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Foreword

The year 2025 has shown again a trend towards global uncertainty, which is affecting the dynamics of relations between States and other international players. New equilibria are challenging the international system, increasing its instability and fuelling tensions that extend to trade and value chains. Eighty years after the establishment of the United Nations, there is an urgent need to reform the Security Council – a body in which cross-vetoes prevent the full achievement of goals – along the lines of greater inclusiveness and democracy. Against this backdrop, Italian diplomacy is active on all fronts to contribute to global stabilisation, leveraging a solid system of Euro-Atlantic alliances and its traditional ability for dialogue. At the same time, it is also committed to the country's growth, a priority that the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Antonio Tajani, has placed at the heart of the reform that will come into force on 1 January 2026 to equip the Foreign Ministry to rise to future challenges.

A quick glance at our neighbours confirms a picture of difficulty and tension. In the Middle East, the ceasefire between Israel and Hamas has rekindled hopes for the potential of negotiations and multilateralism, but many questions remain unanswered, especially regarding the future of the Gaza Strip, to which Italy has shown strong commitment, primarily through the "Food for Gaza" initiative. While Russia's illegitimate war on Ukraine continues, Italy has shown its support for the Ukrainian people, also in terms of reconstruction, as demonstrated by the significant international discussion held at the Recovery Conference hosted in Rome last July. In this context marked by rivalry, the European Union is committed, with Italy's support, to accelerating the path towards taking greater responsibility in the areas of security, the revival of industrial competitiveness, enlargement and the establishment of new trade partnerships. Thanks to the Mattei Plan, Italy has an innovative long-term strategy for the implementation of a new paradigm of cooperation "on equal terms" with Africa, which enhances the experience of Italian development cooperation within the framework of the country's systemic action.

Faced with the risks inherent in the spreading of competitive logics, protectionist measures, transactional patterns and negotiation dynamics, the flexibility, understanding and connections of Italian diplomacy appear to be fundamental to pursuing both the maintenance of effective multilateral frameworks and the diversification of relations that ensures prosperity and affects crucial regions, ranging from Latin America to the Indo-Pacific. This goal is also supported by Italy's ability to persuade and attract, leveraging its unique cultural heritage and the growing interest in the Italian language, as well as a range of areas of excellence, ranging from scientific research to space and sports.

The 2025 Statistical Yearbook aims to provide policy makers with, citizens and companies a snapshot of diplomacy tools and activities as of December 31, 2024. The Foreign Ministry is divided into its Headquarters and 313 Offices abroad (including the two new Italian Cultural Institutes established in Amman and Bangkok), which are called upon to provide citizens and companies with the same number of operational centres for services and assistance, employing over 7,000 permanent, temporary and contract staff. In this regard, it is worth noting that approximately 1,300 new administrative staff have been hired in the current year, thus reaffirming the commitment to gradually strengthening the workforce, with a parallel focus on training.

The main new developments in the foreign network reflect the priority guidelines for diplomatic action set out by the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Antonio Tajani.

Firstly, support for the growth and internationalisation of companies. In 2024, the Foreign Ministry played a proactive role in promoting a 55% increase in subsidised finance operations to support the international development of companies, as well as a 43% increase in financing adopted and allocated from the Venture Capital Fund for the purchase of shareholdings in companies established abroad. There was also a positive sign of interest from companies in the information services offered by the Foreign Ministry to support internationalisation (a 14% increase in the number of views of the "Export.gov.it" platform and an 11% increase in views of the "Informercatiesteri.it" platform).

Secondly, growing attention is paid to Africa. Last year Africa received a total of over €700 million in development cooperation, with a particular focus on sustainable economic growth. This effort is part of a trend of overall increase in Italy's Official Development Assistance (ODA) (€6.3 billion in 2024, of which over €1.1 billion was provided by the Foreign Ministry through bilateral and multilateral channels), bucking the trend of other international donors. It is also worth noting that the 57% increase in scholarships offered by the Italian government has mainly benefitted African students, in line with the Mattei Plan and the central role given to education in that plan.

Finally, the focus on consular affairs is confirmed - also considering the upward trend in the number of Italians registered with AIRE (over 7,000,000) - both in the provision of services (a 22% increase in electronic identity cards issued) and in the effort to simplify, streamline and digitise them (a 31% increase in registry services via the Fast-IT platform). The number of entry visas to Italy issued by our network is also growing (+16%, mainly for tourism, but also for business, employment and study).

The Foreign Ministry therefore reaffirms its determination to strengthen the diplomatic tools at the service of Italian citizens. Data can be examined in greater detail by analysing the various tables in this Yearbook.

December 2025

Riccardo Guariglia
Secretary General

INTRODUCTION

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Some specific instructions for reading this publication include the following:

- Data describe the situation as of 31 December;
- Unless otherwise specified, the tables refer to 2024;
- Percentage changes are calculated on the previous year;
- A dash (-) or an empty space indicates that the phenomenon does not exist or that no cases have been found;
- N/A indicates that no data are available;
- Percentages are rounded off: this means that totals of percentage values may in some cases not be equal to 100;
- Countries and Territories are listed in geographical areas below:

COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES BY GEOGRAPHICAL CLASSIFICATION (FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES)	
EUROPEAN UNION	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.
EUROPE, NON-EU	Albania, Andorra, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Iceland, Kosovo, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Norway, North Macedonia, Russian Federation, San Marino, Serbia, Sovereign Military Order of Malta, Switzerland, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Vatican City.
THE AMERICAS	Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, 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, Palestine ⁽¹⁾ , 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, Comoros, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Djibouti, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Equatorial, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of Congo, Rwanda, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe.
ASIA AND OCEANIA	Afghanistan, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Georgia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, 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, Tajikistan, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor Leste, Tonga, Turkmenistan, Tuvalu, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Vietnam.
⁽¹⁾ the use of this name cannot be interpreted as a recognition of the State of Palestine by Italy and does not affect the Italian Government's position on this subject.	

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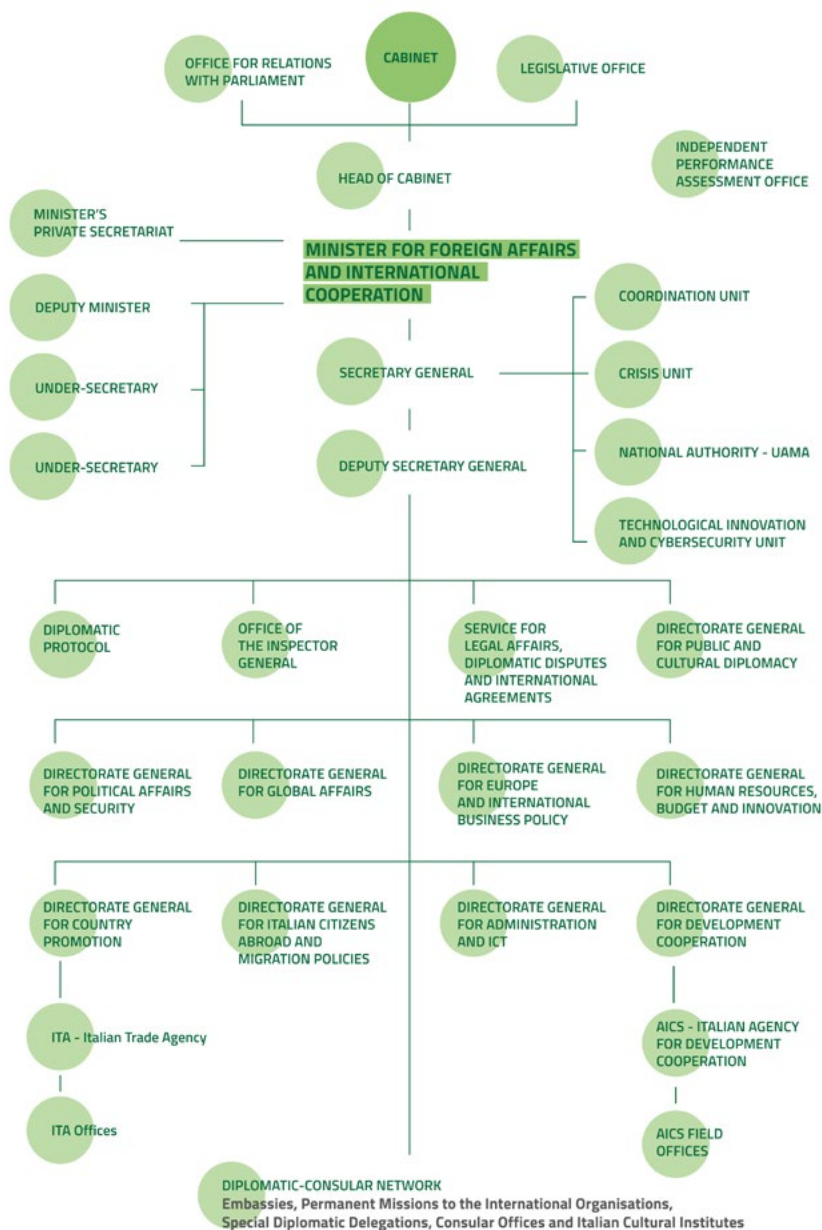
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CHAPTER 1

ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

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The organisational structure of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation as at 31 December 2025 is shown in the following chart:



The diplomatic-consular network includes 130 Embassies, 9 Permanent Representations, 1 Special Diplomatic Delegation, 85 Consular Offices and 88 Italian Cultural Institutes (with new Institutes in Amman and Bangkok) for a total of 313 offices. The geographical distribution is illustrated below:

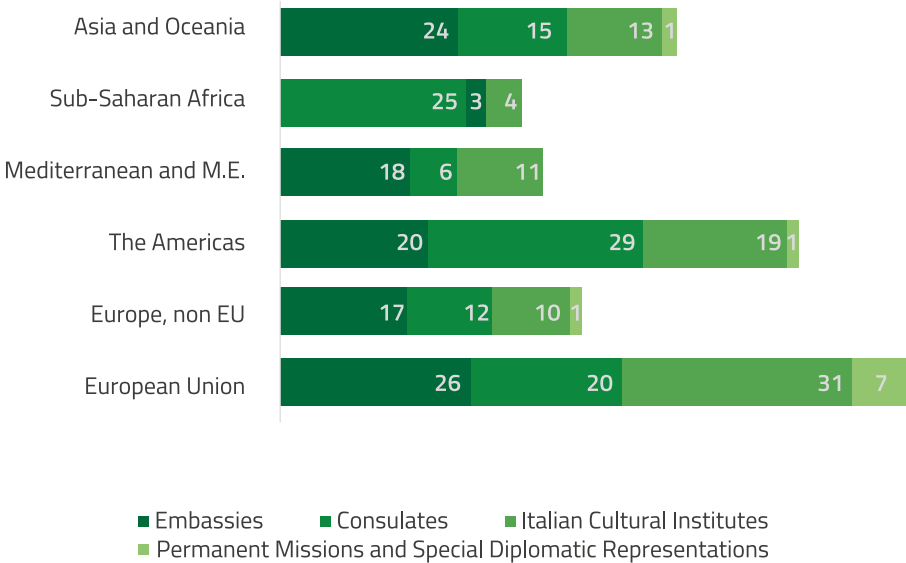


Figure 1.1 – Network abroad by type and geographical area

HUMAN RESOURCE

In 2024 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) had 3 971 permanent staff members.

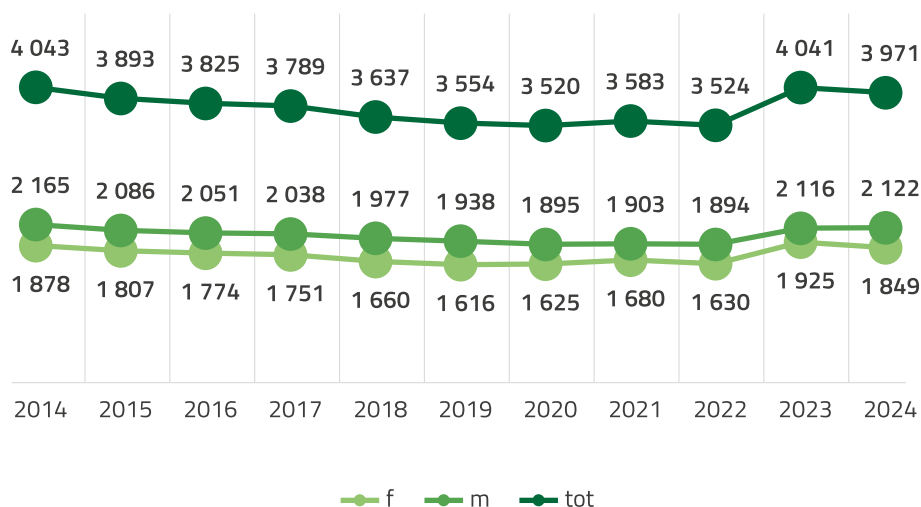


Figure 1.2 – Permanent staff by gender

In terms of gender, as at 31 December 2024, 47% of the total permanent staff is female and 53% male.

