

2009 and 2010

BIRTH AND FERTILITY RATES IN THE RESIDENT POPULATION

■ Data for 2009 and 2010 provide confirmation that a cyclical downturn in the birth rate is in progress: there were 568,857 births in 2009, and 561,944 in 2010, a fall of around 15,000 in two years. The slow but steady rise in the birth rate, which began in 1995, the year which saw an all-time low in the number of births (526,064), appears to have been interrupted.

■ This decline in births can be attributed to the decrease in the number of births to parents who are both Italian (a fall of 25,000 in two years); in contrast, the number of births to parents of whom at least one is foreign continues to rise, albeit at a slower pace: on average 5,000 more births in 2009 and 2010, half the increase recorded in 2008.

■ Births to parents who are both foreign exceeded 77,000 in 2009 e 78,000 in 2010, slightly less than 14% of total births. Added to the number of births to mixed couples, the figure reaches 102,000 babies born to at least one foreign parent in 2009 and 107,000 in 2010 (respectively 18% and 19% of the total).

■ With regard to the citizenship of foreign mothers, Romanian women rank first in terms of numbers of children born in Italy (16,727 in 2009), with Moroccan women second (14,370), third Albanians (9,937), and fourth Chinese mothers (just over 5,000 births).

■ Women are becoming mothers at an ever later age: over 6% of newborns have a mother aged at least 40, while the number of children born to mothers aged under 25 continues to decline (11.1% of the total).

■ The number of births outside marriage continues to increase: over 134,000 children were born to unmarried parents in 2010 (a national average of 23.6%). In the Centre-North, in particular, around 1 in 4 babies were born to unmarried parents, nearing 30% in many regions.

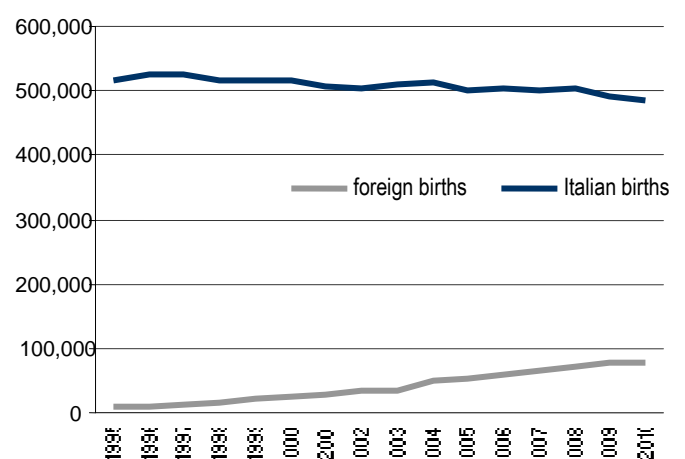
■ The slow yet steady rise in the average number of children per woman which began in the mid-nineties (1995 was the minimum year for fertility with 1.19 children per woman) has come to a halt during the last two years. According to the latest estimates, women who are resident in Italy have 1.41 children on average (1.31 children for women with Italian citizenship and 2.23 for foreign women).

SUMMARY TABLE 1. BIRTHS AND FERTILITY IN ITALY: MAIN CHARACTERISTICS AND INDICATORS
2008-2010, absolute values

	2008	2009	2010 (a)
Total births	576,659	568,857	561,944
Births (absolute changes on the previous year)	+12,726	-7,802	-6,863
Births with at least one foreign parent	96,442	102,140	106,710
Births to Italian couples	480,217	466,717	455,284
Births outside marriage	112,849	116,273	134,398
Births outside marriage (percentage values)	19.6	20.4	23.6
Total fertility rates	1.42	1.41	1.40
Average childbearing age for women	31.1	31.2	31.3
Fertility rates for Italian women	1.32	1.31	1.29
Average childbearing age for Italian women	31.7	31.8	31.8
Fertility rates for foreign women	2.31	2.23	2.13
Average childbearing age for foreign women	27.9	28.0	28.9

(a) The figure for the total number of births is final and derives from the annual survey of the movement and calculation of municipal resident population in 2010. The other data are the result of advance estimates based on a share of 95% of the births recorded in municipal population registers in 2010.

