

Introduction

The National Statistical Institute (INE) presents this publication offering an overview of our country in the framework of the European Union (EU).

The publication is made up of a series of maps, graphs and comments on a selection of basic indicators relating to subjects so varied as population, economy, employment and society.

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We trust that this publication will arouse the interest of the citizens and help to offer them a view of the current economic and social situation of our country in the EU.



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