Overall, the distribution of staff serving abroad is illustrated in Figure 1.3 as follows:

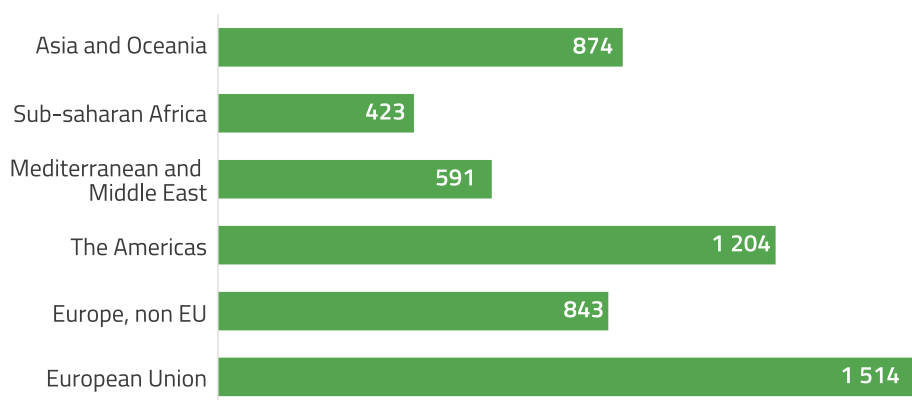


Figure 1.3 – Staff serving abroad by geographical area

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Budget of MAECI is broken down into three series of data (Table 1.16), with the aim of highlighting the amount and allocation of financial resources.

The MAECI Budget: The 2025 budget (3 381 million euros) includes the total value of funds managed globally for implementing Italy's foreign policy and international cooperation activities. This amount therefore includes the allocation that has been transferred to the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) and to the European Development Fund (EDF) as well as the expenses earmarked to pursue the foreign policy priorities (through financial transfers to bodies that do not belong to MAECI, such as for instance the compulsory contributions paid to international bodies and institutions) and to incur operating costs.

The appropriations recorded in the MAECI budget include the financial resources allocated for the promotion of international trade and the internationalisation of the production system.

The final balance of MAECI: for fiscal year 2025 the resources used for the functioning of the Administration amount to 1 198 million euro. This value represents 0.10% of the State Budget.

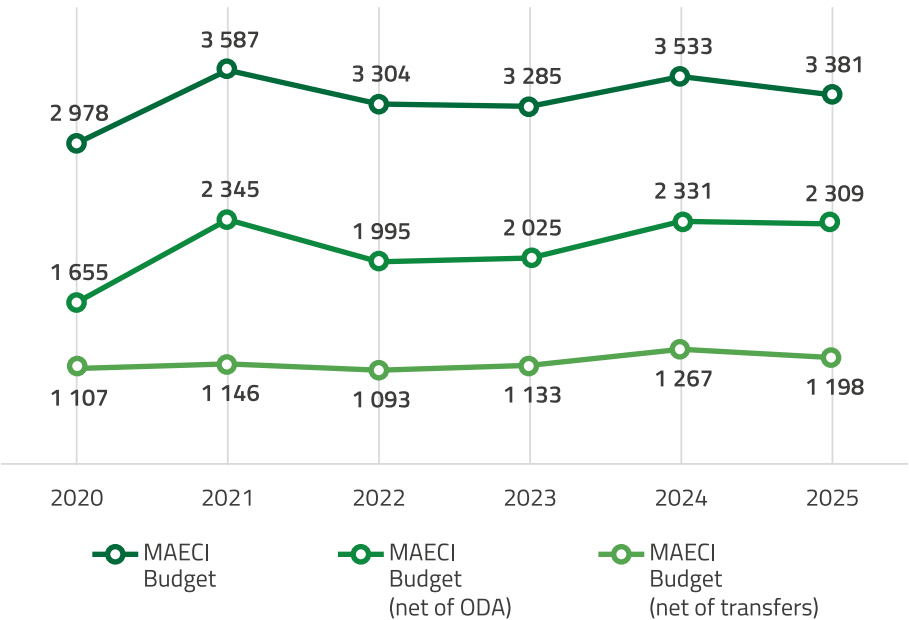


Figure 1.4 – MAECI budget (amounts in million euros)

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Table 1.1 – Diplomatic Network

Type	2022	2023	2024
Embassies ⁽¹⁾	129	130	130
Permanent Missions to International Organisations	9	9	9
Special Diplomatic Representations	1	1	1
Consulates ⁽²⁾	83	83	85
<i>General Consulates I class</i>	9	9	9
<i>General Consulates</i>	53	53	58
<i>Consulates I class</i>	2	2	1
<i>Consulates</i>	15	15	13
<i>Vice Consulates</i>	1	1	1
<i>Consular Agencies</i>	3	3	3
Italian Cultural Institutes ⁽³⁾	86	86	88
Total	308	309	313

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation / Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

⁽¹⁾ In 2023, the Embassy in Mauritania was set up.

⁽²⁾ The General Consulates in Brussels and Madrid were established in 2024. The Consulates in Belo Horizonte, Mendoza and Erbil have been elevated to the rank of Consulate General.

⁽³⁾ The Italian Cultural Institutes in Amman and Bangkok were established in 2024. The Institutes in Damascus and Tripoli are currently not active.

Table 1.2 – Embassies by geographical area

Geographical area	2024
European Union	26
Europe, non-EU	17
The Americas	20
Mediterranean and Middle East	18
Sub-Saharan Africa	25
Asia and Oceania	24
Total	130

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

Table 1.3 – Consulates by geographical area

Geographical area	2024
European Union	20
Europe, non-EU	12
The Americas	29
Mediterranean and Middle East	6
Sub-Saharan Africa	3
Asia and Oceania	15
Total	85

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

Table 1.4 – Italian Cultural Institutes by geographical area

Geographical area	2024
European Union	31
Europe, non-EU	10
The Americas	19
Mediterranean and Middle East	11
Sub-Saharan Africa	4
Asia and Oceania	13
Total	88

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 1.5 – Honorary Consulates by rank and geographical area

Geographical area	General Consulate	Consulate	Vice Consulate	Consular Agency	Total
European Union	-	55	22	7	84
Europe, non-EU	2	22	10	10	44
The Americas	3	69	45	29	146
Mediterranean and Middle East	-	6	5	-	11
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	20	8	-	32
Asia and Oceania	2	2	14	2	20
Total	11	174	104	48	337

Source: Directorate General for Italians abroad and migration policies

As at 31.12.2024 the Honorary Consulates open to the public, headed by a Consul with operational powers, were 337.

Unlike tenured officers, honorary officers are not hired by the Administration. They perform the consular functions defined in ad hoc ministerial decrees and receive only reimbursements and contributions to cover office and representation expenses, while they themselves incur the costs related to the execution of the assignment.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Table 1.6 - MAECI Human resources

	Permanent staff ⁽¹⁾	Staff from other administrations	Non-permanent staff	Total
HQ	2 018	302	42	2 362
Abroad	1 953	574	2 922	5 449
Total	3 971	876	2 964	7 811

Source: Directorates General

⁽¹⁾ Includes personnel on leave, seconded and in position of command.

Table 1.7 – Permanent staff by classification

Year	Type				Total
	Diplomats	Administrative Officers	CPA Officers	Employees	
2014	932	44	8	3 059	4 043
2015	917	42	7	2 927	3 893
2016	958	42	5	2 820	3 825
2017	977	38	7	2 767	3 789
2018	996	37	7	2 597	3 637
2019	1 018	38	7	2 491	3 554
2020	1 000	46	7	2 467	3 520
2021	1 016	44	6	2 517	3 583
2022	1 046	44	5	2 429	3 524
2023	1 068	41	5	2 927	4 041
2024	1 088	40	5	2 838	3 971

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

Includes personnel on leave, seconded and in position of command.

CPA = Cultural and Promotion Area

Table 1.8 – Total staff abroad by gender and classification

	Type						Total
	Diplomats	Administrative and CPA Officers	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Seconded	
Embassies	385	6	746	1 393	115	258	2 903
f	88	2	350	753	13	3	1 209
m	297	4	396	640	102	255	1 694
Consulates	99	6	449	1 057	7	99	1 717
f	31	2	221	660	1	2	917
m	68	4	228	397	6	97	800
Permanent Missions	94	-	84	86	74	12	350
f	28		55	44	39	-	166
m	66		29	42	35	12	184
Italian Cultural Institutes	-	2	82	386	9	-	479
f		1	41	232	1		275
m		1	41	154	8		204
Total	578	14	1 361	2 922	205	369	5 449
f	147	5	667	1 689	54	5	2 567
m	431	9	694	1 233	151	364	2 882

Source: Directorates General
CPA = Cultural Promotion Area

Table 1.9 – Embassies: total staff abroad by gender, classification and geographical area

Geographical area	Type						Total
	Diplomats	Administrative Officers	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Seconded	
European Union	81	4	159	305	26	52	627
f	20	1	85	174	5	1	286
m	61	3	74	131	21	51	341
Europe, non-EU	59	1	116	206	12	32	426
f	17		52	126		2	197
m	42	1	64	80	12	30	229
The Americas	62	1	112	237	24	43	479
f	10	1	53	129	4		197
m	52		59	108	20	43	282
Mediterranean and Middle East	68	-	128	210	18	44	468
f	18		64	91			173
m	50		64	119	18	44	295
Sub-Saharan Africa	44	-	93	167	11	45	360
f	6		40	84	2		132
m	38		53	83	9	45	228
Asia and Oceania	71	-	138	268	24	42	543
f	17		56	149	2		224
m	54		82	119	22	42	319
Total	385	6	746	1 393	115	258	2 903
f	88	2	350	753	13	3	1 209
m	297	4	396	640	102	255	1 694

Source: Directorates General

Table 1.10 – Consulates: total staff abroad by gender, classification and geographical area

Geographical area	Type						Total
	Diplomats	Administrative Officers	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Seconded	
European Union	18	4	107	282	-	21	432
f	6	1	55	175		2	239
m	12	3	52	107		19	193
Europe, non-EU	15	1	99	191	2	14	322
f	7		58	113	1		179
m	8	1	41	78	1	14	143
The Americas	34	1	144	347	4	36	566
f	10	1	64	229			304
m	24		80	118	4	36	262
Mediterranean and Middle East	9	-	25	43	-	7	84
f	2		12	20			34
m	7		13	23		7	50
Sub-Saharan Africa	2	-	11	28	-	5	46
f			8	18			26
m	2		3	10		5	20
Asia and Oceania	21	-	63	166	1	16	267
f	6		24	105			135
m	15		39	61	1	16	132
Total	99	6	449	1 057	7	99	1 717
f	31	2	221	660	1	2	917
m	68	4	228	397	6	97	800

Source: Directorates General

Table 1.11 – Permanent Missions: total staff abroad by gender and classification

Permanent Missions	Type					Total
	Diplomats	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Seconded	
EU (Brussels)	35	25	28	48	3	139
f	9	19	11	23		62
m	26	6	17	25	3	77
Council of Europe (Strasbourg)	2	2	5	1	1	11
f			2	1		3
m	2	2	3		1	8
NATO (Brussels)	9	7	9	2	2	29
f	3	2	6	1		12
m	6	5	3	1	2	17
FAO - IFAD (Rome)	3	10	-	-	-	13
f	2	7				9
m	1	3				4
UN (New York)	18	11	15	3	2	49
f	7	7	9	3		26
m	11	4	6		2	23
UNESCO (Paris)	4	6	5	3	1	19
f	1	5	3	3		12
m	3	1	2		1	7

Table 1.11 – Permanent Missions: total staff abroad by gender and classification

Permanent Missions	Type					Total
	Diplomats	Employees	Local staff	Experts	Seconded	
International Organisations (Vienna)	8	5	10	3	1	27
f	2	3	5			10
m	6	2	5	3	1	17
International Organisations (Paris)	5	8	5	8	1	27
f	3	6	3	3		15
m	2	2	2	5	1	12
International Organisations (Geneva)	10	10	9	6	1	36
f	1	6	5	5		17
m	9	4	4	1	1	19
Total	94	84	86	74	12	350
f	28	55	44	39	-	166
m	66	29	42	35	12	184

Source: Directorates General

Table 1.12 – Italian Cultural Institutes: total staff abroad by gender, classification and geographical area

Geographical area	Type					Total
	Experts (art.14 L.401/90)	CPA Officers	CPA	Experts (art.16 L.401/90)	Local staff	
European Union	3	1	29	-	157	190
f		1	13		99	113
m	3		16		58	77
Europe, non-EU	1	1	11	-	46	59
f			7		31	38
m	1	1	4		15	21
The Americas	1	-	23	-	86	110
f			13		49	62
m	1		10		37	48
Mediterranean and Middle East	-	-	7	1	31	39
f			2		12	14
m			5	1	19	25
Sub-Saharan Africa	-	-	3	-	14	17
f			1		8	9
m			2		6	8
Asia and Oceania	3	-	9	-	52	64
f	1		5		33	39
m	2		4		19	25
Total	8	2	82	1	386	479
f	1	1	41	-	232	275
m	7	1	41	1	154	204

