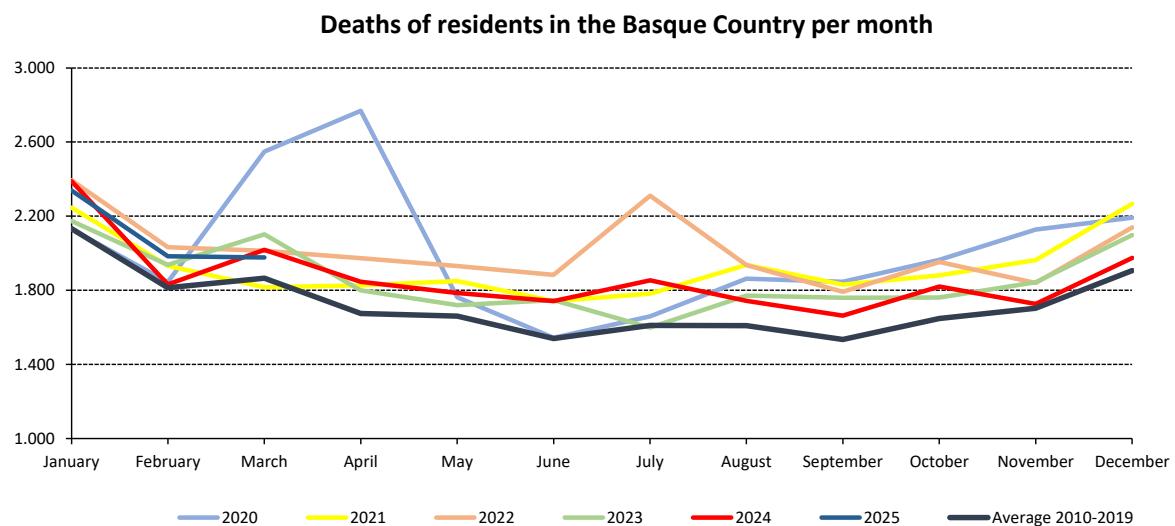


Deaths rose by 0.1% in the second quarter of 2025 in the Basque Country

The increase occurred in June, with 0.5% more deaths, whereas in April and May there was a decrease of 0.1% and 0.2%, respectively

In the second quarter of 2025 the number of deaths in the Basque Country stood at 5,377, up 0.1% on the same period of the previous year, according to Eustat data. If we compare this data with previous years, we see that in the second quarter of 2025, the number of deaths was lower than in 2022 (5,787), 2021 (5,418) and 2020 (6,073), but higher than in 2019 (5,067), 2023 (5,266) and the average for the 2010-2019 period (4,876).



Source: Eustat. Death Statistics

Deaths increased in Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa: there were 2,884 deaths in Bizkaia (+0.6%) and 1,741 in Gipuzkoa (+0.5%). In Álava, with 752 deaths, they were down 2.7%. By sex, 2,706 women died (-0.9%) and 2,671 men (+1.1%).

Amongst the deaths that occurred in this second quarter, 11 corresponded to children under 1 year of age (0.2%) and 122 to centenarians (2.3%).

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The main causes of death were tumours and diseases of the circulatory system, which caused the deaths of 1,513 and 1,288 individuals respectively, which means that together they accounted for 52.1% of deaths. Diseases of the respiratory system were the third cause of death, resulting in 455 deaths.

