

**Spanish Nationalist Army's  
Operations in Santander  
14-31 August 1937**

1st Brigade de Castilla: Colonel Gistau<sup>1</sup>

- 3rd Melilla Batallón
- V Bailén Batallón
- VI Bailén Batallón
- LXII Bailén Batallón
- CXXXI Bailén Batallón
- VI América Batallón
- IX América Batallón
- VIII San Marical Batallón
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- LXI San Marical Batallón
- VIII Burgos Batallón
- Ceriñola Batallón
- V Flange (Burgos?) Batallón
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- 17 Battalions
- 1 dismounted militia squadron
- 1 Cavalry Section
- 6 Batteries
- 5 Independent guns
- 2 Engineer Companies
- Total 11,446 men

2nd Brigade de Castilla: Colonel Faurié

- IV San Marical Batallón
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- VII San Marical Batallón
- VII Bailén Batallón
- I Flange (of Palencia?) Batallón
- II Flange (of Palencia?) Batallón
- III Flange (of Palencia?) Batallón
- I Batallón de Requetés (de Palencia?)
- 10 Battalions
- Arapiles Company
- I & II Groups of Villarobledo Foot Cavalry
- 17 Batteries
- 1 Engineer Battalion
- Total 11,703 men

I Navarra Brigade: Colonel Garcia-Valiño

- I América Batallón
- II América Batallón
- IV América Batallón
- VI América Batallón
- VIII América Batallón
- II San Marical Batallón
- Navarra Tercio
- Lacar Tercio

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<sup>1</sup> Battalions named were present as of 8 August.

San Fermín Tercio  
Montejurra Tercio  
Zumalacárregui Tercio  
Roncesvalles Tercio  
II Bandera Falange de Navarra  
V Bandera Falange de Navarra  
1 Armored Battalion  
1 engineer company  
1 engineer section  
Total 8,114 men

II Navarra Brigade: Colonel Muñoz Grandes

III América Batallón  
V América Batallón  
I Arapiles Batallón  
IV Falange (de Navarra?) Bandera  
XXVII Falange (de Navarra?) Bandera  
XXVIII Falange (de Navarra?) Bandera  
Nuestra Señora del Camino Tercio  
Nuestra Señora San Igancio Tercio  
Oriamendi Tercio  
Nuestra Señora de Begoña Tercio  
3 batteries  
1 engineer company  
1 engineer section  
Total 5,716 men

III Navarra Brigade: Colonel Latorre

II Burgos Batallón  
II Sicilia Batallón  
III San Marçail Batallón  
IX Bailén Batallón  
Virgen Blanca Tercio  
Militia Group  
Cavalry Group  
2 batteries  
1 artillery section  
1 engineer company  
Total 4,260 men

IV Navarra Brigade

V Tetuán Tambor  
"B" Melilla Batallón  
"C" Navas Batallón  
VI San Marical Batallón  
I Flandes Batallón  
II Flandes Batallón  
III Flandes Batallón  
III Sicilia Batallón  
IV San Quintin Batallón  
V Victoria Batallón  
III Bailén Batallón  
IV Bailén Batallón  
4 batteries  
1 engineer company  
1 engineer section  
Total 7,174 men

V Navarra Brigade: Colonel Sanches González

Alhucemas (Moroccan) Tabor  
IV Zamora Batallón  
VII Zamora Batallón  
VII "Machinegunners" Batallón  
III Argel Batallón  
V San Quintin Batallón  
CLXVII San Quintin Batallón  
VIII Valladolid Batallón  
XI Zaragosa Batallón  
San Miguel Tercio  
I Flanage de Navarra Tercio  
III Flanage de Navarra Tercio  
3 Batteries  
1 engineer company  
Total 6,700 men

VI Navarra Brigade Colonel Abriat

"D" SanFernando Batallón  
XIII Zaragosa Batallón  
XVI Zaragosa Batallón  
IX Zamora Batallón  
X Zamora Batallón  
IV Arapiles Batallón  
VIII Mérida Batallón  
X América Batallón  
IV Ceriñola Batallón  
II Las Navas Batallón  
4 batteries  
1 engineer company  
1 engineer section  
Total 7,174 men

Italian Corps (C.T.V.): General Doria

Littorio Division: General Bergonzoli

2 infantry regiments  
Artillery Regiment (3 groups, total 9 btrys)

Llamas Negras: General Frusci

3 infantry regiments  
Artillery Regiment (3 groups, total 9 btrys)

XXIII de Marzo: General Francisci

IX de Mayo Infantry Regiment (4 bns)  
1 Celere Group (4 cos & 1 motorized machine gun co)  
Artillery Regiment (2 groups, total 6a btrys)

Corps Artillery:

2 100mm Groups (6 btrys)  
2 105mm Groups (6 btrys)  
2 149mm Groups (6 btrys)

Total 26 bns, 4 tankcompanies, 1 machinegun company, 48 btrys  
and 20,000+ men.

Flechas Negras Mixed Brigade: (Spanish-Italian) General Manzinin

2 Regiments (3 bns)  
1 Supporting Artillery Section  
1 Assault Battalion  
2 Groups of Artillery  
Total 8,000 men

Masa A:

Flechas Negras  
II Navarra Brigade  
III Navarra Brigade  
1st Brigade, 62nd Division (most of brigade present)

Masa B:

C.T.V. (Italian Division)  
1st Brigade, 62nd Division (remainder of brigade)

Masa C:

I Navarra Brigade  
IV Navarra Brigade  
V Navarra Brigade  
II Castilla Brigade

Aircraft Support:

Condor Legion: 70 Aircraft  
Legionaria (Italian): 80  
Spanish: 70 (plus a float plane squadron - escuadrilla)

Nationalist Garrison of Santander General Gámir

XIV Corps: Colonel Prada

49th Division: Victor de Frutos

51st Division: Lt. Colonel F. Galán

48th Division: Commandante Gómez Garcia

50th Division: Lt. Colonel Ibarrola

Corps Total 36,159 men

XV Corps: Lt. Colonel Garcia Vayas

52nd Division: Colonel Villarias

53rd Division: Lt. Colonel Bravo Quesada

54th Division: Commandante Fernández Navamuel

55th Division: Lt. Colonel Sanjuán

Corps Total unknown

Total for garrison: 31 brigades with 103 battalions, 180 guns, and 40 tanks.