

Observatório da Emigração

France

A. Annual series

A.1 Foreign-born population, 1999-2023

Years	Total Population		Foreign-born						
	N	Change in	All foreign-born			Born in Portugal			
			N	% of total	Change in	N	% of total	As a % of all foreign-born	Change in
2023	68 143 433	0.3	7 281 700	10.7	3.8	577 000	0.8	7.9	0.6
2022	67 926 558	0.3	7 015 300	10.3	1.3	573 700	0.8	8.2	-3.6
2021	67 697 091	0.4	6 926 000	10.2	1.2	595 200	0.9	8.6	1.1
2020	67 441 850	0.3	6 847 100	10.2	1.7	588 600	0.9	8.6	-2.8
2019	67 257 982	0.4	6 733 500	10.0	2.4	605 300	0.9	9.0	-0.8
2018	66 992 159	0.3	6 579 000	9.8	2.0	610 206	0.9	9.3	-1.3
2017	66 774 482	0.3	6 450 000	9.7	2.5	618 214	0.9	9.6	-0.6
2016	66 602 645	0.3	6 292 000	9.4	2.0	621 986	0.9	9.9	0.0
2015	66 422 469	0.4	6 168 000	9.3	2.3	621 777	0.9	10.1	1.0
2014	66 130 873	0.9	6 027 000	9.1	3.3	615 573	0.9	10.2	1.4
2013	65 564 756	0.5	5 835 000	8.9	2.1	606 897	0.9	10.4	1.3
2012	65 241 241	0.5	5 714 000	8.8	1.9	599 333	0.9	10.5	1.2
2011	64 933 400	0.5	5 605 000	8.6	1.6	592 281	0.9	10.6	0.7
2010	64 612 939	0.5	5 514 000	8.5	1.5	588 276	0.9	10.7	0.6
2009	64 304 500	0.5	5 432 000	8.4	1.7	584 714	0.9	10.8	0.7
2008	63 961 859	0.6	5 342 000	8.4	1.7	580 598	0.9	10.9	0.8
2007	63 600 690	0.7	5 253 000	8.3	2.3	576 100	0.9	11.0	1.1
2006	63 186 117	0.7	5 136 000	8.1	3.6	569 600	0.9	11.1	0.5
2005	62 730 537	3.7	4 959 000	7.9	-21.0	567 000	0.9	11.4	-31.8
2000	60 508 150	0.6	6 278 718	10.4	45.8	831 900	1.4	13.2	45.5
1999	60 122 665	--	4 306 094	7.2	--	571 874	1.0	13.3	--

Note

The values from 2021 onwards were rectified by the entity responsible and amended by the OEm on 04/10/2024.

The values for 2022 and 2023 are provisional.

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

[Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), nationality values can be accessed through the category "Répartition des étrangers par nationalité" and those of birth in the category "Répartition des immigrants par pays de naissance"; [United Nations Statistics Division](#) (estimates).

A.1.1 Residents born in Portugal by sex, 2000-2021

Years	All foreign-born	Female		Male	
	N	N	% of total	N	% of total
2021	591 975	291 584	49.3	300 391	50.8
2020	601 761	295 983	49.2	305 778	50.8
2019	613 561	301 392	49.1	312 169	50.9
2018	610 207	299 747	49.1	310 460	50.9
2017	618 215	302 753	49.0	315 462	51.0
2016	621 986	303 802	48.8	318 184	51.2
2015	621 777	302 872	48.7	318 905	51.3
2014	615 573	299 147	48.6	316 426	51.4
2013	606 897	294 863	48.6	312 034	51.4
2012	599 333	291 369	48.6	307 964	51.4
2011	592 281	288 583	48.7	303 698	51.3
2010	588 276	286 845	48.8	301 431	51.2
2009	584 713	285 303	48.8	299 410	51.2
2008	580 599	284 153	49.0	296 446	51.1
2000	831 900	413 356	49.7	418 544	50.3

[..]Data not available, residual data, not applicable; [e]EstimateLast update: 04/out./2024

Note The value of the Portuguese total in this table may not correspond to that in table "A.A.1 Resident population by place of birth" due to source rounding issues.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), "Population immigrée par sexe, âge et pays de naissance"; [United Nations Statistics Division](#) (the UN data are estimates).

