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Foreword

From the ample and detailed analyses contained in the 8th edition of its Statistical Yearbook the Ministry of Foreign Affairs emerges as a highly dynamic one both in terms of the expanding breadth of its institutional responsibilities as well as growth in the types and volume of services offered. Also highlighted is its continuous support for the country system at European and world levels in the service of the internationalisation of the Italian society in all its various facets, along with the globalisation of the Italian economy. The numbers reveal a ministry heavily engaged in strengthening and enhancing Italy's international role - on both multilateral and bilateral levels - in the various sectors within its remit and in the distribution of a wide variety of services to citizens and businesses.

In describing how the ministry uses its available resources and means the Yearbook becomes an indispensable instrument for explaining and interpreting its international activities for the better understanding of citizens, the press, the business community and other governmental bodies and ministries. The wealth of statistics it contains bears witness also to the progressive introduction of elements of flexibility to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and to a design for the gradual rationalisation of the diplomatic-consular network aimed at aligning its activities and services more appropriately with national interests and the geopolitical changes underway.

This analytic break-down of the data in terms of geographic criteria and the employment of time series analyses, in addition to offering a detailed but immediate and easy to read overview, allows for accurate comparison with the human and financial resources at the disposal of the foreign ministries of the other members of the G8 and their respective diplomatic-consular networks..

The usefulness of the Statistical Yearbook, both in paper and electronic form, is proof of the growing diffusion of statistical practices destined surely to be applied in other administrative sectors in service of the support and monitoring of the ministry's management and operational planning and the gradual development of benchmarks and performance indicators.

I would like to thank all those in Rome and abroad who contributed in a spirit of timely collaboration to the speedy collection and processing of data in order that the Statistical Yearbook could be published within a timeframe that would allow it to provide the maximum benefit to all those using it both inside and outside the ministry.

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Introduction

The Yearbook is the fruit of the labour of the Statistics Office of the General Secretariat, which coordinates, analyses and processes the statistical data gathered from the Ministry's various offices.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is a member of the National Statistics System (SISTAN) and, as such, produces official statistics.

Methodological notes

Some specific instructions for reading this publication include the following:

- data are as of the 31st of December;
- the % change is calculated on the previous year;
- a dash (-) and an empty space indicate that the phenomenon does not exist or that no cases have been found; **NA** indicates that no data are available;
- percentages are rounded-off, thus any totalling of percentage values cannot eventually equal 100;
- the main abbreviations and acronyms used in the publication are listed in Table A;
- countries, classified according to the area of competence of the five Directorates General, are listed in alphabetical order in Table B.

Table A) - List of abbreviations

Acronym	Full name
CERI	State Diplomatic Protocol of the Republic
CONT	Diplomatic Legal Advisory Service
DGAA	Directorate General for Administrative Affairs, Budget and Assets
DGAM	Directorate General for the Countries of the Americas
DGAO	Directorate General the Countries of Asia, Oceania, the Pacific and Antarctica
DGAP	Directorate General for Multilateral Political Affairs and Human Rights
DGAS	Directorate General for the Countries of Sub-Saharan Africa
DGCE	Directorate General for Multilateral Economic and Financial Cooperation
DGCS	Directorate General for Development Cooperation
DGEU	Directorate General for the Countries of Europe
DGIE	Directorate General for European Integration
DGIT	Directorate General for Italians Abroad and Migratory Policies
DGMM	Directorate General for the Countries of the Mediterranean and Middle East
DGPC	Directorate General for Cultural Promotion and Cooperation
DGPE	Directorate General for Personnel
ISDI	Diplomatic Institute
ISPE	Inspectorate General of the Ministry and Overseas Offices
PCM	Office of the Prime Minister
SEGR	General Secretariat
SICC	Computer, Communications and Encryption Service
SSTO	Historical Archives and Documentation Service
STAM	Press and Information Service
URP	Office for Relations with the Public

Acronym	Full name
ADB	Asian Development Bank
AFDB	African Development Bank
BIS	Bank for International Settlements
CERN	European Organization for Nuclear Research
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ECB	European Central Bank
EIB	European Investment Bank
EMBL	European Molecular Biology Laboratory
EPO	European Patent Office
ESA	European Space Agency
ESO	European Southern Observatory
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICC	International Criminal Court
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank
IFAD	International Fund for Agricultural Development
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IOM	International Organization for Migration
NAMSA	NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OPCW	Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
OSCE	Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
OUN	Organization of the United Nations
UNCTAD	UN Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	UN Development Programme
UNEP	UN Environment Programme
UNESCO	UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UN HCR	UN High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	UN Children's Fund
UN ICTY	UN International Criminal Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia
UNIDO	UN Industrial Development Organization
UN ODC	UN Office for Drug and Crime
UN OHCHR	UN Office for High Commissioner for Human Rights
WB	World Bank
WFP	World Food Programme
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization

Table B) - Countries according to the Area of competence

Areas	Countries
Europe	Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Russian Federation, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, Ireland, Island, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sovereign Military Order of Malta, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan.
The Americas	Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela.
Mediterranean and Middle East	Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen.
Sub-Saharan Africa	Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Djibuti, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Equatorial, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.
Asia and Oceania	Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, Comoros, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Vietnam.

Chapter 1

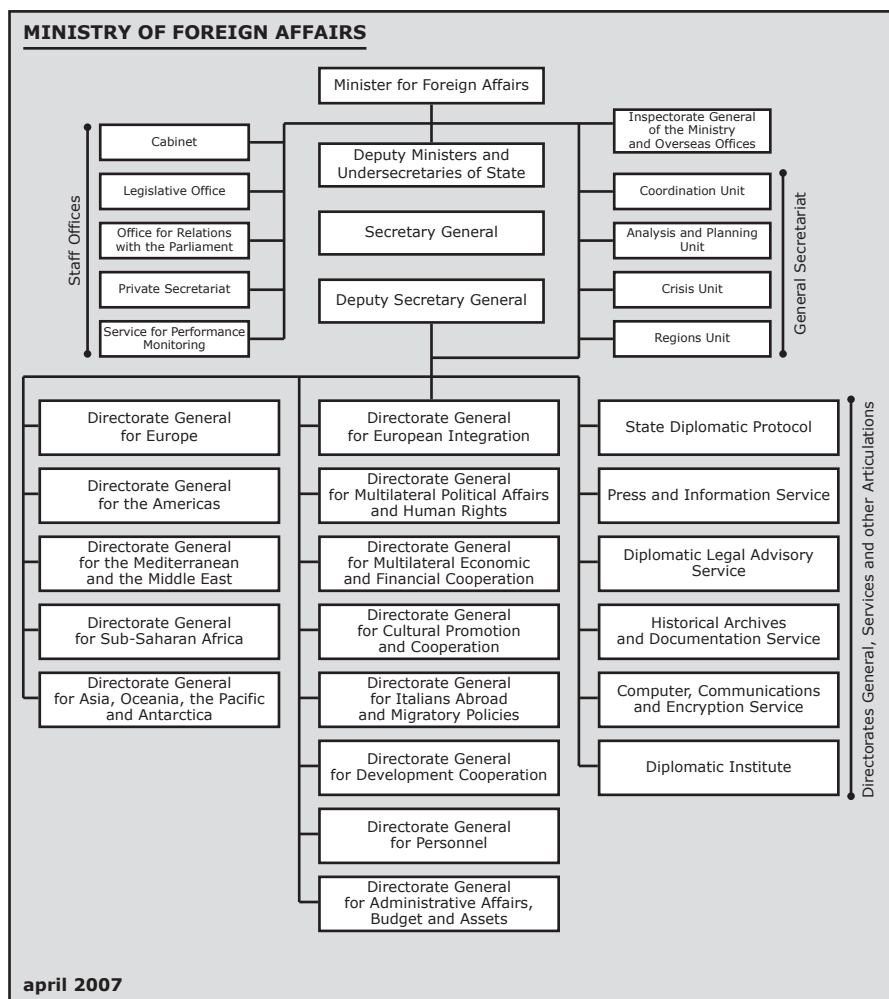
Organization and Resources

Introduction

The statistics shown in this Chapter concern the organization of the central headquarters (Farnesina) and the overall network abroad (Embassies, Permanent Missions, Consulates, Special Diplomatic Representations and Italian Cultural Institutes), as well as the Ministry's human and financial resources.

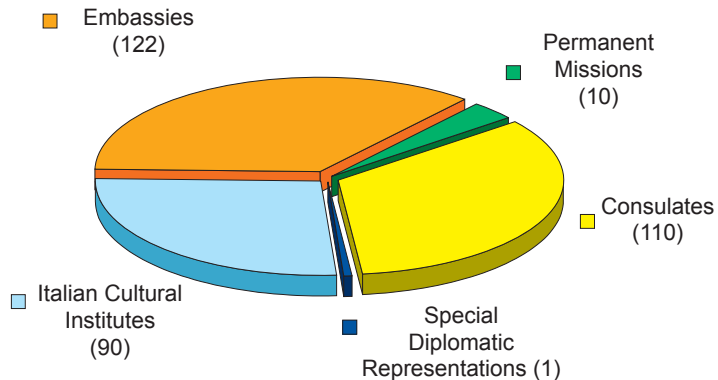
Organization

The structure of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is shown in the following chart:



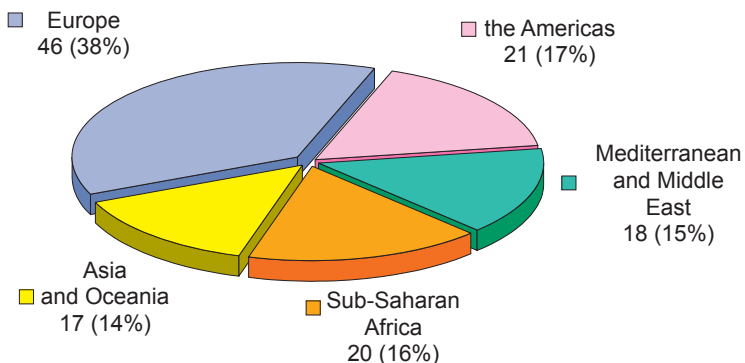
There have been no significant variations in the network abroad, as compared with the previous year (Fig. 1.1), except for the new Embassy of Italy in Podgorica:

Figure 1.1 - Network abroad by type and geographical area (2007)



As regards the territorial distribution of the Embassies (Fig. 1.2) it can be seen that 46 (38% of total) are located in Europe, while the remaining 76 (62%) are distributed almost uniformly among the other four geographical areas (17% in the Americas, 15% in the Mediterranean and Middle East, 16% in Sub-Saharan Africa and 14% in Asia and Oceania).

