

TUMOURS WERE THE MAIN CAUSE OF DEATH IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2001

4,164 people died over the months of April, May and June 2001, 53.5% of which were male and 46.5% female.

4,164 people died in the second quarter of 2001 in the A.C. of Euskadi, a similar figure to the same period the previous year. By provinces, 509 people died in Álava, 2,307 in Bizkaia and 1,348 in Gipuzkoa.

The main cause of death was tumours: 1,324 people died due to this cause (31.8%); followed by circulatory systems diseases, which led to 1,304 deaths (31.3%). The third cause, at some distance, was respiratory diseases, which was the cause of 356 deaths (8.5%). Circulatory system diseases were the main cause the same quarter last year.

The cause of death varied according to sex, as among males tumours were more common than circulatory system diseases, while among females the main cause of death was cardiovascular diseases followed by tumours.

Among the deaths that occurred in the second quarter of 2001, 12 corresponded to children under one year of age, 11 boys and 1 girl.

Natural growth in the second quarter of 2001 was positive for the whole of the A.C. of Euskadi, with an increase in population of 293 persons. By Provinces, there were positive balances in Alava and Gipuzkoa, which increased their populations by 128 and 200 inhabitants, respectively. In the case of Bizkaia, however, the number of deaths was higher than births (-35).

Deaths in the A.C. of Euskadi by sex, according to cause of death . Quarterly comparison. (Provisional data)

	2nd quarter 2001		Previous quarter (1st quarter 2001)		Same quarter of the previous year (2nd quarter 2000)	
	N.	%	Nº	%	Nº	%
DEATHS	4.164		4.575		4.188	
Men	2.229	53,5	2.403	52,5	2.229	53,2
Women	1.935	46,5	2.172	47,5	1.959	46,8
CAUSE OF DEATH						
TOTAL	4.164		4.575		4.188	
Tumours	1.324	31,8	1.372	30,0	1.290	30,8
Circulatory system	1.304	31,3	1.454	31,8	1.349	32,2
Respiratory system	356	8,5	459	10,0	390	9,3
Digestive system	230	5,5	236	5,2	251	6,0
Accidents	155	3,7	182	4,0	156	3,7
Other diseases	795	19,1	872	19,1	752	18,0
MEN	2.229		2.403		2.229	
Tumours	854	38,3	857	35,7	804	36,1
Circulatory system	596	26,7	663	27,6	624	28,0
Respiratory system	217	9,7	286	11,9	226	10,1
Digestive system	127	5,7	120	5,0	137	6,1
Accidents	108	4,8	123	5,1	121	5,4
Other diseases	327	14,7	354	14,7	317	14,2
WOMEN	1.935		2.172		1.959	
Tumours	470	24,3	515	23,7	486	24,8
Circulatory system	708	36,6	791	36,4	725	37,0
Respiratory system	139	7,2	173	8,0	164	8,4
Digestive system	103	5,3	116	5,3	114	5,8
Accidents	47	2,4	59	2,7	35	1,8
Other diseases	468	24,2	518	23,8	435	22,2

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