

Spain - Child Guarantee National Action Plan Overview

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This overview presents highlights extracted from the National Action Plan (NAP) from Spain published on 11/07/2022. It is not exhaustive nor does it evaluate the NAP and uses the same terms as those in the NAP. It is intended to summarise key elements & to signpost stakeholders to other relevant analyses.

Children in need

Children at risk of poverty or social exclusion	2.624.00
Children with disabilities	129.540
Children living in Single-parents households	1.187.000
Children with a migrant background	906.983
Children in residential care or under guardianship	35.608
Minors in a situation of severe housing hardship	513.800
Ethnic minorities	190.000 Roma children
Refugees and Asylum Seekers	834,762 individuals in asylum / protection, 45.279 under temporal protection (i.e. Ukraine)

Planned key services and actions

- Increase the number of public places in **early education** and prioritise free access for students at risk of poverty or social exclusion, particularly in rural areas.
- Increase public **education** spending to a 5% of GDP by 2030. Improve the scholarship system; reduce educational indirect costs; improve continuity and educational success of Roma students; reduce the digital gap.
- Reinforcement of social protection prioritising the most vulnerable children; Expand health service coverage (especially in mental health and ophthalmology).
- Promotion of **foster care**, transformation of residential centers; Increase public housing, prioritizing access to families with children and adolescents.
- Implementation of mechanisms for **child and youth participation** in public policies and services.

Designated Funding

**Spain is one of the EU Member States bound for 5% earmarking of the ESF+ for lifting Children out of poverty.*

Total funding *estimated* for the goals included in this NAP: ESF+: 696 M€*; Co-financed: 287 M€.

Around 3 B€ from Next Generation are currently being deployed in measures that contribute to the CG goals.

* Guide (ES): [Use of ESF+ funds to fight against child poverty in Spain](#) (by Plataforma de Infancia)

Stakeholder Engagement

Civil Society: three thematic working groups were set involving 45 organisations of different nature; 17 sent written contributions. This NAP was built upon [UNICEF's diagnosis](#) published in 2021.

Children: 12 children were involved through the 'Consejo Estatal de Participacion de la Infancia y Adolescencia' by completing a pre-evaluation form of the Plan.

Eurochild resources

- [First Years First Priority Country Report](#)
- [Country Report from our Child Guarantee Task Force](#)
- [Data Care Country Overview](#)
- [Country profile - Children arriving from Ukraine](#) (jointly with UNICEF ECARO)

Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

- A revised matrix of indicators will be developed by 2023.
- Biennial planning and monitoring report, (starting 2023).
- Engagement of Observatorio de la Infancia with a consultative role.
- Mid-term evaluation for 2026 and final report by 2030. Final impact to take into account the initial screening carried out by UNICEF to support the drafting of the NAP.

[Read the full NAP](#)

