Observatório da Emigração

Brazil

A. Annual series

A.1 Foreign-born population, 1991-2024

Years	Total Population		Foreign-born						
			All foreign-born			Born in Portugal			
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in	N	% of total	As a % of all foreign-born	Change in
2024	211 998 573	1.6	1 406 299	0.7	34.1	146 697	0.1	10.4	115.9
2020	208 660 842	-1.1	1 048 866	0.5	30.0	67 952	0.0	6.5	-63.4
2019	211 049 527	0.8	807 006	0.4	9.7	185 489	0.1	23.0	9.7
2017	209 288 278	3.8	735 557	0.4	13.8	169 069	0.1	23.0	68.4
2015	201 675 532	5.7	646 540	0.3	9.1	100 368	0.0	15.5	-27.3
2010	190 755 799	3.3	592 570	0.3	-7.6	137 973	0.1	23.3	-19.8
2005	184 688 101	8.7	641 029	0.4	-6.3	172 070	0.1	26.8	-19.3
2000	169 872 856	15.7	683 830	0.4	-10.9	213 203	0.1	31.2	-19.1
1991	146 815 803	--	767 785	0.5	--	263 609	0.2	34.3	--

Note

all data in the table are census.

The data from 2005, 2015 and 2020 were revised by the UN and amended by OEm on 05/02/2025.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from

Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística – IBGE, Censos demográficos (Information for 2010 granted under request in July 2012); IMILA, Investigación Migración Internacional de Latinoamérica (Foreign born 2000) Centro Latinoamericano e Caribeño de Población (CELADE), División de Población de la CEPAL, Santiago, Chile; United Nations Statistics Division (2017), United Nations Statistics Division (2019) and United Nations Statistics Division (other data) (the UN figures are estimates).

A.1.1 Residents born in Portugal by sex, 2000-2020

Years	All foreign-born	Female		Male	
	N	N	% of total	N	% of total
2020	175 251	85 451	48.8	89 800	51.2
2019	185 489	92 091	49.6	93 398	50.4
2017	169 069	83 936	49.6	85 133	50.4
2015	161 250	80 632	50.0	80 618	50.0
2010	137 972	68 054	49.3	69 918	50.7
2005	176 510	85 541	48.5	90 969	51.5
2000	213 203	102 209	47.9	110 994	52.1

[..]Data not available, residual data, not applicable; [e]EstimateLast update: 24/nov./2022

Note The data for 2015 were reviewed by the UN and amended by OEm on 24/11/2022.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from United Nations, CEPAL; United Nations Statistics Division (2017), United Nations Statistics Division (2019) and United Nations Statistics Division (other data) (the UN figures are estimates).

A.1.2 Residents born in Portugal by age group, 2000-2010

Years	All foreign-born	< 15		15-39		40-64		> 65	
	N	N	% of total	N	% of total	N	% of total	N	% of total
2010	137 973	3 652	2.6	5 363	3.9	46 126	33.4	82 832	60.0
2000	213 203	1 097	0.5	9 362	4.4	103 616	48.6	99 128	46.5

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from United Nations, CEPAL

A.2 Foreign population, 1991-2024

Years	Total Population		All foreign-born						
			All foreign-born			Foreigners with Portuguese citizenship			
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in	% of total	As a % of all foreigners	Change in
2024	211 998 573	1.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2020	208 660 842	-1.1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2019	211 049 527	0.8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2017	209 288 278	3.8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2015	201 675 532	5.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2010	190 755 799	3.3	431 320	0.2	--	--	--	--	--
2005	184 688 101	8.7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2000	169 872 856	15.7	510 067	0.3	-15.9	--	--	--	--
1991	146 815 803	--	606 624	0.4	--	--	--	--	--

Note all data in the table are census.
The data from 2005, 2015 and 2020 were revised by the UN and amended by OEm on 05/02/2025.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística – IBGE, Censos demográficos (Information for 2010 granted under request in July 2012); IMILA, Investigación Migración Internacional de Latinoamérica (Foreign born 2000) Centro Latinoamericano e Caribeño de Población (CELADE), División de Población de la CEPAL, Santiago, Chile; United Nations Statistics Division (2017), United Nations Statistics Division (2019) and United Nations Statistics Division (other data) (the UN figures are estimates).