A.1.2 Residents born in Portugal by age group, 2008-2021

Years	All foreign-born	< 15		15-64		> 65	
	N	N	% of total	N	% of total	N	% of total
2021	591 974	19 553	3.3	260 884	44.1	311 537	52.6
2020	601 762	21 266	3.5	276 415	45.9	304 081	50.5
2019	613 562	23 199	3.8	294 048	47.9	296 315	48.3
2018	610 206	23 125	3.8	292 749	48.0	294 332	48.2
2017	618 215	24 669	4.0	307 443	49.7	286 103	46.3
2016	621 986	25 464	4.1	319 653	51.4	276 869	44.5
2015	621 778	25 671	4.1	328 791	52.9	267 316	43.0
2014	615 573	24 684	4.0	332 870	54.1	258 019	41.9
2013	606 898	23 266	3.8	335 165	55.2	248 467	41.0
2012	599 334	21 568	3.6	337 307	56.3	240 459	40.1
2011	592 281	20 032	3.4	339 678	57.4	232 571	39.3
2010	588 275	18 535	3.2	343 493	58.4	226 247	38.5
2009	584 714	17 288	3.0	347 548	59.4	219 878	37.6
2008	580 598	15 655	2.7	352 438	60.7	212 505	36.6

Note In the French case the age groups in the table do not correspond to the statistical information provided. The group "15 to 64" includes information on persons between 15 and 54 years and the age group "> 65" actually refers to all those over 55 years.

The value of the Portuguese total in this table may not correspond to that in table "A.1 Resident population by place of birth" due to source rounding issues.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), "Population immigrée par sexe, âge et pays de naissance".

A.2 Foreign population, 1999-2023

Years	Total Population		All foreign-born						
	N	Change in	All foreign-born		Change in	Foreigners with Portuguese citizenship			
			N	% of total		N	% of total	As a % of all foreigners	Change in
2023	68 143 433	0.3	5 613 800	8.2	5.6	548 600	0.8	7.5	2.5
2022	67 926 558	0.3	5 314 500	7.8	2.1	535 100	0.8	7.6	-1.6
2021	67 697 091	0.4	5 202 900	7.7	1.0	543 500	0.8	7.8	0.3
2020	67 441 850	0.3	5 149 200	7.6	3.0	541 700	0.8	7.9	-1.3
2019	67 257 982	0.4	5 000 000	7.4	3.1	548 800	0.8	8.2	0.4
2018	66 992 159	0.3	4 849 900	7.2	3.1	546 682	0.8	8.3	-0.4
2017	66 774 482	0.3	4 703 800	7.0	3.6	548 661	0.8	8.5	0.5
2016	66 602 645	0.3	4 541 500	6.8	2.6	546 081	0.8	8.7	0.8
2015	66 422 469	0.4	4 427 900	6.7	3.2	541 569	0.8	8.8	2.1
2014	66 130 873	0.9	4 289 000	6.5	5.0	530 557	0.8	8.8	2.1
2013	65 564 756	0.5	4 083 900	6.2	2.6	519 500	0.8	8.9	2.0
2012	65 241 241	0.5	3 980 600	6.1	2.4	509 254	0.8	8.9	1.7
2011	64 933 400	0.5	3 889 000	6.0	1.9	500 891	0.8	8.9	1.1
2010	64 612 939	0.5	3 817 600	5.9	1.2	495 454	0.8	9.0	0.6
2009	64 304 500	0.5	3 771 100	5.9	1.5	492 735	0.8	9.1	0.4
2008	63 961 859	0.6	3 714 500	5.8	0.9	490 724	0.8	9.2	0.1
2007	63 600 690	0.7	3 682 200	5.8	0.9	490 444	0.8	9.3	-0.1
2006	63 186 117	0.7	3 648 200	5.8	4.2	490 859	0.8	9.6	-0.2
2005	62 730 537	3.7	3 501 000	5.6	--	492 000	0.8	9.9	--
2000	60 508 150	0.6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1999	60 122 665	--	3 263 186	5.4	--	555 383	0.9	12.9	--

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Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), nationality values can be accessed through the category "Répartition des étrangers par nationalité" and those of birth in the category "Répartition des immigrés par pays de naissance"; [United Nations Statistics Division](#) (estimates).

