



# Justice



## STAFF OF THE JUDICIARY BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

Year 2014

Geographical area	MAGISTRATES*		TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**		JUSTICES OF THE PEACE***	
	Establishment posts	Occupied posts	Establishment posts	Occupied posts	Establishment posts	Occupied posts****
<b>North</b>	3,189	2,975	13,366	10,537	1,481	605
<b>Centre</b>	1,752	1,778	8,036	6,545	803	327
<b>South and the Islands</b>	4,183	3,878	18,423	16,343	2,406	1,110
<b>Central offices*****</b>	526	413	2,682	2,074	—	—
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,650</b>	<b>9,044</b>	<b>42,507</b>	<b>35,499</b>	<b>4,690</b>	<b>2,042</b>

\* values of the establishment staff refer to the one distributed in the courts out of a total of 10,151 set by law

\*\* the total workforce of technical and administrative staff is different from the one of 2013 due to the natural decline resulting from retirement not covered by new recruitments and to particular transitional situations related to the judicial reorganization implemented by the Legislative Decree no. 155/12

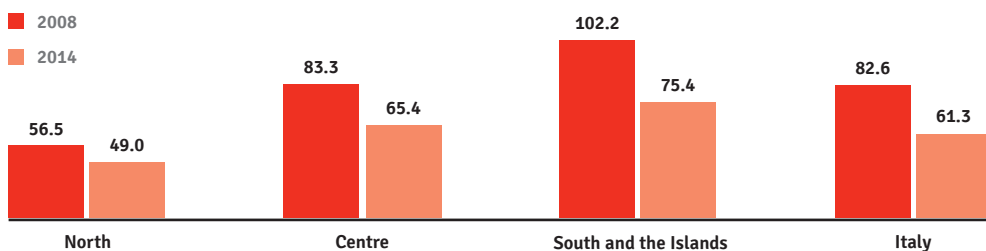
\*\*\* there are honorary magistrates who serve as Justice of the Peace while having no service relationship with the Ministry of Justice because they actually exercise only honorary roles

\*\*\*\* honorary magistrates who served in the offices of the Justice of the Peace in 2014

\*\*\*\*\* national offices: Ministry of Justice, High Court for public water, Anti-mafia national department, Supreme Court and General Attorney of Supreme Court

## LITIGATION RATE BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA

Years 2008 and 2014



## PROTESTS BY TYPE OF CREDIT INSTRUMENTS

Years 2011-2014

Years	BILLS		Bank checks***	Total
	Promissory notes*	Bill of exchanges**		
<b>2011</b>	981,019	62,853	341,544	1,385,416
<b>2012</b>	1,032,974	62,527	312,570	1,408,071
<b>2013</b>	951,296	53,232	230,142	1,234,670
<b>2014</b>	741,982	39,098	170,724	951,804

\* ordinary bills include IOUs or cashier's cheques and accepted drafts

\*\* bills of exchange include not accepted drafts and sight drafts

\*\*\* bank and postal cheques

## CRIMINAL CASES BY LEVEL OF COURT

Years 2008 and 2014

Criminal cases	2008		2014	
	First instance	Second instance	First instance	Second instance
<b>Filed</b>	5,934,209	138,568	5,539,978	161,895
<b>Closed</b>	5,601,485	130,196	5,408,189	161,013
<b>Pending at the end of the year</b>	5,315,418	174,171	4,633,714	300,476

## CRIMES REPORTED BY POLICE FORCES TO JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES

Years 2011-2014

Crimes	2011	2012	2013	2014
<b>Intentional homicides*</b>	550	528	502	475
<b>Attempted homicides</b>	1,401	1,327	1,222	1,250
<b>Unintentional homicides</b>	1,783	1,716	1,597	1,633
<b>Culpable injuries</b>	68,500	69,527	66,317	66,178
<b>Assaults</b>	15,196	15,659	15,606	15,285
<b>Threats</b>	83,316	86,347	86,294	85,211
<b>Kidnapping</b>	1,443	1,474	1,353	1,278
<b>Rapes</b>	4,617	4,689	4,488	4,257
<b>Thefts</b>	1,460,205	1,520,623	1,554,777	1,573,213
<b>Robberies</b>	40,549	42,631	43,754	39,236
<b>Extorsions</b>	6,099	6,478	6,884	8,222
<b>Swindles and computer frauds</b>	105,692	116,767	140,614	133,261
<b>Laundering**</b>	1,350	1,685	1,891	1,604
<b>Receiving stolen goods</b>	23,773	25,080	25,275	24,935
<b>Damaging</b>	398,521	364,435	341,152	279,277
<b>Arson</b>	12,980	13,170	7,388	6,855
<b>Drugs</b>	34,034	33,852	33,578	33,246
<b>Embezzlement, misappropriation, corruption***</b>	1,300	1,527	1,420	1,346
<b>Abuse of office</b>	1,196	1,259	1,144	1,254
<b>Other crimes</b>	500,507	510,060	556,899	534,920
<b>TOTAL</b>	2,763,012	2,818,834	2,892,155	2,812,936

