

## One of every four people in Barcelona is now a foreign national

The number of foreign nationals living in Barcelona has risen by 10.4% since 2023 and, with more than 430,000 people, already accounts for 25.4% of the city's total population.



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Barcelona is increasingly diverse, as reflected in the figures from the latest municipal register of residents published by Barcelona City Council. Specifically, on 1 January 2024 **432,556 foreign nationals** were registered as living in the city, a quarter of its total population.

This **25.4% of foreign residents** is a **historic maximum** in the city's **recent** history and consolidates the upward trend it has been experiencing for years. For the first time, one in every four residents in Barcelona is a foreign national and, as has become usual in the last few years, the international community is **largely responsible for the city's population increase**. In fact, the number of Spanish residents has only risen by 0.1%, an increase that, although small, is a change of direction from the predominantly negative growth of recent years.

If you count those who were **born in another country**, the number is even higher: Of all the people registered as living in Barcelona, **572,459** were born abroad. This is **33.6% of the total**, i.e. a third of the city's residents. The percentage has risen by over two points since 2023 and has increased sevenfold since the year 2000. Of these people, **27.6%** have **Spanish nationality**, mainly due to Spain's dual nationality agreements with various Latin American countries

### Where does Barcelona's international community come from?

The diversity of nationalities remains an iconic feature of the city: in addition to Spanish nationals, the city is already home to people of **180 different nationalities**.