

Arrivals in Spain by land and sea

1 January-15 September 2025 compared with the same period in 2024

Total arrivals

Arrivals	2024 → 2025	Change
Sea and land	37,970 → 26,211	-31%
By sea	35,882 → 23,583	-34%

11,759 fewer arrivals than in the same period of 2024.

Drivers and outlook

More joint patrols by Mauritania and Spain.

Tighter border controls in Mauritania, including detentions and expulsions to Senegal and Mali.

Cooperation with transit and origin countries, notably Senegal and Mauritania.

Outlook: despite the overall decline, departures from Guinea and Guinea-Bissau are increasing according to sources on the ground. The decline may not continue.

Arrivals by sea

Destination	2024 → 2025	Change
Mainland Spain	5,887 → 5,600	-4.8%
Balearic Islands	3,197 → 5,465	+70.9%
Canary Islands	26,758 → 12,487	-53.3%
Ceuta	19 → 6	-68.4%
Melilla	21 → 25	+19%
Number of vessels	1,122 → 921	-17.9%

Arrivals by land

Destination	2024 → 2025	Change
Ceuta	2,026 → 2,401	+18.5%
Melilla	62 → 227	+266%