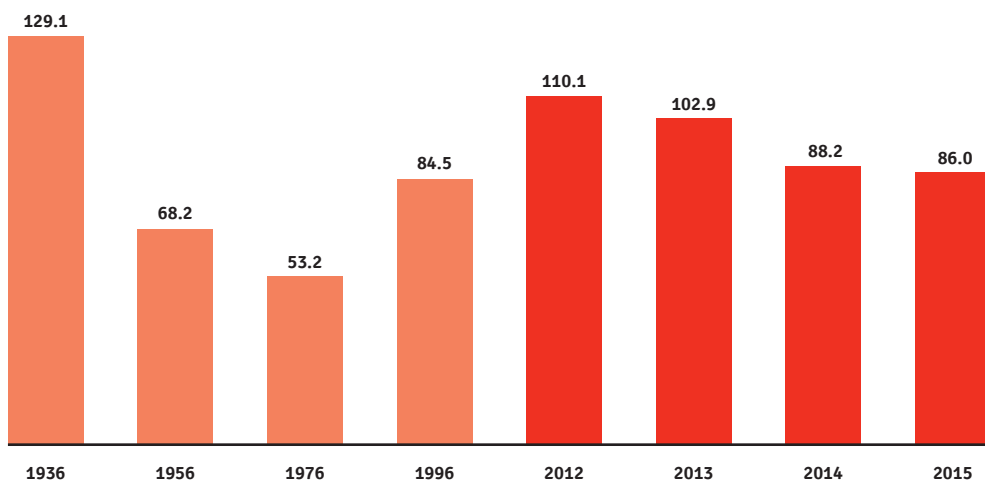
\* data for 2013 do not include 366 victims of the Lampedusa shipwreck of 3 October 2013

\*\* articles 648 bis and 648 ter of the Criminal Code

\*\*\* articles 314, 316, 316 bis, 316 ter, 317, 318, 319, 319 ter, 320, 321, 322, 322 bis of the Criminal Code

## DETAINEES AND INMATES\* AT THE END OF THE YEAR

Years 1936-2015, per 100,000 inhabitants



\* minors are not included

### GLOSSARY

**CRIMINAL CASE:** proceeding aimed at ascertaining and sanctioning criminal responsibility for an offence. Data refer to filed, closed and pending proceedings handled by all first and second instance legal offices during the various procedural stages. Hence, each proceeding could be counted more than once depending on the office that handled it.

**LITIGATION RATE:** ratio of first instance civil cases filed with the Justice of Peace or Ordinary Courts in the year to average resident population, per 1,000.

**PROTEST NOTE:** a formal notarial certificate attesting that a check or bill of exchange has been presented for acceptance or payment and that it has been refused (Code of Civil Procedure).

**FILED PROCEEDINGS:** they include recently registered proceedings and the ones aimed to assume again or carrying forward interrupted, suspended or cancelled causes.

**CLOSED PROCEEDINGS:** they include the proceedings defined in the reference period with a published final sentence, those closed for reunification to another cause and the ones defined in different ways by the sentence (decree or order, including interrupted, suspended and cancelled causes at the date of the proceeding or that of its publication).

**PENDING PROCEEDINGS:** proceedings for which no definition in the reference period is arrived yet.

**JUDICIAL AUTHORITY:** the authority in charge of the administration of criminal, civil and administrative justice.

**CRIME:** offence for which the main penalty of imprisonment, fine and some accessory penalties (i.e. interdiction from Public Offices) are provided.

**DETAINEE:** person indicted or sentenced under measures restricting freedom, held in prison in pre-trial detention or serving a sentence.

**INMATE:** person sentenced to detention in special institutions (criminal psychiatric hospitals, treatment and surveillance centres, agricultural colonies or workhouses).