

**[Portugal]**

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**1. Introduction**

Currently we have the preliminary results of museums for the reference year of 2011. The annual survey on museums used the categories regarding in data collection:

- Art museums
- Archaeology museums
- Natural science and natural history museums
- Science and technology museums
- Ethnology and anthropology museums
- Specialized museums
- History museums
- Mixed and multidisciplinary museums
- Territory museums
- Others museums

**2. Results**

The results consider only Museums that, in accordance with the methodology established in the 2000's survey, fulfil all the following **five conditions** defined for selection (**national criteria**):

- **Condition 1**- *existence of at least one exhibition room or space;*
- **Condition 2**- *opened to the public, permanently or seasonally;*
- **Condition 3** - *existence of at least one curator or qualified technician - including personnel specialised;*
- **Condition 4** – *existence of a budget – minimum knowledge of the expenditure -;*
- **Condition 5** - *existence of an inventory - minimum inventory summary.*

Based on the *Survey on Museums, Zoos, Botanical and Aquariums*, in 2011 the 377 "museums" according to national criteria recorded a total of 10.1 million visitors and held a collection of 21.7 million goods. The most visited were the "Art museums", and "History museums" with 30% and 26% respectively of total visitors. Of the total collection, 38,7% belonged to the "science and technology museums".

## A Guide to European Museum Statistics

### Number and Admissions in Museums (national criteria)

2011						Unit: number
Museums according to type of collections	Number of Museums	Admissions				
		Total	in school groups	Foreigners	Free admissions	
<b>Total of Museums</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>10 177 397</b>	<b>2 111 452</b>	<b>3 351 144</b>	<b>4 043 315</b>	
Art museums	78	3 057 676	483 207	1 075 886	1 837 241	
Archaeology museums	36	498 653	100 845	135 959	213 860	
Natural science and natural history museums	10	256 446	82 996	8 323	72 984	
Science and technology museums	33	878 317	371 825	53 854	299 552	
Ethnology and anthropology museums	56	300 107	63 852	23 023	154 846	
Specialized museums	41	1 348 341	505 707	228 421	240 406	
History museums	37	2 686 272	266 209	1 685 130	629 785	
Mixed and multidisciplinary museums	71	811 100	166 908	104 372	426 298	
Territory museums	11	311 847	68 072	32 876	150 182	
Others museums	4	28 638	1 831	3 300	18 161	

### The most five visited museums in 2011

2011			Unit: N°.
Museum	Museum category	Total entries	
Palácio Nacional da Pena, SINTRA	History museums	1 065 261	
Museu Coleção Berardo, LISBOA	Art museums	652 447	
Museu Nacional da Imprensa, PORTO	Specialized museums	610 559	
Museu de Arte Contemporânea de Serralves; PORTO	Art museums	473 903	
Palácio Nacional de Sintra, SINTRA	History museums	373 098	

### 3. Data dissemination

The Museum's data is disseminated by:

#### 3.1 Statistics Portugal (INE)

- a) in the annual publication "Culture Statistics" on paper and online. The data is disclosed in 14 frames whose information is organised by NUTS II and by the Museum's category.
- b) in the INE site the following indicators can be found:

Number of museums (data since 1960)

Number of visitors Museums (data since 1960) Number of museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Geographic localization (NUTS II)

Number of museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Typology - annual

Number of visitors of museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Geographic localization (NUTS II)

Number of visitors of museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Typology

Number of visitors integrated in school groups of museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Typology

Number of foreign visitors in museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Typology

Number of goods in museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Geographic localization (NUTS II)

Number of goods in museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Typology

Number of Persons employed in museums, zoological, botanic gardens and aquariums by Category and Work duration regime

### **3.2 Ministry of Culture**

Annual publication on paper.

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