Source: Directorates General

Table 1.13 - Diplomatic Service: current staff by rank and gender

	2023				2024			
	f	m	Total	% women	f	m	Total	% women
Ambassador	6	21	27	22%	3	22	25	12%
Minister Plenipotentiary	29	198	227	13%	34	196	230	15%
First Counsellor	62	213	275	23%	64	210	274	23%
Counsellor	60	131	191	31%	66	131	197	34%
First Secretary	108	240	348	31%	107	255	362	30%
Total	265	803	1 068	25%	274	814	1 088	25%

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

Table 1.14 – Recruitment of Diplomats

	2023			2024		
	f	m	Total	f	m	Total
Applications	989	827	1 816	783	741	1 524
Candidates at the end of pre-testing	333	360	693	309	334	643
Candidates at the end of written examination	66	119	185	127	134	261
Candidates admitted to the oral examination	16	43	59	22	32	54
Recruited	12	36	48	22	26	48

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

Table 1.15 - Recruitment of Diplomats by university degree

	2023			2024		
	f	m	Total	f	m	Total
Political Science - International and Diplomatic Sciences	8	21	29	18	21	39
Law	4	13	17	4	4	8
Economics	-	2	2	-	1	1

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Table 1.16 – Italian National Budget and MAECI Budget

Fiscal Year	National Budget	MAECI Budget total	MAECI Budget without ODA fund		MAECI Budget net of transfers	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	% (3)/(1)	(4)	% (4)/(1)
2019	869 499	2 758	1 422	0.16%	934	0.11%
2020	897 423	2 978	1 655	0.18%	1 107	0.12%
2021	1 060 697	3 587	2 345	0.22%	1 146	0.11%
2022	1 093 956	3 304	1 995	0.18%	1 093	0.10%
2023	1 183 723	3 285	2 025	0.17%	1 133	0.10%
2024	1 215 086	3 533	2 331	0.19%	1 267	0.10%
2025	1 199 544	3 381	2 309	0.19%	1 198	0.10%

Source: Budget Law – Provisional MAECI expenditure – amounts in million euros

ODA = Official Development Assistance

The ODA value is shown in the special annex to the budget law, published as of 2016 on the institutional website of the Ministry of Economy and Finance, in accordance with Law 125/2014 - art. 14. This value includes the financial resources allocated by the Foreign Ministry budget to the ODA and identified according to the indications of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD – DAC).

Table 1.17 – Expenditure for missions and programmes

Mission	Programme	Allotments 2024	Allotments 2025
Italy in Europe and the World	International protocol	7 193 059	9 697 908
	Development cooperation	941 049 258	814 020 646
	Economic cooperation and international affairs	39 713 524	44 962 447
	Promotion of peace and international security	693 170 432	853 980 290
	European integration	35 292 941	37 669 622
	Italian citizens abroad and migration policy	70 437 027	78 437 403
	Presence of State through diplomatic-consular missions	124 515 469	96 917 495
	Representation and services for citizens and businesses abroad	776 017 043	733 779 213
	Administrative coordination in international spheres	19 490 315	23 842 885
	Safety practices	4 427 341	5 052 395
	Public and cultural diplomacy	181 601 257	190 173 618
Institutional and general services of public administrations	Policy	25 460 086	20 146 966
	Services and general Affairs	117 939 706	94 957 833
International trade and internationalisation of the production system	Support to internationalisation of the production system and promotion of the Made in Italy brand	496 962 095	377 440 469
Total for Mission			
Italy in Europe and the World		2 892 907 666	2 888 533 922
Institutional and general services of public administrations		143 399 792	115 104 799
International trade and the internationalisation of the production system		496 962 095	377 440 469
TOTAL		3 533 269 553	3 381 079 190

Source: Directorate General for Resources and Innovation – amounts in euro

OTHER DATA

Table 1.18 – Digital Farnesina

Electronic services	2023	2024	% change
Mailboxes	15 456	16 124	4.3%
Certified electronic mailboxes	911	932	2.3%
Digital signature	846	2 077	145.5%
Services via “Fast-IT” platform ^(*)	542 848	713 336	31.4%

Source: Directorate General for Administration and ICT

(*) Registry services requested via the Fast-IT platform

Table 1.19 – Green Farnesina

Output and savings		2022	2023	2024
Electricity generated	kWh	28 760.00	29 320.00	28 930.00
CO2-equivalent emissions	Kg	15 271.90	16 545.00	15 465.00
Estimated tree equivalents	N	1 985.27	2 014.45	2 006.00
Avoided oil consumption	L.	6 268.03	6 988.00	6 697.00

Source: Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 1.20 – Inspection missions in the Embassies and Consular Offices by geographical area

Geographical area	2022	2023	2024
European Union	15	11	15
Europe, non-EU	6	5	4
The Americas	3	22	22
Mediterranean and Middle East	4	6	5
Sub-Saharan Africa	4	5	8
Asia and Oceania	10	18	15
Total	42	67	69

Source: Office of the Inspector General

CHAPTER 2

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

The second part of the Statistical Yearbook is about the activities and services of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. The data are broken down into six sections that reflect the areas of intervention:

- **INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**
- **CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY**
- **ITALIANS ABROAD**
- **VISA SERVICES**
- **DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION**
- **INSTITUTIONAL COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION**

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Visits, meetings and conferences

Data on visits, meetings and conferences in Italy are illustrated in tables from 2.1 to 2.4.2.

Agreements, international legal issues and judicial cooperation

Data on bilateral and multilateral agreements signed by Italy and those that entered into force as well as numerical information about international legal disputes and judicial cooperation are illustrated in tables from 2.5 to 2.9.

Foreign Diplomatic Representations

The statistical yearbook also contains numerical information on the foreign diplomatic Representations accredited in Rome (table 2.1)

**CULTURAL,
SCIENTIFIC
AND ECONOMIC
DIPLOMACY**

Italian language courses held by the Italian Cultural Institutes

Over 35,000 students were enrolled in language courses organised by the Italian Cultural Institutes.

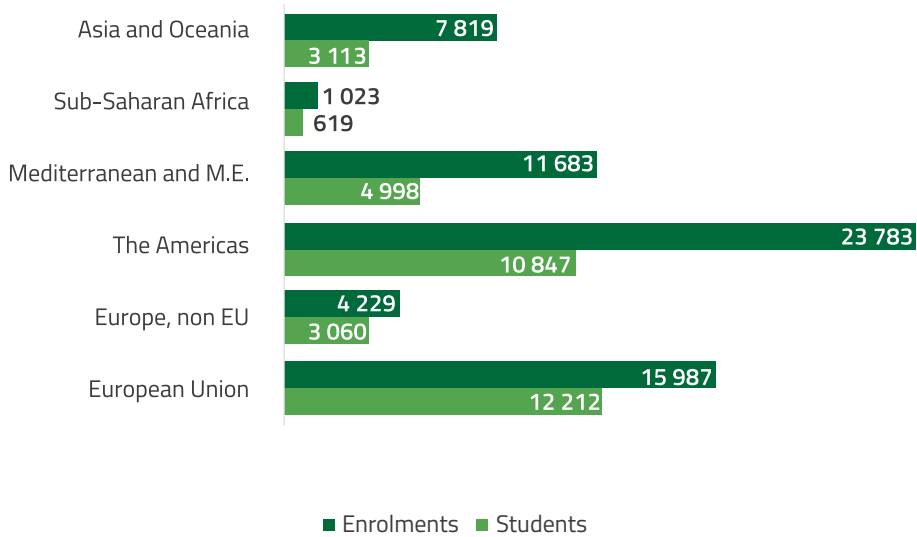


Figure 2.1 – Italian language courses organised by the Italian Cultural Institutes

Incentives for translation, dubbing and subtitling

In 2024 a total of 455 incentives were assigned for the translation and dubbing/subtitling of Italian films, in the form of prizes and contributions (+12%).

Integrated cultural promotion

The network organised 11,597 events in different areas of activity such as the cinema, entertainment, contemporary art, haute cuisine and design.

Week of the Italian Language in the World

As part of the initiatives organised for the Week of the Italian language in the World, special notice should be taken of 421 events in the language field.

Scholarship granted to foreign students

For the 2024/2025 academic year, an increase has been recorded in the number of scholarships awarded to students from Sub-Saharan Africa and Mediterranean area and the Middle East. More than 11,500 monthly scholarships were assigned by the Italian Government marking a 57% increase compared to the previous academic year.

Scientific and technological cooperation

Eighty-nine projects of "great relevance" were approved for funding, representing 96% of the initiatives included in the executive programs.

ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

The diplomatic-consular network, along with the Chambers of Commerce and ICE, the Agency for the Promotion and Internationalisation of Italian Companies, continued its commitment to supporting Italian companies operating worldwide. In 2024, they also provided information on tenders and large orders, sharing details about 5,374 tenders and preliminary information about 449 large orders.

This section includes data concerning the presence of Italian citizens abroad, consular services and Italian detainees.

**ITALIANS
ABROAD**

Consular registers and services

The number of Italians enrolled in consular registers has exceeded 7 million, with an increase of +2% compared to 2023. Argentina remains the Country with the largest Italian community, with almost 1.2 million registrants, followed by Germany, Brazil, and Switzerland.

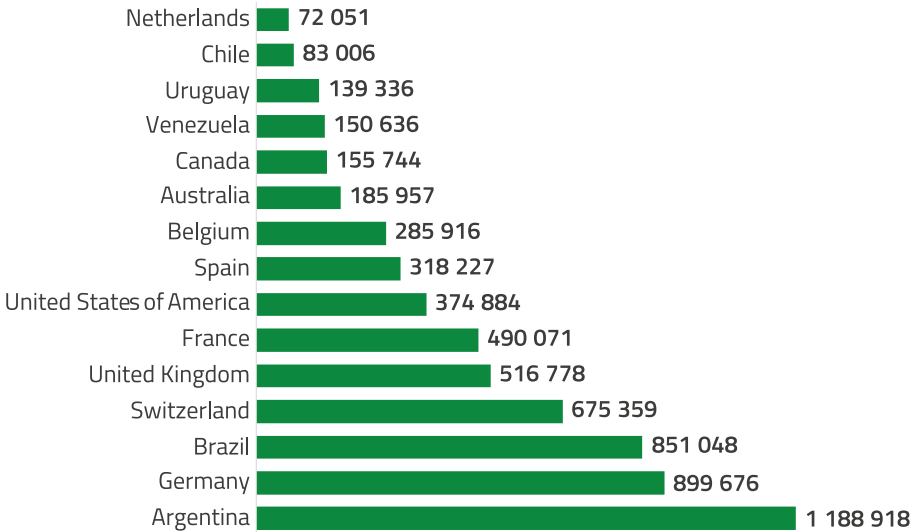


Figure 2.2 - Italian citizens enrolled in consular registers

Accordingly, there is an increase in consular services especially in the issuance of Electronic Identity Cards (+22%).

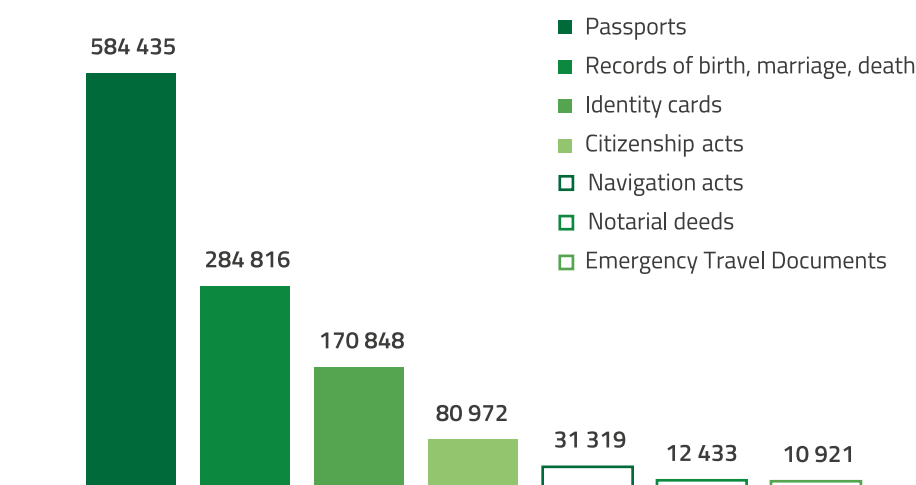


Figure 2.3 - Main consular services

Italian prisoners abroad

In 2024, the number of Italians detained abroad was 2,145. However, it is important to note the persistent challenges in surveying detainees due to strict privacy provisions in certain countries, which complicate the collection of information on the judicial proceeding's phase or jurisdictional level.

ENTRY
VISAS

In 2024, 1.3 million visas were issued. The People's Republic of China ranks first in the number of visas issued, followed by the Russian Federation and Türkiye.