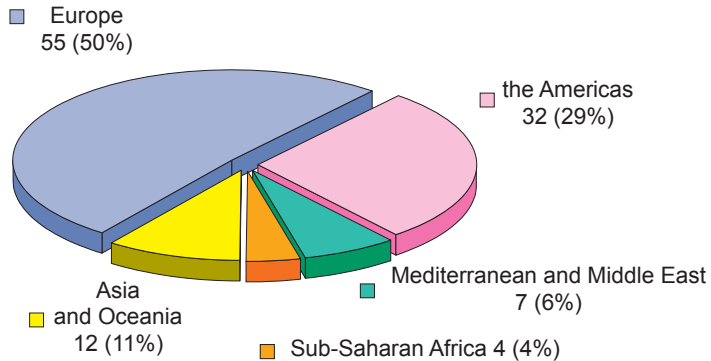
Figure 1.2 - Embassies by geographical area (2007)



In comparison, the territorial distribution of the Consulates has changed (Fig. 1.3): 55 of them (50% of the total) are located in Europe, 32 (29%) in

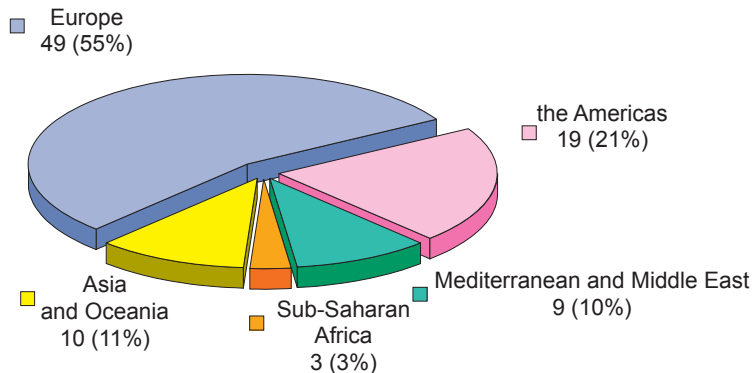
the Americas, 12 (11%) in Asia and Oceania area, 7 (6%) in Mediterranean and Middle East and, finally, 4 (4%) in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Figure 1.3 - Consulates by geographical area (2007)



As regards the Italian Cultural Institutes (Fig. 1.4) it can be seen that 49 (55%) are located in Europe, 19 (21%) in the Americas, 9 in Mediterranean and Middle East (10%), 3 in Sub-Saharan Africa (3%) and 10 in Asia and Oceania (11%).

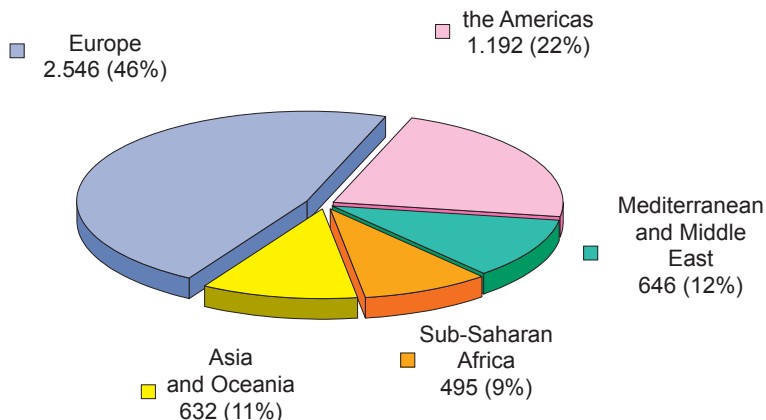
Figure 1.4 - Italian Cultural Institutes by geographical area (2007)



Human resources

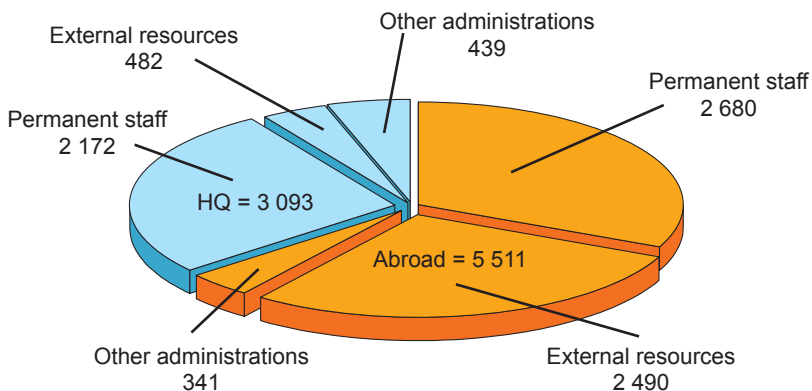
Personnel abroad (Fig. 1.5), working in Embassies, Consulates and Permanent Missions, including locally engaged staff, are located as follows: 46% in Europe, 22% in the Americas, 11% in Asia and Oceania, 12% in Mediterranean and Middle East and 9% in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Figure 1.5 - Total staff abroad by geographical area (2007)



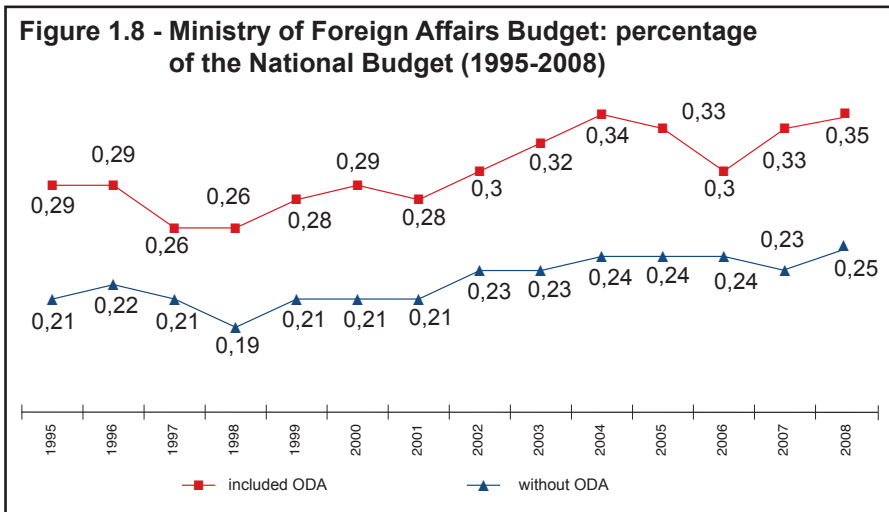
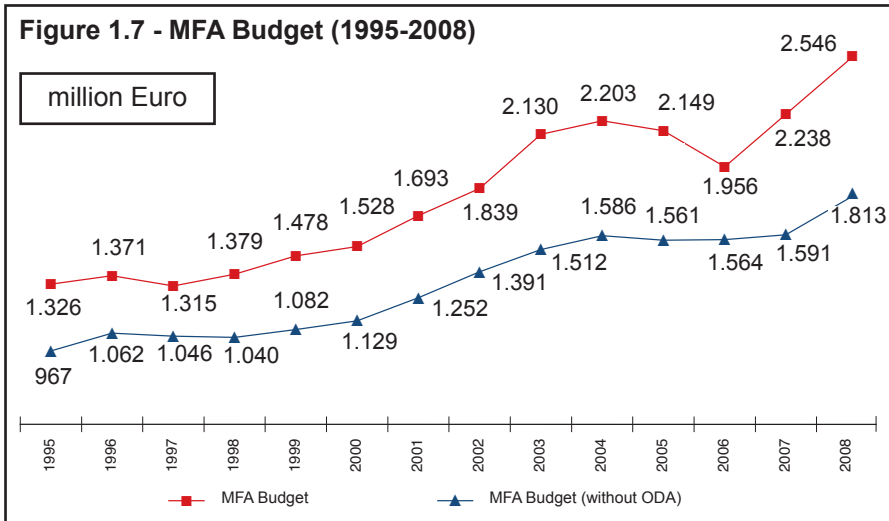
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of the services of 8 604 persons, 4 852 of whom are Permanent staff 2 972 External resources and 780 from other Ministries. There are 3 093 persons working in the Central Headquarters and 5 511 abroad.

Figure 1.6 - MFA Total staff: central headquarters and abroad (2007)



Financial resources

The budget allotted to the MFA in 2008 (2 546 million Euro) shows an increase of 13,8% over that of 2007:



Organization

Table 1.1 - Network of Missions abroad by type

Type	2004	2005	2006	2007
Embassies ⁽¹⁾	120	120	121	122
Permanent Missions to International Organizations ⁽²⁾	11	11	11	10
Special Diplomatic Representations ⁽³⁾	2	2	2	1
Consulates ⁽⁴⁾ :	116	116	115	110
<i>of which:</i>				
<i>General Consulates (I class)</i>	10	10	9	9
<i>General Consulates</i>	61	61	61	59
<i>Consulates (I class)</i>	8	8	8	8
<i>Consulates</i>	24	24	24	21
<i>Vice Consulates</i>	3	3	3	3
<i>Consular Agencies</i>	10	10	10	10
Italian Cultural Institutes ⁽⁵⁾	89	90	90	90
TOTAL	338	339	339	333

Source: DGPE

(1) There are three Embassies not yet operational (Mogadiscio, Reykjavik, Nouakchott); the First Class Consulate General of the Podgorica was upgraded to Embassy in 2007.

(2) Special Diplomatic Mission in Taiwan (Taipei).

(3) There is also a General Consulate not yet operational (Basra - Iraq).

(4) Consular offices located in Athens, Bastia, Cairo and Leipzig were closed.

(5) There are also three Italian Cultural Institutes not yet operational (Hong Kong, Mumbai e Baghdad).

Table 1.2 - Embassies by geographical area

Geographical area	2004	2005	2006	2007
Europe	44	44	45	46
The Americas	21	21	21	21
Mediterranean and Middle East	18	18	18	18
Sub-Saharan Africa	20	20	20	20
Asia and Oceania	17	17	17	17
TOTAL	120	120	121	122

Source: DGPE

Table 1.3 - Consulates by geographical area

Geographical area	2004	2005	2006	2007
Europe	60	60	59	55
The Americas	32	32	32	32
Mediterranean and Middle East	8	8	8	7
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	4	4	4
Asia and Oceania	12	12	12	12
TOTAL	116	116	115	110

Source: DGPE

Table 1.4 - Italian Cultural Institutes by geographical area

Geographical area	2004	2005	2006	2007
Europe	49	49	49	49
The Americas	19	19	19	19
Mediterranean and Middle East	9	9	9	9
Sub-Saharan Africa	3	3	3	3
Asia and Oceania	9	10	10	10
TOTAL	89	90	90	90

Source: DGPC

Human resources

Table 1.5 - MFA human resources (2007)

	Permanent Staff	Staff from other Ministries	External resources	TOTAL
HQ	2 172	439	482	3 093
Abroad	2 680	341	2 490	5 511
TOTAL	4 852	780	2 972	8 604

Source: DGPE

- Data include Personnel on leave, detached and in position of command.
- Excluded: Staff in service in schools and universities abroad; staff on contract as per Decree no. 18/67; ENIT contract staff; Italian Cultural Institute consultants and contract staff and per Law 401/90.

Table 1.6 - Permanent staff by classification

	Diplomats	Administrative Officers & CPA	Employees	Cultural Promotion Area (CPA)	Total
1990	838	26	4 210	-	5 074
1991	863	32	4 104	-	4 999
1992	879	32	4 040	126	5 077
1993	897	32	4 014	140	5 083
1994	901	28	3 915	133	4 977
1995	901	29	3 858	134	4 922
1996	909	26	3 735	135	4 805
1997	904	24	3 716	131	4 775
1998	913	27	3 734	132	4 806
1999	934	27	3 733	128	4 822
2000	960	40	3 656	130	4 786
2001	988	50	3 902	189	5 129
2002	1 007	56	4 012	181	5 256
2003	1 024	55	4 013	208	5 300
2004	1 014	51	3 942	201	5 208
2005	994	45	3 931	196	5 166
2006	983	42	3 806	190	5 021
2007	929	41	3 699	183	4 852

Source: DGPE

- Data included Personnel on leave, detached and in position of command.
- The Cultural Promotion Area (CPA) was instituted with Law no. 401/1990.

