

## MARRIAGE STATISTICS. II/2022

## There were 2,271 marriages in the second quarter of 2022, up 24.8% on the previous year

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The number of marriages in the Basque Country during the second quarter of 2022 rose to 2,271, which was 24.8% more than in the same quarter of the previous year (1,820), according to Eustat data. Comparing data from this quarter with that from the same quarter of 2019 reveals a 4.5% rise in the number of marriages. This data indicates that marriages postponed in the past two years are now taking place. Of the total number of marriages, 2,212 were heterosexual marriages and the other 59 were between people of the same sex, 36 between women and 23 between men.

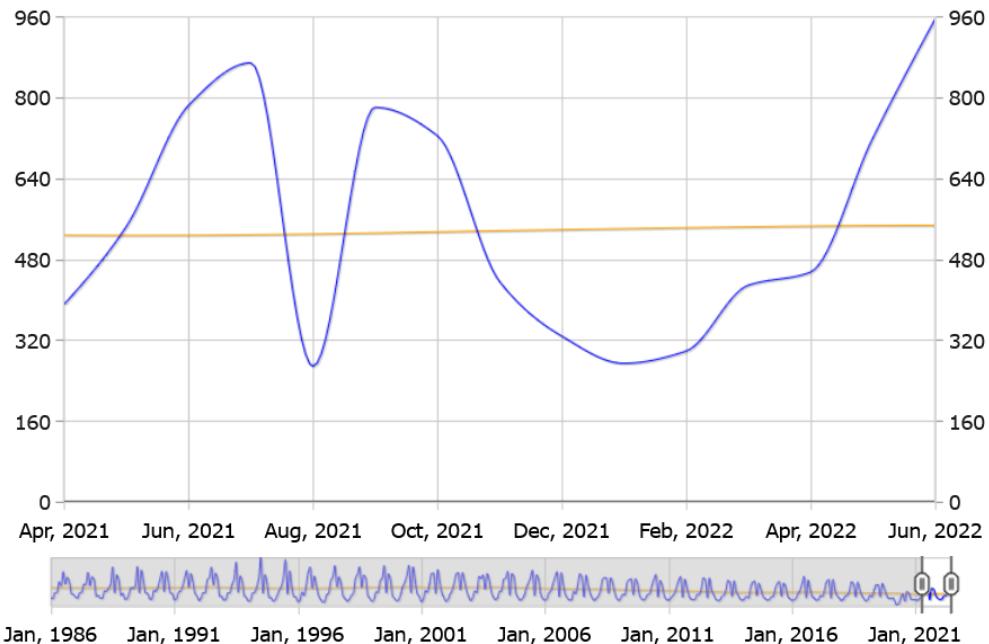
Taking into account the province where the marriage was registered, all three provinces saw an increase in the number of marriages: there were 1,037 weddings in Bizkaia, 268 in Álava and 818 in Gipuzkoa. On the other hand, 148 marriages were registered outside the Basque Country.

As is common in the second quarter, the number of unions rose considerably, above all in the month of June, which saw 44.9% of the weddings celebrated in the quarter.

### Marriages in the C.A. of Euskadi registered in the C.A. of Euskadi by month

Total and trend

■ Marriages  ■ Trend



Source: EUSTAT Marriage statistics

During the Spring months of 2022, the percentage of civil weddings was 91.2%, 88.2% corresponded to opposite sex couples and 2.6% of the total number of marriages were

between same sex couples, all of which were civil. In 2022 this percentage was 1.2 points lower than that observed in the same quarter of 2021.

Of the 2,271 marriages in the second quarter of 2022, 2,103 men and 2,129 women resident in the Basque Country married. For 1,741 husbands (82.8%) this was their first marriage, whilst 28 widowers and 334 divorcees remarried. The percentage of first weddings for women was higher than that for men: the number of single women who married stood at 1,793 (84.2%), 14 widows and 322 divorcees.

***The percentage of foreign nationals entering into marriage decreased***

With respect to the distribution according to the age of the couple, 93% of husbands and 86.8% of wives were over 30. In the same period of 2021, this proportion was 91% for men and 85.6% for women.

In the months of April, May and June 2022, 11.5% of recently married men and 16.2% of recently married women were foreign nationals. In respect of the same quarter of the previous year, this percentage fell by 0.5 percentage points among men and 1.1 among women.

# Marriages of residents by territory of registration, type of marriage, form of celebration, previous marital status, age and month of marriage (1). 2022/II



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	Oraingo hiruhilekoa (2022/II)		Previous quarter (I/2022)			Same quarter of the previous year (II/2021)		
	NO.	%	NO.	%	Increase (%)	NO.	%	Increase (%)
<b>Marriages</b>	2.271	100,0	1.044	100,0		117,5	1.820	100,0
Araba / Álava	268	11,8	132	12,6		103,0	246	13,5
Bizkaia	1.037	45,7	533	51,1		94,6	837	46,0
Gipuzkoa	818	36,0	335	32,1		144,2	637	35,0
Outside of the Basque Country	148	6,5	44	4,2		236,4	100	5,5
<b>Hetrosexuals</b>	2.212	97,4	1.007	96,5		119,7	1.744	95,8
Canonic	201	8,9	46	4,4		337,0	139	7,6
Civilians	2.011	88,6	961	92,0		109,3	1.605	88,2
<b>Homosexuals</b>	59	2,6	37	3,5		59,5	76	4,2
Between men	23	1,0	17	1,6		35,3	22	1,2
Between women	36	1,6	20	1,9		80,0	54	3,0
<b>Spouses M</b>	2.103	100,0	997	100,0		110,9	1.677	100,0
Single	1.741	82,8	791	79,3		120,1	1.363	81,3
Widowed	28	1,3	10	1,0		180,0	17	1,0
Divorced	334	15,9	196	19,7		70,4	297	17,7
Aged under 30	147	7,0	103	10,3		42,7	150	8,9
30 - 39 years	865	41,1	354	35,5		144,4	698	41,6
25 and older	1.091	51,9	540	54,2		102,0	829	49,4
Spanish nationality	1.861	88,5	794	79,6		134,4	1.475	88,0
Foreign nationality	242	11,5	203	20,4		19,2	202	12,0
<b>Spouses F</b>	2.129	100,0	999	100,0		113,1	1.731	100,0
Single	1.793	84,2	801	80,2		123,8	1.429	82,6
Widowed	14	0,7	11	1,1		27,3	15	0,9
Divorced	322	15,1	187	18,7		72,2	287	16,6
Aged under 30	282	13,2	136	13,6		107,4	248	14,3
30 - 39 years	958	45,0	421	42,1		127,6	771	44,5
25 and older	889	41,8	442	44,2		101,1	712	41,1
Spanish nationality	1.785	83,8	720	72,1		147,9	1.432	82,7
Foreign nationality	344	16,2	279	27,9		23,3	299	17,3
<b>Month of marriage</b>								
April	494	21,8				404	22,2	22,3
May	758	33,4				577	31,7	31,4
June	1.019	44,9				839	46,1	21,5

(1)The data are provisional. Variations are over the current quarter

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Source: Eustat Marriage statistics

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