

Spain for **Aerospace Industry**



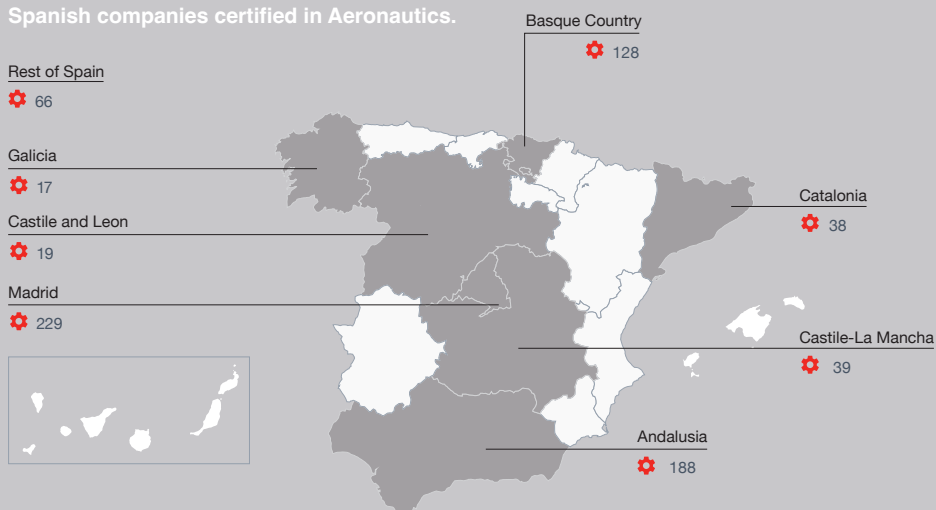
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Why Spain for *Aerospace?*

- ✓ Spain's aerospace and defence industry is highly developed.
- ✓ Spain ranks 5th in Europe in sales (€12.35 billion in turnover in 2022) and people employed (more than 53,500).
- ✓ It is a fast-growing industry that invests heavily in R&D (12.2% of its total turnover).
- ✓ 724 Production centres.

Spanish companies certified in Aeronautics.





Facts & Figures



Design & manufacturing

Spain is one of the few countries that can manage all of an aircraft's design and manufacturing processes (**development, assembly, certification, support and maintenance**), due to a major OEM (Airbus); top Tier-1 companies such as Aernnova, Aciturri, Héroux-Devtek and ITP; and an **extensive supply chain**.



International

Spain participates in many international programmes. For example, around 10% of Airbus programmes are developed here.



Growth in activity

Spain is the 2nd country in the EU with the most number of flights: in 2023 registered an all-time record number of passengers (283,195,399), 16.2% more than in 2022 and 2.9% more than in 2019, before the pandemic, the previous record year. These facts make the country very attractive to the aeronautical services sub-sector (airport facilities and services, MRO, etc.).



Aids and incentives

As a strategic industry it **enjoys a great deal of government aid** and incentives.



Leading companies

Businesses in Spain are amongst the leading companies worldwide in several key areas of the industry: aerospace structure composites, air traffic management (ATM), military transport aircraft and, in the space industry, companies in Spain have proprietary technology in all areas of activity.



ESA's membership

Spain is a founding member of ESA (the European Space Agency) and takes part in its main programmes. The vice-president of the ESA Council is also the General Director of the Spanish Space Agency.

Companies are also involved in other national, European and multilateral space industry programmes.



Spanish Space Agency

The city of Seville is hosting the headquarters of the new Spanish Space Agency, which started operations in April 2023, with a budget of about €700 million.

The Agency is promoting space research and technology developments, facilitate the dual use of space capabilities and strengthen the national space industry sector. It will also act as an intermediary between national and international public and private entities, such as the European Space Agency (ESA).



Sector cluster

The Spanish aerospace industry **boasts major clusters**, including many major infrastructures, research centres, science parks and highly qualified and experienced human resources.

In total Spain is home to **724 production centres**.

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