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**DEATH STATISTICS (EDEF)**

**Third quarter 2001**

## **THE NUMBER OF DEATHS INCREASED 9.5% IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2001 WITH REGARD TO THE SAME QUARTER THE YEAR BEFORE**

**4,166 persons died in July, August and September 2001, 53% of which were male and 47% were female.**

4,166 persons died in the third quarter of 2001 in the A.C. of Euskadi, 9.5% more than in the same period the year before, according to the latest EUSTAT data. By provinces, 503 persons died in Álava, 2,303 in Bizkaia and 1,360 in Gipuzkoa.

The main cause of death was tumours: 1,347 deaths were due to this reason (32.3%); followed by, as the second cause of death, circulatory system diseases, which led to 1,230 deaths (29.5%). Thirdly, and at some distance, were respiratory system diseases, which caused 340 deaths (8.2%).

The cause of death was different according to sex, as tumours were more common among males than circulatory system diseases, while among females the main cause of death was cardiovascular diseases and tumours in second place.

Among the deaths that occurred in the third quarter of 2001, 21 corresponded to children under one year of age, 11 male and 10 female.


The natural population growth in the third quarter of 2001 was positive for the whole of the A.C. of Euskadi, with a population increase of 300 persons. By provinces, there were positive balances in Alava and Gipuzkoa, which increased their populations by 134 and 200 inhabitants, respectively. In the case of Bizkaia, on the other hand, the number of deaths was higher than births (-29).

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

	3rd quarter 2001		Previous quarter (2nd quarter 2001)		Same quarter of the previous year (3rd quarter 2000)	
	N.	%	Nº	%	Nº	%
<b>DEATHS</b>	<b>4.166</b>		<b>4.168</b>		<b>3.805</b>	
Men	2.210	53,0	2.231	53,5	2.070	54,4
Women	1.956	47,0	1.937	46,5	1.735	45,6
<b>CAUSE OF DEATH</b>						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4.166</b>		<b>4.168</b>		<b>3.805</b>	
Tumours	1.347	32,3	1.325	31,8	1.266	33,3
Circulatory system	1.230	29,5	1.306	31,3	1.160	30,5
Respiratory system	340	8,2	356	8,5	335	8,8
Digestive system	233	5,6	230	5,5	209	5,5
Accidents	157	3,8	155	3,7	190	5,0
Other diseases	859	20,6	796	19,1	645	17,0
<b>MEN</b>	<b>2.210</b>		<b>2.231</b>		<b>2.070</b>	
Tumours	847	38,3	855	38,3	784	37,9
Circulatory system	547	24,8	596	26,7	559	27,0
Respiratory system	217	9,8	217	9,7	190	9,2
Digestive system	136	6,2	127	5,7	105	5,1
Accidents	107	4,8	108	4,8	139	6,7
Other diseases	356	16,1	328	14,7	293	14,2
<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>1.956</b>		<b>1.937</b>		<b>1.735</b>	
Tumours	500	25,6	470	24,3	482	27,8
Circulatory system	683	34,9	710	36,7	601	34,6
Respiratory system	123	6,3	139	7,2	145	8,4
Digestive system	97	5,0	103	5,3	104	6,0
Accidents	50	2,6	47	2,4	51	2,9
Other diseases	503	25,7	468	24,2	352	20,3

Source: EUSTAT

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