Table 1.7 - Total staff abroad by classification (2007)

	Diplomats	Administrative Officers & CPA	Employees	CPA	Local staff	Experts	Detached	Total
Embassies	371	3	1 018	-	1 058	125	170	2 960
Consulates	112	7	800	-	739	8	39	1 723
Permanent Missions	88	-	136	-	69	45	10	348
Italian Cultural Institutes	-	5	-	140	320	15	-	480
TOTAL	571	15	1 954	140	2 186	185	219	5 511

Source: DGPE

- Experts: personnel within the scope of Law no. 49/87 (including “long mission”) of article 168 of DPR 18 and article 14 and 16 of Law no. 401/90

Table 1.8 - Embassies: total staff abroad by classification and geographical area (2007)

Geographical area	Diplomats	Administrative Officers & CPA	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Detached	Total
Europe	152	2	444	456	31	60	1 145
The Americas	63	-	153	215	25	26	482
Mediterranean and Middle East	60	1	165	204	28	36	494
Sub-Saharan Africa	43	-	120	218	25	29	435
Asia and Oceania	53	-	136	180	16	19	404
TOTAL	371	3	1 018	1 273	125	170	2 960

Source: DGPE

Table 1.9 - Consulates: total staff abroad by classification and geographical area (2007)

Geographical area	Diplomats	Administrative Officers & CPA	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Detached	Total
Europe	48	6	405	372	2	14	847
The Americas	37	1	257	233	2	9	539
Mediterranean and Middle East	8	-	38	52	3	7	108
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	-	17	22	-	4	47
Asia and Oceania	15	-	83	78	1	5	182
TOTAL	112	7	800	757	8	39	1 723

Source: DGPE

Table 1.10 - Permanent Missions: total staff abroad by classification (2007)

Permanent Missions	Diplomats	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Detached	Total
Council of Europe (Strasbourg)	3	8	6	2	-	19
NATO (Brussels)	8	12	8	2	-	30
OECD (Paris)	5	10	3	4	-	22
FAO-IFAD (Rome)	3	8	-	-	-	11
International Organizations (Geneva)	11	16	8	1	1	37
International Organizations (Vienna)	4	6	7	-	1	18
OSCE (Vienna)	4	7	2	-	-	13
EU (Brussels)	23	38	18	33	3	115
UNESCO (Paris)	3	6	3	1	-	13
UN (New York)	24	25	14	1	5	70
TOTAL	88	136	69	44	10	348

Source: DGPE

Table 1.11 - Italian Cultural Institutes: total staff by classification and geographical area (2007)

Geographical area	Directors (art. 14 L. 401/90)	Directors	CPA	Experts (art. 16 L. 401/90)	Local staff	Total
Europe	4	3	77	2	190	276
The Americas	1	1	28	2	69	101
Mediterranean and Middle East	1	-	17	1	25	44
Sub-Saharan Africa	-	-	4	-	9	13
Asia and Oceania	2	1	14	2	27	46
TOTAL	8	5	140	7	320	480

Source: DGPE

Table 1.12 - Diplomatic Service: personnel requirement and current staff

Rank	Requirement	Current staff
Ambassador	28	22
Minister Plenipotentiary	208	217
First Counsellor	242	265
Counsellor	270	145
First Secretary	387	280
TOTAL	1 135	929

Source: DGPE

— The current staff posts were established by Law 8.17.2005, No. 168

Table 1.13 - Diplomatic Service: current staff by rank and gender (2005-2007)

Rank	2005			2006			2007		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Ambassador	22	1	23	23	2	25	21	1	22
Minister Plenipotentiary	210	13	223	210	15	225	201	16	217
First Counsellor	228	23	251	229	23	252	237	28	265
Counsellor	144	24	168	133	26	159	121	24	145
First Secretary	253	76	329	248	74	322	216	64	280
<i>of which First Secretaries on Probation</i>	8	-	8	19	4	23	19	15	43
TOTAL	857	137	994	843	140	983	796	133	929

Source: DGPE

Table 1.14 - Recruitment of diplomats (2005-2007)

	2005			2006			2007		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Applications	553	524	1.077	No foreign service examinations scheduled			562	591	1.153
Candidated at the end of pre-testing	370	316	686				405	401	806
Candidates at the end of the written examination	91	70	161				179	177	356
Candidates admitted to the oral examination	12	4	16				20	16	36
Recruited	11	4	15				17	11	28

Source: DGPE

Table 1.15 - Recruitment of diplomats by university degree (2005-2007)

	2005	2006	2007
Political Science	7	No foreign service examinations scheduled	10
International and Diplomatic Sciences	4		8
Law	2		6
Economics	2		4
TOTAL	15		28

Source: DGPE

Financial resources

Table 1.16 - Italian National Budget and Ministry of Foreign Affairs Budget

Million Euro			
Fiscal Year	Italian National Budget	MFA Budget without ODA (*)	%
1995	457 937	967	0.21
1996	473 258	1 062	0.22
1997	496 315	1 046	0.21
1998	537 090	1 040	0.19
1999	526 393	1 082	0.21
2000	534 301	1 129	0.21
2001	609 218	1 252	0.21
2002	609 225	1 391	0.23
2003	669 986	1 512	0.23
2004	654 486	1 586	0.24
2005	645 360	1 561	0.24
2006	651 341	1 564	0.24
2007	683 826	1 591	0.23
2008	730 838	1 813	0.25

Source: DGAA

(*) ODA = Official Development Assistance

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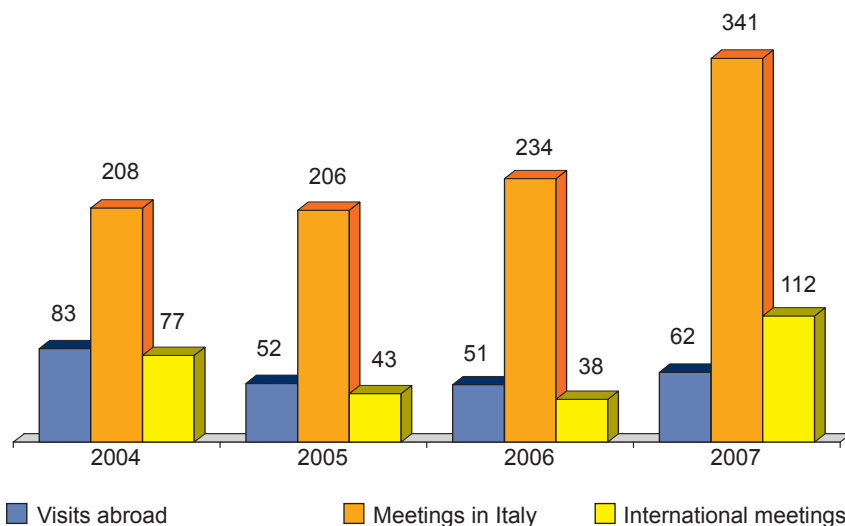
Activities and Services

Introduction

This chapter gathers some statistics into a quantitative illustration of the various sectors of the Ministry's activities: International Affairs, Culture, Italians Abroad, Visa Services, Official Development Assistance, Communication and Information, Trade and Investment Promotion.

The **International Affairs** section contains data on visits by Heads of State and Government to Italy and those of the President of the Republic, the Prime Minister and the Minister for Foreign Affairs abroad. It refers also to the international Agreements concluded by Italy and other activities carried out by the Diplomatic Legal Advisory Service. One table presents data on foreign debt restructured/cancelled by Italy.

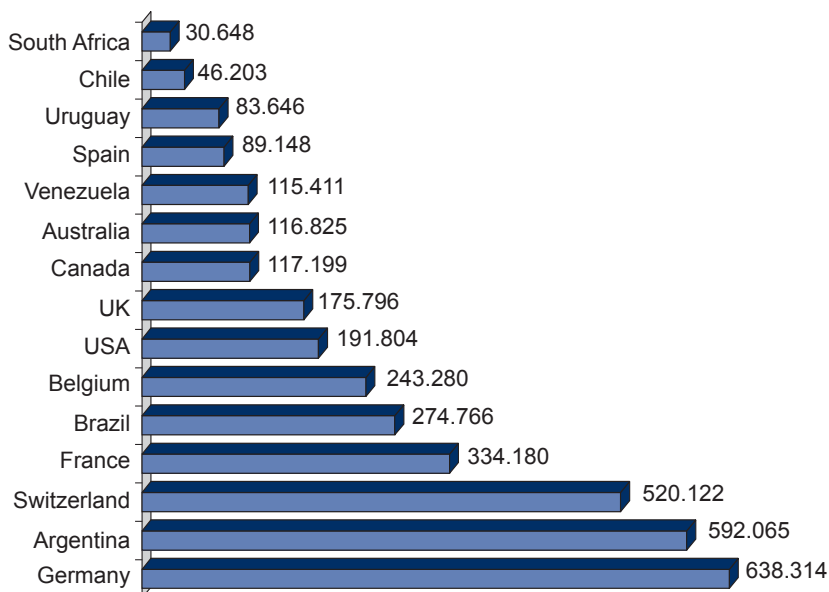
Figure 2.1 - Visits and meetings (national and international)



The **Culture** section contains data regarding Italian schools and Chairs abroad and scholarships awarded by the Directorate General for Cultural Promotion and Cooperation.

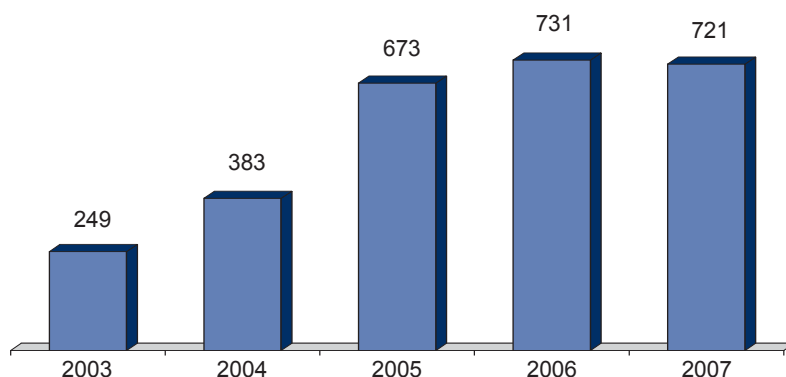
The **Italians Abroad** section contains data on consular registries, main consular services and Italians imprisoned abroad.

As of 31st December 2007 a total of 3 876 967 Italian citizens residing abroad were enrolled in consular registries, reflecting an increase of 5% as compared with 2006.

Figure 2.2 - Italian citizens enrolled in consular registries (2007)

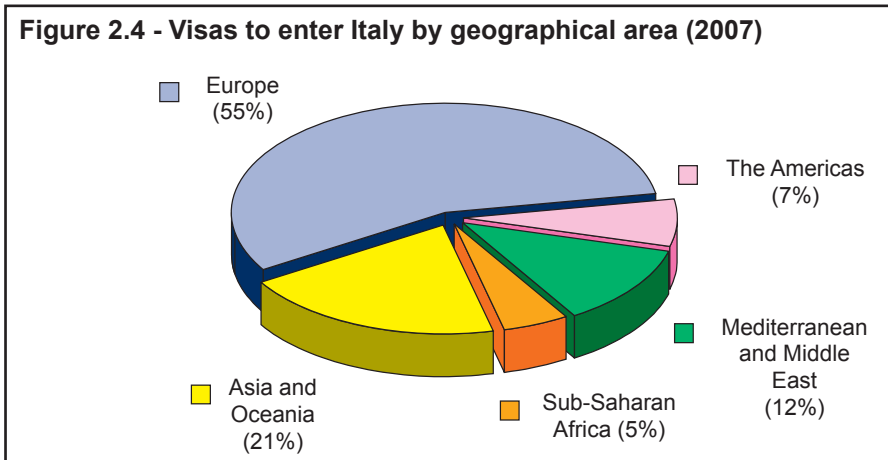
The main consular services provided by our foreign offices have increased by 6% as compared with last year, and the number of civil status and citizenship certificates has gone up 11%.

