



COUNTRY PROFILE

SPAIN



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Country : Spain
Capital : Madrid
Language : Spanish
Population : 46 439 864 inhabit (2015)
Density : 92, 47 inhabit km²
Surface area : 505 911 km²
Currency : Euro
Time zone : UTC+1: (CET)
Summer time : UTC +2 (CET)
Internet domain : .es
Telephone code : +34

HEALTH SYSTEM

The Spanish health system or the Sistema Nacional de Salud (SNS) covers basic health care and emergencies. Expatriates who work and pay security contributions in Spain must join the SNS. To be assigned a doctor, it is essential to register with the local health center, with the social security number.

In Spain, access to basic medical care (pediatrics, family medicine, nursing, etc.) is free of charge for all persons affiliated with the SNS. Dental and optical care are also not supported, hence the interest of taking out private insurance, **World Pass** type.

VACCINES

To go to Spain, no vaccine is required. It is also recommended to update its vaccination schedule :

DTPolio

This includes the 3 main vaccines against tetanus, diphtheria, polio.

Also remember to immunize against hepatitis A and B before your stay in Spain:

Hepatitis A

The hepatitis A vaccine is recommended for people wishing to stay in Spain for a long time or those who intend to settle in regions with uncertain health conditions or in isolated areas.

Hepatitis B

This vaccine is recommended for long or repeated stays.

SICKNESS

There are no health risks or widespread diseases in Spain, but it is still better to protect yourself against :

Traveler's diarrhea

The disease is mainly caused by water and poor hygiene. The risk is low, but prevention is required.

STDs

No additional risk, compared to other neighboring countries, but caution is required.

	PRIVATE SECTOR		Dental Expenses-Porcelain Crown Laying	Hip replacement
	General practitioner	Consultant		
PRICES	60 €	From 70 to 110 €	About 400 €	7700 €

THE DISADVANTAGES OF THE PUBLIC **SYSTEM**

- Waiting lists too long, specifically for non-urgent care
- Non-coverage of dental care by the public health insurance system
- The patient does not have the possibility to choose his / her doctor

THE DISADVANTAGES OF THE PRIVATE **SYSTEM**

- Health care costs are very high

IN CASE OF **EMERGENCY**

For any emergency, contact directly the services concerned:

Ambulance : **112** ou **061**

Fire fighters : **080**

National Police : **091**

Pharmacies on call : **098**

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WORLD PASS **TIPS**

For a short stay in Spain, it is essential to bring your European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This must be requested from your insurer at least 15 days before the departure date.

The EHIC provides the same health care as a person affiliated with the Spanish security system.

However, be aware that health care costs are often more expensive abroad. To be better reimbursed for your health expenses, consider taking out a private insurance, World Pass type, to benefit from :

- 100% reimbursement of health and medical expenses at their real costs
- Direct payment of hospitalization and subsistence costs
- Assistance and medical repatriation
- Civil liability



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