A.3 Consular registrations, 2008-2024

Years	All registrations		Registrations by migrants born in Portugal			Registrations by migrants with Portuguese citizenship		
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in	N	% of total	Change in
2024	731 886	1.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2023	721 659	9.1	--	--	--	--	--	--
2022	661 721	-23.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2021	863 592	1.2	--	--	--	--	--	--
2020	853 663	3.9	--	--	--	--	--	--
2019	821 276	15.2	--	--	--	--	--	--
2018	713 130	3.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
2017	687 322	2.9	--	--	--	--	--	--
2016	667 928	-0.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2015	670 760	4.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2014	644 903	10.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
2013	581 869	-5.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2012	612 203	2.6	425 396	69.5	-0.0	558 737	91.3	2.2
2011	596 668	-15.4	425 449	71.3	4.7	546 713	91.6	-1.0
2010	705 615	4.0	406 242	57.6	3.1	552 264	78.3	5.2
2009	678 822	5.0	394 026	58.0	2.5	524 847	77.3	6.4
2008	646 677	--	384 255	59.4	--	493 227	76.3	--

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Portuguese consulates abroad and Consular Management System (DGACCP), values granted under request.

A.4 Foreign inflows , 2004-2025

Years	Total inflows		Portuguese inflows		
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in
2025	41 715	11.8	378	0.9	-20.6
2024	37 302	25.9	476	1.3	-13.0
2023	29 627	18.2	547	1.8	-2.7
2022	25 061	10.3	562	2.2	21.9
2021	22 719	9.6	461	2.0	5.0
2020	20 730	-33.8	439	2.1	-37.7
2019	31 297	2.2	705	2.3	11.7
2018	30 619	18.1	631	2.1	5.0
2017	25 936	-14.5	601	2.3	-16.8
2016	30 322	-17.8	722	2.4	-44.2
2015	36 868	-21.1	1 294	3.5	-32.6
2014	46 740	-24.4	1 921	4.1	-33.8
2013	61 842	-7.4	2 904	4.7	34.4
2012	66 821	-2.7	2 161	3.2	40.0
2011	68 693	22.6	1 543	2.2	93.4
2010	56 006	30.5	798	1.4	12.7
2009	42 914	-2.4	708	1.6	4.3
2008	43 993	49.2	679	1.6	23.4
2007	29 488	15.9	550	1.9	15.3
2006	25 440	5.3	477	1.9	-19.8
2005	24 158	19.8	595	2.5	23.4
2004	20 162	--	482	2.4	--

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Ministério do Trabalho e Emprego, Gabinete do Ministro, Coordenação Geral de Imigração (CGIg), Autorizações concedidas a estrangeiros por país de origem até 2010 accessed in 30/05/2011); Ministério da Justiça e Segurança Pública, Portal de Imigração Laboral, annual reports and situational reports (data from 2011 onwards).

A.4.1 Portuguese inflows by sex, 2019-2021

Years	All foreign-born	Female		Male	
	N	N	% of total	N	% of total
2021	461	63	13.7	398	86.3
2020	439	54	12.3	385	87.7
2019	705	101	14.3	604	85.7

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Ministério da Justiça e Segurança Pública, Portal de Imigração Laboral, annual reports and situational reports.