A.2.1 Resident population with Portuguese citizenship by sex, 2006-2021

Years	All foreign-born			Female		Male	
	N	% of total	Change in	N	% of total	N	% of total
2021	542 705	47.3		256 522	47.3	286 183	52.7
2020	544 615	47.1		256 709	47.1	287 906	52.9
2019	549 608	47.1		258 620	47.1	290 988	53.0
2018	546 682	47.0		257 204	47.0	289 478	53.0
2017	548 661	46.9		257 083	46.9	291 578	53.2
2016	546 080	46.7		255 137	46.7	290 943	53.3
2015	541 569	46.6		252 375	46.6	289 194	53.4
2014	530 556	46.4		246 419	46.4	284 137	53.6
2013	519 500	46.4		240 975	46.4	278 525	53.6
2012	509 254	46.4		236 435	46.4	272 819	53.6
2011	500 891	46.5		232 929	46.5	267 962	53.5
2010	495 454	46.5		230 393	46.5	265 061	53.5
2009	492 736	46.5		229 119	46.5	263 617	53.5
2008	490 723	46.6		228 787	46.6	261 936	53.4
2007	490 444	46.6		228 789	46.6	261 655	53.4
2006	490 859	46.7		229 059	46.7	261 800	53.3

Note The value of the Portuguese total in this table may not correspond to that in table "A.2 Foreign population" due to source rounding issues.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), "Population par sexe, âge et nationalité".

A.2.2 Resident population with Portuguese citizenship by age group, 2006-2021

Years	All foreign-born		< 15		15-64		> 65	
	N		N	% of total	N	% of total	N	% of total
2021	542 705		61 527	11.3	262 937	40.2	218 241	48.4
2020	544 615		62 333	11.4	270 265	38.9	212 017	49.6
2019	549 609		63 405	11.5	279 711	37.6	206 493	50.9
2018	546 682		63 148	11.6	278 386	37.5	205 148	50.9
2017	548 661		63 672	11.6	285 557	36.4	199 432	52.0
2016	546 081		63 054	11.6	289 920	35.4	193 107	53.1
2015	541 568		62 116	11.5	292 057	34.6	187 395	53.9
2014	530 557		60 300	11.4	288 763	34.2	181 494	54.4
2013	519 499		58 724	11.3	285 251	33.8	175 524	54.9
2012	509 254		56 680	11.1	281 607	33.6	170 967	55.3
2011	500 891		56 059	11.2	278 524	33.2	166 308	55.6
2010	495 454		55 348	11.2	277 352	32.8	162 754	56.0
2009	492 736		55 604	11.3	277 804	32.3	159 328	56.4
2008	490 724		55 951	11.4	279 528	31.6	155 245	57.0
2007	490 444		57 319	11.7	282 831	30.6	150 294	57.7
2006	490 858		58 514	11.9	286 724	29.7	145 620	58.4

Note In the French case the age groups in the table do not correspond to the statistical information provided. The group "15 to 64" includes information on persons between 15 and 54 years and the age group "> 65" actually refers to all those over 55 years.

The value of the Portuguese total in this table may not correspond to that in table "A.2 Foreign population" by place of birth" due to source rounding issues.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques](#), "Population par sexe, âge et nationalité".

A.3 Consular registrations, 2008-2022

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
2022	1 368 914	-11.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
2021	1 551 776	6.5	--	--	--	--	--	--
2020	1 456 721	3.7	--	--	--	--	--	--
2019	1 405 053	16.6	--	--	--	--	--	--
2018	1 205 308	-4.3	--	--	--	--	--	--
2017	1 258 953	-2.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2016	1 284 196	-4.6	--	--	--	--	--	--
2015	1 346 472	20.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2014	1 122 564	-9.7	--	--	--	--	--	--
2013	1 243 419	4.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2012	1 190 798	2.5	817 138	68.6	2.0	992 181	83.3	2.5
2011	1 161 900	1.4	801 180	69.0	1.3	967 713	83.3	-14.5
2010	1 145 531	3.1	790 798	69.0	2.3	1 132 048	98.8	3.1
2009	1 111 438	3.0	773 258	69.6	16.0	1 097 973	98.8	6.5
2008	1 079 524	--	666 414	61.7	--	1 031 082	95.5	--

