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- International flights grew by 14%, overflights by 8.9% and domestic flights by 8.6%
- All ENAIRE control centres saw increases in the number of flights managed
- In the first two months of the year, ENAIRE managed over 300,000 flights, 9.5% more than in the same period in 2023

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ENAIRE, Spain's air navigation service provider, managed almost 150,000 (149,548) flights in February, 11.5% more than in the same month in 2023, a record year for flights, with close to 2.2 million.

Of those, 79,979 were international, a 14.0% increase, 36,184 were overflights (which do not land at or depart from a Spanish airport) (+8.9%), and 33,385 were domestic (+8.6%).

The increase in Spain in February exceeded the European average of 8.2% by 3.3 percentage points.

All ENAIRE control centres registered an increase in the number of flights managed: Seville recorded 36,566 flights (16.4%); Barcelona, 60,967 (13.0%); Canary Islands, 33,517 (12.1%); Madrid, 90,214 flights (11.1%); and Palma, 12,352 (5.6%).

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February traffic comparison 2024/2023											
	TOTAL	%	International	%	National	%	Overflights	%			
ENAIRE network	149.548	11.5%	79,979	14.0%	33,385	8.6%	36,184	8.9%			
Madrid CC	90,214	11.1%	47,212	10.7%	15,845	13.4%	27,157	10.6%			
Barcelona CC	60,967	13.0%	38,029	17.3%	13,090	7.7%	9,848	5.1%			
Canary Islands CC	33,517	12.1%	17,597	13.2%	12,691	11.6%	3,229	8.4%			
Seville CC	36,566	16.4%	16,234	20.9%	10,445	15.8%	9,887	10.2%			
Palma CC	12,352	5.6%	5,008	5.5%	7,304	5.4%	40	100.0%			

Note. The total traffic registered by ENAIRE's network does not correspond to the sum of flights managed by each control centre (CC). This is because each CC records a flight depending on the route and airspace it crosses, but that flight is only counted once in the ENAIRE network as a whole. For example: a flight departing from Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas Airport bound for Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat will be registered in both the Madrid and Barcelona CC, but only once in the network.

Cumulative data for 2024

In the first two months of the year, ENAIRE managed over 300,000 flights (300,538), 9.5% more than in the same period in 2023.

International flights in January and February (161,125) rose by 12.1%, overflights (73,185) by 7.8% and domestic flights (66,228) by 5.5%.

By control centre, the cumulative figures for Seville stand out, with 73,604 flights managed, 13.3% more than in 2023; Barcelona with 123,592, 11.4% more, and Madrid with 181,081, 9.0% more.

Cumulative traffic comparison 2024-2023												
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domesti c	%	Overflights	%				
ENAIRE network	300,538	9.5%	161,125	12.1%	66,228	5.5%	73,185	7.8%				
Madrid CC	181,081	9.0%	95,315	8.9%	31,423	9.0%	54,343	9.2%				
Barcelona CC	123,592	11.4%	76,625	15.5%	26,469	6.1%	20,498	4.5%				
Canary Islands CC	67,523	8.6%	35,560	9.8%	25,014	7.0%	6,949	7.9%				
Seville CC	73,604	13.3%	32,629	16.9%	20,728	11.6%	20,247	9.4%				
Palma CC	24,681	3.7%	9,884	4.6%	14,714	2.8%	83	107.5%				

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About ENAIRE

ENAIRE is the air navigation service provider in Spain.

As a company of the Ministry of Sustainable Transport and Mobility, 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 communication, navigation and surveillance services from ENAIRE, which also maintains their air traffic control systems, and 21 of them, including the country's busiest airports, rely on its aerodrome air traffic 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 responsible agency identified by the Ministry of Sustainable Transport and Mobility to implement the U-Space system in Spain, will, through its digital platform, provide the Common Information Services (CIS), which are essential to facilitate U-space services to drones and Urban Air Mobility in cooperation with local air traffic 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 for four years in a row. It has also been awarded the EFQM 500 Seal for its safe, efficient, innovative and sustainable management of air navigation services.

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