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- Overflights grew by 11.9%, international flights by 5.1% domestic flights by 4.9%
- Spain accounted for 21% of European air traffic in May
- All ENAIRE control centres saw increases in the number of flights managed
- This is 1.4% higher compared with the same month in 2019, a record year
- So far this year, there have been over 800,000 flights, 16.3% more than in 2022

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ENAIRE, Spain's air navigation service provider, managed nearly 200,000 flights (196,276) in May, 6.5% more than in the same month in 2022. Of those, 113,261 were international (+5.1%), 38,608 were domestic (+4.9%), and 44,407 were overflights (which do not land at or depart from a Spanish airport) (+11.9%).

These figures show that Spain's contribution to European air traffic in May was 21%.

All ENAIRE control centres registered an increase in the number of flights managed: Seville recorded 43,325 flights (8.5%); Barcelona, 96,805 (7.0%); Canary Islands, 28,676 (6.0%); Madrid, 102,974 (5.8%), and Palma, 36,770 (1.4%).

A comparison of May 2023 with the same month in 2019, a record year for flights managed by ENAIRE before the pandemic, shows a 1.4% increase.





Air traffic comparison May 2023/2022											
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domesti c	%	Overflights	%			
ENAIRE network	196,276	6.5%	113,261	5.1%	38,608	4.9%	44,407	11.9%			
Madrid CC	102,974	5.8%	51,469	5.2%	17,603	6.4%	33,902	6.3%			
Barcelona CC	96,805	7.0%	68,482	5.7%	16,614	0.4%	11,709	27.3%			
Canary Islands CC	28,676	6.0%	12,190	0.6%	13,369	9.1%	3,117	16.6%			
Seville CC	43,325	8.5%	20,421	7.9%	11,145	4.2%	11,759	14.1%			
Palma CC	36,770	1.4%	26,673	1.3%	10,032	1.7%	65	14.0%			

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.

Cumulative data for 2023

In the first five months of the year, ENAIRE managed over 800,000 flights (812,276), 16.3% more than in the same period in 2022.

International flights from January to May (445,980) rose by 13.2%, domestic (174,424) by 12.2% and overflights (191,872) by 28.8%.

By control centre, the cumulative figures for Seville stand out, with 187,606 flights managed, a 21.7% increase; Barcelona, with 360,012, 17.2% more, and Madrid, with 462,804, 15.6% more.

A comparison between the first five months of 2023 and the same period in 2019 shows a drop of 0.01%.





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ENAIRE network	812,276	16.3%	445,980	13.2%	174,424	12.2%	191,872	28.8%			
Madrid CC	462,804	15.6%	238,995	13.1%	79,156	14.4%	144,653	20.7%			
Barcelona CC	360,012	17.2%	235,452	14.0%	72,172	9.4%	52,388	51.4%			
Canary Islands CC	155,447	12.6%	76,643	9.6%	62,799	13.0%	16,005	27.6%			
Seville CC	187,606	21.7%	85,066	15.3%	51,592	13.7%	50,948	45.6%			
Palma CC	107,510	6.8%	64,911	3.6%	42,432	12.1%	167	6.4%			

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.

International leader in safety

As part of the organisation's successive strategic plans, the 2020 Flight Plan and the 2025 Flight Plan, safety and sustainability in the management of flights were prioritised, as was the quality of its services.

As a result, ENAIRE and CRIDA, its research, development and innovation subsidiary, received the 2021 CANSO Global Air Safety Award at the 2022 World ATM Congress, along with congratulations from the European Network Manager (EUROCONTROL) for the quality of its services in the first year of record traffic (2022) following the pandemic.

ENAIRE has also been the European leader in the efficiency of its Safety Management System since 2019, achieving and maintaining the highest possible result since 2020 (100%).





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

In addition, 46 airports 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.