It is interesting to note the number of interventions by the Ministry's Crisis Unit on behalf of Italian nationals in emergency situations (Fig. 2.3):

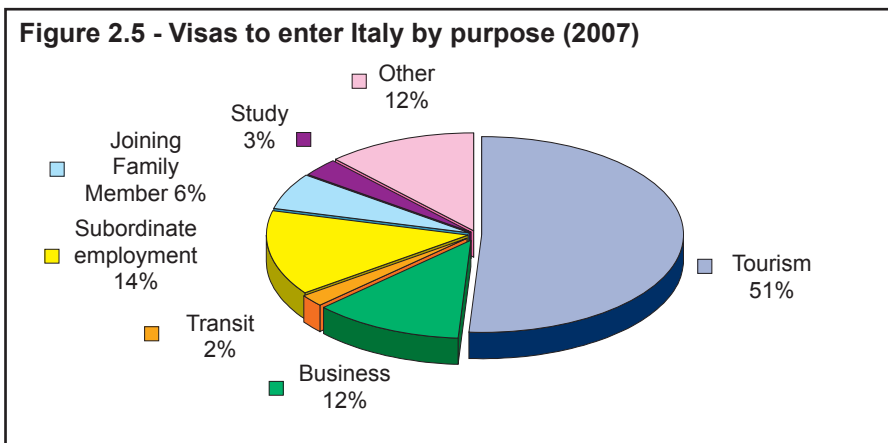
Figure 2.3 - Italian abroad: interventions by the Ministry's Crisis Unit on behalf of Italian nationals in emergency situations (2003-2007)

The **Visa Services** section contains detailed data on visas by geographical area and type. In 2007 a total of 1 519 816 visas to enter Italy were issued by authorised Italian representations (27% more than previous year).

Figure 2.4 shows % distributions by geographical area:



Of all visas issued in 2007, 54% were for purposes of tourism, 12% for business, 14% for subordinate employment, 6% for joining family members, 3% for study and 2% for transit (Fig. 2.5).

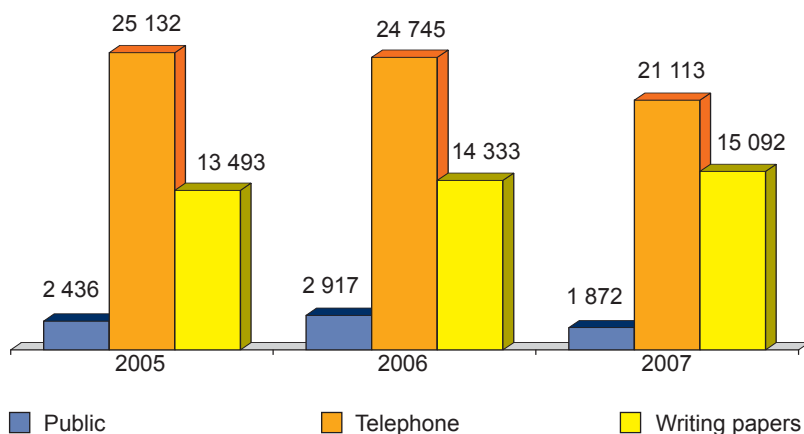


The **Official Development Assistance** section contains data on ODA by geographical area and to major recipients; data on debt restructured/cancelled by Italy; and data on scholarships granted to foreign students.

The overall amount of debt restructured or cancelled by Italy merits mention, as it confirms Italy's avant-garde stance on this international front. Peaks were recorded in 2005-2006 in debt cancellations through the HIPC (Heavily Indebted Poor Countries) initiative not only by Italy but the other Paris Club country members as well. The HIPC is now in the completion phase since: of the 41 countries eligible at the start of the initiative, 33 have already benefited from cancellation.

The **Communication and Information** section contains data on Press and Information Service - Office for relations with the public and Library and diplomatic archives users.

Figure 2.6 - Office for Relations with the public: encounters with the public (2005-2007)



The **Trade and Investment Promotion** section contains data regarding the facilities located abroad that are specifically dedicated to the treatment of economic and trade issues, to the promotion of the *Made in Italy* label and to support for Italian businesses abroad.

Particularly interesting are the data concerning the pilot "*MFA-ICE sportelli*" programme: a new approach to the logistical-functional integration of existing institutions, created with the specific objective of strengthening governmental support of the internationalisation of Italian businesses.

International Affairs

Table 2.1 - Ambassadors accredited in Italy (2007)

Country/Organization of accreditation	Ambassadors resident in Italy	Ambassadors not resident in Italy	Total
Italian Republic (Quirinale)	136	39	175
Holy See	77	75	152
International Organizations	31	3	34
Special Missions	3	-	3
TOTAL	247	117	364

Source: State Diplomatic Protocol

- Foreign Embassies can be accredited to the Italian Republic, the Holy See or the international organizations located in Rome (FAO, IFAD). Some of the foreign ambassadors do not reside permanently in Italy. They often reside in other European capitals where they are also accredited.
- Holy See data referred also to 5 Special Missions.

Table 2.2 - Official visits to Italy by Heads of State, Heads of Government, Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of International Organizations (2003- 2007)

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Heads of State	59	87	98	87	75
Heads of Government	57	46	52	75	56
Ministers for Foreign Affairs	128	90	111	90	107
Heads of International Organizations	35	39	36	56	14
TOTAL	279	262	297	308	252

Source: State Diplomatic Protocol

Table 2.3 - Official visits to Italy by Heads of State, Heads of Government, Ministers for Foreign Affairs by geographical area (2007)

	Europe	The Americas	Mediterranean and Middle East	Sub-Saharan Africa	Asia and Oceania	Total
Heads of State	37	9	10	12	7	75
Heads of Government	41	1	8	4	2	56
Ministers for Foreign Affairs	65	6	20	11	5	107
TOTAL	143	16	38	27	14	238

Source: State Diplomatic Protocol

Table 2.4 - Visits and meetings abroad by the President of the Italian Republic, the Prime Minister and the Minister for Foreign Affairs (2005-2007)

	2005		2006		2007	
	Visits	International meetings	Visits	International meetings	Visits	International meetings
President of the Republic	7	2	8	2	7	6
Prime Minister	11	9	16	15	32	57
Minister for Foreign Affairs	34	32	27	21	23	49
TOTAL	52	43	51	38	62	112

Source: State Diplomatic Protocol, Foreign Minister's Office and Prime Minister's Office
 – Meetings include G8, UN, NATO, EU and other international organization meetings

Table 2.5 - Visits abroad by the President of the Italian Republic, the Prime Minister and the Minister for Foreign Affairs by geographical area (2007)

	Europe	The Americas	Mediterranean and Middle East	Sub-Saharan Africa	Asia and Oceania	Total
President of the Republic	4	1	1	1	-	7
Prime Minister	21	2	4	1	4	32
Minister for Foreign Affairs	6	2	11	1	3	23
TOTAL	31	5	16	3	7	62

Source: State Diplomatic Protocol, Cabinet of the Foreign Minister, Prime Minister's Office

Table 2.6 - Agreements signed by Italy (2002-2007)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bilateral agreements						
Signed	131	110	99	67	69	85
In force	91	76	108	57	56	28
Multilateral agreements						
Signed	12	11	33	8	8	8
In force	11	4	28	11	15	1
Total signed	143	121	132	75	77	93
Total in force	102	80	136	68	71	29

Source: Diplomatic Legal Advisory Service

Table 2.7 - Legal procedures against Italy promoted by the European Court for Human Rights (2002-2007)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Legal procedures	612	132	228	146	377	278

Source: Diplomatic Legal Advisory Service

Table 2.8 - Direct actions to the Court of Justice of the EU (2002-2007)

Direct actions	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
ex art. 226	27	22	27	36	26	23
ex art. 230	12	18	13	13	17	14

Source: Diplomatic Legal Advisory Service

**Table 2.9 - Italian Schools abroad by type and geographical area
(academic year 2006/2007)**

Geographical area	Type				
	Public	Comparable	Legally recognised	Con presa d'atto	Total
Europe	19	17	6	7	49
The Americas	-	69	1	12	82
Mediterranean and Middle East	-	26	-	-	26
Sub-Saharan Africa	8	8	1	1	18
Asia and Oceania	-	-	-	2	2
TOTAL	27	120	8	22	177

Source: DGPC

**Table 2.10 - Italian Schools abroad by level and geographical area
(academic year 2006/2007)**

Geographical area	Level				Total
	Kinder-garten	Primary	Junior High School	High School	
Europe	9	14	11	15	49
The Americas	20	20	20	22	82
Mediterranean and Middle East	6	6	6	8	26
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	6	4	4	18
Asia and Oceania	1	1	-	-	2
TOTAL	40	47	41	49	177

Source: DGPC

**Table 2.11 - Italian language courses and teaching of Italian
(academic year 2006/2007)**

Geographical area	Institutions			Students enrolled		
	Language courses	Italian courses in local public schools	Total	Language courses	Italian courses in local public schools	Total
Europe	5 851	2 968	8 819	38 004	54 046	92 050
The Americas	7 011	8 837	15 548	103 456	196 117	299 573
Mediterranean and Middle East	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub- Saharan Africa	59	62	121	400	1 100	1 500
Asia and Oceania	717	9 184	9 901	15 603	241 112	256 715
TOTAL	13 638	21 051	34 689	157 463	492 375	649 838

Source: DGIT

Table 2.12 - Italian language courses offered by Italian Cultural Institutes (academic years 2006-2007)

Geographical area	2006		2007		% change	
	Students enrolled	Courses	Students enrolled	Courses	Students enrolled	Courses
Europe	41 082	3 717	39 826	3 626	-3	-2
The Americas	20 052	1 728	22 261	1 980	11	15
Mediterranean and Middle East	6 859	508	7 125	517	4	2
Sub-Saharan Africa	615	34	594	36	-3	6
Asia and Oceania	7 718	836	8 912	936	15	12
TOTAL	76 326	6 823	78 718	7 095	3	4

Source: DGPC

Table 2.13 - Scholarships granted to foreign students: monthly installments by geographical area (Cultural Cooperation)

Geographical area	Installments				
	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Europe	3 762	4 025	3 581	3 493	3 443
<i>Among which UE</i>	970	1 867	1 865	1 987	1 990
The Americas	2 031	2 222	1 804	1 635	1 579
Mediterranean and M.E.	1 038	1 162	1 185	1 228	1 300
Sub-Saharan Africa	195	203	170	237	260
Asia and Oceania	1 168	1 988	1 408	1 353	1 432
<i>Others Scholarships</i>	352	640	348	463	500
TOTAL	8 546	10 240	8 496	8 409	8 514

Source: DGPC

Italians Abroad

Consular registry

Table 2.14 - Consular Registry: Italians registered by geographical area (2005-2007)

Geographical area	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Europe	1 994 579	-11,2	2 087 524	4,7	2 147 063	2,9
The Americas	1 330 783	-15,0	1 420 310	6,7	1 526 300	7,5
Mediterranean and M.E.	24 041	-4,8	25 869	7,6	27 711	7,1
Sub-Saharan Africa	40 072	-12,6	42 088	5,0	43 224	2,7
Asia and Oceania	118 855	-17,1	127 206	7,0	132 669	4,3
TOTAL	3 508 330	-12,9	3 702 997	5,5	3 876 967	4,7

Source: DGIT

Table 2.14.1 - Consular Registry in Europe: Italians registered (2007)

Country			
Albania	Cons.	Scutari	129
	Emb.	Tirana	301
	Gen.Cons.	Valona	42
Total Albania			472
Armenia	Emb.	Jerevan	12
Austria	Gen.Cons.	Innsbruck	6 390
	Emb.	Vienna	9 545
Total Austria			15 935
Azerbaijan	Emb.	Baku	29
Belgium	Cons.	Brussels	59 267
	Gen.Cons.	Charleroi	77 339
	Cons. Ag.	Genk	21 582
	Gen.Cons.	Liege	52 013
	Vice Cons.	Mons	33 079
Total Belgium			243 280
Belorussia	Emb.	Minsk	38
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Emb.	Sarajevo	490

