

Catalonia statistics

2021

	2020	2021	Growth rate (%)	Spain 2021	Cat/Spain 2021 (%)
Total population January 1st.	7,780,479	7,763,362	-0.2	47,385,107	16.4
Foreign population	1,260,619	1,250,665	-0.8	5,440,148	23.0
EMPLOYED POPULATION	3,335,800	3,442,100	3.2	19,773,600	17.4
UNEMPLOYED POPULATION	482,300	450,100	-6.7	3,429,600	13.1
EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE SECTOR	2,366,400	2,432,300	2.8	13,176,500	18.5
Permanent job	1,922,550	1,963,600	2.1	10,072,300	19.5
Temporary job	443,900	468,700	5.6	3,104,200	15.1
Unemployment rate (unemployed/labor force. %)*	12.6	11.6	-1.0	14.8	-
Employment rate (employed/population +16. %)*	52.7	54.2	1.5	49.9	-
Activity rate (active pop./population + 16, %)*	60.3	61.3	1.0	58.5	-
GDP PER CAPITA (€)¹	28,926	31,452	8.7	25,431	123.7
GDP CURRENT PRICES (MILLIONS €)¹	225,055	244,172	8.5	1,205,063	20.3
INFLATION RATE ANNUAL AVERAGE (%)[*]	-0.4	2.9	3.3	3.1	-
WAGE COST PER WORKER AND MONTH (€)	2,005	2,166	8.0	2,023	107.1
FOREIGN TRADE					
Exports of goods (millions €) ²	66,526	80,565	21.5	316,609	25.4
EU-27	39,624	48,084	21.9	174,948	27.5
Rest of the world	26,902	32,481	20.7	141,661	22.9
Imports of goods (millions €) ²	75,921	90,973	19.5	342,787	26.5
UE-27	41,940	48,756	16.3	170,891	28.5
Rest of the world	33,981	42,217	24.2	171,896	24.68
Trade balance (Exp-Imp) (millions €) ²	-9,395	-10,408	10.8	-26,178	39.8
Total number of exporting companies	49,001	63,239	29.1	235,220	26.9
Number of regular exporting companies ³	16,818	17,094	1.6	59,193	28.9
Number of exporting companies >50.000 €	11,963	13,243	10.7	41,082	32.2
Number of regular exporting companies >50.000 € regulars ³	7,480	7,551	0.9	25,279	29.9
Direct foreign investment (millions €)	3,119	2,969	-4.8	28,785	10.3
Investment abroad (millions €)	3,847	1,381	-64.1	22,039	6.3
NUMBER OF COMPANIES	629,876	622,967	-1.1	3,366,570	18.5
1-9 employees	234,459	236,126	0.7	1,345,244	17.6
10-49 employees	24,176	22,358	-7.5	117,534	19.0
50-199 employees	4,251	3,924	-7.7	18,614	21.1
200 or more employees	1,356	1,343	-1.0	6,052	22.2
Without employees	365,634	359,216	-1.8	1,879,126	19.1
INDUSTRY					
Number of companies	35,339	35,702	1.0	192,555	18.5
Number of employees	587,500	578,500	-1.5	2,700,100	21.4
CONSTRUCTION					
Number of companies	75,555	75,035	-0.7	417,017	18.0
Number of employees	199,700	214,500	7.4	1,291,500	16.6
Dwellings under construction	18,078	22,894	26.6	138,775	16.5
New housing stock unsold ⁴	75,685	77,327	2.2	456,918	16.9
Public works tenders (millions €)	1,372	2,321	69.1	19,096	12.2
Free housing price (€/m ²)	2,002	2,046	2.2	1,658	123.5
Public housing price (€/m ²)	1,211	1,203	-0.7	1,142	105.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE					
Number of employees	510,575	499,950	-2.1	2,962,075	16.9

* Growth rate in percentage points.

(1) GDP of 2019 for Catalonia is based on Idescat calculations. Instead, Spain's GDP comes from INE.

(2) Variation rates calculated from provisional data of the previous year.

