

1. data source  
<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/databrowser/view/tps00014/default/table?lang=en>
2. research question  
What are the comparison and respective trends in men's age at first marriage between 2013-2022 for these five countries: Greece, Spain, Poland, Sweden, and Switzerland?

3. selected metrics: mean and range

- mean

	Mean age between 2013-2022
Greece	33.29
Spain	35.69
Poland	29.77
Sweden	36.51
Switzerland	32.9

Table 1: The mean age at first marriage for males in each country during the period 2013-2022.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mean age across five countries	32.9	32.98	33.24	33.4	33.54	33.68	33.94	34.4	33.92	34.32

Table 2: The mean age at marriage for males across these five countries for each year during 2013-2022.

- range

	Range by year
Greece	1.6
Spain	2.8
Poland	1.7
Sweden	1.8
Switzerland	0.9

Table 3: Range by year in each country

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Range by country	6.7	6.7	6.9	7	7	6.9	6.6	7.3	6.5	6.1

Table 4: Range by country for each year

#### 4. visualisation

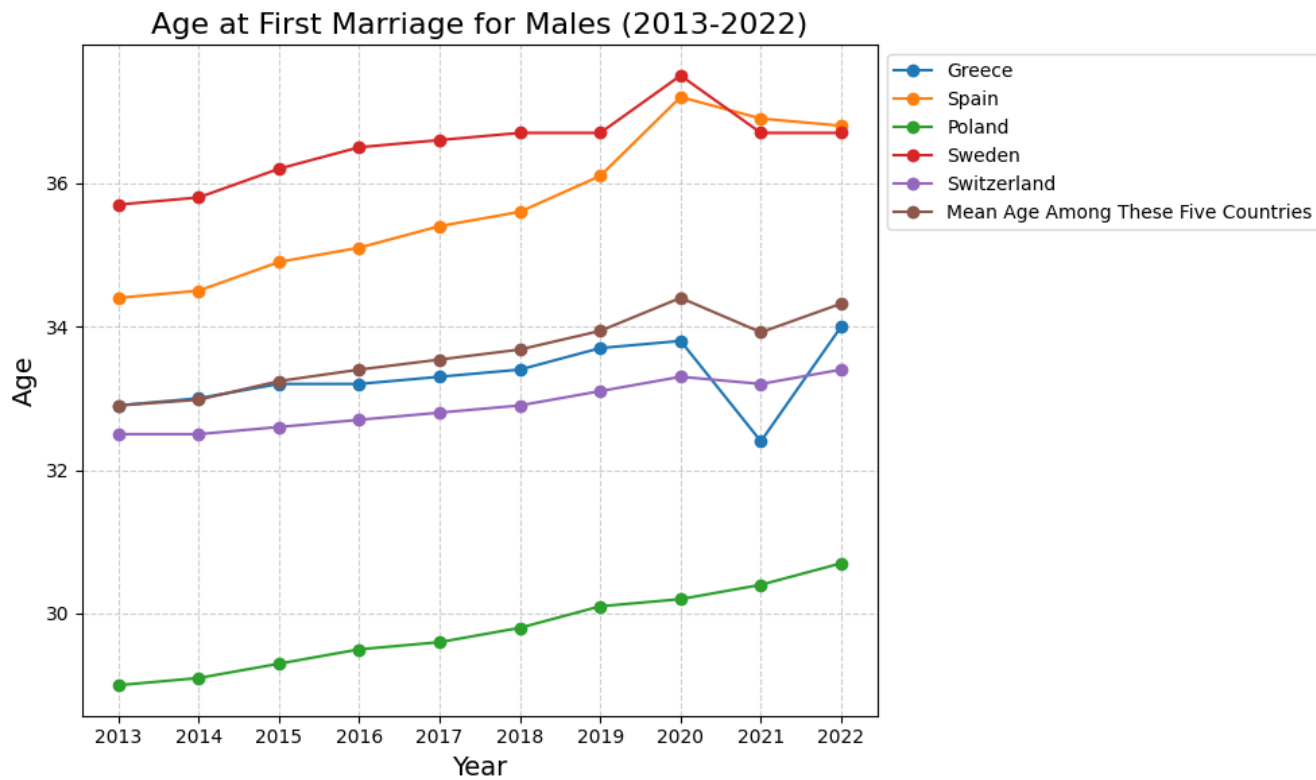


Figure 1: Line chart: age at first marriage for males in five countries between 2013-2022

## 5. narrative description

I selected mean as a metric to better understand the overall comparison and trends across the five countries. Additionally, the range was utilized to gain deeper insights into the changes that occurred over the decade.

Figure 1 reveals that in Greece, Spain, Poland, Sweden, and Switzerland, the age at first marriage exhibited an overall upward trend from 2013 to 2022. Among these, Poland's age increased steadily but remained the lowest by 2022, while the other four countries saw declines in 2021.

According to Table 1, over this decade, Sweden recorded the highest average age (36.51 years), followed by Spain, Greece, and Switzerland, while Poland had the lowest (29.77 years).

Figure 1 reveals that the age curves for Sweden and Spain are significantly above the average age curve (represented by the brown curve), while the curves for the other three lie entirely below the average, with Poland especially below the other four. Notably, Greece's curve is the closest to the average.

Table 3 indicates that during this decade, Spain experienced the largest fluctuation in age, with a range of 2.8. Conversely, Switzerland had the smallest, with a range of only 0.9, reflecting a more stable marriage system.

From Table 4, the range of the age across the five countries gradually increased, peaking at 7.3 in 2020, before sharply declining to its lowest point of 6.1 in 2022. This indicates that the age at first marriage among the five countries initially diverged before gradually converging over time.