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Country			
Bulgaria	Emb.	Sofia	542
Croatia	Gen.Cons.	Fiume	7 018
	Cons.	Spalato	771
	Emb.	Zagabria	1 051
Total Croatia			8 840
Cyprus	Emb.	Nicosia	514
Czech Republic	Emb.	Prague	2 304
Denmark	Emb.	Copenhagen	4 220
Estonia	Emb.	Tallinn	148
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Emb.	Skopje	118
Finland	Emb.	Helsinki	2 171
France	Cons.	Chambery	20 082
	Cons.	Lille	28 869
	Gen.Cons	Lyon	56 784
	Gen.Cons.	Marseilles	32 715
	Gen.Cons	Metz	59 206
	Cons.	Mulhouse	18 271
	Gen.Cons.	Nice	25 912
	Gen Cons.	Paris	79 243
			13 098
Total France			334 180
Georgia	Emb.	Tbilisi	29
Germany	Gen Cons.	Hamburg	14 684
	Emb.	Berlin	16 043
	Gen.Cons.	Cologne	107 465
	Cons.	Dortmund	54 684
	Gen.Cons.	Frankfurt	107 437
	Cons.	Freiburg	43 362
	Gen.Cons.	Hannover	21 951
	Cons. Ag.	Mannheim	15 234
	Cons.Gen	Munich	66 384
	Cons.	Nuremburg	26 895
	Cons.	Saarbrücken	21 789
	Gen.Cons.	Stuttgart	133 777
			8 609
Total Germany			638 314

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Country			
Holy See	Emb.	Vatican City	18
Hungary	Emb.	Budapest	1 936
Ireland	Emb.	Dublin	7 042
Kazakhstan	Emb.	Astana	172
Latvia	Emb.	Riga	86
Lithuania	Emb.	Vilnius	93
Luxembourg	Cons.	Esch-Sur-Alzette	23 422
Malta	Emb.	La Valletta	1 330
Monaco	Gen.Cons.	Monaco	6 554
Montenegro	Emb.	Podgorica	206
Netherlands	Gen.Cons.	Amsterdam	31 548
Norway	Emb.	Oslo	2 739
Poland	Emb.	Warsaw	2 560
Portugal	Emb.	Lisbon	3 940
Romania	Emb.	Bucharest	1 958
	Gen.Cons.	Timisoara	808
Total Romania			2 766
Russian Federation	Emb.	Moscow	1 393
	Gen.Cons.	St. Petersburg	174
Total Russian Federation			1 567
San Marino	Emb.	San Marino	9 476
Serbia	Emb.	Belgrade	822
Slovakia	Emb.	Bratislava	517
Slovenia	Gen.Cons.	Capodistria	1 964
	Emb.	Ljubjana	638
Total Slovenia			2 602
Spain	Gen.Cons.	Barcelona	41 323
	Gen.Cons.	Madrid	47 825
Total Spain			89 148
Sweden	Emb.	Stockholm	7 216
Switzerland	Gen.Cons.	Basil	69 401
	Cons.	Berna	33 181
	Cons. Ag	Chur	11 665
	Gen.Cons.	Geneva	43 224
	Gen.Cons.	Lausanne	59 201
	Gen.Cons.	Lugano	88 765
	Cons. Ag	Neufchatel	18 223

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Country			
	Cons.	San Gallo	37 814
	Cons. Ag	Sion	16 914
	Cons. Ag	Wettingen	18 149
	Gen.Cons.	Zurich	123 585
Total Switzerland			520 122
Turkey	Emb.	Ankara	175
	Gen.Cons.	Istanbul	2 255
	Cons.	Izmir	935
Total Turkey			3 365
Ukraine	Emb.	Kiev	354
United Kingdom	Vice Cons.	Bedford	19 579
	Gen.Cons.	Edinburgh	10 331
	Gen.Cons.	London	117 878
	Cons.	Manchester	28 008
Total United Kingdom			175 796
Uzbekistan	Emb.	Tashkent	30
TOTAL EUROPE			2 147 063

Source: DGIT

Emb. = Embassies; Gen.Cons. = General Consulate; Cons. = Consulate; Vice Cons. = Vice Consulate;
 Cons.Ag. = Consular Agency; (NA = Not Available)

Table 2.14.2 - Consular Registry in the Americas: Italians registered (2007)

Country			
Argentina	Gen.Cons.	Bahia Blanca	36 579
	Gen.Cons.	Buenos Aires	198 148
	Gen.Cons.	Cordoba	60 050
	Gen.Cons.	La Plata	67 159
	Cons. Ag.	Lomas De Zamora	35 441
	Cons.	Mar Del Plata	33 720
	Cons.	Mendoza	29 203
	Cons. Ag.	Moron	40 473
	Gen.Cons.	Rosario	91 292
Total Argentina			592 065
Bolivia	Emb.	La Paz	2 808

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Country			
Brazil	Emb.	Brasilia	5 361
	Cons.	Belo Horizonte	15 210
	Gen.Cons.	Curitiba	36 775
	Gen.Cons.	Porto Alegre	39 204
	Cons.	Recife	6 573
	Gen.Cons.	Rio De Janeiro	45 564
	Gen.Cons.	San Paolo	126 079
Total Brazil			274 766
Canada	Cons.	Edmonton	5 887
	Gen.Cons.	Montreal	34 726
	Emb.	Ottawa	4 758
	Gen.Cons.	Toronto	59 636
	Gen.Cons.	Vancouver	12 192
Total Canada			117 199
Chile	Emb.	Santiago del Chile	46 203
Colombia	Emb.	Bogotá	12 731
Costa Rica	Emb.	San José	3 773
Cuba	Emb.	Havana	2 072
Dominican Republic	Emb.	Santo Domingo	8 543
Ecuador	Emb.	Quito	14 430
El Salvador	Emb.	San Salvador	2 045
Guatemala	Emb.	Guatemala	3 774
Honduras	Emb.	Tegucigalpa	1 002
Mexico	Emb.	Mexico City	13 350
Nicaragua	Emb.	Managua	992
Panama	Emb.	Panama	2 761
Paraguay	Emb.	Asuncion	7 652
Peru	Emb.	Lima	29 273
United States of America	Gen.Cons.	Boston	13 764
	Gen.Cons.	Chicago	14 964
	Cons.	Detroit	13 557
	Gen.Cons.	Philadelphia	22 518
	Gen.Cons.	Houston	4 747
	Gen.Cons.	Los Angeles	14 170
	Gen.Cons.	Miami	23 492
	Vice Cons.	Newark	13 610
	Gen.Cons.	New York	54 741

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Country			
	Gen.Cons.	San Francisco	12 164
	Emb.	Washington	4 077
Total United States of America			191 804
Uruguay	Cons.	Montevideo	83 646
Venezuela	Gen.Cons.	Caracas	98 431
	Cons.	Maracaibo	16 980
Total Venezuela			115 411
TOTAL AMERICAS			1 526 300

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.14.3 - Consular Registry in Mediterranean and Middle East:
Italians registered (2007)**

Country			
Algeria	Emb.	Algiers	753
Bahrein	Emb.	Manama	149
Egypt	Gen.Cons.	Alexandria	857
	Emb.	Il Cairo	2 999
Total Egypt			3 856
Jerusalem	Gen.Cons.	Jerusalem	2 214
Jordan	Emb.	Amman	666
Iran	Emb.	Teheran	332
Israel	Emb.	Tel Aviv	9 074
Kuwait	Emb.	Al Kuwait	250
Lebanon	Emb.	Beirut	1 366
Libya	Gen.Cons.	Bengasi	-
	Gen.Cons.	Tripoli	737
Total Libya			737
Morocco	Gen.Cons.	Casablanca	1 507
	Emb.	Rabat	308
Total Morocco			1 815
Oman	Emb.	Mascate	79
Qatar	Emb.	Doha	286
Saudi Arabia	Gen.Cons.	Jeddah	303
	Emb.	Riad	301
Total Saudi Arabia			604

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Country			
Syria	Emb.	Damascus	534
Tunisia	Emb.	Tunis	3 005
United Arab Emirates	Emb.	Abu Dhabi	409
	Cons. Ag.	Dubai	1 502
Total United Arab Emirates			1 911
Yemen	Emb.	Sana'a	80
TOTAL MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST			27 711

Source: DGIT

Table 2.14.4 - Consular Registry in Sub-Saharan Africa: Italians registered (2007)

Country			
Angola	Emb.	Luanda	253
Cameroon	Emb.	Yaoundè	707
Congo	Emb.	Brazzaville	122
Cote d'Ivoire	Emb.	Abidjan	710
Dem. Rep. Of Congo	Emb.	Kinshasa	781
Eritrea	Emb.	Asmara	788
Ethiopia	Emb.	Addis Abeba	1 449
Gabon	Emb.	Libreville	144
Ghana	Emb.	Accra	372
Kenya	Emb.	Nairobi	1 810
Mozambique	Emb.	Maputo	617
Namibia	Emb.	Windhoek	194
Nigeria	Emb.	Abudja	279
	Gen.Cons.	Lagos	728
Total Nigeria			1 007
Senegal	Emb.	Dakar	777
South Africa	Cons.	Cape Town	7 316
	Cons.	Durban	3 576
	Gen.Cons.	Johannesburg	16 727
	Emb.	Pretoria	3 029
Total South Africa			30 648
Sudan	Emb.	Khartoum	193
Tanzania	Emb.	Dar es Salam	612

continued table 2.14.4

Country			
Uganda	Emb.	Kampala	525
Zambia	Emb.	Lusaka	730
Zimbabwe	Emb.	Harare	785
TOTAL SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA			43 224

Source: DGIT

Table 2.14.5 - Consular Registry in Asia and Oceania: Italians registered (2006)

Country			
Afghanistan	Emb.	Kabul	27
Australia	Cons.	Adelaide	13 757
	Cons.	Brisbane	13 014
	Emb.	Canberra	2 450
	Gen.Cons.	Melbourne	40 936
	Cons.	Perth	12 955
	Gen.Cons.	Sydney	33 713
Total Australia			116 825
Bangladesh	Emb.	Dacca	145
India	Gen.Cons.	Kolkata	89
	Gen.Cons.	Mumbai	506
	Emb.	New Delhi	297
Total India			892
Indonesia	Emb.	Jakarta	833
Japan	Gen.Cons.	Osaka	726
	Emb.	Tokyo	1 599
Total Japan			2 325
Malaysia	Emb.	Kuala Lumpur	417
Myanmar	Emb.	Yangon	35
New Zealand	Emb.	Wellington	2 409
Pakistan	Emb.	Islamabad	89
	Gen.Cons.	Karachi	58
Total Pakistan			147
People's Republic of China	Gen.Cons.	Canton	384
	Gen.Cons.	Hong Kong	1 588

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Country			
	Emb.	Beijing	737
	Gen.Cons.	Shanghai	1 146
Total People's Republic of China			3 855
Philippines	Emb.	Manila	816
Republic of Korea	Emb.	Seoul	200
Singapore	Emb.	Singapore	1 167
Sri Lanka	Emb.	Colombo	100
Thailand	Emb.	Bangkok	2 299
Vietnam	Emb.	Hanoi	177
TOTAL ASIA AND OCEANIA			132 669

Source: DGIT

Table 2.15 - Italians registered in Consular Registries - 15 most populated Communities (2007)

Country	Italian registered	% cumulated
Germany	638 314	16
Argentina	592 065	32
Switzerland	520 122	45
France	334 180	54
Brazil	274 766	61
Belgium	243 280	67
United States of America	191 804	72
United Kingdom	175 796	77
Canada	117 199	80
Australia	116 825	83
Venezuela	115 411	86
Spain	89 148	88
Uruguay	83 646	90
Chile	46 203	91
South Africa	30 648	92
<i>Other countries</i>	<i>307 560</i>	<i>100</i>
TOTAL	3 876 967	-

Source: DGIT

Main consular services

Table 2.16 - Main consular services by type and geographical area (2007)

Geographical area	Passports	Records of births, marriage, death	Citizenship acts (*)
Europe	258 403	89 007	8 098
The Americas	145 039	146 022	81 197
Mediterranean and Middle East	6 694	3 014	309
Sub-Saharan Africa	8 167	3 088	446
Asia and Oceania	13 914	7 447	3 686
TOTAL	432 217	248 578	93 756

Source: DGIT

(*) citizenship acts include the acts carried out by Embassies or Consulates for the acquisition, reacquisition, loss and recognition of Italian citizenship.

