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## 1981 CENSUS OF POPULATION

### First results for Spain

Although not yet a member of the European Community, Spain has adopted its census timetable and programme to accord with the Community Directive on synchronised censuses of population in 1981. A general census of population took place in that country on 1 March 1981. The following table shows the total resident population of Spain by provinces at the 1970 and 1981 censuses and percentage changes between the two enumerations. Also shown is the number of persons present in each region at the time of the 1981 census, regardless of their normal place of residence.

The total resident population of Spain on 1 March 1981 was 37 682 000 persons, (18 491 000 males and 19 191 000 females), representing an increase of 3 641 000 persons or 10.7 percent on the census of 1970. In general the western and central provinces showed a loss of population to the capital Madrid and to the coastal regions and islands.

The provinces in which the largest rates of increase were recorded were Las Palmas (+ 29.1%), Alava (+ 29.1%), Alicante (+ 24.6%), Madrid (+ 24.6%) and Baleares (+23.1%). The rates of decrease in population were greatest in Soria (- 14.3%), Cuenca (-14.2%), Avila (- 13.2%) and Zamora (- 11.9%).

POPULATION BY REGION AT THE 1970 AND 1981 CENSUSES AND PERCENTAGE CHANGE

PROVINCE.	RESIDENT POPULATION			PRESENT POPULATION 1981
	1970	1981	% CHANGE	
Alava	199 777	257 850	29,07	260 980
Albacete	340 720	339 373	- 0,40	234 468
Alicante	922 027	1 149 181	24,64	1 148 597
Almeria	377 639	410 831	8,79	405 313
Avila	211 556	183 586	- 13,22	178 997
Badajoz	701 709	643 519	- 8,29	635 375
Baleares	532 946	655 909	23,07	685 038
Barcelona	3 915 010	4 623 204	18,09	4 618 734
Burgos	361 181	363 523	0,65	363 474
Caceres	467 687	421 449	- 9,89	414 744
Cadiz	878 602	988 388	12,50	1 001 716
Castellon	386 516	431 893	11,74	431 755
Ciudad Real	512 821	475 129	- 7,35	468 327
Cordoba	731 317	720 823	- 1,43	717 213
Conuna (La)	1 030 745	1 093 121	6,05	1 083 415
Cuenca	251 619	215 975	- 14,17	210 280
Gerona	412 357	467 000	13,25	467 945
Granada	741 659	758 618	9,29	761 734
Guadalajara	149 804	143 473	- 4,23	143 124
Guipuzcoa	626 049	694 681	10,96	692 986
Huelva	403 405	418 584	3,76	414 492
Huesca	221 761	214 907	- 3,09	219 813
Jaen	668 206	639 821	- 4,25	627 598
Leon	562 766	523 607	- 6,96	517 973
Lérida	347 101	353 160	1,75	355 451
Lugo	423 064	405 365	- 4,18	399 185
Madrid	3 761 348	4 686 895	24,61	4 726 986
Malaga	853 579	1 025 609	20,15	1 036 261
Murcia	832 047	955 487	14,84	957 903
Navarra	466 593	509 002	9,09	507 367
Orense	441 260	430 159	- 2,52	411 339
Oviedo	1 052 048	1 129 556	7,37	1 127 007
Palencia	201 532	188 479	- 6,48	186 512
Palmas (Las)	548 984	708 762	29,10	756 353
Pontevedra	781 334	883 267	13,05	859 897
Rioja (La)	234 628	254 349	8,41	253 295
Salamanca	380 133	364 305	- 4,16	368 055
Santa Cruz de Tenerife	576 458	658 884	14,30	688 273
Santander	469 077	513 115	9,39	510 816
Segovia	162 106	513 115	9,39	510 816
Segovia	162 106	149 361	- 7,86	149 286
Sevilla	1 336 669	1 478 311	10,60	1 477 428
Soria	117 462	100 719	- 14,25	98 803
Tarragona	433 138	513 050	18,45	516 078
Teruel	173 861	153 457	- 11,74	150 900
Toledo	477 732	474 634	- 0,65	471 806
Valencia	1 769 552	2 065 704	16,74	2 066 413
Valladoid	413 026	481 786	16,65	489 636
Vizcaya	1 041 461	1 189 278	14,19	1 181 401
Zamora	258 527	227 771	- 11,90	224 369
Zaragoza	757 433	828 588	9,39	842 380
Ceuta	62 607	65 264	4,24	70 864
Melilla	60 892	53 593	- 11,99	58 449
Spain	34 041 531	37 682 355	10,70	37 746 260