Deaths by territory of residence, age, sex and month of death (1). 2025/II

	II/2025		I/2025			II/2024		
	NO.	%	NO.	%	Increase %	NO.	%	Increase %
DEATHS	5,377	100.0	6,302	100.0	-14.7	5,373	100.0	0.1
Territory of residence								
Araba / Álava	752	14.0	854	13.6	-11.9	773	14.4	-2.7
Bizkaia	2,884	53.6	3,455	54.8	-16.5	2,867	53.4	0.6
Gipuzkoa	1,741	32.4	1,993	31.6	-12.6	1,733	32.3	0.5
Age								
Under 1 years	11	0.2	6	0.1	83.3	8	0.1	37.5
1-19 years	8	0.1	10	0.2	-20.0	6	0.1	33.3
20-39 years	35	0.7	35	0.6	0.0	35	0.7	0.0
40-59 years	336	6.2	339	5.4	-0.9	307	5.7	9.4
60-79 years	1,508	28.0	1,664	26.4	-9.4	1,512	28.1	-0.3
80-99 years	3,357	62.4	4,120	65.4	-18.5	3,405	63.4	-1.4
100 or more years	122	2.3	128	2.0	-4.7	100	1.9	22.0
Men	2,671	100.0	2,996	100.0	-10.8	2,642	100.0	1.1
Under 1 years	5	0.2	4	0.1	25.0	6	0.2	-16.7
1-19 years	2	0.1	6	0.2	-66.7	4	0.2	-50.0
20-39 years	28	1.0	25	0.8	12.0	26	1.0	7.7
40-59 years	235	8.8	226	7.5	4.0	193	7.3	21.8
60-79 years	938	35.1	1,007	33.6	-6.9	965	36.5	-2.8
80-99 years	1,443	54.0	1,710	57.1	-15.6	1,431	54.2	0.8
100 or more years	20	0.7	18	0.6	11.1	17	0.6	17.6
Women	2,706	100.0	3,306	100.0	-18.1	2,731	100.0	-0.9
Under 1 years	6	0.2	2	0.1	200.0	2	0.1	200.0
1-19 years	6	0.2	4	0.1	50.0	2	0.1	200.0
20-39 years	7	0.3	10	0.3	-30.0	9	0.3	-22.2
40-59 years	101	3.7	113	3.4	-10.6	114	4.2	-11.4
60-79 years	570	21.1	657	19.9	-13.2	547	20.0	4.2
80-99 years	1,914	70.7	2,410	72.9	-20.6	1,974	72.3	-3.0
100 or more years	102	3.8	110	3.3	-7.3	83	3.0	22.9
MONTH OF DEATH								
April	1,845	34.3				1,846	34.4	-0.1
May	1,783	33.2				1,786	33.2	-0.2
June	1,749	32.5				1,741	32.4	0.5

(1)The data for the current quarter is provisional. The variations are over the current quarter

Date November 17, 2025

Source: Eustat. Death statistics

The cause of death continued to vary according to sex. Among men, tumours (32.4%) caused more deaths than diseases of the circulatory system(22.6%), whilst among women the main cause of death was diseases of the circulatory system (25.3%) followed by tumours in second place(23.9%).

COVID-19 caused a total of 20 deaths (all from confirmed COVID-19), which represented 0.4% of the total and a decrease of 68.8%. 10 of these deaths occurred in Bizkaia, 8 in Gipuzkoa and 2 in Álava. This was the cause of death for a total of 10 women and 10 men and the affected age groups were those aged over 80 (16), followed by those aged 60-79 (4).

Deaths by cause of death and sex (1). 2025/II

	II/2025		I/2025			II/2024		
	NO.	%	NO.	%	Increase %	NO.	%	Increase %
DEATHS	5,377	100.0	6,302	100.0	-14.7	5,373	100.0	0.1
Cause of death								
Total								
Tumors	1,513	28.1	1,529	24.3	-1.0	1,622	30.2	-6.7
Circulatory system	1,288	24.0	1,561	24.8	-17.5	1,319	24.5	-2.4
Respiratory system	455	8.5	847	13.4	-46.3	402	7.5	13.2
Nervous system	332	6.2	374	5.9	-11.2	363	6.8	-8.5
Digestive system	279	5.2	301	4.8	-7.3	250	4.7	11.6
Other causes	1,510	28.1	1,690	26.8	-10.7	1,417	26.4	6.6
COVID-19 confirmed	20	0.4	18	0.3	11.1	64	1.2	-68.8
COVID-19 probable	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other causes	1,490	27.7	1,672	26.5	-10.9	1,353	25.2	10.1
Men								
Tumors	865	32.4	868	29.0	-0.3	960	36.3	-9.9
Circulatory system	604	22.6	718	24.0	-15.9	626	23.7	-3.5
Respiratory system	228	8.5	388	13.0	-41.2	212	8.0	7.5
Nervous system	163	6.1	151	5.0	7.9	160	6.1	1.9
Digestive system	137	5.1	156	5.2	-12.2	113	4.3	21.2
Other causes	674	25.2	715	23.9	-5.7	571	21.6	18.0
COVID-19 confirmed	10	0.4	6	0.2	66.7	31	1.2	-67.7
COVID-19 probable	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other causes	664	24.9	709	23.7	-6.3	540	20.4	23.0
Women								
Tumors	648	23.9	661	20.0	-2.0	662	24.2	-2.1
Circulatory system	684	25.3	843	25.5	-18.9	693	25.4	-1.3
Respiratory system	227	8.4	459	13.9	-50.5	190	7.0	19.5
Nervous system	169	6.2	223	6.7	-24.2	203	7.4	-16.7
Digestive system	142	5.2	145	4.4	-2.1	137	5.0	3.6
Other causes	836	30.9	975	29.5	-14.3	846	31.0	-1.2
COVID-19 confirmed	10	0.4	12	0.4	-16.7	33	1.2	-69.7
COVID-19 probable	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Other causes	826	30.5	963	29.1	-14.2	813	29.8	1.6