Italians imprisoned abroad

Table 2.17 - Italians imprisoned abroad: situation by judicial position and geographical area (2006-2007)

	2006			2007		
	Pending	Condemned	Total	Pending	Condemned	Total
Europe	1 068	1 285	2 353	1 139	1 165	2 304
The Americas	130	240	370	152	271	423
Mediterranean and M.E.	18	18	36	10	19	39
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	3	7	1	5	6
Asia and Oceania	27	27	54	15	36	51
TOTAL	1 247	1 573	2 820	1 327	1 496	2 823

Source: DGIT

Visa Services

Table 2.18 - Entry visas by geographical area of request (2005-2007)

Geographical area	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Europe	594 872	11	666 767	12	833 499	25
The Americas	77 554	10	81 812	5	100 405	23
Mediterranean and M.E.	128 437	4	140 225	9	182 180	30
Sub-Saharan Africa	63 259	8	63 309	0	75 410	19
Asia and Oceania	212 558	11	246 054	16	328 384	33
TOTAL	1 076 680	9	1 198 167	11	1 519 816	27

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.18.1 - Entry visas by geographical area of request:
Europe (2005-2007)**

Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Albania	42 228	9	42 320	-	67 214	59
Armenia	7 471	82	4 403	- 41	6 841	55
Austria	45	22	59	31	31	- 47
Azerbaijan	1 484	- 32	1 827	23	3 079	69
Belarus	39 001	9	36 979	- 5	43 606	18
Belgium	109	166	52	- 52	63	21
Bosnia-Herzegovina	13 344	8	14 506	9	17 420	20
Bulgaria	2 573	14	2 293	- 11	188	- 92
Croatia	3 306	11	2 724	- 18	3 137	15
Cyprus	395	9	360	- 9	421	17
Czech Republic	805	- 35	966	20	1 148	19
Denmark	9	29	12	33	18	50
Estonia	962	3	798	- 17	342	- 57
Finland	17	240	13	- 24	4	- 69
Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia	11 402	20	11 401	-	15 400	35
France	213	- 24	264	24	257	- 3
Georgia	3 647	65	3 362	- 8	4 317	28
Germany	517	- 18	473	- 9	421	- 11
Greece	91	- 90	54	- 41	49	- 9

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Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Hungary	560	- 57	747	33	796	7
Ireland	1 891	14	1 910	1	1 829	- 4
Kazakhstan	3 545	4	5 962	68	8 014	34
Latvia	1 442	- 10	1 533	6	348	- 77
Lithuania	48	- 68	73	52	181	148
Luxembourg	3	- 50	1	- 67	2	100
Malta	321	- 11	426	33	447	5
Netherlands	55	83	28	- 49	69	146
Norway	31	- 18	35	13	12	- 66
Poland	871	- 80	1 091	25	788	- 28
Portugal	192	- 4	202	5	175	- 13
Romania	47 030	26	47 109	-	29 952	- 36
Russian Federation	222 295	23	303 258	36	402 072	33
San Marino	460	38	516	12	543	5
Serbia	40 904	16	44 136	8	44 352	-
Slovakia	80	- 97	74	- 8	80	8
Slovenia	958	- 22	611	- 36	516	- 16
Spain	311	17	298	- 4	270	- 9
Sweden	25	- 14	27	8	44	63
Switzerland	52 984	- 23	27 391	- 48	10 477	- 62
Turkey	31 747	5	40 778	28	56 571	39
Ukraine	41 782	17	47 498	14	76 226	60
United Kingdom	18 491	6	19 004	3	20 411	7
Uzbekistan	1 226	- 3	1 193	- 3	1 495	25
TOTAL	594 872	11	666 767	12	833 499	25

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.18.2 - Entry visas by geographical area of request:
the Americas (2005-2007)**

Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Argentina	830	-16	698	- 16	813	16
Bolivia	387	33	376	- 3	2 155	473
Brazil	2 650	10	2 703	2	4 385	62
Canada	2 424	11	2 524	4	2 803	11
Chile	622	17	522	- 16	641	23
Colombia	5 300	-	6 555	24	8 167	25
Costa Rica	144	-1	148	3	158	7
Cuba	8 623	39	7 207	- 16	7 814	8
Dominican Republic	3 181	-4	3 364	6	4 412	31
Ecuador	5 728	55	5 805	1	9 785	69
El Salvador	112	11	86	- 23	380	342
Guatemala	104	-3	110	6	117	6
Honduras	32	-11	35	9	86	146
Mexico	1 109	-4	1 250	13	1 366	9
Nicaragua	33	-40	42	27	72	71
Panama	84	-28	74	- 12	162	119
Paraguay	158	53	140	- 11	220	57
Peru	6 363	10	8 636	36	12 992	50
United States of America	38 950	5	40 724	5	42 615	5
Uruguay	83	-35	64	- 23	100	56
Venezuela	637	4	749	18	1 162	55
TOTAL	77 554	10	81 812	5	100 405	23

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.18.3 - Entry visas by geographical area of request:
Mediterranean and Middle East (2005-2007)**

Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Algeria	5 970	5	6 955	16	8 074	16
Egypt	9 910	20	11 539	16	15 243	32
Iran	10 520	-17	10 970	4	14 230	30
Iraq	1 815	15	2 446	35	3 658	50
Israel	720	-26	844	17	803	-5
Jerusalem	1 937	-5	1 941	-	2 034	5
Jordan	2 731	-7	3 335	22	3 419	3
Kuwait	5 211	57	4 755	- 9	5 438	14
Lebanon	9 210	-24	9 586	4	10 710	12
Libya	10 891	18	8 959	- 18	5 433	-39
Morocco	20 700	4	23 910	16	57 044	139
Oman	937	26	862	- 8	1 126	31
Qatar	2 453	98	3 487	42	3 478	-
Saudi Arabia	24 184	9	26 890	11	20 259	-25
Syria	4 104	-3	4 905	20	5 794	18
Tunisia	10 615	-1	10 964	3	14 605	33
United Arab Emirates	5 822	7	7 179	23	10 080	40
Yemen	707	27	698	-1	690	-1
TOTAL	128 437	4	140 225	9	182 118	30

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.18.4 - Entry visas by geographical area of request:
Sub-Saharan Africa (2005-2007)**

Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Angola	870	48	904	4	880	-3
Cameroon	1 970	-16	2 155	9	2 793	30
Congo	500	26	667	33	929	39
Cote d'Ivoire	1 375	-25	2 089	52	3 668	76
Dem. Rep. Of Congo	1 302	-5	1 140	-12	1 502	32
Eritrea	926	-5	954	3	1 201	26
Ethiopia	2 286	11	2 342	2	2 634	12
Gabon	476	56	400	-16	356	-11
Ghana	7 593	-11	7 321	-4	8 104	11
Kenya	2 414	8	2 955	22	3 282	11
Mozambique	513	-7	574	12	757	32
Namibia	191	19	185	-3	162	-12
Nigeria	9 294	14	5 346	-42	7 171	34
Senegal	3 530	23	4 381	24	7 790	78
South Africa	26 290	15	27 815	6	29 580	6
Sudan	930	26	1 188	28	1 406	18
Tanzania	707	-16	936	22	1 067	14
Uganda	1 004	21	999	-	1 038	4
Zambia	644	8	634	-2	676	7
Zimbabwe	444	11	324	- 27	414	28
TOTAL	63 259	8	63 309	-	75 410	19

Source: DGIT

**Table 2.18.5 - Entry visas by geographical area of request:
Asia and Oceania (2005-2007)**

Country	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
Afghanistan	319	39	516	62	754	46
Australia	1 756	13	1 876	7	1 842	-2
Bangladesh	5 364	-2	6 608	23	16 976	157
India	34 634	31	45 224	31	62 005	37
Indonesia	10 167	1	10 765	6	13 280	23
Japan	3 495	-6	3 082	-12	2 984	-3
Malaysia	295	11	225	-24	331	47
Myanmar	469	72	345	-26	504	46
New Zealand	349	5	335	-4	388	16
Pakistan	8 986	17	7 183	-20	12 127	69
People's Republic of China	64 840	-	83 648	29	119 759	43
Philippines	17 730	9	20 021	13	27 375	37
Republic of Korea	1 144	2	1 438	26	1 501	4
Singapore	1 268	18	1 360	7	1 380	1
Sri Lanka	5 016	28	5 136	2	12 108	136
Thailand	18 643	10	19 681	6	19 317	-2
Vietnam	1 829	-8	2 242	23	2 779	24
<i>Other countries</i>	36 254	21	36 369	-	32 974	-9
TOTAL	212 558	11	246 054	16	328 384	33

Source: DGIT

Table 2.19 - Entry visas according to type of visa (2005-2007)

Purpose	Year	USV	NV	RTV	Total	% change
Adoption	2005	-	2 542	-	2 542	-20
	2006	-	2 791	-	2 791	10
	2007	-	2 947	-	2 947	6
Business	2005	135 824	-	3 058	138 882	4.9
	2006	155 062	-	2 645	157 707	14
	2007	182 560	-	2 509	185 069	17
Health	2005	1 734	368	421	2 523	-
	2006	1 932	1 061	495	3 488	38
	2007	2 022	564	366	2 952	-15
Diplomatic	2005	-	1 234	-	1 234	7
	2006	-	1 267	-	1 267	2
	2007	-	1 253	-	1 253	-1
Accompanying relative	2005	-	3 964	-	3 964	13
	2006	-	3 416	-	3 416	-14
	2007	-	4 905	-	4 905	44
Sports events	2005	9 001	-	539	9 540	2.2
	2006	10 327	-	838	11 165	17
	2007	10 393	-	441	10 834	-3
Invitation	2005	21 759	-	1 871	23 630	-1
	2006	22 042	-	1 759	23 801	1
	2007	25 172	-	1 977	27 149	14
Self-employment	2005	3 362	775	74	4 211	-5
	2006	4 013	647	46	4 706	12
	2007	4 164	838	10	5 012	7
Work as an employee	2005	6 050	78 989	312	85 351	27
	2006	6 422	82 439	447	89 308	5
	2007	4 014	214 882	421	219 317	146
Mission	2005	12 746	7 019	2 050	21 815	12
	2006	12 888	6 297	1 322	20 507	-6
	2007	14 433	5 735	1 729	21 897	7
Religious matters	2005	4 191	2 795	72	7 058	7
	2006	4 413	3 191	51	7 655	8
	2007	4 856	3 449	60	8 365	9
Reentry	2005	-	3 446	-	3 446	-14
	2006	-	3 634	-	3 634	-14
	2007	-	3 780	1	3 781	4

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Purpose	Year	USV	NV	RTV	Total	% change
Elective residency	2005	-	968	-	968	19
	2006	-	928	-	928	-4
	2007	-	952	-	952	3
Family reunion	2005	-	89 931	-	89 931	8
	2006	-	78 914	-	78 914	-12
	2007	-	88 649	-	88 649	12
Study	2005	13 756	31 691	835	46 282	4
	2006	13 216	32 928	716	46 860	1
	2007	14 314	34 933	528	49 775	6
Transit	2005	41 695	-	13 890	55 585	-21
	2006	27 264	-	7 140	34 404	-38
	2007	21 227	-	1 736	22 963	-33
Airport Transit	2005	6 173	-	2 763	8 936	-14
	2006	6 458	-	795	7 253	-19
	2007	4 613	-	582	5 195	-28
Transport	2005	15 529	-	623	16 152	17
	2006	19 388	-	568	19 956	24
	2007	26 122	-	771	26 893	35
Tourism	2005	515 200	-	15 086	530 286	13
	2006	623 180	-	15 554	638 734	20
	2007	760 376	-	15 142	775 518	21
Tourism/ADS	2005	23 986	-	-	23 986	111
	2006	41 311	-	-	41 311	72
	2007	56 000	-	-	56 000	36
Job holidays	2005	-	358	-	358	28
	2006	-	362	-	362	1
	2007	-	390	-	390	8
TOTAL	2005	811 006	224 080	41 594	1 076 680	9
	2006	947 916	217 875	32 376	1 198 167	11
	2007	1 130 266	363 277	26 273	1 519 816	27

Source: DGIT

Uniform Schengen Visas (USV) are valid for all territories of the countries that have signed the Schengen Treaty and they might be: a) airport transit; b) transit up to 5 days; c) short term journey other until 90 days Restricted Territorial Visas (RTV) are valid only in Italy; in special circumstances they are also valid in other countries Long Term Visas or National Visas (NV) are valid for over 90 days in Italy and only for transit through Schengen territories not over 5 days.

