



SPAIN

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- Total area: 504000Km³
- Language: Spanish
- National day: 12th October is a national holiday in Spain. It is also Saint Day for anyone called Pilar. Pilar is the Patron Saint of Zaragoza.
- The longest river: Tejo (1008km)
- Domestic exchange: Euro
- form of government: constitutional monarchy
- klima: slight waist, subtropical belt

Religion

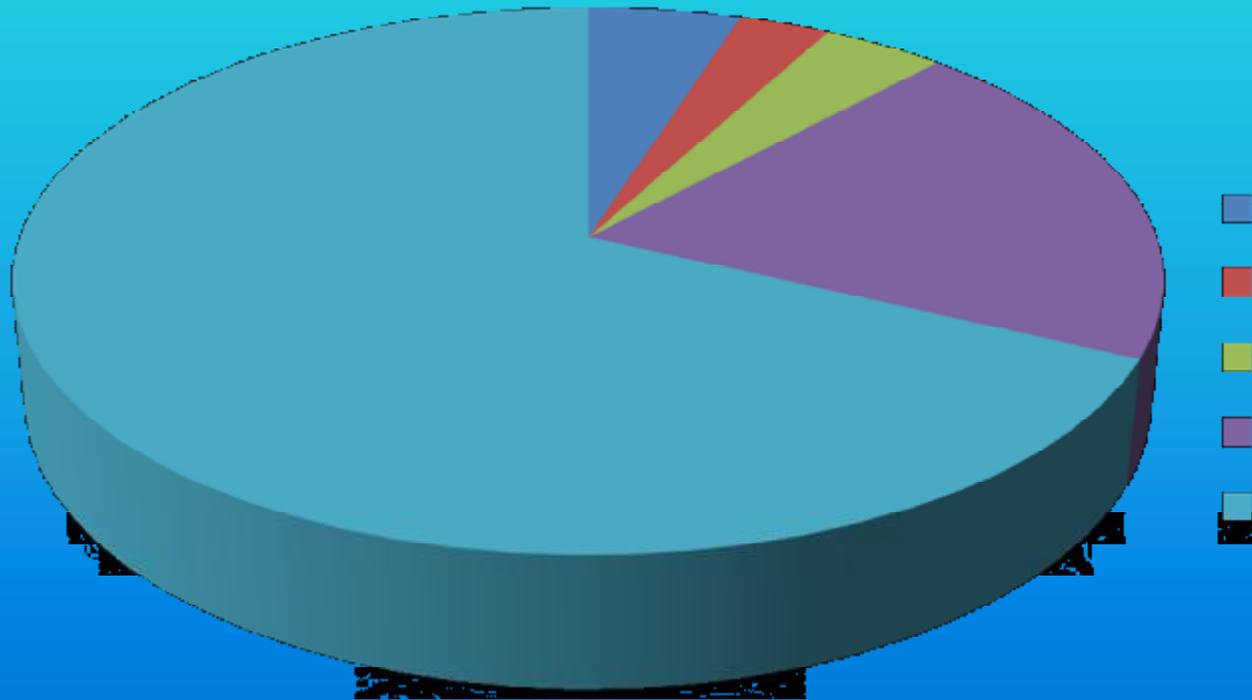


Table of townships, cities and citizens

Pos	City	Region	Prov.	Population
1	Madrid	Madrid	Madrid	3, 213, 271
2	Barcelona	Catalonia	Barcelona	1, 615, 908
3	Valencia	Valencian	Valencie	810, 064
4	Seville	Andalusia	Seville	699, 759
5	Zaragoza	Aragon	Zaragoza	666, 129
6	Málaga	Andalusia	Málaga	566, 447
7	Murcia	Murcia	Murcia	430, 571
8	Palma da	Balearic Islands	Palma de	396, 570
9	Las Palmas	Canary Islands	Las Palmas	381, 123
10	Bilbao	Basque Country	Biscay	353, 340

attractions and tourist attractions

Kingdom of Spain was greatly influenced by Islamic culture. Balearic and Canary islands are very favorite tourist destinations. Northern limit from Pyrenean mountains and this mountains is very favorite winter destination, too. This mountains form an imaginary line from the rest of the world, which Spain claimed in the past in isolation.

Spain attractions

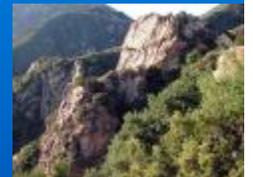
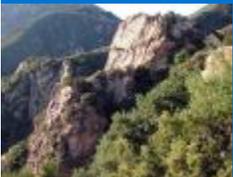
The Spanish coastline is 3,200 km long, and thanks to the good climate and has the optimum conditions for tourism. Spain is one of most mountainous of Europe. Madrid may be proud that it is the highest capital city of the Old Continent.



The surface fauna and flora of Spain

The surface of Spain is very diverse. Although 40% of the territory covered plain, the landscape is dominated by several mountain ranges - the Cantabrian, Iberian and Pyrenean. A typical local animal is Iberian red deer, and the free-living foxes and weasels. Gibraltar live small monkey, which allegedly originated from Morocco, but there found a pleasant life.

