

Catalonia statistics

2019

	2018	2019	Growth rate (%)	Spain 2019	Cat/Spain 2019 (%)
Total population	7,600,065	7,675,217	1.0	47,026,208	16.3
Foreign population	1,082,099	1,159,427	7.1	5,036,878	23.0
EMPLOYED POPULATION	3,362,200	3,440,700	2.3	19,779,300	17.4
UNEMPLOYED POPULATION	436,400	426,400	-2.3	3,247,800	13.1
EMPLOYED BY PRIVATE SECTOR	2,400,600	2,468,700	2.8	13,448,000	18.4
Permanent job	1,885,350	1,946,600	3.2	9,962,500	19.5
Temporary job	515,275	522,000	1.3	3,485,500	15.0
Unemployment rate (unemployed/labor force, %)*	11.5	11.0	-0.5	14.1	-
Employment rate (employed/population +16, %)*	54.2	54.8	0.5	50.4	-
Activity rate (active pop./population + 16, %)*	61.3	61.6	0.3	58.6	-
GDP PER CAPITA (€)¹	30,769	31,046	0.9	26,138	118.8
GDP CURRENT PRICES (MILLIONS €)¹	241,687	250,597	3.7	1,245,331	20.1
INFLATION RATE ANNUAL AVERAGE (%)[*]	1.8	0.9	-0.9	0.7	-
WAGE COST PER WORKER AND MONTH (€)	2,051	2,098	2.3	1,955	107.3
FOREIGN TRADE					
Exports of goods (millions €) ²	71,200	73,853	3.7	290,089	25.5
EU-28	45,364	47,597	4.9	187,852	25.3
Rest of the world	25,837	26,256	1.6	102,237	25.7
Imports of goods (millions €) ²	90,310	92,419	2.3	322,069	28.7
UE-28	50,244	50,191	-0.1	169,623	29.6
Rest of the world	39,984	42,228	5.6	152,446	27.7
Trade balance (Exp-Imp) (millions €) ²	-19,110	-18,566	-2.8	-31,980	58.1
Total number of exporting companies	47,882	48,428	1.1	209,223	23.1
Number of regular exporting companies ³	17,231	17,309	0.5	52,949	32.7
Number of exporting companies >50,000 €	12,310	12,288	-0.2	38,828	31.6
Number of regular exporting companies >50,000 € regulars ³	9,421	9,408	-0.1	30,479	30.9
Direct foreign investment (millions €)	3,233	3,222	-0.4	22,377	14.4
Investment abroad (millions €)	5,368	995	-81.5	15,126	6.6
NUMBER OF COMPANIES	618,366	620,031	0.3	3,363,197	18.4
1-9 employees	235,722	232,967	-1.2	1,330,812	17.5
10-49 employees	24,605	23,903	-2.9	124,475	19.2
50-199 employees	4,327	4,072	-5.9	19,283	21.1
200 or more employees	1,254	1,286	2.6	5,882	21.9
Without employees	352,458	357,803	1.5	1,882,745	19.0
INDUSTRY					
Number of companies	38,613	36,126	-6.4	199,076	18.1
Number of employees	626,600	621,300	-0.8	2,763,100	22.5
CONSTRUCTION					
Number of companies	75,418	76,072	0.9	422,350	18.0
Number of employees	212,500	194,700	-8.4	1,277,900	15.2
Dwellings under construction	18,778	21,974	17.0	137,376	16.0
New housing stock unsold ⁴	75,780	73,048	-3.6	459,876	15.9
Public works tenders (millions €)	806	1,044	29.5	9,848	10.6
Free housing price (€/m ²)	1,955	2,022	3.5	1,641	123.2
Public housing price (€/m ²)	1,212	1,206	-0.5	1,126	107.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE					
Number of employees	493,075	523,575	6.2	3,073,375	17.0

* 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.

(4) Data referred to the years 2017 and 2018, instead of 2018 and 2019. Data on "Technological expenditure by companies" and "Companies with innovation activities" refer to the years 2016 and 2017. Public investment of the Spanish State in Catalonia corresponds to 2018, because the budget of 2018 was deferred to 2019.

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

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TOURISM					
Hotels	2,259	2,296	1.6	14,818	15.5
Campsites	195	191	-2.1	769	24.8
Rural tourism accomodations	1,959	1,980	1.1	17,149	11.5
Travellers (thousands)	20,088	20,724	3.2	108,596	19.1
Overnight stays in hotel establishments (thousands)	56,845	58,238	2.5	343,118	17.0
Domestic tourism	15,831	15,690	-0.9	119,485	13.1
Foreign tourism	41,014	42,548	3.7	223,633	19.0
Foreign tourism expenditure (millions €)	20,478	21,325	4.1	92,278	23.1
Expenditure by tourist-day-travel (euros)	185	197	6.4	154	127.9
FINANCIAL SECTOR					
Number of employees (financial and insurance sector)	63,875	62,950	-1.4	429,200	14.7
Total bank credit (millions €)	208,105	205,784	-1.1	1,197,245	17.2
Public sector	9,726	8,859	-8.9	63,650	13.9
Private sector	198,379	196,924	-0.7	1,133,595	17.4
PUBLIC SECTOR					
Number of employees	433,400	450,100	3.9	3,222,500	14.0
Public sector consumption (millions €) ⁵	38,746	40,496	4.5	245,973	16.5
Regional Government debt (milions €) ⁶	78,732	79,060	0.4	295,077	26.8
Tax collection - Central Government (millions €) ⁷	43,040	43,062	0.1	212,808	20.2
Tax collection - Regional Government (millions €) ⁸	3,386	3,566	5.3	-	-
RESEARCH AND INNOVATION					
R&D expenditure (millions €) ⁴	3,276	3,513	7.2	14,946	23.5
Public (universities and public administrations) ⁴	1,343	1,351	0.6	6,461	20.9
R&D employment ⁴	48,551	51,830	6.8	225,696	23.0
Technological expenditure by companies (millions €) ⁴	3,210	3,587	11.8	14,821	24.2
Companies with innovation activities ⁴	3,408	3,406	-0.1	16,513	20.6
Application for national patents	235	202	-14.0	1,358	14.9
EDUCATION					
Total active population (thousands)	3,799	3,867	1.8	23,027	16.8
Illiterates and primary education	257	237	-7.7	1,459	16.3
First stage of secondary education	1,015	1,035	2.0	6,560	15.8
Second stage of secondary education	872	873	0.2	5,529	15.8
Higher education	1,655	1,721	4.0	9,479	18.2
Early school leaving rate ⁹ (%) [*]	17.0	19.0	2.0	17.3	-
TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURES					
Airports - Passengers totals (thousands)	53,230	55,665	4.6	275,363	20.2
Domestic flights	13,472	14,037	4.2	85,935	16.3
International flights	39,758	41,628	4.7	189,428	22.0
Airport - Goods (tons)	173,073	177,350	2.5	1,068,395	16.6
Port - Goods (thousands of tons)	97,896	98,648	0.8	552,148	17.9
Port - Freight ships (number)	11,592	11,452	-1.2	170,467	6.7
Port - Cruises (number)	886	863	-2.6	4,250	20.3
Port - Ships (thousands of passangers)	4,592	4,757	3.6	37,391	12.7
Port - Cruises (thousands of passangers)	3,148	3,271	3.9	10,662	30.7
Central Government investment (millions €) ^{10,4}	1,150	1,328	15.5	10,174	13.1

* Growth rate in percentage points.

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

(10) Investment budget data from the State to Catalonia and the aggregate of the regionalized State.

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