

# The State's Annual Budget punishes Catalonia

The percentage of the State Annual Budget allocated to Catalonia in 2015 is at its lowest it has been in seventeen years and consolidates the massive drop in State investment which began in 2011

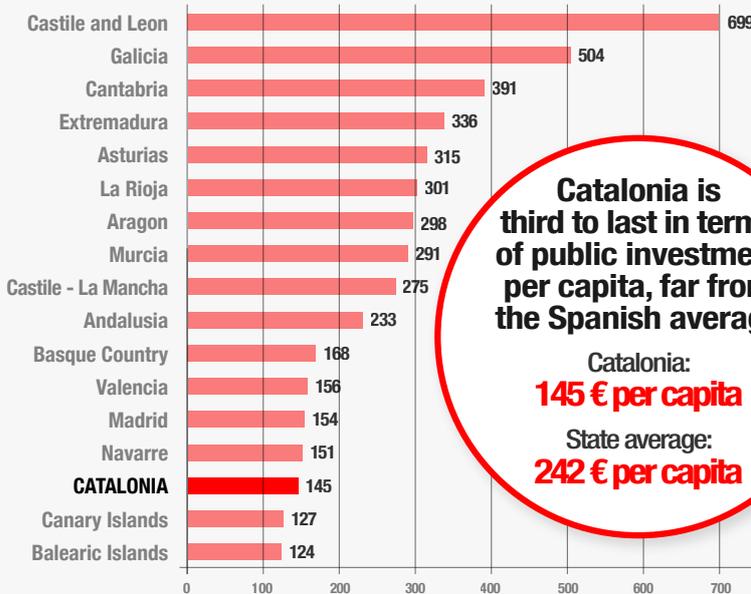
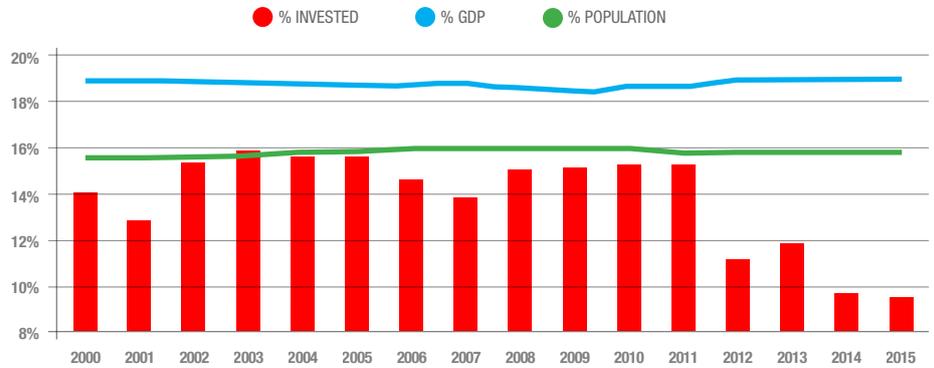
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State investment in Catalonia (9.5%) accounts for half of what Catalonia contributes to the Spain in terms of economic activity (18.8%)

↓71,7%

Since 2009, actual public investment in Spanish autonomous communities has been reduced by 55%. During the same period, public investment in Catalonia has been reduced by 71.7%

% INVESTED IN CATALONIA COMPARED WITH % OF GDP CONTRIBUTION AND % OF POPULATION



Catalonia is third to last in terms of public investment per capita, far from the Spanish average

Catalonia: 145 € per capita  
State average: 242 € per capita

1€ For each euro per person which the Sate invests in Catalonia...

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## THESE BUDGETARY PRIORITIES AND COMPARISONS ARE SIGNIFICANT WHEN EXPLAINING STATE GOVERNMENT POLICIES

 State investment in Catalonia planned for 2015: € 1.072 bn  
Compensation to ACS Group for their withdrawal from the Castor gas storage project: € 1.35 bn

 Having suffered considerable cuts in the previous year, expenditure in social services and care for dependent adults has been suspended.

 € 40 m have been included in the budget to finance the shuttle train service to Barajas airport. Madrid has a subway, regional trains and now will have a shuttle train. Meanwhile, El Prat airport must seek private ways to finance its transportation.

 Active employment policies receive € 4.7 bn, while in 2010 the investment was € 7.7 bn.

 The budget has not taken into account any of the 23 measures which were proposed to Rajoy by President Mas.

 Military spending has increased in the annual budget. The Ministry of Defence has a larger budget than the Ministry of Public Works and Transport or than the Ministry of Industry.

 Transfers in healthcare to autonomous communities has been reduced by 56%.

 The Ministry has frozen its contribution assigned to Catalonia in culture; however, budgets allocated to The Prado, Reina Sofía and The Thyssen have increased significantly.

 In 2015, the State will increase the budget of the Prado Museum by 9%, which will go onto receive a total of €42 m (this is more than all the cultural institutions in Catalonia combined).