

The mortality figures remained stable in the second quarter of 2008

Deaths of people over 100 years old decreased by 22.2%

In the second quarter of 2008, 4,303 people died in the A.C. of the Basque Country, 0.4% down on the same period of the previous year, according to Eustat data. By provinces, 531 people died in Álava, which was a drop of 1.8%, 2,341 in Bizkaia (-0.9%), while Gipuzkoa was the only province that saw a rise in the number of deaths (+0.9%).

Out of the 4,303 people who died, 2,301 were men and 2,002 women. The male death rate increase by 2.3%, while the rate for women fell by 3.4%.

As regards the ages of the deceased, nearly 76.4% were 70 or over, with the largest group aged between 80 to 89 years old, which accounted for 36.1% of the total deaths. Twenty-eight people aged 100 or over died, 22.2% more than in the same quarter of 2007 and 89.3% of whom were women.

Fifteen of all the deaths in the first quarter of 2008 were infants under one, 8 of whom were boys and 7 girls.

The population growth rate in the second quarter of 2008 was positive, with a population increase of 1,120 people. There were positive balances in the three provinces: +280 in Álava, +423 in Bizkaia and +417 in Gipuzkoa.

Table 1. Deaths in the A.C. of Euskadi by sex, according to age groups. Quarterly comparison.

	Previous quarter				Same quarter of the previous year	
	2nd quarter 2008		(1st quarter 2008)		(2nd quarter 2007)	
	N.	%	N.	%	N.	%
DEATHS	4.303	100,0	5.387	100,0	4.321	100,0
Men	2.301	53,5	2.749	51,0	2.249	52,0
Women	2.002	46,5	2.638	49,0	2.072	48,0
AGE GROUPS						
TOTAL	4.303	100	5.387	100	4.321	100
Under 1 year old	15	0,3	17	0,3	22	0,5
1-29	34	0,8	23	0,4	24	0,6
30-49	180	4,2	227	4,2	190	4,4
50-69	785	18,2	816	15,1	779	18,0
70-79	1.027	23,9	1.263	23,4	1.070	24,8
80-89	1.552	36,1	2.006	37,2	1.506	34,9
90-99	682	15,8	979	18,2	694	16,1
Over 100 years old	28	0,7	56	1,0	36	0,8
MEN	2.301	53	2.749	51	2.249	52
Under 1 year old	8	0,2	7	0,1	8	0,2
1-29	26	0,6	14	0,3	16	0,4
30-49	127	3,0	143	2,7	126	2,9
50-69	557	12,9	578	10,7	558	12,9
70-79	686	15,9	839	15,6	670	15,5
80-89	719	16,7	906	16,8	676	15,6
90-99	175	4,1	256	4,8	188	4,4
Over 100 years old	3	0,1	6	0,1	7	0,2
WOMEN	2.002	47	2.638	49	2.072	48
Under 1 year old	7	0,2	10	0,2	14	0,3
1-29	8	0,2	9	0,2	8	0,2
30-49	53	1,2	84	1,6	64	1,5
50-69	228	5,3	238	4,4	221	5,1
70-79	341	7,9	424	7,9	400	9,3
80-89	833	19,4	1.100	20,4	830	19,2
90-99	507	11,8	723	13,4	506	11,7
Over 100 years old	25	0,6	50	0,9	29	0,7

Source: EUSTAT
For further information:

Basque Statistics Office

C/ Donostia-San Sebastián, 1 01010 Vitoria-Gasteiz

 Tlf:+34-945-01 75 00 Fax:+34-945-01 75 01 E-mail: eustat@eustat.es

Contact: Martín González Hernández

Tlf:+34-945-01 75 49 Fax:+34-945-01 75 01

 Online press releases: www.eustat.es