spain remain voters, without the need to complete a fresh statement. There is currently a total of 363,881 voters who are nationals of other countries of the European Union for the municipal elections.

#### **Paperwork for expressing one's wish to vote**

EU citizens, who are on the municipal register and wish to vote but have not yet expressed their wish to exercise their right to vote, must do so. In order to enable this paperwork, the Electoral Census Office has posted a communication to 757,495 registered persons who were not written to on previous occasions and have not expressed that wish since the 2007 municipal elections.

These citizens need only complete and sign the formal statement contained in the communication and send it to the corresponding Provincial Delegation of the Electoral Census Office. Moreover, those with a Registration number in the Register of Foreign Nationals may express their wish online, by going to the Electronic Headquarters on the website of the National Statistics Institute: <https://sede.ine.gob.es/en>

In turn, those resident in Spain and **are not on the Municipal Register should go to their Municipal Council** to be included on the municipal register and then, if they wish to do, complete the statement for voting in Spain.

Information may be obtained from municipal councils, provincial delegations of the Electoral Census Office and by calling **telephone number 901-101-900**.

## Voters by province

The largest presence of voters who are nationals of other countries of the EU is in the provinces of Alicante/Alacant (with 67,139), Madrid (44,725) and Málaga (35,740).

In turn, the greatest potential growth in voters, corresponding to the sending of communications, was recorded in Madrid (119,947), Barcelona (66,884) and Alicante/Alacant (64,952).

## Non-Spanish citizens of the European Union resident in Spain, by province.

**Data at 20 September 2010 (next)**

Province	EU voters in municipal elections	Communications sent
<b>Total</b>	<b>363,881</b>	<b>757,495</b>
Álava	974	1,756
Albacete	999	4,550
Alicante/Alacant	67,139	64,952
Almería	12,006	20,677
Ávila	572	2,697
Badajoz	900	7,280
Balears (Illes)	19,806	38,738
Barcelona	28,908	66,884
Burgos	1,659	8,113
Cáceres	637	2,427
Cádiz	3,994	7,347
Castellón/Castelló	12,643	17,194
Ciudad Real	1,315	10,889
Córdoba	2,568	3,526
Coruña (A)	1,847	5,097
Cuenca	1,691	7,652
Girona	9,829	14,062
Granada	5,251	10,584
Guadalajara	3,060	6,797
Guipúzcoa	1,792	5,487
Huelva	3,714	11,898
Huesca	1,909	5,089
Jaén	670	3,036
León	1,631	4,012
Lleida	2,778	13,200
Rioja (La)	2,008	6,542
Lugo	927	2,050
Madrid	44,725	119,947
Málaga	35,740	38,036
Murcia	9,196	21,783

**Non-Spanish citizens of the European Union resident in Spain, by province.**

**Data at 20 September 2010 (final)**

Province	EU voters in municipal elections	Communications sent
Navarra	2,248	10,029
Ourense	2,201	3,263
Asturias	2,257	8,730
Palencia	365	1,293
Palmas (Las)	9,931	22,876
Pontevedra	3,250	6,042
Salamanca	729	3,201
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	14,761	21,994
Cantabria	3,852	3,119
Segovia	1,278	4,770
Sevilla	2,836	10,475
Soria	839	1,274
Tarragona	7,456	18,488
Teruel	1,121	3,022
Toledo	3,655	14,690
Valencia/València	16,696	49,915
Valladolid	1,593	7,155
Vizcaya	2,341	6,477
Zamora	534	2,376
Zaragoza	4,920	25,253
Ceuta	44	167
Melilla	86	584

## Voters by country

By country, the greatest presence of voters from the European Union corresponds to nationals of the a United Kingdom (91,948), Rumania (81,496), Germany (43,780), Italy (34,488) and France (29,498).

In turn, the greatest potential growth, corresponding to the sending of communications, is expected for nationals of Rumania (312,941), the United Kingdom (90,850), Italy (62,382), Bulgaria (57,882) and Portugal (56,749).

## Non-Spanish citizens of the European Union resident in Spain, by country of nationality Data at 20 September 2010

Country of nationality	EU voters in municipal elections	Communications sent
<b>Total</b>	<b>363,881</b>	<b>757,495</b>
Austria	1,986	3,250
Belgium	8,368	7,347
Bulgaria	15,788	57,882
Cyprus	14	96
Denmark	3,095	2,966
Finland	2,487	3,074
France	29,498	34,809
Greece	690	1,798
Hungary	614	4,377
Ireland	3,678	5,132
Italy	34,488	62,382
Luxembourg	156	170
Malta	27	118
The Netherlands	13,196	13,821
Poland	6,301	31,773
Portugal	18,107	56,749
The United Kingdom	91,948	90,850
Germany	43,780	45,238
Rumania	81,496	312,941
Sweden	4,939	6,317
Latvia	248	1,724
Estonia	103	658
Lithuania	1,344	6,611
The Czech Republic	749	3,761
The Slovak Republic	684	3,025
Slovenia	97	626

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