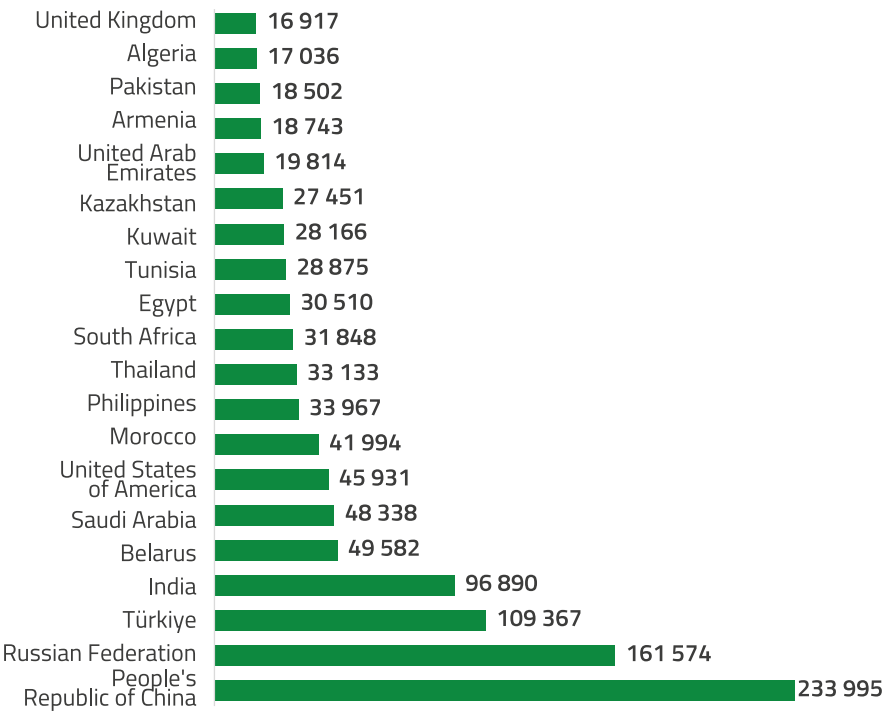
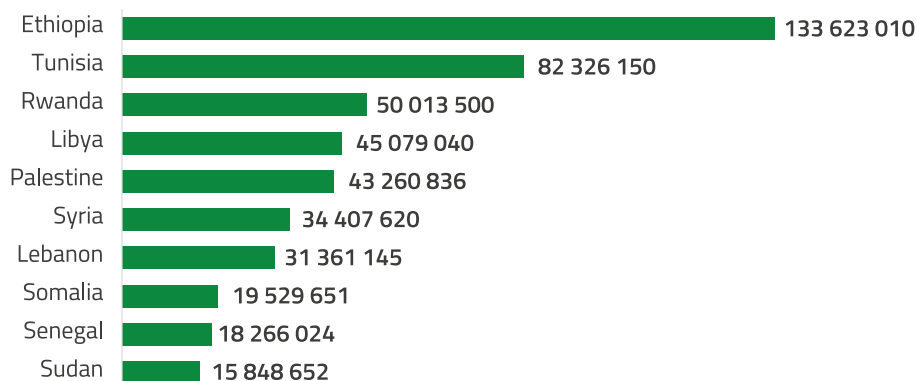


Figure 2.4 - Entry visas: top 20 countries by number of issued visas

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

The resources allocated to the financing of development cooperation by the DGCS/AICS and the other MAECI DGs for the bilateral channel amount to EUR 683 million, those for the multilateral channel amount to EUR 433 million.

The chapter below shows the top 10 countries in ranking order in terms of disbursements:



■ Disbursements (amounts in euro)

Figure 2.5 - Top 10 Countries in ranking order in terms of disbursements

Debt restructuring and cancellation

Table 2.31 – 2.32 – 2.33 illustrate the figures for bilateral agreements on debt restructuring and/or cancellation, debt conversion and foreign debt cancelled by Italy.

**INSTITUTIONAL
COMMUNICATION
AND INFORMATION**

Regarding the institutional portal, in 2024 over 16 million single pages of the main site and more than 101 million pages of the foreign network sites were viewed.

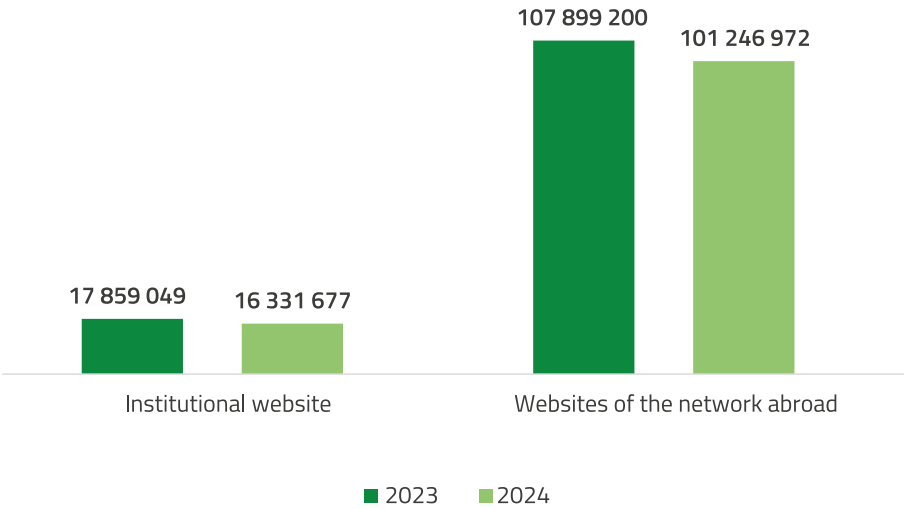


Figure 2.6 - Websites unique page views

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Table 2.1 – Diplomatic Representations accredited in Rome

Accreditation	Ambassadors resident in Italy	Ambassadors resident abroad	Total
Italian Republic (Quirinale)	142	40	182
Holy See	91		91
International Organisations	45		45
Total	278	40	318

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic

These numbers are to be compounded by the Mission of the League of Arab States, whose Ambassador presented credentials to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation. Included Italian Representations to the Holy See and to the FAO.

Table 2.2 – Official visits to Italy by Heads of State, Heads of Government, Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of International Organisations

	2022	2023	2024
Heads of State	145	121	110
Heads of Government	55	60	62
Ministers for Foreign Affairs	114	116	131
Heads of International Organisations	122	145	109
Total	436	442	412

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic

Table 2.3 – Official visits to Italy by Heads of State, Heads of Government, Ministers for Foreign Affairs by geographical area

Geographical area							
	European Union	Europe, non-EU	The Americas	Mediterranean and Middle East	Sub-Saharan Africa	Asia and Oceania	Total
Heads of State	27	19	10	15	27	12	110
Heads of Government	23	14	4	5	11	5	62
Ministers for Foreign Affairs	29	23	11	22	30	16	131
Total	79	56	25	42	68	33	303

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic

Table 2.4 – Visits abroad by geographical area

Geographical area							
	European Union	Europe, non-EU	The Americas	Mediterranean and Middle East	Sub-Saharan Africa	Asia and Oceania	Total
President of the Italian Republic	11	6	4	4	5	5	35
Prime Minister	1	1	3	9	-	2	16
Minister for Foreign Affairs	36	4	4	4	-	1	49
Total	48	11	11	17	5	8	100

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic, Foreign Minister's Secretariat and Prime Minister's Office

Table 2.5 – Meetings and international meetings

	2022		2023		2024	
	Meetings	International meetings	Meetings	International meetings	Meetings	International meetings
President of the Italian Republic	30	2	48	1	35	6
Prime Minister	94	42	178	37	133	29
Minister for Foreign Affairs	279	43	430	36	352	29
Total	403	87	656	74	520	64

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic, Foreign Minister's Secretariat and Prime Minister's Office

Table 2.5.1 – International meetings

						Total
	EU	UN	G7/G20	NATO	Other	
President of the Italian Republic	-	2	1	-	3	6
Prime Minister	12	2	3	1	11	29
Minister for Foreign Affairs	12	1	7	3	6	29
Total	24	5	11	4	20	64

Source: Diplomatic Protocol of the Italian Republic, Foreign Minister's Secretariat and Prime Minister's Office

Table 2.6 - Agreements signed by Italy

	2022	2023	2024
Signed agreements			
Bilateral	48	50	51
Multilateral	11	9	6
TOTAL SIGNED	59	59	57
Agreements in force			
Bilateral	64	48	43
Multilateral	16	7	12
TOTAL IN FORCE	80	55	55

Source: Service for Legal Affairs, Diplomatic Disputes and International Agreements

Table 2.7 – Disputes before the Court of Justice of the European Union

	2022	2023	2024
Complaints regarding infringements (articles 258, 259, 260 of the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union)			
Complaints against Italy	1	3	5
Total complaints	35	43	42
Actions to declare provisions void (article 263 of the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union)			
Actions brought by Italy	-	-	4
Total actions	882	834	818

Source: Service for Legal Affairs, Diplomatic Disputes and International Agreements

The data indicate the number of actions, based on the date when the action initiating proceedings was filed.

Table 2.8 – References for preliminary ruling submitted to the Court of Justice of the European Union

	2022	2023	2024
References (art. 267 of the Treaty on the functioning of the European Union)			
References originated in Italy	63	43	81
Total references	546	518	565

Source: Service for Legal Affairs, Diplomatic Disputes and International Agreements

The data indicate the number of actions, based on the date when the action initiating proceedings was filed.

Table 2.9 – Legal assistance on reciprocity matters

	2022	2023	2024
Responses provided	386	629	604

Source: Service for Legal Affairs, Diplomatic Disputes and International Agreements

These are the responses concerning investments provided to notaries and administration officers in accordance with DPR 394/99.

Table 2.10 – International judicial cooperation by type

Type	2022	2023	2024
Letters rogatory on criminal matters	141	199	213
Letters rogatory on civil matters	210	241	287
Criminal notifications	79	43	146
Administrative and civil notifications	1 989	1 347	1 065
Extradition requests by Italy	139	124	321
Extradition requests to Italy	225	321	455
Total	2 783	2 275	2 487

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

Table 2.11 – Italian Schools abroad by geographical area, education segments and number of students

Geographical area	Segment/Level				Schools	Students
	Pre-School	Primary	Secondary I	Secondary II		
European Union	4	5	5	5	19	2 446
Europe, non-EU	5	6	5	8	24	1 941
The Americas	21	24	23	20	88	15 947
Mediterranean and Middle East	5	5	5	6	21	2 146
Sub-Saharan Africa	3	3	3	2	11	1 118
Asia and Oceania	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	38	43	41	41	163	23 598

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.12 – Italian Language courses organised by the Italian Cultural Institutes

Geographical area	2023		2024		% change Enrollment	% change Students
	Enrollment	Students	Enrollment	Students		
European Union	14 273	11 873	15 987	12 212	12%	3%
Europe, non-EU	3 465	2 309	4 229	3 060	22%	33%
The Americas	22 956	10 667	23 783	10 847	4%	2%
Mediterranean and Middle East	12 234	5 490	11 683	4 998	-5%	-9%
Sub-Saharan Africa	727	439	1 023	619	41%	41%
Asia and Oceania	6 672	2 593	7 819	3 113	17%	20%
Total	60 327	33 371	64 524	34 849	7%	4%

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.13 – Scholarships granted: monthly instalments by geographical area

Geographical area	instalments
	2024/2025
European Union	399
Europe, non-EU	1 083
The Americas	1 158
Mediterranean and Middle East	3 865
Sub-Saharan Africa	3 145
Asia and Oceania	1 935
Total	11 585

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.14 – Incentives for translation, dubbing and subtitling by geographical area

Geographical area	2023		2024	
	Contributions	Awards	Contributions	Awards
European Union	234	2	253	2
Europe, non-EU	65		84	1
The Americas	37	2	37	1
Mediterranean and Middle East	36		27	1
Sub-Saharan Africa			1	
Asia and Oceania	30	1	47	1
Total	402	5	449	6

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.15 – “Integrated cultural promotion”: events organised by the foreign network

	2023	2024
Geographical area		
European Union	4 042	4 580
Europe, non-EU	1 713	1 293
The Americas	2 969	2 614
Mediterranean and Middle East	895	780
Sub-Saharan Africa	452	387
Asia and Oceania	1 764	1 943
Total	11 835	11 597
Type		
Archaeology/Heritage Protection	182	247
Visual arts	1 051	856
Cinema	2 477	2 647
Food and wine	888	865
Design/Architecture/Fashion	522	604
Made in Italy	269	339
Language, Literature, Publishing	2 016	2 383
Enhancing the University System	106	101
Science, Research and Innovation	504	445
Live performances	2 709	2 612
Tourism and Local Destinations	196	194
Space	92	79
Sports	84	204
<i>Other</i>	739	21
Total	11 835	11 597

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.16 – The Week of the Italian language in the world: events by geographical area and type

Geographical area		2024
European Union		145
Europe, non-EU		161
The Americas		240
Mediterranean and Middle East		60
Sub-Saharan Africa		59
Asia and Oceania		117
Total		782
Type		
Exhibition/Art		47
Meetings/Conferences (Linguistic)		421
Music/Cinema		175
Other ^(*)		139
Total		782

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

^(*) includes fairs, guided tours, quizzes, games, readings

Table 2.17 – Farnesina Art Collection

	2023	2024
Works on display	677	691
Loans for external exhibitions	1	5
Visitors	2 535	2 568
Events in Italy	17	15
<i>“Open days”⁽¹⁾</i>	7	10
<i>Special Openings⁽²⁾</i>	2	3
<i>Other events⁽³⁾</i>	8	2
Events abroad ⁽⁴⁾	7	1

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

⁽¹⁾ “Open Days” to the public are organised on a monthly basis in partnership with Touring Club Italiano;

⁽²⁾ The Administration organises extraordinary opens in conjunction with significant diplomatic or cultural events.

