

Spain is the third largest country in Western Europe. The Spanish mainland is bordered by France on the north and Portugal on the west side. Global health indicators in Spain have been improving steadily since the 1970s. The average life expectancy is one of the highest in the world and mortality rates have been decreasing since the mid-1970s to reach a rate very similar to EU average levels. The top three causes of death in Spain since 1970 have been cardiovascular diseases, cancer and respiratory diseases

Spain

Capital: Madrid

Geographical size: 505.990,7 km²

Population: 46.507.760 (2014)

Population as % of total EU population: 9,2 % (2014)

GDP: 1.023 trillion (2013)

Official EU language(s): Spanish

Political system: Parliamentary Constitutional Monarchy

EU member country since 1 January 1986

Seats in the European Parliament: 54

Currency: Eurozone member since 1 January 1999

Schengen area member? Yes, Schengen Area member since 26 March 1995

Presidency of the Council: Spain has held the revolving presidency of the Council of the EU 4 times between 1989 and 2010

Total population (2013)	46.927.000
Gross national income per capita (PPP international \$, 2013)	31.850
Life expectancy at birth m/f (years, 2012)	80/86
Probability of dying under five (per 1000 live births, 0)	not available
Probability of dying between 15- and 60-years m/f (per 1 000 population, 2012)	86/40
Total expenditure on health per capita (Intl \$, 2012)	3.145
Total expenditure on health as % of GDP (2012)	9,6 %

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Ministry of Health: <https://www.sanidad.gob.es/en/directoa/home.htm>