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**Table 4. Population, employment (national concept), employment by industry (domestic concept)**  
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	2018	2019	2020	2021	2018		2019			
					Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>										
<b>1 Total population</b>	<b>11 427</b>	<b>11 489</b>	<b>11 544 p</b>	<b>11 589 p</b>	<b>11 434</b>	<b>11 449</b>	<b>11 464</b>	<b>11 482</b>	<b>11 497</b>	<b>11 513</b>
2 Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 Total employment	4 901	4 979	4 977 p	5 063 p	4 909	4 927	4 951	4 970	4 988	5 006
5 Employees	4 097	4 160	4 144 p	4 211 p	4 103	4 118	4 138	4 153	4 167	4 182
6 Self-employed	805	819	833 p	853 p	806	809	813	817	821	825
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>										
7 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	59	59	60 p	61 p	59	59	59	59	59	59
8 Industry, including energy	560	564	562 p	564 p	561	562	563	564	565	565
9 Manufacturing	506	510	506 p	508 p	507	508	509	510	510	510
10 Construction	283	287	290 p	295 p	284	285	285	286	287	288
11 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 003	1 014	1 003 p	1 009 p	1 005	1 006	1 010	1 013	1 015	1 018
12 Information and communication	124	130	131 p	135 p	124	126	128	129	130	131
13 Financial and insurance activities	118	116	114 p	113 p	117	117	117	117	116	116
14 Real estate activities	29	30	31 p	32 p	29	30	30	30	31	31
15 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	963	985	974 p	1 013 p	965	971	977	982	987	993
16 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	1 474	1 500	1 517 p	1 541 p	1 476	1 482	1 491	1 497	1 503	1 509
17 Other service activities	205	210	213 p	218 p	206	208	208	209	211	212
<b>18 Total employment</b>	<b>4 818</b>	<b>4 895</b>	<b>4 894 p</b>	<b>4 980 p</b>	<b>4 826</b>	<b>4 844</b>	<b>4 868</b>	<b>4 886</b>	<b>4 904</b>	<b>4 923</b>
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS S.A.</b>										
19 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	24	26	27 p	28 p	25	25	25	26	26	26
20 Industry, including energy	534	539	536 p	538 p	536	536	537	539	539	539
21 Manufacturing	481	485	481 p	483 p	482	483	484	485	485	485
22 Construction	212	212	213 p	216 p	212	212	212	212	213	213
23 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	881	893	883 p	888 p	883	885	888	892	895	898
24 Information and communication	107	113	113 p	117 p	108	109	111	112	113	114
25 Financial and insurance activities	111	110	108 p	107 p	111	110	111	110	110	109
26 Real estate activities	23	24	24 p	25 p	23	23	24	24	24	24
27 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	595	609	592 p	622 p	596	600	604	607	610	614
28 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	1 382	1 406	1 421 p	1 442 p	1 384	1 390	1 398	1 404	1 409	1 414
29 Other service activities	144	146	144 p	146 p	144	145	145	145	146	146
<b>30 Total employees</b>	<b>4 014</b>	<b>4 077</b>	<b>4 061 p</b>	<b>4 128 p</b>	<b>4 020</b>	<b>4 035</b>	<b>4 055</b>	<b>4 070</b>	<b>4 084</b>	<b>4 098</b>
<b>TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>										
31 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	34	34	33 p	33 p	34	34	34	34	34	33
32 Industry, including energy	26	26	26 p	26 p	26	26	26	26	26	26
33 Manufacturing	25	25	25 p	26 p	25	25	25	25	25	25
34 Construction	72	74	77 p	80 p	72	72	73	74	75	75
35 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	122	121	120 p	121 p	122	122	121	121	120	120
36 Information and communication	16	17	18 p	19 p	17	17	17	17	17	17
37 Financial and insurance activities	7	6	6 p	6 p	7	6	6	6	6	6
38 Real estate activities	6	7	7 p	7 p	6	6	6	7	7	7
39 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	368	376	382 p	391 p	369	371	373	375	377	380
40 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	92	94	96 p	99 p	92	93	93	94	94	95
41 Other service activities	61	65	68 p	72 p	62	63	63	64	65	66
<b>42 Total self-employed</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>833 p</b>	<b>853 p</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>825</b>