⁽³⁾ Virtual events are organised, such as web series, Instagram stories on Artribune, Google Street view tours, and social media campaigns.

⁽⁴⁾ Exhibition events and/or official openings

Table 2.18 – Scientific and technological cooperation by geographical area

Geographical area	Executive Protocols (1)	Major projects (2)	Major projects funded (3)	Mobility projects (4)	Exchange of researchers (5)
European Union	1	8	6	-	-
Europe, non-EU	1	5	5	-	-
The Americas	2	24	22	-	-
Mediterranean and Middle East	1	4	4	-	-
Sub-Saharan Africa	1	5	5	4	13
Asia and Oceania	6	47	47	13	23
Total	12	93	89	17	36

Source: Directorate General for the Country Promotion

(1) Executive protocols (EPs) implement scientific and technological cooperation agreements (the data refer to EPs in force as at 31.12.2024).

(2) Joint research initiatives in ongoing EPs.

(3) Joint research initiatives in EPs that following annual assessment, had access to public funding.

(4) Joint research initiatives in ongoing EPs for the exchange of researchers to and from Italy.

(5) Number of researchers involved in research exchanges to and from Italy within the framework of EPs Mobility projects.

Table 2.19 – News and advance notice of tenders and contracts by geographical area

Geographical area	Diplomatic Consular Network		Italian Chambers of Commerce abroad		ITA offices		Total	
	Calls for tender	Advance notice of tenders and contracts	Calls for tender	Advance notice of tenders and contracts	Calls for tender	Advance notice of tenders and contracts	Calls for tender	Advance notice of tenders and contracts
European Union	20	11	-	-	930	42	950	53
Europe, non-EU	962	74	-	-	40	4	1 002	78
The Americas	16	9	-	-	192	42	208	51
Mediterranean and Middle East	13	38	68	-	1 514	-	1 595	38
Sub-Saharan Africa	-	-	-	-	111	16	111	16
Asia and Oceania	837	31	-	-	671	182	1 508	213
Total	1 848	163	68	-	3 458	286	5 374	449

Source: Directorate General for the Country Promotion ("Ex tender" platform)

Table 2.20 – Information services for Italian businesses seeking to internationalize

	2022	2023	2024
"Diplomazia Economica Italiana" Newsletter			
Editions published	11	11	10
Articles published	109	103	111
Subscribers	10 543	10 708	11 051
News from the World ⁽¹⁾			
News	41	17	29
"Infomercatiesteri.it/Osservatorio economico" website			
Unique visitors	429 096	487 630	624 195
Page views	1 180 371	1 152 781	1 279 369
"Ex Tender" website			
Unique visitors	48 643	49 167	49 700
Page views	1 189 486	1 763 088	2 078 815
"Export.gov.it" website			
Unique visitors	58 040	144 052	115 028
Page views	179 874	263 482	299 457
"Nexus"			
Companies registered	426	195	244
Support requests	730	351	379

Source: Directorate General for the Country Promotion

⁽¹⁾exclusively to the news provided by the diplomatic-consular network.

ITALIANS ABROAD

Consular Registers

Table 2.21 – Italians in consular registers: 15 largest Communities

Country/Territory	f	m	Total
Argentina	617 275	571 643	1 188 918
Germany	411 660	488 016	899 676
Brazil	424 587	426 461	851 048
Switzerland	321 332	354 027	675 359
United Kingdom	246 144	270 634	516 778
France	237 103	252 968	490 071
United States of America	180 340	194 544	374 884
Spain	147 848	170 379	318 227
Belgium	137 468	148 448	285 916
Australia	90 467	95 490	185 957
Canada	75 734	80 010	155 744
Venezuela	76 067	74 569	150 636
Uruguay	71 914	67 422	139 336
Chile	42 693	40 313	83 006
Netherlands	33 254	38 797	72 051
<i>Other</i>	<i>344 497</i>	<i>400 180</i>	<i>744 677</i>
Total	3 458 383	3 673 901	7 132 284

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22 – Consular registers: Italians by gender and geographical area

Geographical area	Italians in consular registers 2024			% change
	f	m	Total	
European Union	1 099 423	1 261 582	2 361 005	2.1%
Europe, non-EU	595 075	655 933	1 251 008	1.1%
The Americas	1 591 025	1 559 849	3 150 874	2.5%
Mediterranean and Middle East	36 750	42 709	79 459	-0.6%
Sub-Saharan Africa	26 988	28 737	55 725	-1.6%
Asia and Oceania	109 122	125 091	234 213	3.0%
Total	3 458 383	3 673 901	7 132 284	2.1%

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.1 - Italians in consular registers: European Union

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Austria	Emb.	Vienna	23 375	26 943	50 318
Belgium	Gen. Cons.	Brussels	58 819	60 921	119 740
	Gen. Cons.	Charleroi	78 649	87 527	166 176
	Belgium		137 468	148 448	285 916
Bulgaria	Emb.	Sofia	1 133	2 115	3 248
Croatia	Emb.	Zagreb	1 008	1 138	2 146
	Gen. Cons.	Rijeka	8 208	7 783	15 991
	Croatia		9 216	8 921	18 137
Cyprus	Emb.	Nicosia	801	1 190	1 991
Czech Republic	Emb.	Prague	3 105	5 332	8 437
Denmark	Emb.	Copenhagen	8 160	10 315	18 475
Estonia	Emb.	Tallinn	342	769	1 111
Finland	Emb.	Helsinki	2 656	3 654	6 310
France	Gen. Cons.	Lyon	49 395	51 952	101 347
	Gen. Cons.	Marseille	38 807	42 550	81 357
	Gen. Cons.	Metz	39 567	43 167	82 734
	Gen. Cons.	Nice	20 994	23 198	44 192
	Gen. Cons.	Paris	88 340	92 101	180 441
	France		237 103	252 968	490 071
Germany	Emb.	Berlin	22 931	27 531	50 462
	Gen. Cons.	Köln	63 645	74 237	137 882
	Cons.	Dortmund	32 281	37 663	69 944
	Gen. Cons.	Frankfurt	80 023	94 932	174 955
	Cons.	Freiburg	28 606	32 578	61 184
	Gen. Cons.	Hannover	26 267	32 119	58 386
	Gen. Cons.	Munich	62 150	76 579	138 729

Table 2.22.1 - Italians in consular registers: European Union

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Germany	Gen. Cons.	Stuttgart	90 881	106 610	197 491
	Cons. Agency	Wolfsburg	4 876	5 767	10 643
	Germany		4 11 660	488 016	899 676
Greece	Emb.	Athens	7 024	6 559	13 583
Hungary	Emb.	Budapest	2 269	3 335	5 604
Ireland	Emb.	Dublin	16 235	17 616	33 851
Latvia	Emb.	Riga	185	419	604
Lithuania	Emb.	Vilnius	251	603	854
Luxembourg	Emb.	Luxembourg	17 921	20 070	37 991
Malta	Emb.	Valletta	5 277	7 730	13 007
Netherlands	Emb.	The Hague	33 254	38 797	72 051
Poland	Emb.	Warsaw	3 905	7 412	11 317
Portugal	Emb.	Lisbon	12 983	16 180	29 163
Romania	Emb.	Bucarest	4 164	7 342	11 506
Slovakia	Emb.	Bratislava	940	1 993	2 933
Slovenia	Gen. Cons.	Koper	1 995	2 327	4 322
	Emb.	Ljubljana	627	712	1 339
	Slovenia		2 622	3 039	5 661
Spain	Vice Cons.	Arona	20 198	23 191	43 389
	Gen. Cons.	Barcelona	68 019	79 505	147 524
	Gen. Cons.	Madrid	59 631	67 683	127 314
	Spain		147 848	170 379	318 227
Sweden	Emb.	Stockholm	9 526	11 437	20 963
Total European Union			1 099 423	1 261 582	2 361 005

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.2 - Italians in consular registers: Europe, non-EU

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Albania	Emb.	Tirana	1 209	1 777	2 986
	Gen. Cons.	Valona	221	423	644
	Albania		1 430	2 200	3 630
Belarus	Emb.	Minsk	199	242	441
Bosnia - Herzegovina	Emb.	Sarajevo	594	585	1 179
Kosovo	Emb.	Pristina	92	123	215
Moldova	Emb.	Chisinau	461	435	896
Monaco (Principaute)	Emb.	Monaco	4 032	4 684	8 716
Montenegro	Emb.	Podgorica	190	271	461
North Macedonia	Emb.	Skopje	361	395	756
Norway	Emb.	Oslo	4 949	6 417	11 366
Russian Federation	Gen. Cons.	Moscow	1 900	2 181	4 081
	Gen. Cons.	St. Petersburg	420	421	841
	Russian Federation		2 320	2 602	4 922
San Marino	Emb.	San Marino	8 227	8 203	16 430
Serbia	Emb.	Belgrado	1 183	1 291	2 474

Table 2.22.2 - Italians in consular registers: Europe, non-EU

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Switzerland	Cons.	Basel	54 515	60 200	114 715
	Emb.	Berne	33 031	35 776	68 807
	Gen. Cons.	Geneva	64 946	68 798	133 744
	Gen. Cons.	Lugano	62 031	67 309	129 340
	Gen. Cons.	Zurich	106 809	121 944	228 753
	Switzerland		321 332	354 027	675 359
Türkiye	Emb.	Ankara	219	191	410
	Gen. Cons.	Istanbul	1 988	1 861	3 849
	Cons.	Izmir	861	801	1 662
	Türkiye		3 068	2 853	5 921
Ukraine	Emb.	Kiev	489	957	1 446
United Kingdom	Gen. Cons.	Edinburgh	13 323	14 409	27 732
	Gen. Cons.	London	176 451	191 770	368 221
	Cons.	Manchester	56 370	64 455	120 825
	United Kingdom		246 144	270 634	516 778
Vatican City	Emb.	Vatican City	4	14	18
Total Europe, non-EU			595 075	655 933	1 251 008

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.3 - Italians in consular registers: the Americas

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Argentina	Gen. Cons.	Bahia Blanca	44 558	41 523	86 081
	Gen. Cons.	Buenos Aires	209 018	191 871	400 889
	Gen. Cons.	Cordoba	67 247	64 266	131 513
	Gen. Cons.	La Plata	56 455	53 822	110 277
	Cons. Agency	Lomas de Zamora	32 170	29 150	61 320
	Cons.	Mar del Plata	34 056	31 812	65 868
	Gen. Cons.	Mendoza	46 204	44 495	90 699
	Cons. Agency	Moron	36 856	31 958	68 814
	Gen. Cons.	Rosario	90 711	82 746	173 457
	Argentina		617 275	571 643	1 188 918
Bolivia	Emb.	La Paz	2 495	2 457	4 952
Brazil	Gen. Cons.	Belo Horizonte	26 467	26 909	53 376
	Emb.	Brasilia	12 384	12 970	25 354
	Gen. Cons.	Curitiba	79 582	80 857	160 439
	Gen. Cons.	Porto Alegre	62 970	61 525	124 495
	Cons.	Recife	10 625	12 764	23 389
	Gen. Cons.	Rio de Janeiro	53 008	52 492	105 500
	Gen. Cons.	San Paolo	179 551	178 944	358 495
	Brazil		424 587	426 461	851 048
Canada	Gen. Cons.	Montreal	21 646	22 175	43 821
	Emb.	Ottawa	3 156	3 205	6 361
	Gen. Cons.	Toronto	37 088	39 811	76 899
	Gen. Cons.	Vancouver	13 844	14 819	28 663
	Canada		75 734	80 010	155 744

