

MADRID REGION - SPAIN

Population in thousands: 5.700.000 inhabitants.

Area in km²: 8.000 km²

Population Density: 710 inhabitants per km².

The Madrid Region occupies 1.6% of the territory of Spain and makes up 13% of the Spanish population.

It is an urban society, densely populated and organised around a centre, which is the Madrid municipality. All the territory has a strong dependence on this centre for labour, administrative, commercial and leisure reasons.

The Madrid Region is the centre of Spain. It extends from the Central System until the Tajo Valley in an extensive and constant slope. Its Northern part is formed by lined mountains in the direction of North-East to South-West.



Institutional and administrative system: It has been constituted as an Autonomous Region starting from the 1978 Spanish democratic Constitution. The Madrid Region Autonomic Statute was approved on 25th February of 1983.

The Statute created the following institutions:

- The Madrid Region Assembly, as legislative organ.
- The Government Council, as executive organ.
- The Presidency of the Madrid Region, that directs the Council's activity
- The Superior Court Justice, jurisdictional organ.

The Madrid Region also has also other regional organs such as:

- The Economic and Social Council, which allows the participation of its citizens in the political, economic, cultural and social life. It serves as an instrument for the participation and dialogue between the Unions, entrepreneurs, and renowned experts in the debate about social and economic making proposals and living advice to the regional government.
- The Accounting Chamber, which exercises the economic and budget control.

Gross Domestic Product of the Madrid Region: Although the Madrid Region occupies 1.6% of the Spanish territory it produces 17.5% of the Spanish GDP. In productive density by km² it is the highest of all Spanish regions.

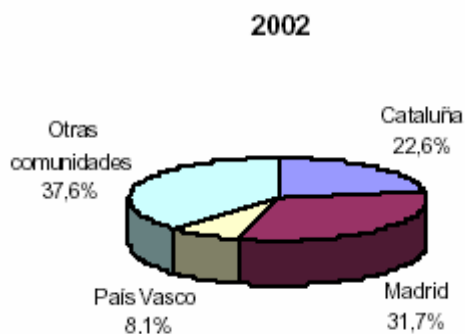
The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per head in the Madrid Region (24.00 euros) is 34% superior to the Spanish average (18.200 euros). In terms of Purchasing Power Standard (PPS) in 2002 it was 128,3% of the average of the European Union (EU-25 = 100), whereas the national rate amounted to 94,6%. Madrid Region is one of the most dynamic among the different Spanish regions and one of the references for the European Regions.

Employment: The economic growth of the Madrid Region has had a positive influence over the occupation rate, with an increase of 40% in the last teen years, as well as over the unemployment rate, which has been reduced from 20.6% in 1994 to 6.5% in 2004.

A Tertiary economic structure: As in every capital city the service sector has a strong presence in the productive structure. In 1980 the service sector was 70% of the regional added value and in 2003 that rate increased over 75%.

A technologically advanced economy: The R&D expenditure in the Madrid Region represents 1.19% of the regional GDP.

R&D EXPENDITURE IN THE SPANISH NATIONAL CONTEXT



Transport Structure: Madrid regions enjoys a highly developed transport network. Madrid Capital is connected by six national railway connections with Irún, Barcelona, Valencia, Cádiz, Badajoz and La Coruña.

Demografic tendency: In the Madrid Region the low birth rate is compensated with the important affluence of net migration.

Contribution to the economic growth by sectors 1980-2001

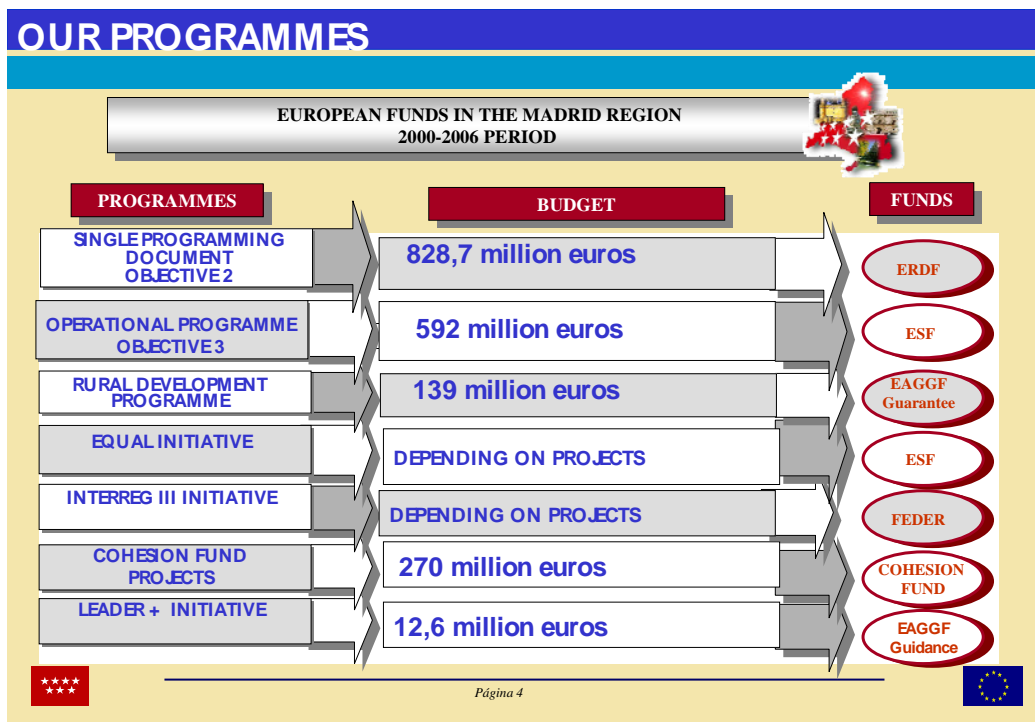
- 13,61% Industry, trade and services
- 8,59% Building industry
- 64,01% Trade services
- 15,36% Non trade services
- 3,05% Energy

