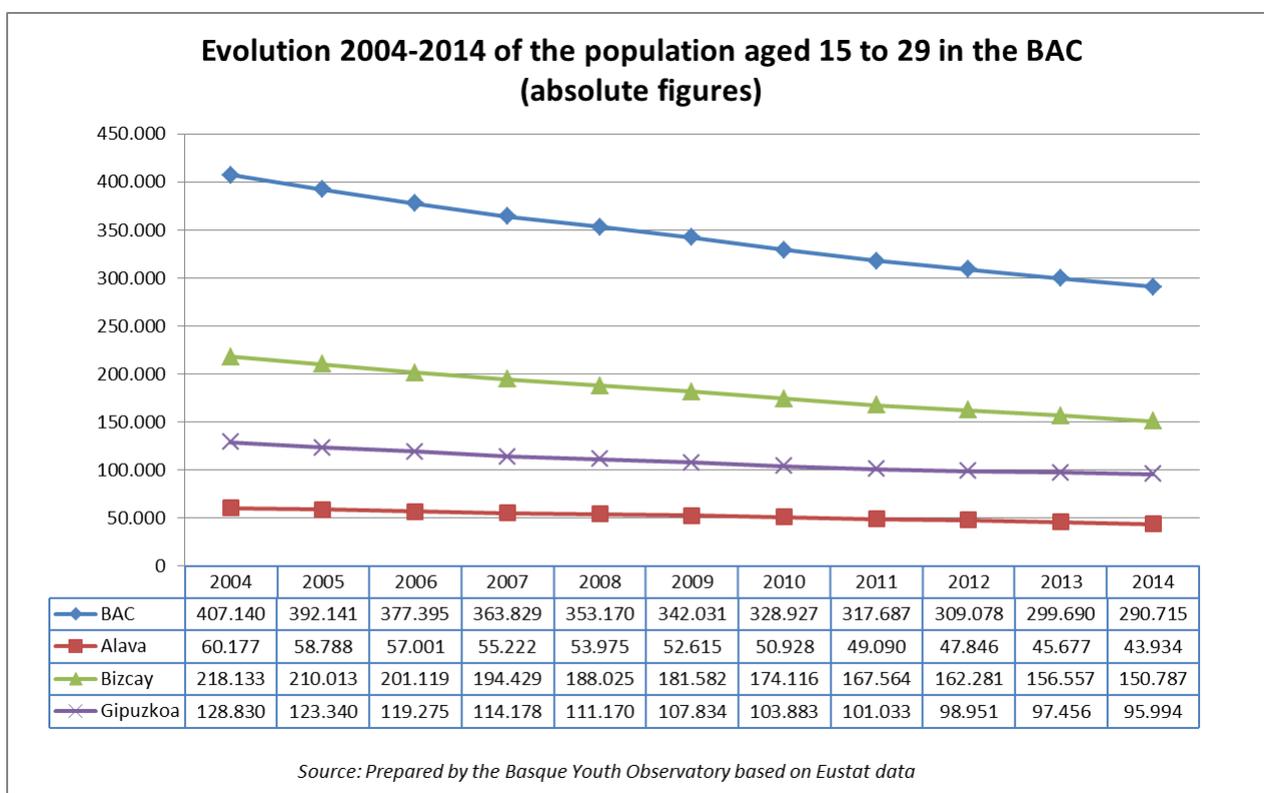


### There are increasingly fewer young people in the Basque Country

#### ***There are only 65 young persons for every 100 persons aged 64 and over in the Basque Country***

On occasion of the World Population Day, the [Basque Youth Observatory](#) would like to offer data on the evolution of the demographic structure of the Basque Country based on population data from 1 January 2014 published by [Eustat](#).

There were 290,715 people aged 15 to 29 in the Basque Country in 2014. Taking into account that there were 407,140 people aged 15 to 29 in 2004; we can see a fall of almost 30% in youths over the last 10 years.



