

# Health at a Glance 2021: OECD Indicators

## Highlights for Spain

Health at a Glance provides the latest comparable data and trends on the performance of health systems in OECD countries and key emerging economies. Alongside indicator-by-indicator analysis, this edition offers a special chapter on the health impact of COVID-19.

### Life expectancy dropped by 1.5 years in 2020, but Spain now has the third-highest rate of COVID-19 vaccination across OECD countries



As of November 1, more than **5 million COVID-19 infections** and over **87 000 deaths** from the virus had been recorded.



**All-cause mortality in 2020 and the first six months of 2021 rose by 13.5%** compared with the 2015-2019 average.



**Life expectancy** fell by 1.5 years during the pandemic, from 83.9 years in 2019 to 82.4 years in 2020 – the second-highest reduction across OECD countries.



Older populations have been hit hard: in Spain, **94% of deaths** through early May 2021 occurred among people aged 60 and older.



**Four-fifths (79.8%)** of the Spanish population has been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, compared to 65% across the OECD on average (as of November 1).



Spain had the **third-highest vaccination rate** across 37 OECD countries on November 1, an improvement from eighth-highest at the beginning of July.

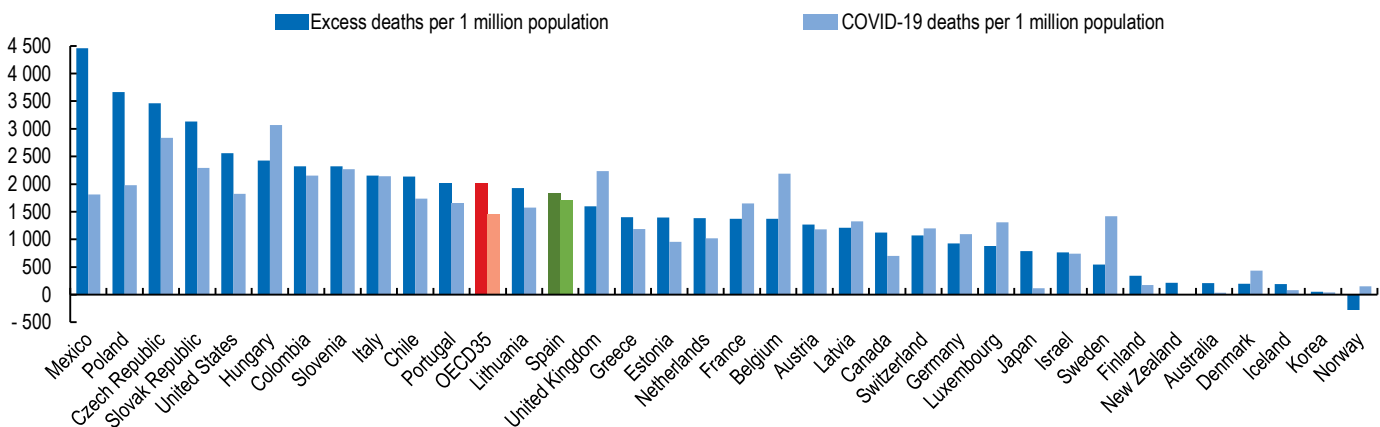


The COVID-19 crisis has had a significant and negative impact on mental health. In Spain, **more than one in five adults (21.6%)** reported symptoms of anxiety in early 2020.



The pandemic resulted in **delays in care**, including a decrease in cancer screening. The share of women aged 50-69 screened for breast cancer **fell by nearly 9%** compared to 2017.

Cumulative excess mortality compared to reported COVID-19 deaths per million population, January 2020 to end June 2021



# Health at a Glance 2021: How does Spain compare?

● Spain    ● Highest performer  
● OECD    ● Lowest performer

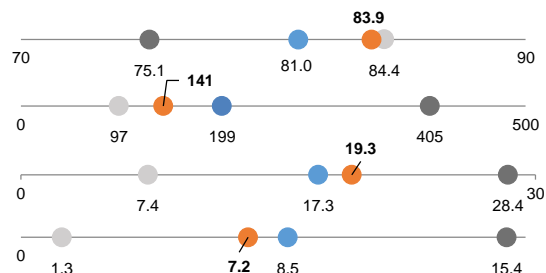
## Health status is good in Spain, whose share of the population over 65 is higher than the OECD average

**Life expectancy** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Years of life at birth

**Avoidable mortality** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Deaths per 100 000 population (age standardised)

**Population ageing** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Share of population over 65 or older

**Self-rated health** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Population in poor health (% population 15+)



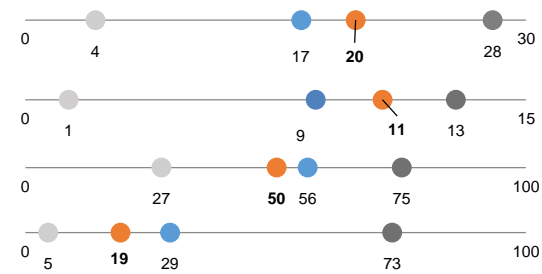
## Smoking and alcohol consumption rates are above the OECD average

**Smoking** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Daily smokers (% population 15+)

**Alcohol** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Litres consumed per capita (Population 15+)

**Overweight / obesity** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Population with BMI>=25 (% population 15+)

**Air pollution** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Deaths due to ambient particulate matter pollution (per 100 000 population)

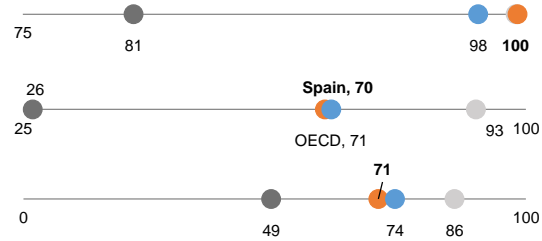


## Population coverage is strong, with relatively high satisfaction and financial protection

**Population coverage, eligibility** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Population eligible for core services (% population)

**Population coverage, satisfaction** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Population satisfied with availability of quality health care (% population)

**Financial protection** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Expenditure covered by compulsory prepayment (% total expenditure)



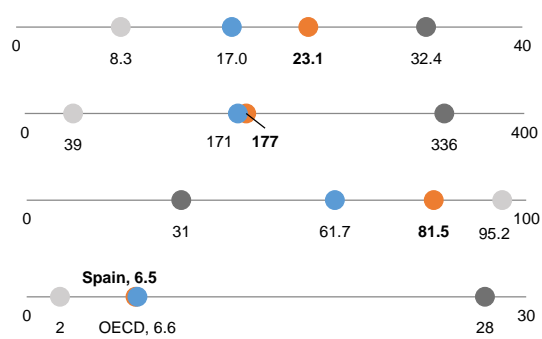
## Many major indicators of quality of care are good, though rates of antibiotic prescribing are high

**Safe primary care** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Antibiotics prescribed (defined daily dose per 1 000 people)

**Effective primary care** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Avoidable COPD admissions (per 100 000 people, age-sex standardised)

**Effective preventive care** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Mammography screening within the past two years (% of women 50+)

**Effective secondary care** (2019 or nearest year)  
 30 day mortality following AMI (per 100 000 people, age-sex standardised)



## Resources for health lag behind, but health spending and doctors per capita are above the OECD average

**Health spending** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Per capita (USD based on PPPs)

**Long-term care spending** (2019 or nearest year)  
 % of GDP

**Doctors** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Practising physicians (per 1 000 population)

**Nurses** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Practising nurses (per 1 000 population)

**Hospital beds** (2019 or nearest year)  
 Per 1 000 population

