

EU Social Progress Index 2024¹

European Commission

In data

LEADER IN SOCIAL PROGRESS
FINLAND

129.6

points
EU average = 100 points

SPAIN

103.3

points

BASQUE COUNTRY
BEST REGION
SPAIN

113.5

points

HIGHER EDUCATION
TOP-SCORING VARIABLE
SPAIN

132.9

points

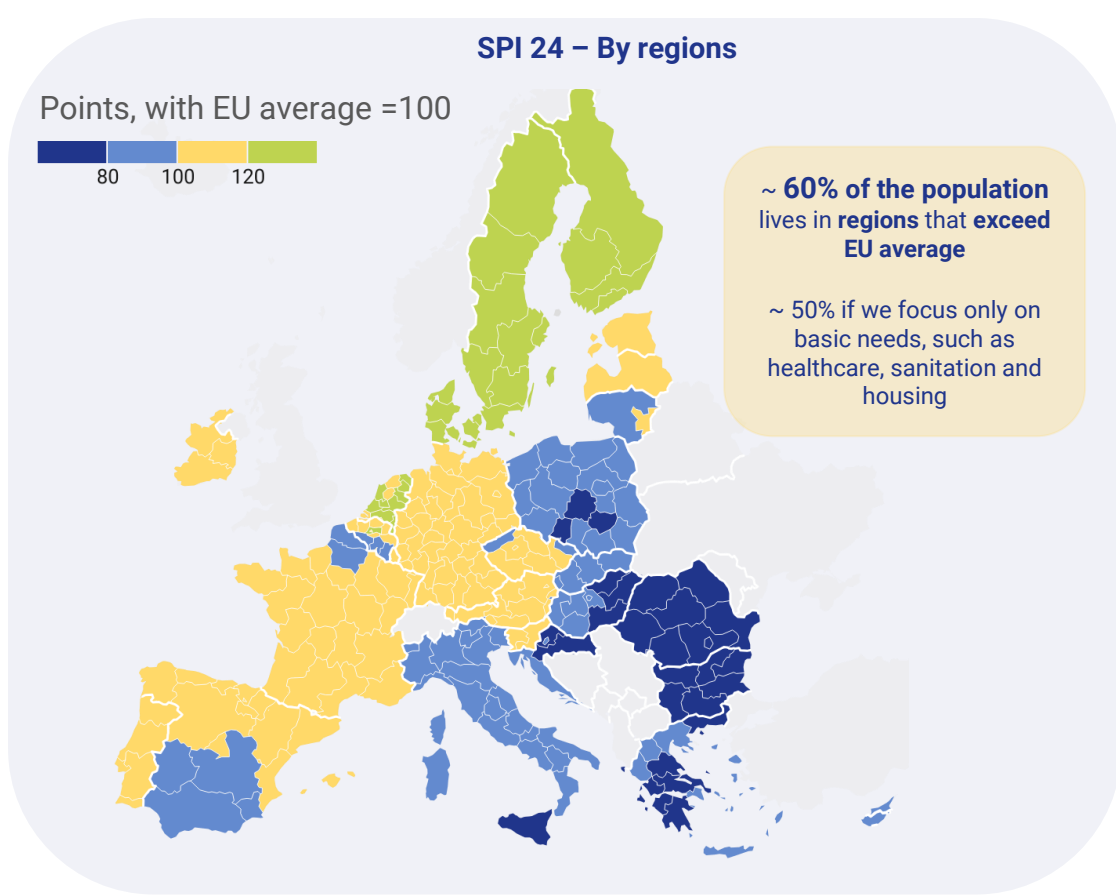
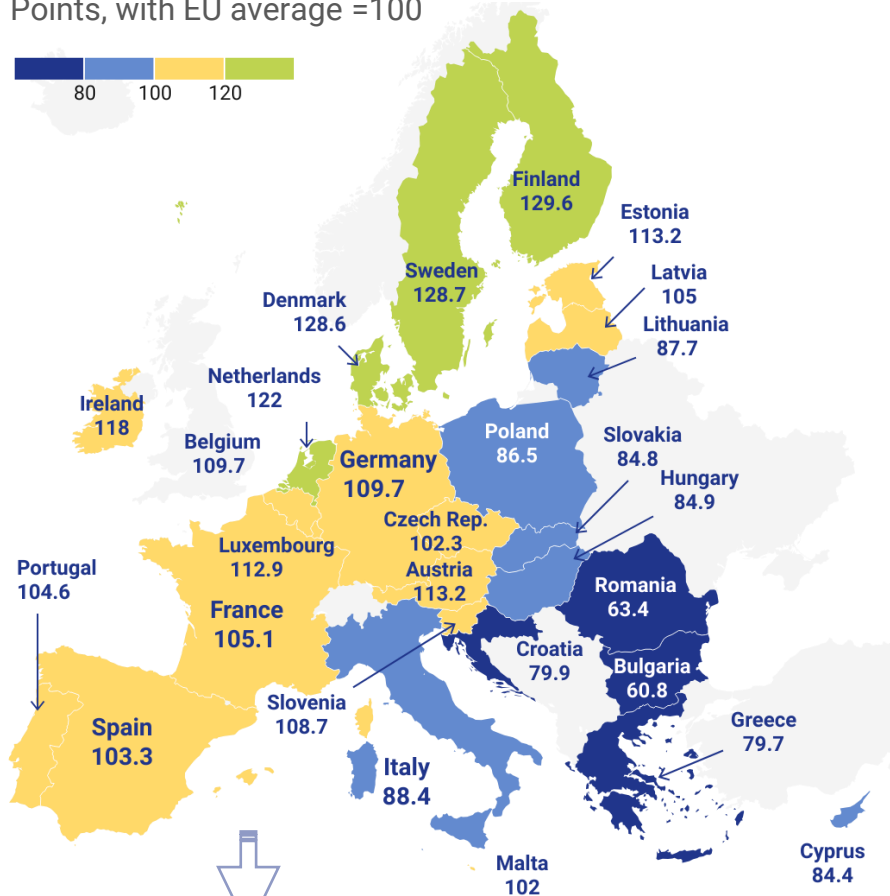
¹ 3rd edition (previous: 2016 and 2020), published by the European Commission's Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, among its regional indicators

