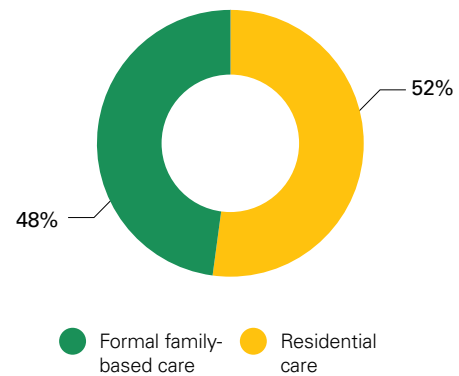
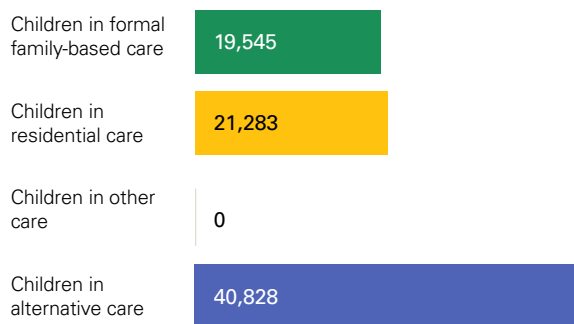


# Spain

<p><span style="color: red;">●</span> No</p> <p><span style="color: green;">●</span> Yes</p>	<p>Red indicates that the variable is not collected or the statement not true, green that it is. If no information was found about any of the points in the overview for the particular country, the points are removed on the page for that country.</p>	<p><span style="color: green;">●</span> Children in formal family-based care</p> <p><span style="color: yellow;">●</span> Children in residential care</p> <p><span style="color: grey;">●</span> Children in other care</p> <p><span style="color: blue;">●</span> Children in alternative care</p>
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## Total number of children in alternative care<sup>1</sup>

● All children in alternative care covered



## Headline statistics<sup>2</sup>

The rate of children aged 0-17 in alternative care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	500
The rate of children aged 0-17 in residential care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	261
The rate of children aged 0-17 in formal family-based care at a specific point in time (per 100,000)	239
The percentage of children aged 0-17 in residential care (of the total number of children in alternative care) at a specific point in time	52%

## Country system

- Decentralised alternative care and data system
- Data on alternative care published<sup>3</sup>
- Is the data system on children in alternative care covered in legislation?
- Is the overarching term, in line with 'alternative care', used in legislation?

## Data system

- Recent or current reform of data system on children in alternative care
- Data collected per individual child
- Personal identification numbers used
- More than one agency mandated to collect data
- Data collected on quality of care and outcomes

## Variables collected on

<input type="checkbox"/> Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Reason for entry into care
<input type="checkbox"/> Sex	<input type="checkbox"/> Placement decision maker
<input type="checkbox"/> Unaccompanied minor status	<input type="checkbox"/> Reintegrated with family
<input type="checkbox"/> Statelessness	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted
<input type="checkbox"/> Disability status	<input type="checkbox"/> Leaving care due to death
<input type="checkbox"/> Parental status	<input type="checkbox"/> Age on leaving care

## Residential care

- Official maximum number of places in a small group home
- Official maximum number of places in largest type of residential care facilities
- Data collected separately for small group homes and large institutions
- Data collected on length of stay
- Data collected on number of staff and their qualifications

### Helpful examples

In the last 5-7 years, Spain has included much more detail in its profiles of children – age, migration status, asylum seekers etc. This has been discussed for 12 years, but implementation only began five years ago.

### Room for improvement

Additional research is needed to explore the 19 autonomous communities, as some of them have very detailed data and very good systems, while other regions do not have more than the basics.

Source: The DataCare project, 2021.

### Endnotes

- 1 Data for 31/12/2018. Source: Boletín de datos estadísticos de medidas de protección a la infancia Boletín número 21 Datos 2018.
- 2 Calculated by the DataCare project team using, where relevant, country-specific population statistics from the UNICEF Data Warehouse. Source: [https://data.unicef.org/resources/data\\_explorer/unicef\\_f?ag=UNICEF&df=DM&ver=1.0&dq=.DM\\_POP\\_U18...&startPeriod=2010&endPeriod=2020](https://data.unicef.org/resources/data_explorer/unicef_f?ag=UNICEF&df=DM&ver=1.0&dq=.DM_POP_U18...&startPeriod=2010&endPeriod=2020)
- 3 Some data on children in alternative care were published until 2014. Since then, such data has had to be requested.