A.5 Acquisition of citizenship of the destination country, 2025

Years	Acquisition of citizenship by all foreigners		Acquisition of citizenship by Portuguese		
		Change in		% of total	Change in
2025	13 154	--	115	0.9	--

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Ministério da Justiça e Segurança Pública, Naturalizações#mce_temp_url#, dados

A.6 Remittances, 2000-2025

Years	Inward flows (thousand euros) (a)		Outward flows (thousand euros) (b)		Balance (a/b)
		Change in	N	Change in	
2025	15 070	28.0	341 400	-6.8	0.05
2024	11 770	-56.8	366 190	-8.2	0.04
2023	27 240	88.1	398 750	53.7	0.07
2022	14 480	8.3	259 480	10.2	0.06
2021	13 370	5.1	235 580	-2.4	0.06
2020	12 720	-20.0	241 470	0.7	0.06
2019	15 890	-17.3	239 730	-5.5	0.07
2018	19 220	-22.6	253 590	14.4	0.08
2017	24 820	17.1	221 720	-3.2	0.12
2016	21 200	6.3	229 060	-1.0	0.10
2015	19 950	-25.6	231 380	-9.4	0.09
2014	26 830	62.4	255 300	0.8	0.11
2013	16 520	54.0	253 250	12.2	0.07
2012	10 730	22.9	225 650	-18.7	0.05
2011	8 730	-17.6	277 570	-9.4	0.04
2010	10 590	18.9	306 350	-1.2	0.04
2009	8 910	-8.7	309 960	-6.6	0.03
2008	9 760	25.0	331 710	6.4	0.03
2007	7 810	-4.6	311 840	-10.6	0.03
2006	8 190	-7.7	348 660	30.3	0.03
2005	8 870	34.8	267 590	23.6	0.04
2004	6 580	-30.6	216 470	28.1	0.04
2003	9 480	-41.7	168 980	94.2	0.06
2002	16 260	15.1	87 000	65.2	0.19
2001	14 130	-20.5	52 660	55.8	0.27
2000	17 780	--	33 790	--	0.53

Note The 2024 data was rectified by the responsible entity and updated by the OEm on 25/02/2026.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Banco de Portugal, BP stat, Estatísticas de balança de pagamentos, Remessas de emigrantes/imigrantes.

B. Census

B.2 Resident population by census and sex, according to country of birth , 1991-2011

(indivíduos)

By sex	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2010/2011						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100	137 972	100
Female	--	--	--	--	68 054	49.3
Male	--	--	--	--	69 918	50.7
2000/2001						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100	213 203	100
Female	--	--	--	--	102 209	47.9
Male	--	--	--	--	110 994	52.1
1991/1992						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100	263 610	100
Female	--	--	--	--	123 288	46.8
Male	--	--	--	--	140 322	53.2

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from United Nations, CEPAL

B.3 Resident population by census and age group, according to country of birth , 1991-2011

(indivíduos)

By age group	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2010/2011						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	--	137 973	--
-15 Years	--	--	--	--	3 652	2.6
15-39 Years	--	--	--	--	5 363	3.9
40-64 Years	--	--	--	--	46 126	33.4
65+ Years	--	--	--	--	82 832	60.0
2000/2001						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	--	213 203	--
-15 Years	--	--	--	--	1 097	0.5
15-39 Years	--	--	--	--	9 362	4.4
40-64 Years	--	--	--	--	103 616	48.6
65+ Years	--	--	--	--	99 128	46.5
1991/1992						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	--	263 610	--
-15 Years	--	--	--	--	1 143	0.4
15-39 Years	--	--	--	--	31 346	11.9
40-64 Years	--	--	--	--	146 817	55.7
65+ Years	--	--	--	--	84 304	32.0

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from United Nations, CEPAL

B.5 Residents born in Portugal by labour force status , 1991-2011

(indivíduos)

By labour force status	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2010/2011						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100.0	134 950	100.0
Employed	--	--	--	--	47 222	35.0
Unemployed	--	--	--	--	--	0.0
Inactive	--	--	--	--	87 728	65.0
2000/2001						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100.0	212 432	100.0
Employed	--	--	--	--	84 886	40.0
Unemployed	--	--	--	--	--	0.0
Inactive	--	--	--	--	127 546	60.0
1991/1992						
Total Population	--	100.0	--	100.0	263 246	100.0
Employed	--	--	--	--	119 273	45.3
Unemployed	--	--	--	--	--	0.0
Inactive	--	--	--	--	143 973	54.7

Note In the source there is no distinction between actively employed and actively unemployed. Population with 15 years and over.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Nações Unidas, CEPAL