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 , 2003-2022

Years	Total inflows		Portuguese inflows		
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in
2022	431 017	28.1	10 216	2.4	33.3
2021	336 398	18.8	7 663	2.3	27.8
2020	283 237	-26.5	5 998	2.1	-21.5
2019	385 591	-0.4	7 643	2.0	-5.0
2018	387 158	4.7	8 047	2.1	-3.2
2017	369 621	-2.1	8 314	2.2	-32.8
2016	377 709	3.7	12 377	3.3	6.6
2015	364 221	7.0	11 607	3.2	-21.2
2014	340 383	0.5	14 732	4.3	-21.6
2013	338 752	--	18 803	5.6	-4.4
2012	--	--	19 658	--	30.8
2011	--	--	15 023	--	53.3
2010	--	--	9 801	--	-1.3
2009	--	--	9 933	--	-23.8
2008	--	--	13 044	--	19.3
2007	--	--	10 930	--	-6.9
2006	--	--	11 742	--	28.4
2005	--	--	9 146	--	-6.7
2004	--	--	9 807	--	7.0
2003	--	--	9 165	--	--

Note Data published by the Institut National de la Statistique et des Études Économiques (INSEE) are five-year averages. That is, the value of entries in 2013 is, in fact, the average of the calculated values, by sampling, for the years of 2011 to 2015. It is a methodology that aims to minimize sample errors and not build a series marked by apparent systematic variations due, in most cases, to those same errors.

From 2003 to 2009 the data refer to those born in Portugal without French nationality. In 2010 there is a break in the series and the data are now counted as individuals with Portuguese nationality. On 16/02/2021 OEm changed the source of data from 2013 onwards from INSEE to Eurostat, which led to a revision of the values of the series from 2013 and onwards.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Institut National de la Statistique et de Études Économiques](#), data granted on request (2003 to 2012). [Eurostat](#), Immigration by age group, sex and citizenship (from 2013 onwards).

A.4.1 Portuguese inflows by sex, 2013-2022

Years	All foreign-born		Female		Male	
	N	% of total	N	% of total	N	% of total
2022	10 216	48.8	4 990	48.8	5 226	51.2
2021	7 663	48.2	3 692	48.2	3 971	51.8
2020	5 998	48.3	2 895	48.3	3 103	51.7
2019	7 643	48.2	3 686	48.2	3 957	51.8
2018	8 047	45.2	3 641	45.2	4 406	54.8
2017	8 314	45.1	3 749	45.1	4 565	54.9
2016	12 377	46.9	5 800	46.9	6 577	53.1
2015	11 607	47.4	5 499	47.4	6 108	52.6
2014	14 732	48.0	7 069	48.0	7 663	52.0
2013	18 803	47.6	8 953	47.6	9 850	52.4

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [Eurostat](#), Immigration by age group, sex and citizenship.

A.5 Acquisition of citizenship of the destination country, 2000-2022

Years	Acquisition of citizenship by all foreigners		Acquisition of citizenship by Portuguese		
	N	Change in	N	% of total	Change in
2022	114 483	-12.2	1 521	1.3	-10.6
2021	130 385	50.8	1 701	1.3	50.8
2020	86 483	-21.2	1 128	1.3	-37.1
2019	109 821	-0.2	1 794	1.6	-13.8
2018	110 014	-3.7	2 080	1.9	-14.4
2017	114 274	-4.1	2 429	2.1	-5.8
2016	119 152	4.9	2 579	2.2	-17.0
2015	113 608	7.6	3 109	2.7	-7.1
2014	105 613	8.6	3 345	3.2	-13.9
2013	97 276	1.3	3 887	4.0	-9.5
2012	96 051	-16.2	4 294	4.5	-9.0
2011	114 569	-20.0	4 720	4.1	-17.5
2010	143 261	5.5	5 723	4.0	-13.1
2009	135 822	-1.2	6 583	4.8	-15.4
2008	137 452	4.1	7 778	5.7	107.5
2007	132 002	-10.7	3 749	2.8	-64.4
2006	147 868	-4.4	10 524	7.1	18.5
2005	154 643	-8.4	8 884	5.8	-19.2
2004	168 845	16.7	10 988	6.5	14.7
2003	144 649	12.9	9 577	6.6	8.3
2002	128 097	0.4	8 844	6.9	-3.7
2001	127 548	-15.0	9 182	7.2	-18.0
2000	150 026	--	11 201	7.5	--

Note The 2020 total acquisition value has been reviewed by the responsible entity and amended by OEm on 29/03/2023.

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from Ministère de l'Intérieur, Immigration, Asile, Accueil et Accompagnement des Étrangers en France, "Acquisitions de la nationalité française". Institut National de la Statistique et de Études Économiques (from 2017 onwards). Eurostat, Acquisition of citizenship by sex, age group and former citizenship (from 2017 onwards for the Portuguese).