Social Progress in the EU and its regions

THE INDEX SCORES FACTORS RELATING TO BASIC NEEDS, WELLBEING AND OPPORTUNITIES. THE NORDIC COUNTRIES CONSISTENTLY PERFORM BETTER THAN THE EASTERN AND SOUTHERN STATES

By country, the highest-ranked countries have higher education and trust and governance as strengths. At the regional level, those with the greatest social progress tend to provide more opportunities and have lower percentages of exclusion

Points, with EU average =100



Top 10

	Basic needs	Foundations of wellbeing	Opportunity
Finland	116.8	128.4	146.3
Sweden	117.8	124.1	146.8
Denmark	115.7	123.0	150.7
Netherlands	113.1	117.5	137.6
Ireland	106.2	124.1	124.9
Austria	111.5	110.8	117.4
Estonia	107.5	120.5	111.4
Luxembourg	110.8	113.5	114.0
Belgium	100.5	111.5	118.6
Germany	113.7	104.5	110.2



Social Progress Index in Spain and its regions

SPAIN RANKS 15TH AMONG THE 27 EU ECONOMIES IN TERMS OF SOCIAL PROGRESS

Basic education, housing and freedom, weaknesses highlighted

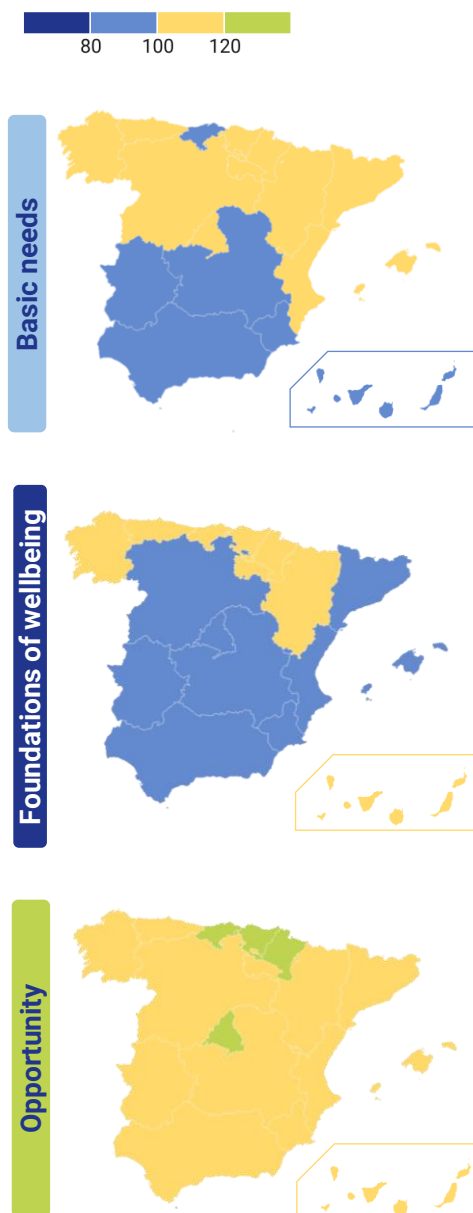
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Category	Score
Nutrition and medical care	101.9
Water and sanitation	98.2
Housing	89.4
Safety	113.5
Basic education	71.1
Information and communications	113.6
Health	111.7
Environmental quality	99.0
Trust and governance	105.2
Freedom and choice	91.3
Inclusive society	120.9
Advanced education	132.9

By regions

Points, with EU average =100

Basque Country	113.5
La Rioja	110.3
Galicia	109.9
Navarra	109.5
Aragon	108.6
Asturias	107.9
Cantabria	107.8
Valencian C.	106.0
Madrid	105.9
Catalonia	103.6
Castile and Leon	103.0
Balearic I.	102.1
Melilla	101.8
Canary I.	101.5
Murcia	99.1
Castile-la Mancha	98.4
Extremadura	97.3
Andalusia	95.6
Ceuta	93.0



- La Rioja, the Basque Country and Aragon are the regions with the best performance (>108 points), standing out in "safety" (>108 points)
- The worst scores correspond to "housing", mainly in the Canary I. (68.5 p.) and Extremadura (75.2 p.)

- The best regions are the Basque Country and Cantabria (>106 p.), due to "environmental quality" and "information and communications"
- Low scores (<60 p.) in "basic education" in Murcia, Andalusia and Castile la Mancha

- Cantabria and Madrid offer the greatest opportunities, followed by Navarra and the Basque Country (>120 p.)
- The highest score is for "higher education" in Navarra (160 p.) and the lowest for "freedom and choice" in Andalusia (80.6 p.)