(3) Regulars: companies that have exported during the last four years.

Source: Idescat, INE, Bank of Spain, Ministry of Infrastructure, DataComex, ICEX and Generalitat de Catalunya.

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TOURISM					
Hotels	1,244	1,634	31.3	11,345	14.4
Campsites	127	173	36.8	717	24.1
Rural tourism accomodations	1,482	1,732	16.9	15,047	11.5
Travellers (thousands)	5,896	10,177	72.6	60,438	16.8
Overnight stays in hotel establishments (thousands)	13,312	25,321	90.2	172,161	14.7
Domestic tourism	7,150	12,814	79.2	172,161	7.4
Foreign tourism	6,162	12,507	103.0	81,689	15.3
Foreign tourism expenditure (millions €)	3,653	5,523	51.2	34,903	15.8
Expenditure by tourist-day-travel (euros)	160	154	-3.4	137	112.6
FINANCIAL SECTOR					
Number of employees (financial and insurance sector)	66,100	78,525	18.8	487,450	16.1
Total bank credit (millions €) ⁵	209,728	204,007	-2.7	1,250,152	16.3
Public sector	6,571	5,471	-16.7	78,734	6.9
Private sector	203,157	198,537	-2.3	1,171,418	16.9
Total deposit bank (millions €) ⁵	190,076	206,197	8.5	1,428,830	14.4
PUBLIC SECTOR					
Number of employees	445,500	483,700	8.6	3,449,100	14.0
Public sector consumption (millions €) ⁵	42,119	44,885	6.6	270,916	16.6
Regional Government debt (milions €) ⁶	79,119	82,369	4.1	312,586	26.4
Tax collection - Central Government (millions €) ⁷	37,953	44,198	16.5	223,385	19.8
Tax collection - Regional Government (millions €) ⁸	3,227	4,507	39.7	-	-
RESEARCH AND INNOVATION					
R&D expenditure (millions €) ⁴	3,597	3,619	0.6	15,768	23.0
Universities and public administration	1,428	1,432	0.3	6,955	20.6
Companies	2,152	2,171	0.9	8,767	24.8
R&D employment ⁴	48,552	50,776	4.6	231,769	21.9
Technological expenditure by companies (millions €) ⁴	4,459	3,978	-10.8	17,074	23.3
Companies with innovation activities ⁴	6,378	4,518	-29.2	20,976	21.5
Application for national patents	185	171	-7.6	1,361	12.6
EDUCATION					
Total active population (thousands)	3,818	3,892	1.9	23,203	16.8
Illiterates and primary education	204	197	-3.4	1,239	15.9
First stage of secondary education	1,020	981	-3.8	6,223	15.8
Second stage of secondary education	880	938	6.5	5,669	16.5
Higher education	1,715	1,777	3.6	10,072	17.6
Early school leaving rate ⁹ (%) [*]	17.4	14.8	-2.6	13.3	-
TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURES					
Airports - Passengers totals (thousands)	12,945	19,366	49.6	119,601	16.2
Airport - Goods (tons)	114,642	135,849	18.5	998,945	13.6
Port - Goods (thousands of tons)	84,812	96,132	13.3	532,247	18.1
Port - Freight ships (number)	8,913	10,138	13.7	138,791	7.3
Port - Cruises (number)	72	280	288.9	2,104	13.3
Port - Ships (thousands of passangers)	859	1,501	74.6	17,972	8.4
Port - Cruises (thousands of passangers)	200	522	160.7	2,212	23.6

* Growth rate in percentage points.

(4) Data referred to the years 2018 and 2019. instead of 2019 and 2020.

(5) Includes the consumption expenditure of non-profit institutions serving households.

(6) Data referred to december

(7) Includes: Income tax, Income tax non-residents, VAT, Corporates taxes, and other special taxes.

(8) Includes: Inheritance tax, Wealth tax and other taxes and fees.

(9) Percentage of young people between 18 and 24 years old, that have left school without finishing secondary education degree.

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