Unfortunately, only a few specimens of the brown bear remains nevyhubených. In some national parks are even trying to re-start to behave wolves. Spain has definitely need to include representatives of birds - flamingos, heronry, eagles, vultures, Capi and others are commonly seen. Best period for observation in the second quarter.



In Spain, many plants that do not find anywhere else in Europe. This is due to the fact that the last ice age in the Iberian peninsula did not, so that some plant species have survived. Allegedly, in Spain you will find to 8000 different plants- např. eukalypty, daffodils, crocus, cork oaks, dwarf palm trees, etc. The local nature, unfortunately, threatens tourism and industrial production, which processes the wood in the paper and furniture industry. Logging entails frequent erosion, which destroys the local landscape considerably.

Spanish colonies

Spanish colonial empire was one of the oldest and largest colonial empire in history. Spain, during the 15th and 16 century became a pioneer in overseas discoveries, the newly discovered territories then very often based their own colony. Large areas in South America was obtained at the expense of local cultures: Spanish conquistador destroyed, among other things developed Aztec and inca civilization. Spain also has built an extensive sales network, nejčilejší commercial traffic was between Europe and America, colonies, trade with Asia secure the Spanish ports in the Philippines.

Cuisine and sports

The typical food of all Spain is paella.

Concerning the food, Spain is divided in 3 areas.

The typical sport for Spain is football, tennis, cycling,

handball. The typical Spanish football teams are Real Madrid, FC Sevilla and more.

The oldest football club in Spain is Huelva Recreation.



History of Spain

Spain penetrated Aragonie merger and marriage of Castile and Ferdinand II. Aragon Izabela Castil in 1492.

In 1492 Krystof Kolumbus appeared America and thus began the golden era of Spain.

In 1504 he joined the Spanish throne of King Philip I of the genus Habsburgs.

In the 16th century Spain under the rule of Habsburgs become Charles I and his son Philip II. became the most powerful countries in Europe it's "Golden Age of Spain" the main reason for the rise of the wealth of Spain was brought from overseas colonies. This period lasted until 17 century.

In 1700 died the last king of the Spanish Habsburgs and the Spanish War began the throne. During these wars shall cease to be perceived as a power Spain.

In the 19th century, Spain was the poor state, Napoleon decided to take the invasion of Spain and the Spanish throne made his brother Joseph. In the years 1808-1814 carried out in the country fighting for independence

In 1982 Spain became a NATO member, in 1986 a member of the European Union and in 1999 entered to the eurozone.





Travel Information

We go to Madrid in Spain.

We go from Vysoké Mýto it is small city in the Czech Republic.

We go by bus to Prague.

From Vysokého Mýta to Prague it is 150km.

In Prague we go to airport Ruzyně.

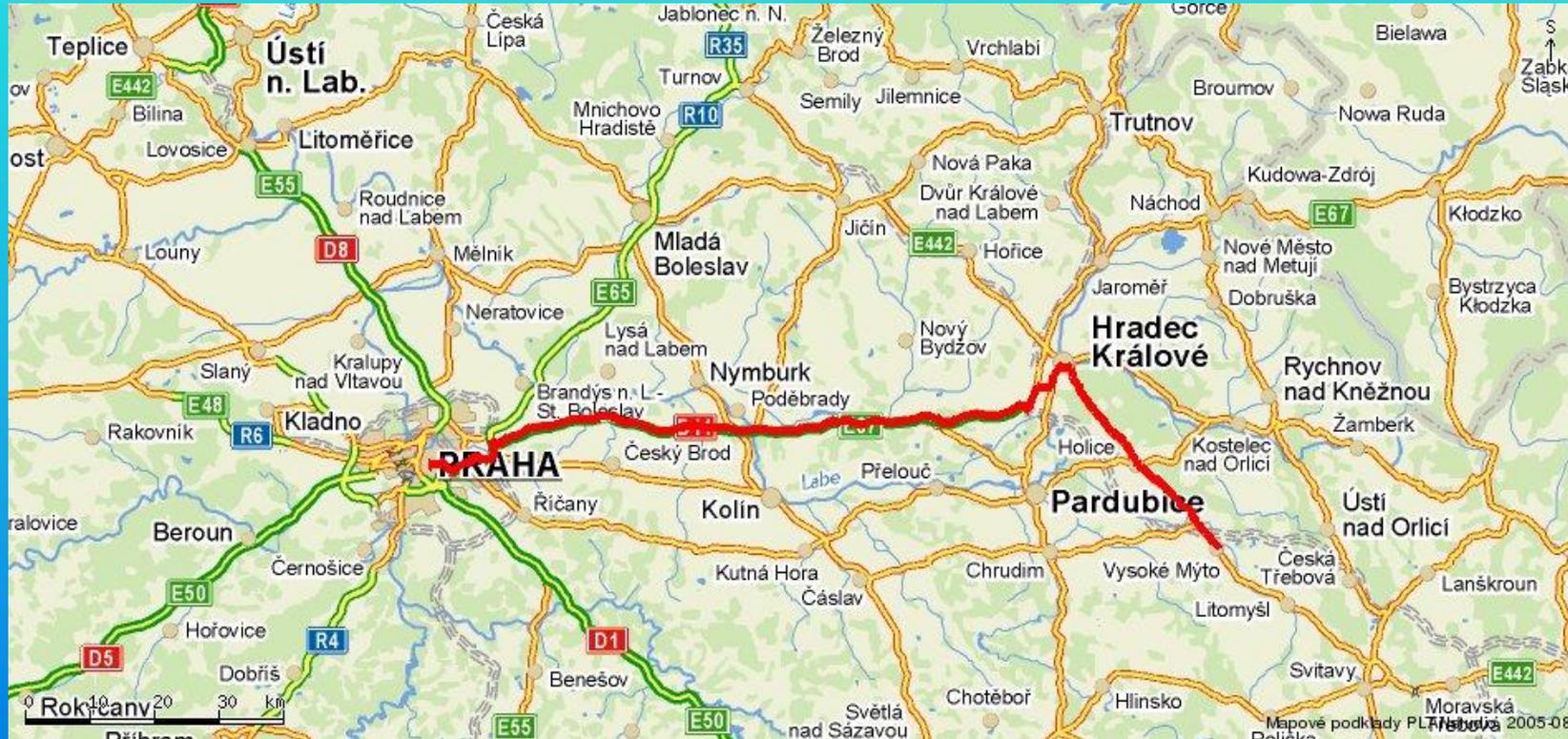
From Ruzyně we go in air to Madrid it is 1800km.