A.6 Remittances, 2000-2023

Years	Inward flows (thousand euros) (a)		Outward flows (thousand euros) (b)		Balance (a/b)
		Change in		Change in	
2023	1 045 160	-3.4	21 840	5.8	48
2022	1 081 630	5.7	20 640	-8.4	52
2021	1 023 450	-1.3	22 540	11.3	45
2020	1 036 570	-5.2	20 250	-5.8	51
2019	1 093 540	-3.5	21 500	-23.7	51
2018	1 133 290	-1.5	28 180	-6.1	40
2017	1 151 040	2.5	30 000	11.6	38
2016	1 122 570	8.7	26 870	41.2	42
2015	1 033 120	17.1	19 030	1.3	54
2014	882 180	-1.4	18 780	-6.8	47
2013	894 930	5.8	20 150	1.7	44
2012	846 150	-2.5	19 820	-5.4	43
2011	867 610	-3.5	20 950	17.6	41
2010	899 160	1.3	17 810	12.4	50
2009	887 440	-9.7	15 850	2.6	56
2008	983 030	-4.2	15 450	-16.4	64
2007	1 026 190	4.8	18 470	-2.3	56
2006	978 950	7.7	18 910	-25.0	52
2005	908 870	-5.7	25 200	2.2	36
2004	964 130	8.8	24 660	4.6	39
2003	886 090	-5.2	23 580	-13.8	38
2002	934 480	-38.5	27 360	-3.8	34
2001	1 520 420	13.8	28 430	17.0	53
2000	1 335 470	--	24 310	--	55

B. Census

B.1 Resident population by census and nationality, according to country of birth , 2011-2012

(indivíduos)

Nationality	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	64 931 323	100.0	7 325 037	100.0	617 235	100.0
Nationality of the destination country	61 089 701	94.1	4 048 202	55.3	194 945	31.6
Foreign nationality	3 841 622	5.9	3 276 835	44.7	422 290	68.4

Note ! Other situations or missing values: 1,016

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [European Union, Eurostat, 2011 census hub](#)

B.2 Resident population by census and sex, according to country of birth , 2001-2012

(indivíduos)

By sex	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	64 932 338	100.0	7 325 037	100	617 234	100
Female	33 502 553	51.6	3 763 506	51.4	301 659	48.9
Male	31 429 785	48.4	3 561 531	48.6	315 575	51.1
2001/2002						
Total Population	58 513 700	100.0	5 864 570	100	581 062	100
Female	30 096 783	51.4	2 957 718	50.4	283 121	48.7
Male	28 416 917	48.6	2 906 852	49.6	297 941	51.3

Note Other situations or missing values: 1 in 2011

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [European Union, Eurostat, 2011 census hub](#)

B.3 Resident population by census and age group, according to country of birth , 2001-2012

(indivíduos)

By age group	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	64 932 338	100.0	7 325 038	10.7	617 233	0.9
-15 Years	12 030 928	18.5	404 836	5.5	21 920	3.6
15-39 Years	20 527 766	31.6	2 254 210	30.8	119 738	19.4
40-64 Years	21 468 165	33.1	3 225 660	44.0	372 847	60.4
65+ Years	10 905 479	16.8	1 440 332	19.7	102 728	16.6
2001/2002						
Total Population	58 513 700	100.0	5 864 570	9.5	581 062	1.0
-15 Years	11 073 219	18.9	288 360	4.9	14 772	2.6
15-39 Years	20 473 231	35.0	1 876 916	32.0	222 738	38.3
40-64 Years	17 667 770	30.2	2 617 294	44.6	301 819	52.0
65+ Years	9 299 480	15.9	1 082 000	18.4	41 733	7.2

Note Other situations or missing values: 1 in 2011

B.5 Residents born in Portugal by labour force status , 2011-2012

(indivíduos)

By labour force status	Total Population		Foreign-born		Born in Portugal	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
2011/2012						
Total Population	64 931 332	100.0	7 325 022	100.0	617 234	100.0
Employed	26 841 261	41.3	3 195 978	43.6	348 855	56.5
Unemployed	2 805 520	4.3	463 919	6.3	25 836	4.2
Inactive	35 284 551	54.4	3 665 125	50.0	242 543	39.3

Note ! Other situations or missing values: 1,007

Source Table by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data from [European Union, Eurostat, 2011 census hub](#)