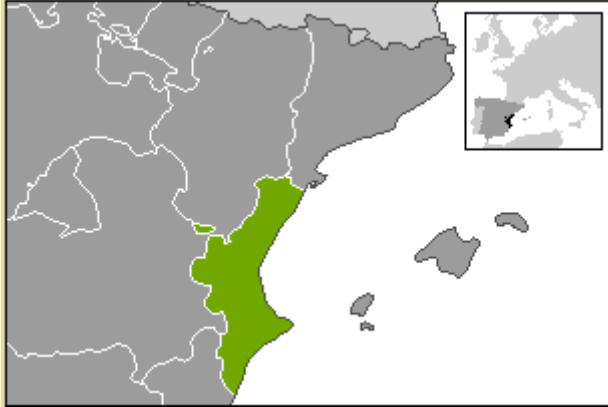


# Valencian Community



The Valencian Community (also known as Valencian Country, Former Kingdom of Valencia, Region of Valencia, or Valencia) is one of the 19 autonomous regions in which Spain is divided. The Valencian Statute of Autonomy declares the Valencian Community as “nationality”.

## GEOGRAPHY

This region, whose capital is the city of Valencia, is located in the east of the Iberian Peninsula. It is bounded by Catalonia to the north, Aragon to the northwest, Castile - La Mancha to the west, Murcia to the south, and the Mediterranean Sea to the east.

## DEMOGRAPHICS

With a total population of 5,129,266 (2012) the Valencian Community ranks the 4th most populated autonomous community of Spain. The city of Valencia ranks the 3th most populated town in Spain, with a population of 797,028.

The major cities are: Valencia, Alicante, Elche, Castellón, Torrevieja, Orihuela, Torrent, Gandia, Benidorm, and Paterna.

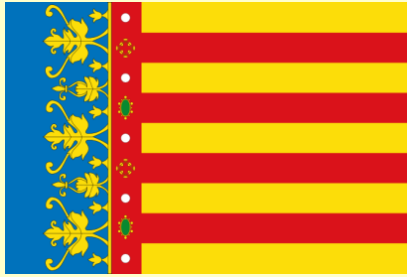
The largest concentration of population occurs around the city of Valencia, coming to form a conurbation with 1,547,424 inhabitants (30% of the total population).

## LANGUAGES

Valencian (as Catalan is known in this territory) and Spanish are the official languages of Valencian Community. Both languages are Romance languages of the Indo-European family.

The two languages have legal equality in everyday life, relations with the public administration, education, and media.

## FLAG



## COAT OF ARMS



## HISTORIC GUIDON (13th century)