Table 2.22.3 - Italians in consular registers: the Americas

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Chile	Emb.	Santiago	42 693	40 313	83 006
Colombia	Emb.	Bogotà	15 384	15 304	30 688
Costa Rica	Emb.	San Josè	4 045	4 587	8 632
Cuba	Emb.	Havana	2 906	2 872	5 778
Dominican Republic	Emb.	Santo Domingo	6 550	6 994	13 544
Ecuador	Emb.	Quito	13 740	13 884	27 624
El Salvador	Emb.	San Salvador	1 927	1 955	3 882
Guatemala	Emb.	Guatemala	4 749	4 742	9 491
Mexico	Emb.	Mexico City	11 886	13 835	25 721
Nicaragua	Emb.	Managua	927	970	1 897
Panama	Emb.	Panama	6 424	7 116	13 540
Paraguay	Emb.	Asuncion	8 584	8 711	17 295
Perù	Emb.	Lima	22 798	21 460	44 258
United States of America	Gen. Cons.	Boston	12 150	12 373	24 523
	Gen. Cons.	Chicago	14 984	15 959	30 943
	Cons.	Detroit	10 499	11 428	21 927
	Gen. Cons.	Houston	8 441	9 165	17 606
	Gen. Cons.	Los Angeles	17 211	19 413	36 624
	Gen. Cons.	Miami	30 081	32 607	62 688
	Gen. Cons.	New York	51 476	55 589	107 065
	Gen. Cons.	Philadelphia	14 957	15 970	30 927
	Gen. Cons.	San Francisco	15 447	17 128	32 575
	Emb.	Washington	5 094	4 912	10 006
United States of America			180 340	194 544	374 884

Table 2.22.3 - Italians in consular registers: the Americas

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Uruguay	Emb.	Montevideo	71 914	67 422	139 336
Venezuela	Gen. Cons.	Caracas	63 375	62 061	125 436
	Cons.	Maracaibo	12 692	12 508	25 200
	Venezuela		76 067	74 569	150 636
Total Americas			1 591 025	1 559 849	3 150 874

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.4 - Italians in consular registers: Mediterranean and Middle East

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Algeria	Emb.	Algiers	590	722	1 312
Bahrein	Emb.	Manama	260	344	604
Egypt	Emb.	Cairo	3 555	3 594	7 149
Jerusalem	Gen. Cons.	Jerusalem	1 804	1 754	3 558
Jordan	Emb.	Amman	755	799	1 554
Iran	Emb.	Teheran	193	209	402
Iraq	Emb.	Baghdad	26	26	52
	Gen. Cons.	Erbil	37	47	84
	Iraq		63	73	136

Table 2.22.4 - Italians in consular registers: Mediterranean and Middle East

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Israel	Emb.	Tel Aviv	9 670	9 592	19 262
Kuwait	Emb.	Al Kuwait	268	469	737
Lebanon	Emb.	Beirut	1 504	1 418	2 922
Libya	Emb.	Tripoli	523	554	1 077
	Gen. Cons.	Bengasi	21	28	49
	Libya		544	582	1 126
Morocco	Gen. Cons.	Casablanca	3 051	3 484	6 535
	Emb.	Rabat	648	641	1 289
	Morocco		3 699	4 125	7 824
Oman	Emb.	Masbate	131	192	323
Qatar	Emb.	Doha	1 040	1 439	2 479
Saudi Arabia	Gen. Cons.	Jeddah	369	525	894
	Emb.	Riyadh	567	904	1 471
	Saudi Arabia		936	1 429	2 365
Syria	Emb.	Damascus	168	148	316
Tunisia	Emb.	Tunis	3 560	5 075	8 635
United Arab Emirates	Emb.	Abu Dhabi	1 330	1 842	3 172
	Gen. Cons.	Dubai	6 635	8 864	15 499
	United Arab Emirates		7 965	10 706	18 671
Yemen	Emb.	Sana'a	45	39	84
Total Mediterranean and Middle East			36 750	42 709	79 459

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.5 - Italians in consular registers: Sub-Saharan Africa

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Angola	Emb.	Luanda	97	175	272
Cameroon	Emb.	Yaoundé	366	429	795
Congo	Emb.	Brazzaville	101	139	240
Côte d'Ivoire	Emb.	Abidjan	494	736	1 230
Dem. Rep. of Congo	Emb.	Kinshasa	323	385	708
Eritrea	Emb.	Asmara	200	206	406
Ethiopia	Emb.	Addis Abeba	867	960	1 827
Gabon	Emb.	Libreville	116	129	245
Ghana	Emb.	Accra	450	584	1 034
Kenya	Emb.	Nairobi	1 031	1 253	2 284
Mozambique	Emb.	Maputo	468	589	1 057
Nigeria	Emb.	Abuja	104	202	306
	Gen. Cons.	Lagos	284	462	746
	Nigeria		388	664	1 052
Senegal	Emb.	Dakar	2 069	2 667	4 736
Somalia	Emb.	Mogadiscio	25	41	66
South Africa	Cons.	Capetown	5 982	5 649	11 631
	Gen. Cons.	Johannesburg	10 445	10 292	20 737
	Emb.	Pretoria	2 201	2 299	4 500
	South Africa		18 628	18 240	36 868

Table 2.22.5 - Italians in consular registers: Sub-Saharan Africa

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Sudan	Emb.	Khartoum	31	40	71
Tanzania	Emb.	Dar-es-Salaam	361	426	787
Uganda	Emb.	Kampala	344	386	730
Zambia	Emb.	Lusaka	284	346	630
Zimbabwe	Emb.	Harare	345	342	687
Total Sub-Saharan Africa			26 988	28 737	55 725

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Table 2.22.6 - Italians in consular registers: Asia and Oceania

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Afghanistan	Emb.	Kabul	10	16	26
Armenia	Emb.	Jerevan	45	60	105
Australia	Cons.	Adelaide	9 436	9 590	19 026
	Cons.	Brisbane	10 218	10 625	20 843
	Emb.	Canberra	2 057	2 085	4 142
	Gen. Cons.	Melbourne	29 624	31 345	60 969
	Cons.	Perth	11 135	12 090	23 225
	Gen. Cons.	Sydney	27 997	29 755	57 752
	Australia		90 467	95 490	185 957
Azerbaijan	Emb.	Baku	32	56	88
Bangladesh	Emb.	Dhaka	347	373	720
Georgia	Emb.	Tbilisi	108	168	276
Indonesia	Emb.	Jakarta	704	1 330	2 034

Table 2.22.6 - Italians in consular registers: Asia and Oceania

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
India	Gen. Cons.	Bangalore	128	150	278
	Gen. Cons.	Kolkata	47	68	115
	Gen. Cons.	Mumbai	146	184	330
	Emb.	New Delhi	266	309	575
	India		587	711	1 298
Japan	Gen. Cons.	Osaka	821	1 456	2 277
	Emb.	Tokyo	1 936	3 237	5 173
	Japan		2 757	4 693	7 450
Kazakhstan	Emb.	Astana	161	272	433
Malaysia	Emb.	Kuala Lumpur	410	711	1 121
Mongolia	Emb.	Ulaanbaatar	6	23	29
Myanmar	Emb.	Yangon	32	50	82
New Zealand	Emb.	Wellington	3 522	3 930	7 452
Pakistan	Emb.	Islamabad	220	240	460
	Cons.	Karachi	50	47	97
	Pakistan		270	287	557
People's Republic of China	Emb.	Beijing	370	720	1 090
	Gen. Cons.	Canton	373	810	1 183
	Gen. Cons.	Chongqing	55	122	177
	Gen. Cons.	Hong Kong	1 234	2 138	3 372
	Gen. Cons.	Shanghai	985	1 982	2 967
People's Republic of China			3 017	5 772	8 789

Table 2.22.6 - Italians in consular registers: Asia and Oceania

Country/Territory			f	m	Total
Philippines	Emb.	Manila	986	1 277	2 263
Republic of Korea	Emb.	Seoul	465	479	944
Singapore	Emb.	Singapore	1 788	2 703	4 491
Sri Lanka	Emb.	Colombo	292	336	628
Taiwan	SDD	Taipei	319	602	921
Thailand	Emb.	Bangkok	2 356	4 908	7 264
Turkmenistan	Emb.	Ashgabat	-	6	6
Uzbekistan	Emb.	Tashkent	35	69	104
Vietnam	Emb.	Hanoi	121	216	337
	Gen. Cons.	Ho Chi Minh	285	553	838
	Vietnam		406	769	1 175
Total Asia and Oceania			109 122	125 091	234 213

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Main consular services

Table 2.23 – Main consular services by type and geographical area

Geographical area	Type						
	Passports	Identity cards	Emergency Travel Documents	Records of birth, marriage, death	Citizenship acts	Navigation acts	Notarial deeds
European Union	151 944	124 872	7 469	46 840	2 036	19 065	1 698
Europe, non-EU	107 182	36 300	1 461	29 501	1 320	2 227	2 711
The Americas	288 407	6 826	835	193 066	75 932	3 447	4 674
Mediterranean and Middle East	10 869	1 023	565	4 252	311	1 684	704
Sub-Saharan Africa	6 201	339	159	2 538	142	1 693	505
Asia and Oceania	19 832	1 488	432	8 619	1 231	3 203	2 141
Total	584 435	170 848	10 921	284 816	80 972	31 319	12 433
<i>% change</i>	<i>5.1%</i>	<i>21.8%</i>	<i>5.2%</i>	<i>0.7%</i>	<i>-12.5%</i>	<i>5.4%</i>	<i>-22.7%</i>

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies / Directorate General for Administration and ICT

Italian prisoners abroad

Table 2.24 - Italian prisoners abroad: situation by judicial position and geographical area

Geographical area	Awaiting for extradition	Awaiting trial ^(*)	Sentenced	Total
European Union	20	630	912	1 562
Europe, non-EU	5	80	142	227
The Americas	15	59	127	201
Mediterranean and Middle East	9	15	21	45
Sub-Saharan Africa	3	8	13	24
Asia and Oceania	4	38	44	86
Total	56	830	1 259	2 145

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

^(*) including the detainees whose degree of judgement (first instance or appeal) is not known.

VISA SERVICES

Table 2.25 – Entry visas to Italy: top 20 Countries for number of issued visas

2023		2024	
People's Republic of China	144 191	People's Republic of China	233 995
Russian Federation	130 499	Russian Federation	161 574
Türkiye	118 984	Türkiye	109 367
India	80 171	India	96 890
United States of America	41 818	Belarus	49 582
Belarus	40 558	Saudi Arabia	48 338
Saudi Arabia	40 170	United States of America	45 931
South Africa	33 308	Morocco	41 994
Philippines	32 650	Philippines	33 967
Kuwait	30 317	Thailand	33 133
Thailand	30 031	South Africa	31 848
Morocco	29 665	Egypt	30 510
Bangladesh	29 499	Tunisia	28 875
Iran	28 190	Kuwait	28 166
Egypt	24 147	Kazakhstan	27 451
Kazakhstan	20 537	United Arab Emirates	19 814
Tunisia	19 368	Armenia	18 743
United Kingdom	18 930	Pakistan	18 502
United Arab Emirates	18 516	Algeria	17 036
Armenia	17 406	United Kingdom	16 917

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26 – Entry visas to Italy by geographical area

Geographical area	2023		2024		% change	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
European Union	5 818	5 701	5 262	5 202	-10%	-9%
Europe, non-EU	345 085	325 150	369 483	350 570	7%	8%
The Americas	85 094	76 784	92 896	83 388	9%	9%
Mediterranean and Middle East	316 968	269 270	347 502	295 489	10%	10%
Sub-Saharan Africa	113 206	94 008	122 730	95 607	8%	2%
Asia and Oceania	470 188	425 660	594 270	552 996	26%	30%
Total	1 336 359	1 196 573	1 532 143	1 383 252	15%	16%

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.1 – Entry visas to Italy: European Union

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Austria	83	83	91	90
Belgium	93	87	72	68
Bulgaria	220	215	41	40
Croatia	61	61	72	71
Cyprus	1 281	1 244	957	953
Czech Republic	34	33	36	36
Denmark	30	30	36	36
Estonia	15	15	23	21
Finland	14	14	19	19
France	358	352	378	365
Germany	569	566	597	591
Greece	77	76	33	33
Hungary	123	120	127	124
Ireland	1 315	1 315	1 702	1 699
Latvia	32	26	31	31
Lithuania	40	38	36	36
Malta	13	13	23	23
Netherlands	77	77	101	99
Poland	191	191	199	199
Portugal	68	68	77	77
Romania	705	658	226	213
Slovakia	21	21	15	15
Slovenia	12	12	12	12
Spain	348	348	304	303
Sweden	38	38	54	48
Total	5 818	5 701	5 262	5 202

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.2 - Entry visas to Italy: Europe, non-EU

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Albania	6 098	5 958	6 715	6 548
Belarus	40 603	40 558	49 655	49 582
Bosnia-Herzegovina	441	432	439	434
Kosovo	5 385	5 095	1 029	972
Moldova	746	738	932	882
Montenegro	317	296	343	315
North Macedonia	850	845	1 032	1 024
Norway	25	25	18	18
Russian Federation	138 120	130 499	168 319	161 574
San Marino	162	161	184	184
Serbia	2 376	2 331	2 590	2 519
Switzerland	283	283	200	200
Türkiye	129 568	118 984	120 359	109 367
United Kingdom	20 096	18 930	17 634	16 917
Vatican City	15	15	34	34
Total	345 085	325 150	369 483	350 570

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.3 - Entry visas to Italy: the Americas

