

# SPAIN

Since a new progressive governmental coalition entered office in 2019, Spain has been increasingly committed to greater international leadership. The current government has consistently expressed commitment to a feminist approach in international cooperation and, subsequently, to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). This positioning led to the adoption in 2021 of a new 'Feminist foreign policy' and its guidelines in 2022, which includes the active promotion of gender equality as a fundamental axis of Spanish foreign policy.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, Spain increased support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) compared to the previous year, amounting to almost 8 million Euros, and equivalent to 0.3% of total ODA. The country's support to the agenda was mainly done through the country's use of the multilateral system and support to international organisations and initiatives. Part of the Spanish support to SRH/FP is channelled through integrated responses to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) including in humanitarian contexts, in line with the country's commitments in ICPD+25.

Spanish contributions to SRHR were more than triple than SRH/FP in 2021, amounting to around 24 million Euros or 0.8% of total ODA of the country. This was also due to the country's core contributions to the Global Fund to fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM), which also tripled since 2020. The country's focus on approaches that change social norms and prevent SGBV, going beyond SRH/FP, also justify this difference of spending levels.

Spain substantially increased its SRH/FP support to UNFPA compared to 2020 (21%), bringing it to 3.7 million Euros. This was mainly due to increased support through earmarked programmes and to the Supplies Partnership (25%), and despite the absence of core funding, for the first time since 2016. Spanish support to SRHR via UNFPA also increased by 33%, amounting to 5 million Euros, and illustrating the country's focus on changing norms.

## FORECAST

The Spanish government is expected to increase its 2022 budget for international cooperation by 60% compared to 2021. Available information indicates that the country will at least sustain the level of funding benefitting SRH/FP or SRHR, with new core funding going to UNFPA and IPPF, and a significant part to be channelled through the GFATM. It remains to be seen if this positive forecast will however be impacted by Spanish general elections, expected in the end of 2023.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

0,3%

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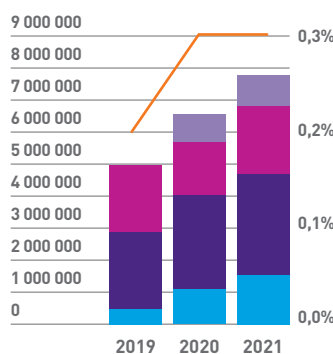
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LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



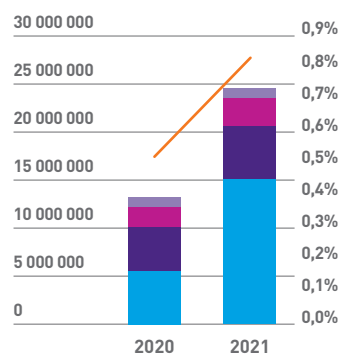
## SPAIN'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

SRH/FP SPENDING



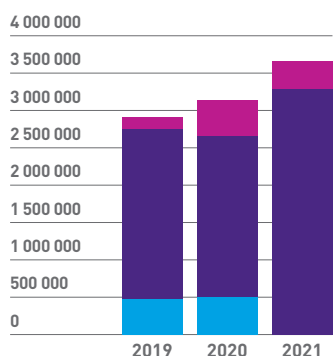
Core Multilateral  
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SRHR SPENDING



Research  
Govt-to-Govt  
Spending as %ODA

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR

