

Portuguese emigration to Iceland declines again in 2024

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A total of 311 Portuguese nationals entered Iceland in 2024, according to data from Statistics Iceland. This national statistical agency recorded a total of 19,789 entries of foreign nationals into the country, with Portuguese citizens accounting for 1.6% of total immigration that year. +

Following a decrease in the number of Portuguese entries into Iceland in 2023, emigration to the country declined further in 2024, registering an even more pronounced drop of 19.8%. This decline mirrors a broader decrease in foreign entries to Iceland, though at a slower rate.

Between 2000 and 2024, the number of Portuguese entering Iceland registered its minimum in 2002 (seven entries) and its maximum in 2004 (520 entries). Portuguese emigration to Iceland started abruptly in 2004, representing in that year more than one fifth of the foreigners' arrivals into the country. Since then, the variations in the volume of immigration in that country have accompanied the variations in the Icelandic economy: higher entries in the years of the economic and financial boom in the beginning of the century, retraction with the financial crisis of 2008 and recovery in line with the economic upturn initiated in 2011.



Source Graph by Observatório da Emigração [Emigration Observatory], data by Statistics Iceland.

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