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Argentina	768	768	895	895
Bolivia	1 049	791	1 010	751
Brazil	3 244	3 192	3 703	3 650
Canada	4 645	4 635	6 577	6 554
Chile	858	857	885	833
Colombia	1 271	1 182	1 312	1 213
Costa Rica	117	117	127	127
Cuba	7 399	5 805	7 598	6 173
Dominican Republic	8 134	5 199	7 302	3 838
Ecuador	11 823	8 611	13 334	9 364
El Salvador	106	105	68	67
Guatemala	379	379	383	383
Mexico	1 907	1 907	1 908	1 905
Nicaragua	50	50	41	41
Panama	143	134	156	151
Paraguay	167	167	163	163
Peru	883	845	1 193	1 144
United States of America	41 927	41 818	46 030	45 931
Uruguay	75	73	86	80
Venezuela	149	149	125	125
Total	85 094	76 784	92 896	83 388

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.4 - Entry visas to Italy: Mediterranean and Middle East

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Algeria	27 574	16 446	27 234	17 036
Bahrein	6 428	5 923	3 490	3 284
Egypt	29 158	24 147	35 668	30 510
Iran	39 983	28 190	26 187	16 603
Iraq	9 721	7 245	13 556	10 033
Israel	1 932	1 918	2 099	2 069
Jerusalem	3 612	3 327	2 931	2 242
Jordan	8 462	7 674	9 472	8 468
Kuwait	31 155	30 317	29 080	28 166
Lebanon	14 403	12 540	14 856	12 136
Libya	11 515	10 518	15 841	14 051
Morocco	32 197	29 665	45 461	41 994
Oman	6 408	5 869	6 683	5 876
Qatar	8 069	7 437	6 681	5 994
Saudi Arabia	40 892	40 170	49 820	48 338
United Arab Emirates	21 323	18 516	22 987	19 814
Tunisia	24 136	19 368	35 456	28 875
Total	316 968	269 270	347 502	295 489

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.5 – Entry visas to Italy: Sub-Saharan Africa

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Angola	1 641	1 022	1 401	901
Cameroon	7 003	4 890	9 240	5 037
Congo	2 117	1 228	3 265	1 419
Côte d'Ivoire	5 453	3 813	6 847	4 375
Democratic Republic of Congo	1 639	1 448	37	-
Eritrea	3 190	2 709	5 548	3 826
Ethiopia	7 330	5 505	7 747	5 017
Gabon	722	419	954	418
Ghana	3 521	2 258	4 292	2 589
Kenya	7 799	6 938	8 281	6 976
Mozambique	1 407	1 315	2 063	1 863
Nigeria	17 567	12 383	16 133	10 604
Senegal	12 083	10 296	16 666	14 278
South Africa	34 147	33 308	32 978	31 848
Sudan	318	261	-	-
Tanzania	1 593	1 462	1 468	1 322
Uganda	3 201	2 320	3 272	2 648
Zambia	1 282	1 247	1 181	1 136
Zimbabwe	1 193	1 186	1 357	1 350
Total	113 206	94 008	122 730	95 607

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.26.6 – Entry visas to Italy: Asia and Oceania

Country/Territory	2023		2024	
	Processed	Issued	Processed	Issued
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-
Armenia	20 411	17 406	21 503	18 743
Australia	3 273	3 268	4 387	4 377
Azerbaijan	5 082	4 901	14 317	13 512
Bangladesh	40 794	29 499	14 840	10 912
Georgia	702	670	1 228	1 188
India	89 618	80 171	107 274	96 890
Indonesia	7 030	6 980	15 772	15 470
Japan	2 680	2 672	3 390	3 382
Kazakhstan	21 704	20 537	29 108	27 451
Malaysia	779	684	846	715
Mongolia	2 180	1 925	2 388	2 279
Myanmar	1 866	1 506	1 720	1 384
New Zealand	492	492	418	418
Pakistan	20 253	14 795	23 697	18 502
People's Republic of China	151 025	144 191	242 016	233 995
Philippines	34 217	32 650	36 128	33 967
Republic of Korea	1 366	1 353	1 562	1 542
Singapore	3 881	3 867	4 234	4 208
Sri Lanka	10 662	8 079	14 985	12 308
Taiwan	444	431	495	476
Thailand	31 136	30 031	34 315	33 133
Turkmenistan	1 085	1 053	1 839	1 739
Uzbekistan	8 722	7 883	8 296	7 346
Vietnam	10 786	10 616	9 512	9 059
Total	470 188	425 660	594 270	552 996

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Table 2.27 – Entry visas to Italy issued (according to purpose)

Purpose	Year	USV	NV	RTV	Total	% change
Adoption	2022		531		531	3.5%
	2023		432		432	-18.6%
	2024		481		481	11.3%
Airport transit	2022	4			4	-33.3%
	2023	5		1	6	50.0%
	2024	10			10	66.7%
Business	2022	89 967		236	90 203	94.2%
	2023	139 480		245	139 725	54.9%
	2024	139 870		233	140 103	0.3%
Diplomatic	2022		1 384		1 384	-8.0%
	2023		1 374		1 374	-0.7%
	2024		1 403		1 403	2.1%
Elective residency	2022		1 866		1 866	37.0%
	2023		1 622		1 622	-13.1%
	2024		1 293		1 293	-20.3%
Family matters	2022		48 056		48 056	25.5%
	2023		54 206		54 206	12.8%
	2024		74 809		74 809	38.0%
Health	2022	1 247	267	82	1 596	8.0%
	2023	1 149	211	74	1 434	-10.2%
	2024	968	231	111	1 310	-8.6%
Investors	2022		57		57	103.6%
	2023		78		78	36.8%
	2024		89		89	14.1%

Table 2.27 – Entry visas to Italy issued (according to purpose)

Purpose	Year	USV	NV	RTV	Total	% change
Invitation	2022	10 261		3 078	13 339	236.9%
	2023	16 754		2 532	19 286	44.6%
	2024	17 674		2 946	20 620	6.9%
Mission	2022	4 610	7 127	406	12 143	-6.1%
	2023	6 175	6 966	427	13 568	11.7%
	2024	6 781	7 438	432	14 651	8.0%
Re-entry	2022		5 168		5 168	-48.0%
	2023		3 253		3 253	-37.1%
	2024		3 788		3 788	16.4%
Religious matters	2022	4 214	4 508	10	8 732	80.1%
	2023	4 961	4 130	63	9 154	4.8%
	2024	5 182	4 140	11	9 333	2.0%
Research	2022	319	781		1 100	49.5%
	2023	580	951		1 531	39.2%
	2024	652	1 542	1	2 195	43.4%
Self-employment	2022	568	421	12	1 001	-9.2%
	2023	763	601	19	1 383	38.2%
	2024	877	448	10	1 335	-3.5%
Sports events	2022	4 093		57	4 150	-22.5%
	2023	3 805		41	3 846	-7.3%
	2024	4 467		20	4 487	16.7%
Study	2022	4 698	61 530	16	66 244	41.4%
	2023	7 021	69 986	21	77 028	16.3%
	2024	7 005	73 843	14	80 862	5.0%

Table 2.27 – Entry visas to Italy issued (according to purpose)

Purpose	Year	USV	NV	RTV	Total	% change
Tourism	2022	475 029		579	475 608	376.0%
	2023	757 539		1 037	758 576	59.5%
	2024	902 421		1 099	903 520	19.1%
Transit	2022	13 737		27	13 764	-3.9%
	2023	13 067		47	13 114	-4.7%
	2024	12 901		15	12 916	-1.5%
Transport	2022	9 767		16	9 783	3.8%
	2023	6 139			6 139	-37.2%
	2024	4 670			4 670	-23.9%
Voluntary	2022	46	96		142	202.1%
	2023	33	93		126	-11.3%
	2024	23	102		125	-0.8%
Work as an employee	2022	1 808	51 412	2	53 222	243.8%
	2023	1 754	88 110		89 864	68.8%
	2024	3 599	100 781		104 380	16.2%
Work holidays	2022		554		554	150.7%
	2023		828		828	49.5%
	2024		872		872	5.3%
Total	2022	620 368	183 758	4 521	808 647	-14.8%
	2023	959 225	232 841	4 507	1 196 573	48.0%
	2024	1 107 100	271 260	4 892	1 383 252	15.6%

Source: Directorate General for Italian Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies

Uniform Schengen Visas (USV) are valid for all territories of the countries that have signed the Schengen Treaty and can be issued for:

- A) Airport transit;
- C) Transit up to 5 days.

Long Term Visas or National Visas (NV) are valid for stays over 90 days in Italy and only for transit through Schengen Countries for a maximum of 5 days.

Restricted Territorial Visas (RTV) are valid only in Italy; under special circumstances, they may also be valid in other Schengen Countries.

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

Table 2.28 – Commitments and disbursements: main intervention areas

Area	Commitments	Disbursements
Administrative costs	71 954 122	69 831 669
Agriculture and food security	157 721 666	81 676 305
Cities, inclusive and sustainable human settlements	22 149 633	13 504 679
Demography, gender equality, women's empowerment	18 961 137	14 478 867
Digital transition	3 469 500	2 283 744
Education, training and decent work	93 418 589	62 606 732
Emergency/Humanitarian Aid	232 536 683	175 052 881
Environment, climate change, energy and risk reduction	54 259 178	44 709 186
Good governance, peace and human security	79 455 598	91 664 457
Health	35 977 970	24 651 749
Industry, innovation and infrastructure	22 389 224	17 179 765
Inequalities, inclusion and disability	20 386 407	14 893 304
Multi-sector, other sectors	37 100 000	37 576 330
Preservation and promotion of the cultural heritage	16 679 600	7 360 720
Promotion of development cooperation	7 260 042	13 416 888
Water and sanitation	11 883 829	10 252 245
<i>Other</i>	<i>1 473 500</i>	<i>1 473 500</i>
Total	887 076 678	682 613 021

Source: Directorate General for Development Cooperation (preliminary data sent to the OECD-DAC on 14 July 2024) – amounts in euro

Table 2.29 – Resources for development cooperation: top 20 Countries in ranking order in terms of commitments

Country/Territory		
Kenya	C	165 567 300
	D	8 630 570
Ethiopia	C	145 614 179
	D	133 623 010
Tunisia	C	118 593 286
	D	82 326 150
Kazakhstan	C	100 137 400
	D	132 900
Senegal	C	74 869 782
	D	18 266 024
Egypt	C	58 890 938
	D	8 273 969
Mozambique	C	56 609 970
	D	14 344 681
Syria	C	52 870 932
	D	34 407 620
Rwanda	C	50 013 500
	D	50 013 500
Lebanon	C	45 509 477
	D	31 361 145

Table 2.29 – Resources for development cooperation: top 20 Countries in ranking order in terms of commitments

Country/Territory		
Libya	C	44 103 591
	D	45 079 040
Palestine	C	41 130 025
	D	43 260 836
Sudan	C	26 056 100
	D	15 848 652
Niger	C	18 100 603
	D	11 396 128
Somalia	C	17 613 400
	D	19 529 651
El Salvador	C	16 026 025
	D	10 089 335
Iraq	C	15 026 990
	D	8 863 485
Albania	C	14 580 500
	D	7 742 490
Afghanistan	C	13 688 585
	D	13 877 834
Mali	C	11 015 300
	D	3 953 397

Source: Directorate General for Development Cooperation (preliminary data sent to the OECD-DAC on 14 July 2025) - amounts in euro

C = commitments
D = disbursements

Table 2.30 – Resources for development cooperation: top 20 Countries in ranking order in terms of disbursements

Country/Territory		
Ethiopia	C	145 614 179
	D	133 623 010
Tunisia	C	118 593 286
	D	82 326 150
Rwanda	C	50 013 500
	D	50 013 500
Libya	C	44 103 591
	D	45 079 040
Palestine	C	41 130 025
	D	43 260 836
Syria	C	52 870 932
	D	34 407 620
Lebanon	C	45 509 477
	D	31 361 145
Somalia	C	17 613 400
	D	19 529 651
Senegal	C	74 869 782
	D	18 266 024
Sudan	C	26 056 100
	D	15 848 652

Table 2.30 – Resources for development cooperation: top 20 Countries in ranking order in terms of disbursements

Country/Territory		
Mozambique	I	56 609 970
	E	14 344 681
Afghanistan	I	13 688 585
	E	13 877 834
Burkina Faso	I	8 798 692
	E	12 130 357
Niger	I	18 100 603
	E	11 396 128
El Salvador	I	16 026 025
	E	10 089 335
Moldova	I	10 510 800
	E	9 268 075
Iraq	I	15 026 990
	E	8 863 485
Haiti	I	8 838 000
	E	8 838 000
Kenya	I	165 567 300
	E	8 630 570
Egypt	I	58 890 938
	E	8 273 969

Source: Directorate General for Development Cooperation (preliminary data sent to the OECD-DAC on 14 July 2025) - amounts in euro

C = commitments
D = disbursements

Debt restructuring/cancellation

Table 2.31 – Bilateral debt restructuring/cancellation agreements

Geographical area	2022		2023		2024	
	Agreements	Amounts	Agreements	Amounts	Agreements	Amounts
European Union			-	-		
Europe, non-EU			-	-		
The Americas	1	131.7	-	-	1	12.2
Mediterranean and Middle East			-	-		
Sub-Saharan Africa	1	2.0	-	-		
Asia and Oceania	2	2.0	-	-		
Total	4	135.7	-	-	1	12.2

Source: Directorate General for Global Affairs (amounts in million euro)

The Tables on debt exclusively concern the bilateral agreements signed by Italy under the framework of the Multilateral Memorandum of the Paris Club, with the sole exception of the ODA debt conversion Agreements.

