

Basque Public Administrations employed 139,885 people at 1 January 2020, almost 9,000 more than four years previously

58% of employed personnel were civil servants and permanent contractual employees, whereas interim and casual contractual staff accounted for 41%

Basque Public Administrations (without taking into account personnel working in the State Administration and the Social Security System) relied on 139,885 people working at 1 January 2020, according to data prepared by EUSTAT. The number of people working in the Basque Administration has increased year on year since 2016, standing at 8,969 more persons employed in this period, 6.9% more.

63.1% of those employed were women, against 36.9% men, maintaining the same distribution as the previous year. There has been a clear, and even steadily increasing, predominance of women in the Basque Administration over the years.

Employees in Basque Public Administrations to 1 January by sex

	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	Quantity	%								
Total	130.916	100,0	132.442	100,0	134.925	100,0	139.569	100,0	139.885	100,0
Males	50.239	38,4	50.249	37,9	50.464	37,4	51.456	36,9	51.670	36,9
Females	80.677	61,6	82.193	62,1	84.461	62,6	88.113	63,1	88.215	63,1

Source: Eustat. Directory of public administrations

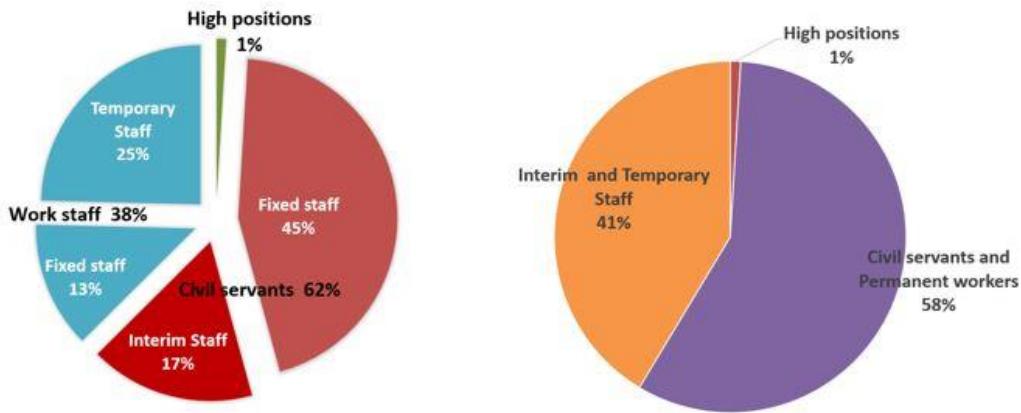
According to the framework regulating employment relations, at 01 January 2020, civil servants made up 61.6% of the total number of people employed in the Public Administrations, 37.5% being staff, in both cases including statutory personnel of the Osakidetza (the Basque Health Service), and 1% corresponded to senior posts, all very similar percentages to those of the previous year.

Employees in Basque Public Administrations on 1 January 2020 by the regulatory framework

	TOTAL	Basque Government and dependent bodies	Provincial Councils and dependent bodies	Local bodies and dependent bodies	Other local bodies
Total	139.885	90.374	11.708	27.170	10.633
High positions	1.342	311	208	659	164
Total civil servants	86.146	60.639	7.106	15.058	3.343
Permanent Civil Servants	62.686	46.595	4.457	9.123	2.511
Substitute Public Servants	23.460	14.044	2.649	5.935	832
Total workers	52.397	29.424	4.394	11.453	7.126
Permanent Workers	17.965	7.313	2.274	5.443	2.935
Temporary Workers	34.432	22.111	2.120	6.010	4.191

Source: Eustat. Directory of public administrations

Full-time permanent employees in the service of the Basque Public Administrations, civil servants, staff and statutory workers, accounted for 57.7% of total employees; practically unchanged on the previous year; whilst 16.8% were interim civil servants (5 tenths more) and 24.6% were temporary staff (0.5 percentage points more).

Employees in Basque Public Administrations on 1 Januray 2020 by the regulatory framework


Source: Eustat. Directory of public administrations

Of these 139,885 Basque Administration employees, 64.6% worked for the Administration of the Autonomous Community, 19.4% worked for Local Entities, 8.4% worked for Provincial Councils, and the remaining 7.6% were employed by the University, foundations and other public entities. The distribution of employment between the different Basque entities has remained practically unchanged in the last year.

Employees in Basque Public Administrations by type of entity

	01/01/2016		01/01/2020		AAVR 2020/2016
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	
Total	130.916	100,0	139.885	100,0	1,7
Basque Government	85.389	65,2	90.374	64,6	1,4
Provincial Councils	10.623	8,1	11.708	8,4	2,5
Local bodies	25.593	19,5	27.170	19,4	1,5
Other local bodies	9.311	7,1	10.633	7,6	3,4

AAVR: Accumulative average variation rate

Source: Eustat. Directory of public administrations

In relation to 2016, the number of people working in the Basque Administrations increased by 8,969, an average accumulative rate of 1.7%. The group referred to as Other Public Bodies, which covers, amongst others, the University of the Basque Country, Foundations, Public Associations, etc. despite being that with the least relative weight, is that with the greatest average accumulative variation, with 3.4% of growth. In second place, in percentage terms, is the growth of the Provincial Councils, which registered an average accumulative rate of 2.5%, an increase of 1,085 people, followed by Local Bodies, with 1.5% (+1,577 people). Personnel employed in the Basque Government also rose in the same period, to an average accumulative rate of 1.4%, 4,985 more people.

By province, Bizkaia accounted for 48.8% of the total of employed people, followed by Gipuzkoa, with 29.7%, and finally Álava, with the remaining 21.5%, a distribution with little change regarding that of 2018.

Territorial distribution of personnel at the service of the Basque Public Administrations on 1 Januray 2020

	TOTAL	Araba/Álava	Bizkaia	Gipuzkoa
Basque Public Administrations	139.885	30.062	68.295	41.528
Basque Government	90.374	19.426	44.569	26.379
Provincial Councils	11.708	3.644	5.366	2.698
Local bodies	27.170	5.100	12.833	9.237
Other local bodies	10.633	1.892	5.527	3.214

Source: Eustat. Directory of public administrations

Methodological note: The Directory of Public Administrations comprises the General Administration of the Basque Country, Provincial Councils and City Councils, together with the Autonomous Administrative Bodies, Public Entities and non-profit Foundations and Institutions that depend on these. All entities whose public stake is equal to or greater than 50% are included, whether it be held by a single administration or is a joint stake of various public administrations.

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