



ENAIRe managed over 158,000 flights in March, 17% more than in 2022

- The number of flights managed in March already exceeds the record from 2019
- Overflights grew by 23.2%, international flights by 15.3% and domestic flights by 14.8%
- The growth of air traffic in Spain exceeds the European average by two percentage points
- All ENAIRe control centres saw a double-digit increase in the number of flights managed
- Every day of Holy Week, the traffic managed was higher than in 2022, 4.7% in the equivalent period

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ENAIRe, Spain's air navigation manager, managed over 158,000 flights (158,412) in March, 17.0% more than in the same month in 2022. Of those, 84,294 were international (+15.3%), 35,957 were domestic (+14.8%), and 38,161 were overflights (which do not land at or depart from a Spanish airport) (+23.2%).

The growth of air traffic in Spain in March exceeded the European average, which was 15.0%, by two percentage points

All ENAIRe control centres registered a double-digit increase in the number of flights managed: Barcelona registered 66,310 flights (20.2%); Seville, 37,988 (18.7%); Madrid, 93,116 (14.5%); Canary Islands, 33,525 (12.5%) and Palma, 16,671 (11.2%).

A comparison of March 2023 with the same month in 2019, a record year for flights managed by ENAIRe before the pandemic, shows a 1.1% increase.

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Air traffic comparison March 2023-2022								
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%
ENAIRe network	158,412	17.0%	84,294	15.3%	35,957	14.8%	38,161	23.2%
Madrid CC	93,116	14.5%	48,490	13.0%	15,937	16.1%	28,689	16.2%
Barcelona CC	66,310	20.2%	41,294	18.6%	14,577	12.9%	10,439	39.9%
Canary Islands CC	33,525	12.5%	17,021	9.4%	13,215	13.8%	3,289	25.1%
Seville CC	37,988	18.7%	16,817	15.4%	10,947	19.5%	10,224	23.7%
Palma CC	16,671	11.2%	8,266	7.9%	8,381	14.7%	24	-11.1%

Note. The total number of flights operated by ENAIRe's network does not necessarily match the total number of flights managed by each Control Centre (CC). This is due to the fact that a flight is registered according to the airspace and route it crosses. For example: a flight departing from Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas Airport bound for Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat will be registered at the Control Centres in Madrid and Barcelona.

More traffic in Holy Week than in 2022

As for Holy Week, the traffic managed by ENAIRe was higher every day than that recorded in 2022. From 31 March to 9 April 2023, 60,425 flights were managed, 4.7% more than in the equivalent period last year (from 8 April to 17 April) with 57,673.

Cumulative data for 2023

In the first three months of the year, ENAIRe managed over 432,000 flights (432,829), 25.5% more than in the same period in 2022.

International flights from January to March (228,021) increased by 21.5%, domestic (98,731) by 17.6% and overflights (106,077) by 45.2%.

By control centre, the cumulative figures for Seville stand out, with 102,971 flights managed, a 34.0% increase; Barcelona, with 177,218, 28.5% more, and Madrid, with 259,228, 23.7% more.

A comparison between the first three months of 2023 and the same period in 2019 shows a drop of 0.6%.

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Cumulative traffic comparison 2023-2022								
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%
ENAIRe network	432,829	25.5%	228,021	21.5%	98,731	17.6%	106,077	45.2%
Madrid CC	259,228	23.7%	136,027	19.7%	44,774	20.1%	78,427	34.0%
Barcelona CC	177,218	28.5%	107,642	24.2%	39,518	16.7%	30,058	73.6%
Canary Islands CC	95,705	18.2%	49,402	16.0%	36,587	17.3%	9,716	35.1%
Seville CC	102,971	34.0%	44,722	22.5%	29,511	20.4%	28,738	81.3%
Palma CC	40,477	14.5%	17,717	8.1%	22,696	20.1%	64	-12.3%

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ENAIRe drives the aviation sector

To prop up the aviation sector, ENAIRe's en route rates for 2023 remain well below the rates prior to the pandemic (2019), 11% lower in mainland Spain and the Balearic Islands and 8% lower in the Canary Islands.

Moreover, compared to the average fees of Europe's four largest air navigation service providers, ENAIRe's rates are 28% cheaper in mainland Spain and the Balearic Islands and 40% cheaper in the Canary Islands.

World leader in safety

ENAIRe's priority when managing these flights is safety. Safety, efficiency and sustainability characterise ENAIRe's management.

ENAIRe and CRIDA, its research, development and innovation subsidiary, received the 2021 CANSO Global Air Safety Award at the 2022 World ATM Congress.

This award acknowledges the work done by ENAIRe and CRIDA to develop a tool to automatically monitor for loss of separation between aircraft (Automatic Safety Monitoring Tool - ASMT).

About ENAIRe

ENAIRe is the air navigation service provider in Spain.

As a company of the Ministry of Transport, Mobility and the Urban Agenda, it provides en route control services for all flights and overflights from five

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control centres in Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, Gran Canaria and Palma, as well as approach services to every airport in the country.

In addition, 45 control towers receive ENAIRE's communication, navigation and surveillance services, and 21 airports, including the country's busiest, rely on its aerodrome control services.

ENAIRe is Europe's fourth largest air traffic manager and participates in the A6 Alliance, a coalition of air navigation providers responsible for over 80% of European air traffic, and which is seeking to modernise the air traffic management system. It is also a member of other international alliances promoting the Single European sky, such as SESAR Joint Undertaking, SESAR Deployment Manager, iTEC, CANSO and ICAO.

ENAIRe, as the agency appointed by the Ministry of Transport, Mobility and Urban Agenda to implement the U-space system in Spain, will be the provider of the Common Information Services (CIS), which are essential for administering U-space services to drones and Urban Air Mobility, in interaction with local air traffic control services, so that all types of aircraft can fly safely in the same airspace.

ENAIRe has received the highest score in Europe on the aviation safety key performance indicator. It has also been awarded the EFQM 500 Seal for its safe, efficient, innovative and sustainable management of air navigation services.