The amounts are based on the exchange rate in force at the date of the agreement.

Table 2.32 - Bilateral debt conversion agreements

Year	Country	Amounts
2022	-	-
2023	-	-
2024	-	-

Source: Directorate General for Global Affairs / Directorate General for Development Cooperation (amounts in million euro)

Table 2.33 – Foreign debt cancelled

Year	Country	Amounts
2022	-	-
2023	-	-
2024	-	-

Source: Directorate General for Global Affairs (amounts in million euro)

**INSTITUTIONAL COMMUNICATION
AND INFORMATION**

Table 2.34 – Press and Institutional Communication Service

	2022	2023	2024
Press releases	428	454	515
Press accreditation notes	82	97	134

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.35 – Public information desk

	2022	2023	2024
Inquiries (visits, telephone calls, written requests)	50 076	64 589	46 569

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

Table 2.36 – Website and linked sites

	2022	2023	2024
Institutional website www.esteri.it			
Users	9 136 636	9 187 671	8 076 949
Unique page views	17 629 088	17 859 049	16 331 677
Page views	22 525 644	22 237 403	20 295 144
Websites of the network abroad			
Users	24 243 961	29 530 800	27 643 876
Unique page views	92 719 785	107 899 200	101 246 972
Page views	124 983 825	137 957 200	127 423 726
Social network			
YouTube Farnesina	264 200	268 500	246 500
Facebook Farnesina	218 900	231 000	239 000
Farnesina@ItalyMFA (tweets - retweets)	1 270	1 485	1 297
Farnesina@ItalyMFA (followers)	298 500	315 000	321 000
Farnesina @ItalyMFA_int (followers)	10 690	17 400	22 600
Farnesina @ItalyMFA_int (tweets - retweets)	1 163	1 017	742
Instagram@ItalyMFA (followers)	103 300	124 900	143 200
LinkedIn@ ItalyMFA (followers)	-	58 000	78 000
Thematic sections (institutional website and linked sites)			
Unique page views	2 133 839	2 931 132	2 237 951
Viaggiaresicuri.it ("Safe travelling" ^(*))	31 068 530	12 009 726	8 619 503

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy / Crisis Unit

^(*) the data pertain to the number of page views on the "viaggiaresicuri.it" website, managed by the Crisis Unit of the Foreign Ministry in collaboration with the Italian Automobile Association.

OTHER DATA

Table 2.37 – Library and diplomatic archives users: service provided and number of accesses

	2022	2023	2024
Library			
Services provided ⁽¹⁾	2 650	2 670	2 754
Number of accesses ⁽²⁾	705	744	667
Historical Diplomatic Archive			
Services provided ⁽³⁾	2 400	2 949	2 992
Number of accesses	1 550	1 924	2 008
<i>of which foreigners in the Study hall</i>	<i>408</i>	<i>532</i>	<i>490</i>
"Foreign policy and history" Portal website			
Number of accesses to the portal website ⁽³⁾	556 542	566 962	651 767

Source: Directorate General for Public and Cultural Diplomacy

⁽¹⁾ Access to catalogues, consultation, lending, photocopying of documents, bibliographic information (extension of research and reporting of works in other libraries);

⁽²⁾ Data including "physical" and "remote" access.

⁽³⁾ Number of accesses to the portal developed by the MAECI and implemented by the Istituto Poligrafico e Zecca dello Stato (online Consultation of the publications and exhibitions based on documents of the historical Diplomatic Archive rare and valuable books in the library).

Table 2.38 – Patronages granted by the MAECI

	2022	2023	2024
Patronages granted	158	185	213

Source: Secretariat General

CHAPTER 3

COMPARISON WITH OTHER COUNTRIES

COMPARISON WITH OTHER COUNTRIES

The third chapter of the Statistical Yearbook highlights the key elements common to the Foreign Ministries of several European countries including France, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, the United Kingdom, Spain and Türkiye. The comparative data addresses the organizational structure, staffing levels (distinguished between permanent and non-permanent staff), and budget allocations (both State and Ministry of Foreign Affairs budget).

The reference sources for national budget and GDP data are EUROSTAT and the International Monetary Fund. Data and statistics regarding the human and financial resources of the Foreign Ministries are directly obtained from local administrations through diplomatic offices. The results are particularly interesting for their absolute values. However, it is essential to consider the complexity of comparing different institutions, not only in terms of the form of State and Government, but also in the methods and procedures applied to national accounting and human resources management.

Table 3.1 – Summary overview

	Network abroad ⁽¹⁾	Permanent staff	Budget ⁽²⁾
France	377	7 408	3 457
Germany	372	6 201	5 965
Italy	313	3 971	2 309
Netherlands	155	3 637	1 540
Poland	166	2 284	675
Spain	309	1 641	1 791
Türkiye	346	N/A	1 063
United Kingdom	404	7 693	3 923

Source: data from MFA's

⁽¹⁾ The item "Network abroad" includes facilities similar to our Italian Cultural Institutes, even when these entities do not formally report to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The goal is to highlight the total number of overseas facilities that perform institutional functions in promoting the Italian language and culture.

⁽²⁾ Forecast budget 2025 net of ODA (amounts in million euro) – exchange rate Bank of Italy as at 31.12.2024

Data from Netherlands budget are net of EU contributions.

Table 3.2 – Network abroad

	Embassies	Permanent Representations	Special Diplomatic Delegations	Consular Offices	Cultural Institutes or equivalent	Total
France	164	16	2	95	100	377
Germany	154	12	1	57	148	372
Italy	130	9	1	85	88	313
Netherlands	114	8	6	27	-	155
Poland	95	7	2	36	26	166
Spain	117	10	-	88	94	309
Türkiye	146	13	1	101	85	346
United Kingdom	162	11	16	63	152	404

Source: data from MFA's

Table 3.3 – Permanent and other staff

		Permanent staff	Other staff	Total
France	f	3 856	2 834	6 690
	m	3 552	3 403	6 955
	Tot	7 408	6 237	13 645
Germany	f	3 100	3 336	6 436
	m	3 101	3 742	6 843
	Tot	6 201	7 078	13 279
Italy	f	1 849	1 841	3 690
	m	2 122	1 999	4 121
	Tot	3 971	3 840	7 811
Netherlands	f	2 073	1 371	3 444
	m	1 564	980	2 544
	Tot	3 637	2 351	5 988
Poland	f	1 093	1 102	2 195
	m	1 191	512	1 703
	Tot	2 284	1 614	3 898
Spain	f	791	2 204	2 995
	m	850	1 939	2 789
	Tot	1 641	4 143	5 784
Türkiye	f	N/A	N/A	2 706
	m			4 608
	Tot			7 314
United Kingdom	f	3 961	4 452	8 413
	m	3 732	5 271	9 003
	Tot	7 693	9 723	17 416

Source: data from MFA's

Table 3.3.1 – Diplomatic Career: Breakdown by gender and Head of Mission assignment

		Total Diplomats	%	Heads of Mission	%
France	f	648	39%	58	35%
	m	1 000	61%	107	65%
	Tot	1 648	100%	165	100%
Germany	f	3 279	51%	75	33%
	m	3 150	49%	149	67%
	Tot	6 429	100%	224	100%
Italy	f	274	25%	35	17%
	m	814	75%	171	83%
	Tot	1 088	100%	206	100%
Netherlands	f	841	52%	65	42%
	m	785	48%	90	58%
	Tot	1 626	100%	155	100%
Poland	f	647	44%	N/A	
	m	820	56%		
	Tot	1 467	100%		
Spain	f	326	34%	31	27%
	m	646	66%	83	73%
	Tot	972	100%	114	100%
Türkiye	f	N/A		N/A	
	m				
	Tot	2 318		260	
United Kingdom	f	3 489	49%	75	39%
	m	3 596	51%	117	61%
		7 085	100%	192	100%

Source: data from MFA's

Table 3.4 – Human resources: central headquarter (HQ) and abroad

	Permanent staff			Other staff			Total		
	Total	HQ	Abroad	Total	HQ	Abroad	Total	HQ	Abroad
France	7 408	3 402	4 006	6 237	289	5 948	13 645	3 691	9 954
Germany	6 201	3 113	3 088	7 078	48	7 030	13 279	3 161	10 118
Italy	3 971	2 018	1 953	3 840	344	3 496	7 811	2 362	5 449
Netherlands	3 637	2 827	810	2 351	65	2 286	5 988	2 892	3 096
Poland	2 284	1 664	620	1 614	-	1 614	3 898	1 664	2 234
Spain	1 641	1 068	573	4 143	122	4 021	5 784	1 190	4 594
Türkiye	N/A	-	-	N/A	-	-	7 314	2 434	4 880
United Kingdom	7 693	5 663	2 030	9 723	417	9 306	17 416	6 080	11 336

Source: data from MFA's

Table 3.5 – MFA budget, GDP, National budget

	MFA budget ⁽¹⁾	GDP ⁽²⁾	National budget ⁽³⁾	% (1)/(2)	% (1)/(3)
France	3 457	2 919 900	1 671 794	0.12%	0.21%
Germany	5 965	4 328 970	2 139 717	0.14%	0.28%
Italy	2 309	2 199 619	1 109 154	0.10%	0.21%
Netherlands	1 540	1 122 459	498 516	0.14%	0.31%
Poland	675	848 490	419 509	0.08%	0.16%
Spain	1 791	1 594 330	725 001	0.11%	0.25%
Türkiye	1 063	1 213 681	396 080	0.09%	0.27%
United Kingdom	3 923	3 438 323	1 514 232	0.11%	0.26%

Source: data from MFA's (exchange rate Bank of Italy as at 31.12.2024)

⁽¹⁾ Forecast budget 2025 net of ODA (amounts in million euro). Data from Netherlands are net of EU contributions.

⁽²⁾ Source: EUROSTAT (GDP 2024, million euro October 2025) - FMI (World Economic Outlook Database, October 2025).

⁽³⁾ Source: EUROSTAT (Total General Government Expenditure 2024, million euro October 2025) - FMI (World Economic Outlook Database, October 2025).

Table 3.6 – Official Development Assistance

	ODA
France	14 269.56
Germany	29 977.22
Italy	6 315.83
Netherlands	6 955.52
Poland	1 909.01
Spain	4 022.44
Türkiye	6 865.55
United Kingdom	16 616.29

Source: Source: OECD (2024 preliminary data) - amounts in million euro

Table 3.7 – Disbursements of Official Development Assistance: percentage of Gross National Income

	2022	2023	2024
France	0.56	0.50	0.48
Germany	0.85	0.79	0.67
Italy	0.33	0.27	0.29
Netherlands	0.67	0.66	0.62
Poland	0.53	0.34	0.24
Spain	0.30	0.24	0.25
Türkiye	0.79	0.60	0.56
United Kingdom	0.51	0.58	0.50
Total DAC	0.37	0.37	0.33

Source: OECD (2024 preliminary data)

Table 3.8 – Contributions to the UN ordinary budget: percentage of total UN budget

France	3.858
Germany	5.692
Italy	2.813
Netherlands	1.298
Poland	0.831
Spain	1.895
Türkiye	0.685
United Kingdom	3.991
<i>Highest contributor</i>	<i>22.000</i>
<i>Lowest contributor</i>	<i>0.001</i>

Source: UN (Contributions of Member States to the United Nations regular budget for 2025)

Table 3.9 – Contributions to the EU Budget

	2023	%	2024	%	2025	%
Italy	18 756	12.5%	17 870	12.7%	19 040	12.6%
France	25 831	17.3%	24 279	17.2%	25 787	17.1%
Germany	33 818	22.6%	31 557	22.4%	33 696	22.3%
Netherlands	9 139	6.1%	8 639	6.1%	9 243	6.1%
Poland	7 136	4.8%	7 190	5.1%	7 953	5.3%
Spain	13 585	9.1%	13 212	9.4%	14 184	9.4%
United Kingdom	9 978	6.7%	2 103	1.5%	1 253	0.8%
Total contributions of Member States	149 536	100%	141 170	100%	151 161	100%
<i>Highest contributor</i>	<i>33 818</i>	<i>22.6%</i>	<i>31 557</i>	<i>22.4%</i>	<i>33 696</i>	<i>22.3%</i>
<i>Lowest contributor</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>0.1%</i>	<i>163</i>	<i>0.1%</i>	<i>180</i>	<i>0.1%</i>

Source: European Commission (amounts in million euro)

2023: final figures (2023 Expenditure and Revenue Commission document)

2024: latest approved Amending Budget No. 5/2024

2025: Adopted budget

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