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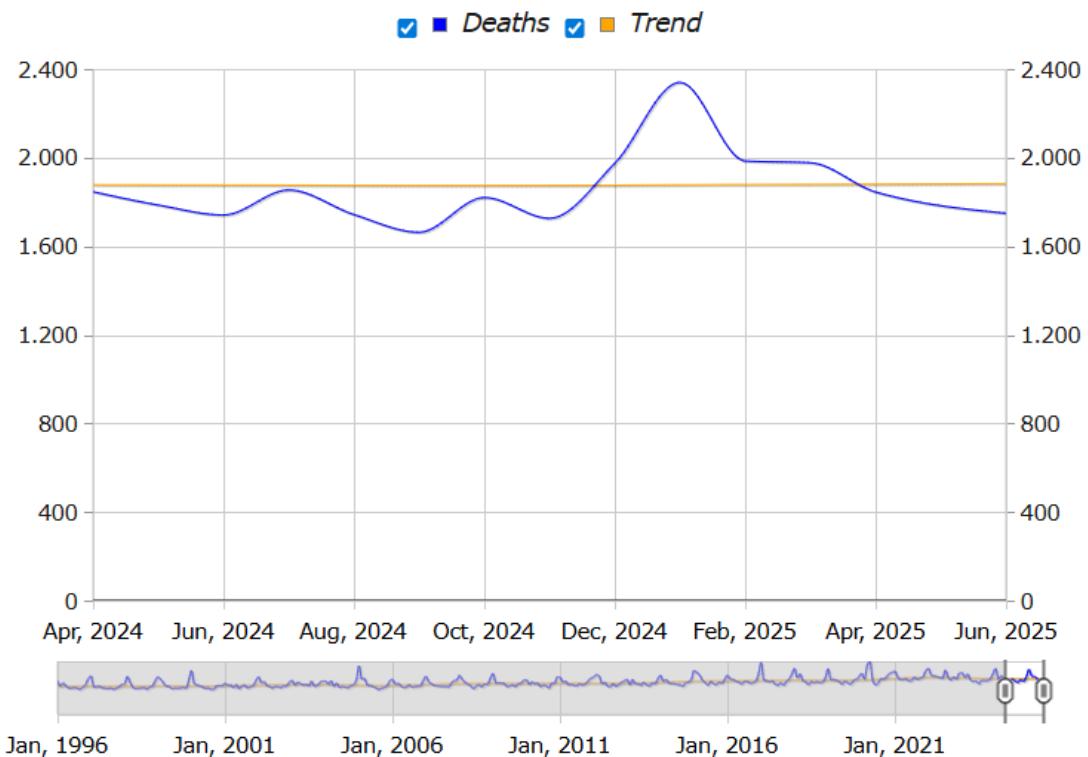
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Source: Eustat. Death statistics

Population growth was negative in all three provinces

Population growth in the Basque Country was negative in the second quarter of 2025, as there were 2,091 more deaths than births. There were negative balances in all three provinces: in Bizkaia this was 1,247 people, in Gipuzkoa 605, and in Álava 239.

Deaths of residents in the Basque Country. Monthly data



Source: Eustat. Death statistics

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