The ADS Visa (Approved Destination Status) facilitating the issuance of visas to Chinese citizens was introduced in 2004 according to a specific agreement between the European Union and the People's Republic of China.

Table 2.20 - Entry visas: top 10 Countries for volume of applications (2005-2007)

2005		2006		2007	
Russian Federation	222 295	Russian Federation	303 258	Russian Federation	402 072
People's Republic of China	64 840	People's Republic of China	83 648	People's Republic of China	119 759
Switzerland	52 984	Ukraine	47 498	Ukraine	76 226
Romania	47 030	Romania	47 109	Albania	67 214
Albania	42 228	India	45 224	India	62 005
Ukraine	41 782	Serbia	44 136	Morocco	57 044
Serbia and Montenegro	40 904	Albania	42 320	Turkey	56 571
Belarus	39 001	Turkey	40 778	Serbia	44 352
USA	38 950	USA	40 724	Belarus	43 606
India	34 634	Belarus	36 979	USA	42 615

Source: DGIT

Development Cooperation

Table 2.21 - MFA Commitments and Disbursements by geographical area

Geographical area		2007*		
		Grants	Loans	TOTAL
Europe	C	15 090 860	-	15 090 860
	D	20 410 244	20 069 834	40 480 078
The Americas	C	39 062 581	-	39 062 581
	D	38 183 952	11 351 744	49 535 696
Mediterranean and Middle East	C	77 040 302	69 866 383	146 906 685
	D	68 439 324	101 878 982	170 318 306
Sub-Saharan Africa	C	129 100 063	60 000 000	180 100 063
	D	133 958 689	53 590 437	187 549 126
Asia and Oceania	C	56 144 255	5 331 036	61 475 291
	D	60 557 409	3 985 695	41 238 817
<i>indivisible</i>	C	455 718 797	-	455 718 797
	D	457 618 390	-	457 618 390
TOTAL	C	772 156 858	135 197 419	907 354 277
	D	790 646 660	247 073 482	1 037 720 143

Source: DGCS

amounts in Euro

(*) = provisional data

Indivisible indicates that the Development Aid programme concerns projects involving more than one country of the same area.

Grants include Scholarships

C = Commitments; D = Disbursements

Table 2.21.1 - Top 20 recipients of MFA ODA 2007 (decreasing in order of commitments)

2007*		
Country	Grants+Loans	
Mozambique	C	88 391 410
	D	30 715 211
Afghanistan	C	43 191 887
	D	54 957 144
Tunisia	C	42 668 308
	D	20 276 330
Lebanon	C	38 107 153
	D	38 454 827

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2007*		
Country	Grants+Loans	
Yemen	C	20 353 509
	D	4 154 531
Sudan	C	18 414 108
	D	17 585 991
Palestinian Territories	C	14 182 922
	D	13 785 196
Sierra Leone	C	12 709 787
	D	12 569 377
Siria	C	10 106 803
	D	3 246 858
Brazil	C	9 184 322
	D	5 911 598
Vietnam	C	8 397 428
	D	8 438 344
South Africa	C	7 672 484
	D	3 942 862
Morocco	C	7 533 756
	D	72 279 532
Ethiopia	C	7 522 519
	D	54 640 864
Kenya	C	6 889 246
	D	6 586 758
Argentina	C	6 438 289
	D	15 827 916
Somalia	C	6 245 191
	D	4 724 105
Uganda	C	6 069 004
	D	8 121 061
Albania	C	5 520 170
	D	11 537 026
Senegal	C	5 194 197
	D	4 223 599

Source: DGCS

amounts in Euro

(*) = provisional data

Grants include Scholarships

C = Commitments; D = Disbursements

Table 2.21.2 - Top 20 recipients of MFA ODA 2007 (decreasing in order of disbursements)

2007*		
Country	Grants+Loans	
Morocco	C	7 533 756
	D	72 279 532
People's Republic of China	C	3 674 404
	D	62 142 057
Afghanistan	C	43 191 887
	D	54 957 144
Ethiopia	C	7 522 519
	D	54 640 864
Lebanon	C	38 107 153
	D	38 454 827
Mozambique	C	88 391 410
	D	30 715 211
Tunisia	C	42 668 308
	D	20 276 330
Sudan	C	18 414 108
	D	17 585 991
Argentina	C	6 438 289
	D	15 827 916
Angola	C	2 475 234
	D	13 984 413
Palestinian Territories	C	14 182 922
	D	13 785 196
Sierra Leone	C	12 709 787
	D	12 569 377
Serbia and Montenegro	C	2 298 880
	D	12 451 028
Albania	C	5 520 170
	D	11 537 026
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	C	1 368 922
	D	9 498 646
Vietnam	C	8 397 428
	D	8 438 344
Uganda	C	6 069 004
	D	8 121 061
Ghana	C	860 476
	D	7 720 555
Kenya	C	6 889 246
	D	6 586 758
Brazil	C	9 184 322
	D	5 911 598

Source: DGCS

amounts in Euro

(*) = provisional data

Grants include Scholarships

C = Commitments; D = Disbursements

Table 2.22 - Bilateral debt restructuring agreements signed by Italy

	2005		2006		2007	
Geographical area	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts
Europe	1	34,5	2	96,9	1	7,7
The Americas	1	16,8	-	-	-	-
Mediterranean and Middle East	1	634,6	-	-	-	-
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	842,7	1	14,2	-	-
Asia and Oceania	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7	1 528,7	3	111,2	1	7,7

Source: DGCE
amounts in millions of Euro

Table 2.23 - Bilateral debt cancellation agreements signed by Italy

	2005		2006		2007	
Geographical area	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts
Europe	-	-	1	109,1	-	-
The Americas	2	114,6	1	131,3	1	12,0
Mediterranean and Middle East	1	2 046,1	-	-	-	-
Sub-Saharan Africa	6	1 478,0	3	251,7	1	40,5
Asia and Oceania	1	7,1	1	80,9	-	-
TOTAL	10	3 645,9	6	573,0	2	52,5

Source: DGCE
amounts in millions of Euro

The debt tables concern bilateral agreements signed by Italy exclusively, on the basis of a prior multilateral agreement of the Paris Club, with the sole exception of the APS debt conversion agreement.

Table 2.24 - Bilateral debt conversion agreements signed by Italy

Geographical area	2005		2006		2007	
	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts
Europe						
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	-	-	-	-	1	1,3
The Americas						
Peru	-	-	-	-	1	55,9
Mediterranean and Middle East						
Egypt	-	-	-	-	1	74,4
Sub-Saharan Africa						
Djibouti	-	-	1	14,2	-	-
Kenya	-	-	1	44,0	-	-
Asia and Oceania						
Indonesia	1	23,9	-	-	-	-
Pakistan	-	-	1	79,5	-	-
TOTAL	1	23,9	3	137,7	3	131,6

Source: DGCE

amounts in millions of Euro

Bilateral agreements on the conversion of debts resulting from assistance loans for funding development projects.

Table 2.25 - Bilateral agreements on early debt repayment signed by Italy

	2005		2006		2007	
Geographical area	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts	agreements	amounts
Europe						
<i>Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</i>	-	-	-	-	1	2,0
<i>Russian Federation</i>	1	1 689,4	1	2 307,3	-	-
The Americas						
Brazil	-	-	1	105,3	-	-
Peru	1	277,0	-	-	1	144,5
Mediterranean and Middle East						
Algeria	-	-	1	1 348,6	-	-
Sub-Saharan Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-
Asia and Oceania	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	2	1 966,4	3	3 761,2	2	146,5

Source: DGCE

amounts in millions of Euro

The bilateral agreements on early debt repayment are an outcome of the multilateral agreements reached within the Paris Club. The number of agreements is variable since it depends on the desire of the debtor country for early repayment.

Table 2.26 - HIPC and non HIPC countries foreign debt cancelled by Italy

2005	Countries HIPC	
	Ethiopia***	332,4
	Ghana***	21,3
	Honduras**	40,2
	Madagascar***	153,7
	Nicaragua***	74,5
	Republic del Congo*	45,9
	Senegal***	52,5
	Total	720,4
	Non-HIPC Countries	
	<i>Iraq⁽¹⁾</i>	752,1

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	<i>Nigeria</i>	429,6
	<i>Sri Lanka</i> ⁽²⁾	7,1
	Total	1 188,9
Total 2005		1 909,2
2006	Countries HIPC	
	Cameroon***	134,7
	Honduras***	131,3
	Republic of Congo**	42,0
	Zambia***	75,0
	Total	383,0
	Non-HIPC Countries	
	<i>Iraq</i> ⁽¹⁾	926,4
	<i>Nigeria</i>	442,7
	<i>Montenegro</i>	14,5
	<i>Pakistan</i> ⁽²⁾	80,9
	<i>Serbia</i>	94,6
	Total	1 559,1
Total 2006		1 942,0
2007	Countries HIPC	
	Haiti**	12,0
	Sierra Leone***	40,5
	Total	52,5
	Non-HIPC Countries	0,00
Total 2007		52,5

Source: DGCE

amounts in millions of Euro

* partial cancellation treatment for HIPC

** partial cancellation interim debt-relief

*** total cancellation

(1) cancellation is done in instalments

(2) debt cancellation pursuant to Art. 5 of Law no. 209/00

Debt cancellations by the HIPC hit peaks in 2005-2006 (not only for Italy, but for all the members of the Paris Club) and for the agreements signed with Iraq and Nigeria. HIPC is now in the phase of completion: of the 41 eligible countries at the beginning of the initiative 33 have already had their debts cancelled.

Table 2.27 - Scholarships granted to foreign students by geographical area: installments and amounts

Geographical area	2005		2006		2007	
	Install	Amount	Install	Amount	Install	Amount
Europe	89	569,7	101	767,1	95	736,5
The Americas	4	38,3	12	49,7	14	93,9
Mediterranean and M.E.	147	1 294,2	180	1 459,3	195	1 499,1
Sub-Saharan Africa	151	1 269,8	142	1 112,7	109	949,0
Asia and Oceania	13	126,8	13	112,7	23	146,5
TOTAL	404	3 298,8	448	3 501,5	436	3 425,0

Source: DGCS
amounts in thousands of Euro

Communication and Information

Table 2.28 - Press and information service (2004-2007)

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Press Releases	55	63	55	54
Press Notes	377	486	462	421
Press Service Notices	71	65	103	122
TOTAL	503	614	620	597

Source: Press and information service

Table 2.29 - Office for relations with the public: encounters with the public (2004-2007)

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Public/Visitors	2 995	2 436	2 917	1 872
Telephon Call	26 111	25 132	24 745	21 113
Fax, Letters and E-mail	11 009	13 493	14 333	15 092
TOTAL	40 115	41 061	41 995	38 077

Source: Press and information service

Table 2.30 - Library and diplomatic archives users (2004-2007)

Users	2004	2005	2006	2007
Library	2 500	2 731	2 786	2 800
Diplomatic Archives	3 700	3 500	3 300	1 950
TOTAL	6 200	6 231	6 086	4 750

Source: Historical archives and documentation service

The research room of the Historic Archives was closed for nearly all of 2007 while the archives were being moved to another location, therefore the number of accesses refers to telephone and mail (electronic and ordinary) inquiries.