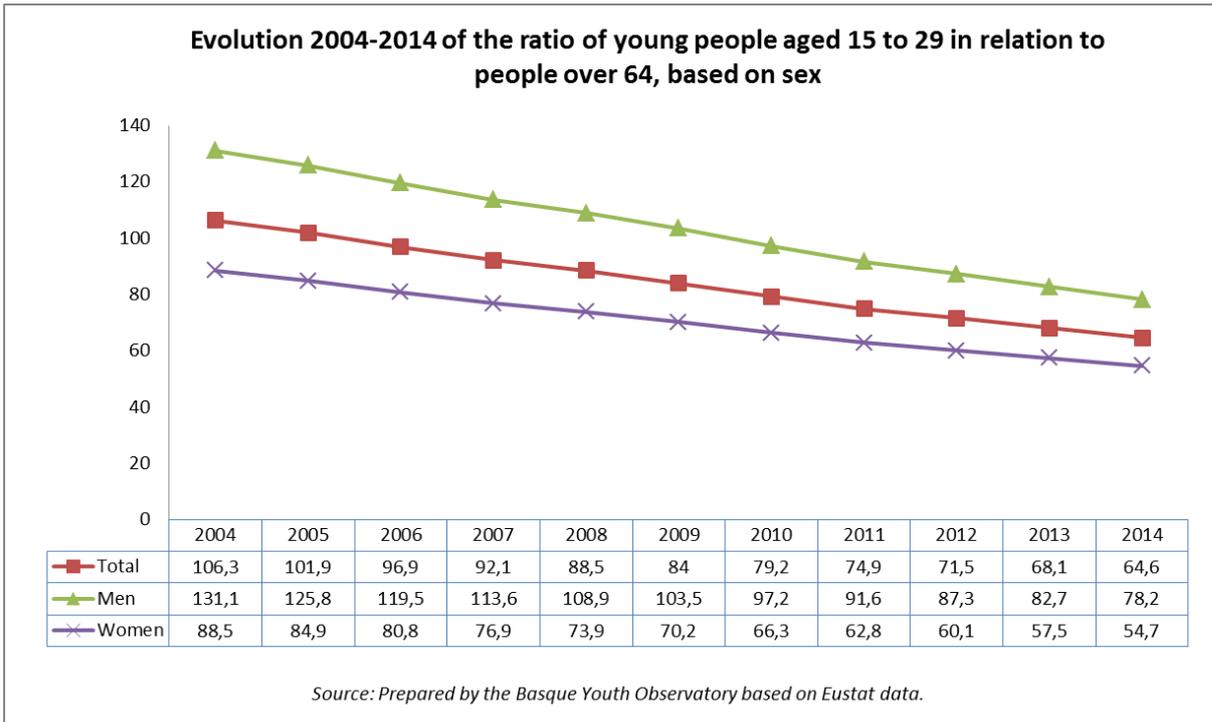
This decline in the number of young people has also caused the youth index, which measures the proportion of people aged 15 to 29 in a society, to fall. According to Eustat data, the total population of the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country on January 1, 2014, was 2,172,877 people, of which 290,715 were aged between 15 and 29, i.e. 13.4%. This decline has affected men and women alike and, in 2014, the youth rate stood at 13.5% for men and 12.8% for women.

Based on data from the [INE's Permanent Census Statistics](#), only Asturias (12.7%) had a lower youth index than the Basque Country in January 2014. On the other hand, we have Andalucía and Murcia with 17.5%.

	Youth Rate
ANDALUCÍA	17.5
MURCIA	17.5
EXTREMADURA	17.4
CANARY ISLANDS	17.1
CASTILLA - LA MANCHA	17.0
BALEARIC ISLANDS	16.8
MADRID	15.7
COMUNIDAD VALENCIANA	15.6
CATALONIA	15.3
NAVARRRE	15.1
ARAGÓN	14.8
LA RIOJA	14.8
CASTILLA Y LEÓN	14.1
CANTABRIA	13.9
GALICIA	13.7
<b>BASQUE COUNTRY</b>	<b>13.4</b>
ASTURIAS	12.7
<b>TOTAL SPAIN</b>	<b>15.8</b>

The fall in the percentage of young people together with the longevity of the population in the BAC has caused the ratio of people aged 15 to 29 in relation to people over 64 to change dramatically in recent years.

There were 106,3 young people for every 100 people over 64 in 2004; that ratio has changed and stood at 64.6 in 2014, i.e. there are fewer young people than people over 64 years of age. Particularly significant is the difference between men (78.2) and women (54.7) due to the fact that [the life expectancy of women in the Basque Country is 85.4 while that for men stands at 78.9](#).



These indicators on the young population of the BAC can be found in the study titled [Youth Indicators 2013](#), more specifically in the section titled “Demography and population”.

These are some of the 111 indicators on the situation of young people collected in this comprehensive study prepared by the [Basque Youth Observatory](#). The data are taken, in some cases, from research conducted by the Observatory and, in other cases, from official statistics.

In all, this offers a general view of the situation of young people and compares it with the Basque population as a whole and with young people from other areas, such as Spain or the European Union.

The information is available in four formats to facilitate access (available in Spanish):

- [Interactive database](#). This makes it possible to prepare interactive charts and maps to analyse the evolution, comparison and disaggregation of the 11 indicators by selecting variables.
- [Youth Indicator Panel](#), a summary chart that synthesizes the information of the 111 indicators used in the research project.
- [Indicator files](#), information on a selection of 64 basic indicators.
- [Executive Summary](#), a brief text that summarises the main conclusions taken from the analysis of all the indicators.

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