# Hotels Snapshot



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# Spain: the second most tourist-visited country in the world, strengthening its global leadership in 2025

▶ The beginning of the year stands out for an investment focused on the Barcelona area, as well as the capital and other coastal regions of Spain, driven by the boom in tourism in the country.

## **SPAIN SITUATION**

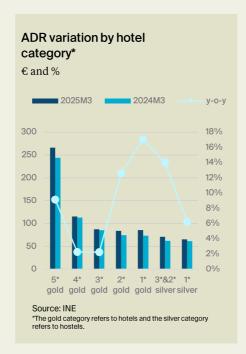
Tourism in Spain continues to be very dynamic. Consumers' leisure preferences shifted after the Covid-19 pandemic towards a model of entertainment with a strong experiential component, which boosted tourism at an international level.

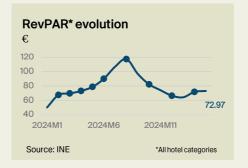
This boost coincided with Spain having a highly attractive tourism offering that had developed and matured over the years.

The result: in 2024, nearly 94 million foreign tourists visited Spain, 12.3% more than in 2019. And for 2025, according to the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC), this figure is expected to reach around 100 million foreign tourists.

Spain is currently the second most visited country in the world.

In the first months of 2025, over 10.4 million foreign tourists have been recorded in Spain, a 7% increase compared to the same period in 2024, which aligns with the forecasts of reaching 100 million tourists for this year.





# Spain

ADR (% mar 25 vs mar 24)

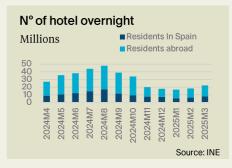
**4.9%** (9.4% mar 24 vs mar 23)

RevPAR (% mar 25 vs mar 24)

**5.4%** (11.8% mar 24 vs mar 23)

Nº hotel overnight (% mar 25 vs mar 24)

**-8.9%** (18.8% mar 24 vs mar 23)





# HOTEL INVESTMENT IN SPAIN

2025 begins with a hotel investment in our country close to €506 million (Q1 2025).

This quarter, the majority of transactions have been concentrated in upscale hotel establishments, with four-star hotels accounting for 45% of the investment and five-star hotels for 24%, making them the most sought-after by hotel investors. This is also in line with consumer demand, as the majority of them prefer upscale hotels.

Barcelona accounts for nearly a third of the total investment for the quarter, standing out as a key destination for attracting the hotel and tourism sector.

Similarly, notable hotel investments in Madrid are located in central areas close to the capital's main tourist attractions.

Regarding the investor profile this quarter, around 45% of the total transactions were carried out by hotel operators (including two portfolios), while more than 30% of the transactions were made by management companies.

On the other hand, around 15% were carried out by vacation accommodation companies.

Investment also shows a significant share in coastal cities and islands such as Las Palmas (16%), Mallorca (12%), and Ibiza (6%), which are popular tourist destinations among both domestic and international travelers.

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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Investment volume Q1 2025

€ 506 M (€660 M Q12024)

Top 3 investment deals Q1 2025

# Granada, La Bobadilla Hotel

Vendor: Barceló Hotel Group | Purchaser: Único N°rooms: 70

Source: Desarrollo Hotelero

### Madrid, Gran Vía Hotel

Vendor: Baech Bienes | Purchaser: Alting N° romos: Upcoming opening

Source: Belbex

# Ibiza, Sir Joan Ibiza Hotel

Vendor: SMB Capital | Purchaser: AX Partners N°rooms: 38

Source: Eje Prime

During this quarter, the acquisition of Hotel La Bobadilla by the Único group in Granada stands out. On the other hand, the creation of a new hotel on Madrid's Gran Vía by Alting, in a building that was previously used as office space is also noteworthy. Similarly, on the island of Ibiza, one of the country's top tourist destinations, the purchase of the Sir Joan Hotel by AX Partners stands out.