Trade and Investment Promotion

Table 2.31 - Trade Offices (2007)

Geographical area	Trade Offices	Personnel		
		Diplomats	Officials and economic-commercial collaborators	Total
Europe	53	45	61	106
The Americas	32	19	30	49
Mediterranean and M.E.	18	21	18	39
Sub-Saharan Africa	20	19	14	33
Asia and Oceania	24	21	22	43
TOTAL	147	125	145	270

Source: DGCE

Table 2.32 - MFA-ICE Pilot *Sportelli* abroad: by geographical area and personnel type (2007)

Geographical area	Pilot <i>Sportelli</i>	Personnel				
		Diplomats	ICE Management	MFA officials and collaborators	Trade Analyst and ICE collaborators	Total
Europe	14	15	10	14	34	73
The Americas	8	7	7	4	17	35
Mediterranean and Middle East	6	6	5	7	13	31
Sub-Saharan Africa	2	2	1	1	4	8
Asia and Oceania	10	10	9	6	34	59
TOTAL	40	40	32	32	102	206

Source: DGCE

Table 2.33 - News and advance notice of tenders and contracts handled through the Diplomatic - Consular Network and the Italian Chambers of Commerce abroad through “ExTender” (2007)

Geographical area	Diplomatic - Consular Network source		Italian Chambers of Commerce abroad source		Total	
	Calls for Tender	Advance notice given of tenders and contracts	Calls for Tender	Advance notice given of tenders and contracts	Calls for Tender	Advance notice given of tenders and contracts
Europe	458	101	281	-	739	101
The Americas	59	87	68	-	127	87
Mediterranean and M.E.	291	29	188	63	479	92
Sub-Saharan Africa	135	39	-	-	135	39
Asia and Oceania	477	34	33	2	510	36
TOTAL	1 420	290	570	65	1 990	355

Source: DGCE/ExTender

Chapter 3

Comparative Data

Introduction

This chapter compares data regarding the human and financial resources of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs with those of the foreign ministries of G8 countries and other European countries (Netherlands, Poland and Spain). Also compared are data concerning development cooperation activities, contributions to the United Nations, contributions to the EU budget and visas issued in the Schengen area.

This comparison of data as 31st December 2007 regarding the structures and resources of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs mentioned above shows that:

- the Italian **network abroad** continues to be very extensive, with the largest number of consular offices (110);
- Italy ranks last among the G8 countries for number of permanent employees, while it moves up one place for overall available human resources;
- Italy occupies fourth place, behind Germany, the UK and France in terms of foreign ministry budget (net of development cooperation funds), without considering the volume of the United States of America.

Table 3.1 - Summary Overview (2007)

	Network abroad	Personnel	Budget (*)
Canada	184	10 742	1 392
France	428	16 463	2 352
Germany	357	12 418	2 859
Italy	333	8 604	1 813
Japan	237	5 453	807
Netherlands	157	5 442	1 130
Poland	190	2 413	298
Russian Federation	276	10 000	NA
Spain	298	6 378	739
United Kingdom	467	17 000	2 442
USA	540	57 434	36 344

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office

(*) The Budget is expressed in millions of Euro net of Official Development Aid. It should be noted that for the Netherlands it is also net of transfers from the EU, and that the figure reported for the USA refers to International Affairs Funding.

Organization

Table 3.2 - Network abroad (2007)

	Embassies	Permanent Representations	Special Diplomatic Delegations	Consular Offices (1)	Cultural Institutes or equivalent	Total
Canada	99	9	2	40	34	184
France	158	17	4	105	144	428
Germany	148	12	7	61	129	357
Italy	122	10	1	110	90	333
Japan	134	8	1	75	19	237
Netherlands	111	15	2	27	2	157
Poland	192	8	-	60	20	190
Russian Federation	144	10	-	84	38	276
Spain	118	11	-	107	62	298
United Kingdom	153	10	1	70	233	467
USA	167	268	20	85	-	540

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office

(1) Excluding Honorary Consulates

Table 3.3 - Trade Promotion Offices (2007)

	Offices under the MFA	Offices under other ministries	Total
Canada	148	-	148
France	-	161	161
Germany	-	42	42
Italy	147	81	228
Japan	-	147	147
Netherlands	21	16	37
Poland	99	48	147
Russian Federation	-	50	50
Spain	-	98	98
United Kingdom	-	100	100
USA	-	167	167

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office

Human resources

Table 3.4 - Permanent personnel and other staff (2007)

	Permanent personnel	Other staff			Total
		Staff from other ministries	External resources	<i>Total</i>	
Canada	5 402	-	5 340	5 340	10 742
France	6 240	780	9 443	10 223	16 463
Germany	5 862	1 188	5 368	6 556	12 418
Italy	4 852	780	2 972	3 752	8 604
Japan	5 453	-	-	-	5 453
Netherlands	3 000	442	2 000	2 442	5 442
Poland	1 579	35	799	834	2 413
Russian Federation	10 000	NA	NA	NA	10 000
Spain	2 666	-	3 712	3 712	6 378
United Kingdom	6 000	1 000	10 000	11 000	17 000
USA	37 089	9 019	11 326	20 345	57 434

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office

External Resources excluding some non-permanent employees abroad and the personnel of external firms.
(United Kingdom data are approximate)

Table 3.5 - Personnel: distribution central headquarters-abroad (2007)

	Permanent personnel			Other staff			Total		
	Total	HQ	Abroad	Total	HQ	Abroad	Total	HQ	Abroad
Canada	5 402	3 443	1 959	5 340	-	5 340	10 742	3 443	7 299
France	6 240	3 402	2 838	10 223	-	10 223	16 463	3 402	13 061
Germany	5 862	2 859	3 003	6 556	44	6 512	12 418	2 903	9 515
Italy	4 852	2 172	2 680	3 752	921	2 831	8 604	3 093	5 511
Japan	5 453	2 167	3 286	-	-	-	5 453	2 167	3 286
Netherlands	3 000	1 800	1 200	2 442	50	2 392	5 442	1 850	3 592
Poland	1 579	1 000	579	834	-	834	2 413	1 000	1 413
Russian Federation	10 000	3 500	6 500	NA	NA	NA	10 000	3 500	6 500
Spain	2 666	1 487	1 179	3 712	335	3 377	6 378	1 822	4 556
United Kingdom	6 000	NA	NA	11 000	NA	NA	17 000	-	-
United States of America	37 089	NA	NA	20 345	12 555	7 790	57 434	-	-

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office
 HQ = Central headquarters
 (NA = Not Available)

Financial resources

**Table 3.6 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs budget net of ODA:
% of incidence on GDP**

	MFA Budget (1)	GDP (2)	% (3)
Canada	1 392	1 128 617	0,12
France	2 352	1 967 215	0,12
Germany	2 859	2 515 892	0,11
Italy	1 813	1 587 394	0,11
Japan	807	3 278 873	0,02
Netherlands	1 130	589 108	0,19
Poland	298	365 523	0,08
Russian Federation	NA	1 185 001	NA
Spain	739	1 100 095	0,07
United Kingdom	2 442	1 839 601	0,13
United States of America	36 344	9 192 755	0,40

(1) = 2008 budget forecast, net of ODA, expressed in millions of Euro.

US budget figure refers to International Affairs Funding.

(2) = EUROSTAT (2008 forecast) - expressed in millions of Euro. With the exception of Canada and the Russian Federation for which the source of reference is the IMF.

(3) = MFA Budget/GDP.

Table 3.7 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs total budget

	Budget net of ODA	ODA	Total
Canada	1 392	3 700	5 092
France	2 352	2 072	4 424
Germany	2 859	-	2 859
Italy	1 813	733	2 546
Japan	807	467	1 274
Netherlands	1 130	4 800	5 930
Poland	298	31	328
Russian Federation	NA	NA	NA
Spain	739	2 675	3 414
United Kingdom	2 442	-	2 442
United States of America	36 344	-	36 344

Source: national data processed by Statistics Office

Budget Law data for fiscal year 2008 (for UK: Fiscal Year 2007-2008) - Budget in millions of Euro.

Other data

Table 3.8 - Disbursements of Official Development Aid: percentage of Gross National Income (2004-2007)

	2004	2005	2006	2007*
Canada	0,27	0,34	0,29	0,28
France	0,42	0,47	0,47	0,39
Germany	0,28	0,35	0,36	0,37
Italy	0,15	0,29	0,20	0,19
Japan	0,19	0,28	0,25	0,17
Netherlands	0,74	0,82	0,81	0,81
Poland	0,05	0,09	0,09	0,09
Spain	0,26	0,29	0,32	0,41
United Kingdom	0,36	0,48	0,52	0,36
USA	0,17	0,22	0,18	0,16
Average DAC	0,42	0,47	0,46	0,45
G7	0,22	0,30	0,27	0,23
Highest contributor	0,87	0,93	1,03	0,95
Lowest contributor	0,15	0,21	0,16	0,16

Source: OCSE-DAC

* provisional data

Table 3.9 - Contributions to the UN Ordinary Budget: percentage of total Un Budget (2004-2006 and 2007-2009)

Countries	2004-2006	2007-2009
Canada	2,81	2,98
France	6,03	6,30
Germany	8,66	8,58
Italy	4,88	5,08
Japan	19,47	16,62
Netherlands	1,69	1,87
Poland	0,46	0,50
Russian Federation	1,10	1,20
Spain	2,52	2,97
United Kingdom	6,13	6,64
United States of America	22,00	22,00
Highest contributor	22,00	22,00
Lowest contributor	0,001	0,001

Source: ONU

Table 3.10 - Contributions to the European Union Budget (2005-2008)

(millions of Euro)

	2005	%	2006	%	2007*	%	2008**	%
France	16 854	16,72	16 636	16,25	16 870	15,66	18 712	15,73
Germany	20 136	19,97	20 501	20,03	21 285	19,76	23 505	19,77
Italy	13 547	13,44	13 507	13,20	13 942	12,95	15 197	12,78
Netherlands	5 947	5,90	6 132	5,99	6 078	5,64	6 662	5,60
Poland	2 327	2,31	2 447	2,39	2 705	2,51	3 195	2,69
Spain	9 475	9,40	9 800	9,57	9 882	9,18	11 017	9,26
United Kingdom	12 157	12,06	12 381	12,10	13 402	12,44	14 576	12,26
Tot. contrib. of 25 members	100 811	100	102 351	100	107 694	100	118 922	100
Highest contributor	20 136	19,97	20 501	20,03	21 285	19,76	23 505	19,77
Lowest contributor	50	0,05	50	0,05	54	0,05	59	0,05

Source: 2006 European Commission Financial Report

2005-2006 Budgets: final data

2007 Budget* = budget forecast updated to amended EU Budget no. 7/2007

2008 Budget** = budget forecast updated to amended EU Budget no. 1/2008

Table 3.11 - Visas issued on the basis of the Schengen Agreement

	2005	% change	2006	% change	2007	% change
France	2 047 388	- 0,3	2 029 792	- 0,9	2 064 474	1,7
Germany	1 960 660	-18,1	1 997 568	1,9	1 951 469	- 2,3
Italy	1 076 680	9,5	1 198 167	11,3	1 519 816	26,8
Netherlands	355 205	-	386 093	8,7	419 408	8,6
Spain	848 527	13,0	959 813	13,1	1 056 826	10,1

Source: DGIT and European Commission

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