Operational framework of Structural Funds in the region

The Madrid Regional Programmes cofinanced by Structural Funds as well as the Community Initiatives in which we take part are the following:

- The Madrid Region Single Programming Document for Objective 2: part-financed by the E.R.D.F.
- The Madrid Region Operational Programme for Objective 3 part-financed by the European Social Fund.
- The Madrid Region Rural Development Programme part-financed by the E.A.G.G.F-Guarantee Section to promote the rural areas included in Objective 2 & Phasing Out.
- We participate in The Community Initiatives: Equal, Leader + & Interreg.
- We have projects part-financed by the Cohesion Fund in order to improve our environment.

Here you can see a summary of our participation:



Madrid Region Single Programming Document for Objective 2 2000-2006: supports the economic and social conversion of areas facing structural difficulties.

Financial figures: Three different institutions participate in the Programme:

- The State General Administration.
- The Local Administration.
- The Madrid Regional Administration.

The resources of the Programme amount to 828,7 million euros of which 430,4 million euros are managed by the Regional Administration (Madrid Region contribution: 214,8 euros; ERDF aid: 215,2 million euros).

Main objectives:

Improvement of competitiveness, employment and development of productive sectors.

Improvement of the Environment.
knowledge Society.
Development of Communication and Energy Networks.
Urban and Local Development
Technical Assistance

Madrid Region Operational Programme for Objective 3 2000-2006 supports the adaptation and modernisation of policies and systems of education, training and employment.

Financial figures: The resources of the Programme amount to 592 million euros (ESF aid: 254 million euros).

Main objectives:

Insertion and Reinsertion of the Unemployed
Reinforcement of entrepreneurs capacity
Reinforcement of employment stability and adaptability
Reinforcement of Technical and Professional Education
Reinforcement of Human Resources in Research, Science and Technology
Participation of women in the labour market
Integration into the labour market of people with special difficulties
Support for local initiatives
Technical Assistance

Madrid Region Rural Development Programme 2000-2006 supports the maintenance of the population in rural areas, the improvement of the economic capacity and competitiveness and the conservation of its environment and rural heritage.

Financial figures: The resources of the Programme amount to 139 million euros (EAFSG, Guarantee Section aid: 69.5 million euros).

Main objectives:

Rural infrastructures
Diversification of the economy and promotion of rural areas.
Transformation and Commercialisation
Forestry, natural resources and environment.

The Directorate General for State Cooperation and European Affairs of the Madrid Region is the intermediate body of:

- The Single Programming Document for Objective 2.
- The Operational Programme for Objective 3.

This implies the coordination of the management of the final beneficiaries & the financial aspects of the Programmes, evaluation, monitoring and information and publicity.

The Managing Authorities of these Programmes are at a State level.

The Directorate General for State Cooperation and European Affairs coordinates as well the projects cofinanced by the Cohesion Fund.

In the case of the Rural Development Programme the Directorate General for State Cooperation and European Affairs coordinates the financial aspects of the Programme, where as the technical coordination is exercised by the Directorate General for Agriculture in the Madrid Region.

And in the case of the Community Initiatives Equal and Interreg, we do a role of Information, Promotion & coordination.

Here you can see a summary of our responsibilities:

OUR RESPONSABILITIES

• PROGRAMMES

- Single Programming Document Objective 2
- Operational Programme Objective 3
- Rural Development Programme
- Community Initiatives

• RESPONSABILITIES

Intermediate body

Financial coordination

Information, Coordination & Promotion

