## Residential Snapshot



Q4 2024

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# The residential market closes the year 2024 with strong investor apetite and maintains its dynamism

▶ The Gross Domestic Product excedes expectations in the last quarter of 2024. Mortgage demand remains strong due to its market fundamentals.

### SITUATION IN SPAIN

GDP closes 2024 with a growth of 3.5%, surpassing the Bank of Spain's early-year forecast of 3.1%. Looking ahead, the Bank estimates that GDP will end 2025 at 2.5%.

Regarding mortgages, nearly 424,000 were signed in 2024, an 11% increase compared to 2023.

The last quarter of 2024 has become the period with the highest number of mortgages formalized throughout the year, exceeding by 22% the average recorded in the previous three quarters.

Regarding permits, the yearend estimate has surpassed initial expectations by 17%, with 129,000 new construction permits expected.

Meanwhile, the number of project completion certificates is estimated to reach around 98,000 by the end of 2024, a figure in line with previous projections.

## España

2024 (F) vs 2023

+17.0% 129,000 approvals

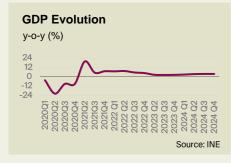
+13% 30,000 final works certificates

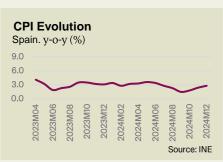
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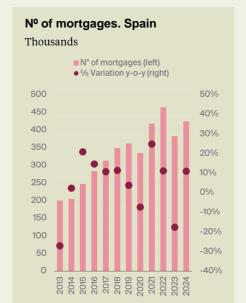
+10% 680,000 n° of transactions (F)

+6%\* 1,921€/sq m

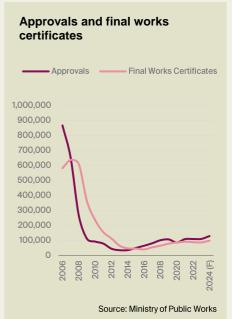
Source: Ministry of Public Works . \*To third quarter.







Source: INE



## PRICES AND TRANSACTIONS IN SPAIN

The total number of transactions in 2024 up to the third quarter exceeds 500,000, with projections indicating that the year will close with around 680,000 transactions, representing an annual increase of 10%.

The British remain the leading foreign buyers of property in Spain. During the first three quarters of the year, they accounted for an average of nearly 8.5% of total international purchases, followed by the Germans with over 6.6%.

Prices continue their upward trend. According to the latest data from the Ministry of Public Works, the average price of free-market housing exceeded €1,920/m² in the third quarter, reflecting an annual increase of 6%.

In the new-build sector, the average price rose to  $\[ \le 2,255/m^2 \]$  (+4.2% annually), while secondhand properties reached  $\[ \le 1,911/m^2 \]$  (+6% annually).

By province, Madrid led December with the highest annual price variation at 17.5%, followed by the Canary Islands, with Santa Cruz de Tenerife (+17.4%) and Las Palmas (+16.2%). Additionally, Murcia (+16.3%) and the Balearic Islands (+15.3%) also stood out, surpassing the 15% mark.

We like questions. If you've got one about our research, or would like some property advice, we would love to hear from you.



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