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>										
43 Industry, including energy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
44 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
45 Financial and insurance activities	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
46 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
47 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<b>48 Total employment</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>
<b>EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>										
49 Industry, including energy	835	838	781 p	813 p	209	209	209	210	209	210
50 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 309	1 330	1 168 p	1 251 p	329	329	331	333	332	334
51 Financial and insurance activities	164	163	159 p	159 p	41	41	41	41	41	40
52 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	858	875	789 p	869 p	216	216	218	219	219	219
53 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	1 846	1 874	1 860 p	1 897 p	462	464	466	468	469	471
<b>54 Total employees</b>	<b>5 799</b>	<b>5 881</b>	<b>5 496 p</b>	<b>5 780 p</b>	<b>1 454</b>	<b>1 457</b>	<b>1 466</b>	<b>1 471</b>	<b>1 470</b>	<b>1 475</b>
<b>SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>										
55 Industry, including energy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
56 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
57 Financial and insurance activities	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
58 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
59 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<b>60 Total self-employed</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>

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	2020				2021				2022		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
<b>POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>											
1	<b>Total population</b>	11 536 p	11 537 p	11 549 p	11 555 p	11 565 p	11 580 p	11 597 p	11 615 p	11 639 p	11 686 p
2	Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3	Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4	Total employment	4 991 p	4 956 p	4 965 p	4 997 p	5 009 p	5 052 p	5 086 p	5 106 p	5 129 p	5 158 p
5	Employees	4 164 p	4 127 p	4 131 p	4 156 p	4 164 p	4 203 p	4 231 p	4 245 p	4 264 p	4 292 p
6	Self-employed	828 p	829 p	834 p	841 p	846 p	850 p	855 p	861 p	864 p	866 p
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>											
7	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	59 p	60 p	60 p	60 p	61 p	60 p	61 p	61 p	60 p	60 p
8	Industry, including energy	564 p	562 p	560 p	560 p	562 p	563 p	564 p	567 p	570 p	572 p
9	Manufacturing	509 p	507 p	505 p	505 p	506 p	507 p	508 p	511 p	514 p	515 p
10	Construction	289 p	289 p	290 p	292 p	293 p	294 p	296 p	298 p	299 p	299 p
11	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 014 p	999 p	1 000 p	999 p	990 p	1 002 p	1 019 p	1 023 p	1 027 p	1 032 p
12	Information and communication	131 p	130 p	131 p	132 p	133 p	135 p	136 p	138 p	139 p	141 p
13	Financial and insurance activities	115 p	114 p	114 p	114 p	113 p	113 p	113 p	112 p	112 p	112 p
14	Real estate activities	31 p	31 p	31 p	31 p	31 p	32 p	32 p	32 p	32 p	33 p
15	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	979 p	963 p	969 p	987 p	995 p	1 013 p	1 019 p	1 025 p	1 031 p	1 042 p
16	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	1 512 p	1 513 p	1 516 p	1 526 p	1 533 p	1 540 p	1 544 p	1 547 p	1 552 p	1 559 p
17	Other service activities	213 p	212 p	212 p	213 p	214 p	218 p	220 p	221 p	224 p	227 p
18	<b>Total employment</b>	<b>4 908 p</b>	<b>4 874 p</b>	<b>4 882 p</b>	<b>4 914 p</b>	<b>4 926 p</b>	<b>4 969 p</b>	<b>5 003 p</b>	<b>5 023 p</b>	<b>5 046 p</b>	<b>5 075 p</b>
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>											
19	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	26 p	27 p	27 p	27 p	28 p	28 p	28 p	29 p	28 p	28 p
20	Industry, including energy	539 p	537 p	534 p	534 p	536 p	537 p	538 p	540 p	544 p	545 p
21	Manufacturing	484 p	482 p	480 p	479 p	481 p	482 p	483 p	485 p	488 p	490 p