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Travel from Vysoké Mýto to Prague it lasts
2 hours and price is 260Kč= 10€.

Flight from Prague to Madrid lasts 3 hours
and price is 16 616Kč=639€.

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Famous people

Paul Gasol- In Spain is very famous. He plays basketball in NBA.

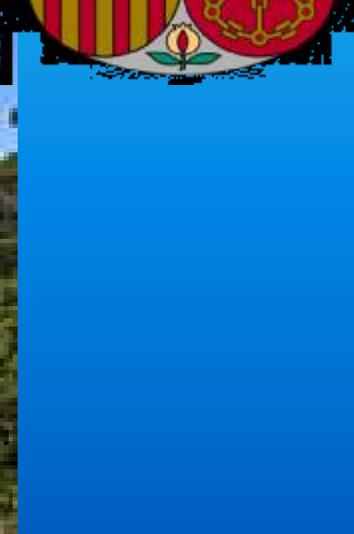
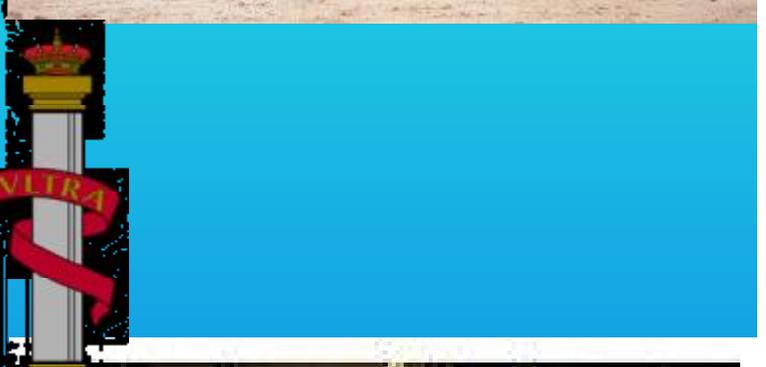
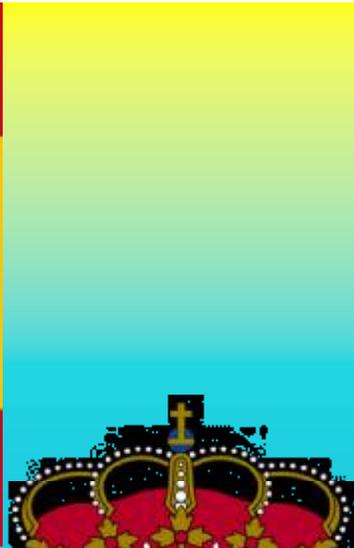
Alfonso VIII of Castile- He defeated Arabians in battle of Las Navas de Tolosa. And this is crucial phase defeat Arabians and end of reconquist.

Ferdinand II of Aragon and Isabella I of Castile- They give gold and ships to Christopher Columbus.

Hernán Cortés- He disrupted a Aztec Empire
Pablo Picasso (Pablo Diego José Francisco de Paula Juan Nepomuceno María de los Remedios Cipriano de la Santísima Trinidad Ruiz y Picasso- this is his completely name) He is a Spanish painter and sculptor. And he is a founder of Cubism.

Antonio Banderas- He is a famous actor and director. For example he played in The Mask of Zorro.





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