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ENAIRE, the air navigation manager in Spain, recorded a particular rise in activity among international flights, which in March grew to 16,581, or 8.5% more.

There were 9,331 domestic flights and 2,486 overflights (those that cross the Canary Island airspace and that neither start nor end at a Spanish airport).

Traffic Comparison March 2017/2016											
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%			
ENAIRE network	140,715	4.4	79,314	4.6	31,175	2.2	30,226	6.3			
Canaries CC	28,398	4.8	16,581	8.5	9,331	-3.2	2,486	14.2			

NB: The total in the ENAIRE network does not match the sum of scheduled flights at each control centre. This is because a flight is counted in accordance with the air route and airspace it crosses. For example: a flight that departs Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas with destination Gran Canaria will be counted in the Madrid and Canaries control centres.

Cumulative figures

In the first quarter of the year, the ENAIRE Control Centre in Canaries managed 82,252 flights, 5.9% more, of which 48,812 were international (10.6%), 26,374 were domestic and 7,066 were overflights.

Traffic Comparison January-March 2017/2016											
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%			
ENAIRE network	385,622	5.2	216,446	6.9	84,768	0.9	84,408	5.4			
Canaries CC	82,252	5.9	48,812	10.6	26,374	-1.7	7,066	5.4			

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The Canaries Control Centre manages air traffic services in a geographic area covering 1.5 Mn sq km, mostly over ocean and including the Canary Islands and part of the Western Sahara. It is the gateway to Latin America via the Atlantic.

Total flights managed by ENAIRE

ENAIRE managed 140,715 flights across Spain in March, a rise of 4.4% over the same month last year. It was the 42nd month in a row of uninterrupted air traffic growth.

Growth was strongest amongst international flights, which climbed to 79,314, or 4.6% more than last March. There were 31,175 domestic flights, a rise of 2.2%.

There were 30,226 overflights (those that neither start nor end at a Spanish airport) (6.3%).

Traffic was up across nearly all ENAIRE control centres: Seville (7.9%, 29,121 flights), Madrid (5.7%, 83,843 flights), Canaries (4.8%, 28,398 flights), Barcelona (3.1%, 58,453 flights) and Palma (-2.8%, 13,242 flights).

The cumulative figures for January to March show that ENAIRE managed 385,622 flights across Spain, 5.2% more. Of these, international flights (216,446) grew the most, at 6.9%, and accounted for 56% of total traffic in Spain.

Of note was the fact that in the first quarter of the year, Spain's 5.2% growth far exceeded the European average (2.7%).

About ENAIRE

ENAIRE is the public business entity reporting to the Ministry of Public Works that manages Europe's fourth-largest airspace in terms of traffic through five control centres, 22 control towers and a network of aeronautical infrastructures and equipment. Traffic managed by ENAIRE carries over 230 million people every year.