22	Construction	213 p	213 p	213 p	213 p	214 p	215 p	216 p	217 p	218 p	218 p
23	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	895 p	880 p	880 p	878 p	870 p	881 p	898 p	902 p	906 p	911 p
24	Information and communication	113 p	113 p	113 p	114 p	115 p	116 p	118 p	119 p	120 p	122 p
25	Financial and insurance activities	109 p	108 p	108 p	108 p	107 p	107 p	107 p	107 p	106 p	106 p
26	Real estate activities	24 p	24 p	24 p	24 p	24 p	25 p	25 p	25 p	25 p	25 p
27	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	598 p	581 p	586 p	603 p	608 p	623 p	627 p	630 p	634 p	644 p
28	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	1 417 p	1 417 p	1 420 p	1 429 p	1 435 p	1 441 p	1 445 p	1 447 p	1 452 p	1 458 p
29	Other service activities	147 p	145 p	144 p	143 p	143 p	146 p	147 p	148 p	150 p	152 p
30	<b>Total employees</b>	<b>4 080 p</b>	<b>4 044 p</b>	<b>4 049 p</b>	<b>4 073 p</b>	<b>4 081 p</b>	<b>4 120 p</b>	<b>4 148 p</b>	<b>4 162 p</b>	<b>4 181 p</b>	<b>4 209 p</b>
<b>TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS, S.A.</b>											
31	Agriculture, forestry and fishing	33 p	33 p	33 p	33 p	33 p	33 p	33 p	32 p	32 p	32 p
32	Industry, including energy	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p
33	Manufacturing	25 p	25 p	25 p	25 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p	26 p
34	Construction	76 p	76 p	77 p	79 p	79 p	79 p	80 p	81 p	81 p	82 p
35	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	120 p	119 p	120 p	121 p	121 p	121 p	121 p	122 p	121 p	121 p
36	Information and communication	18 p	18 p	18 p	18 p	18 p	18 p	19 p	19 p	19 p	19 p
37	Financial and insurance activities	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p	6 p
38	Real estate activities	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	7 p	8 p
39	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	381 p	382 p	382 p	384 p	387 p	390 p	392 p	395 p	397 p	398 p
40	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	95 p	95 p	96 p	97 p	98 p	99 p	99 p	100 p	100 p	101 p
41	Other service activities	67 p	68 p	69 p	70 p	71 p	72 p	72 p	73 p	74 p	75 p
42	<b>Total self-employed</b>	<b>828 p</b>	<b>829 p</b>	<b>834 p</b>	<b>841 p</b>	<b>846 p</b>	<b>850 p</b>	<b>855 p</b>	<b>861 p</b>	<b>864 p</b>	<b>866 p</b>
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>											
43	Industry, including energy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
44	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
45	Financial and insurance activities	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
46	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
47	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
48	<b>Total employment</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>
<b>EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>											
49	Industry, including energy	203 p	178 p	200 p	201 p	202 p	202 p	204 p	205 p	207 p	..
50	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	317 p	248 p	312 p	292 p	295 p	303 p	325 p	328 p	330 p	..
51	Financial and insurance activities	40 p	39 p	40 p	40 p	40 p	40 p	40 p	40 p	40 p	..
52	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	211 p	167 p	203 p	208 p	211 p	213 p	221 p	225 p	228 p	..
53	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	469 p	458 p	468 p	465 p	475 p	477 p	479 p	467 p	481 p	..
54	<b>Total employees</b>	<b>1 433 p</b>	<b>1 251 p</b>	<b>1 417 p</b>	<b>1 395 p</b>	<b>1 415 p</b>	<b>1 428 p</b>	<b>1 470 p</b>	<b>1 466 p</b>	<b>1 495 p</b>	<b>..</b>
<b>SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED, S.A.</b>											
55	Industry, including energy	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
56	Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
57	Financial and insurance activities	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
58	Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
59	Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
60	<b>Total self-employed</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>

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