FIGURE 1. ITALIAN AND FOREIGN BIRTHS IN RESIDENT POPULATION IN ITALY. 1995-2010, absolute values



SUMMARY TABLE 2. BIRTHS TO AT LEAST ONE FOREIGN PARENT, BY REGION
1999 and 2009, percentage of resident births

REGIONS	1999		2009	
	To at least one foreign parent	<i>of which: both parents foreign</i>	To at least one foreign parent	<i>of which: both parents foreign</i>
Piedmont	8.3	5.5	23.7	18.5
Aosta Valley	8.1	4.9	18.3	14.5
Lombardy	9.8	6.9	26.7	21.3
<i>Bolzano-Bozen</i>	6.7	2.9	20.6	12.7
<i>Trento</i>	8.2	5.4	23.3	16.8
Trentino-Alto Adige	7.5	4.1	21.9	14.8
Veneto	8.3	6.0	26.6	21.6
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	6.8	3.5	21.6	16.5
Liguria	6.9	3.5	20.6	14.8
Emilia-Romagna	10.1	7.0	28.8	22.9
Tuscany	9.1	5.8	22.6	17.3
Umbria	9.4	6.2	23.5	18.0
Marche	8.5	5.6	24.0	18.2
Lazio	7.2	5.1	17.5	12.3
Abruzzo	4.9	2.4	14.8	10.0
Molise	2.2	0.6	8.7	4.7
Campania	1.6	0.7	5.2	2.9
Puglia	1.6	0.9	4.8	2.9
Basilicata	1.4	0.7	6.0	3.4
Calabria	2.0	0.8	7.8	4.1
Sicily	2.4	1.7	5.7	3.7
Sardinia	2.2	0.8	5.7	2.8
North-West	9.1	6.2	25.4	20.0
North-East	8.7	5.9	26.5	20.9
Centre	8.0	5.5	20.3	15.0
South	1.9	0.9	6.3	3.7
Islands	2.3	1.5	5.7	3.5
ITALY	6.0	4.0	18.0	13.6

SUMMARY TABLE 3. BIRTHS WITH AT LEAST ONE FOREIGN PARENT - TOP 20 COUNTRIES OF CITIZENSHIP.
2009, absolute values and percentage of foreign births

Countries of citizenship	Italian father foreign mother		Countries of citizenship	Italian father foreign mother		Countries of citizenship (a)	Both parents foreign	
	Absolute values	% foreign births		Absolute values	% foreign births		Absolute values	% foreign births
Romania	3,859	18.4	Morocco	555	11.5	Morocco	13,389	17.6
Poland	1,636	9.1	Albania	547	11.3	Romania	12,868	16.9
Brazil	1,194	5.8	Tunisia	331	6.9	Albania	8,956	11.8
Ukraine	1,160	5.7	Romania	293	6.1	China	5,006	6.6
Albania	981	4.6	Senegal	200	4.1	India	2,872	3.8
Morocco	981	4.3	Brazil	186	3.9	Tunisia	2,526	3.3
Russia	663	3.2	United Kingdom	179	3.7	Bangladesh	2,167	2.9
Moldova	609	2.8	Germany	177	3.7	Egypt	2,030	2.7
Cuba	535	2.7	France	170	3.5	Fyrom (b)	2,005	2.6
Peru	495	2.5	Egypt	162	3.4	Nigeria	1,835	2.4
Germany	489	2.3	United States of America	121	2.5	Pakistan	1,643	2.2
Spain	424	2.3	Spain	103	2.1	The Philippines	1,585	2.1
France	403	2.2	Cuba	96	2.0	Senegal	1,555	2.0
Ecuador	371	2.0	Peru	81	1.7	Moldova	1,541	2.0
United Kingdom	297	1.7	Argentina	79	1.6	Sri Lanka	1,511	2.0
Dominican Republic	267	1.5	Dominican Republic	79	1.6	Ecuador	1,413	1.9
Nigeria	267	1.3	Serbia	73	1.5	Peru	1,258	1.7
Slovakia	255	1.2	Ecuador	63	1.3	Ghana	1,124	1.5
Bulgaria	229	1.2	Poland	50	1.0	Ukraine	1,001	1.3
Tunisia	225	1.1	India	48	1.0	Algeria	845	1.1

(a) The citizenship indicated is that of the mother.

(b) Formerly the Yugoslavian Republic of Macedonia.

SUMMARY TABLE 4. BIRTHS BY AGE CLASS OF MOTHER, REGION AND GEOGRAPHICAL MACRO-AREA. 2009

REGIONS	Age classes of mother									Total mothers		Italian mothers	
	< 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and +	Tot.	< 25	> 40	< 25	> 40
	absolute values									percentage values			
Piedmont	100	407	3,517	8,536	13,958	10,104	2,360	141	39,123	10.29	6.39	5.82	7.30
Aosta Valley	3	10	131	299	432	335	91	7	1,308	11.01	7.49	7.61	8.36
Lombardy	250	1,039	8,583	21,411	35,291	26,047	5,798	373	98,792	9.99	6.25	4.97	7.28
Bolzano/Bozen	17	54	473	1,294	1,812	1,292	278	12	5,232	10.40	5.54	8.09	6.14
Trento	13	73	461	1,184	1,965	1,323	324	13	5,356	10.21	6.29	5.59	7.35
Trentino-Alto Adige	30	127	934	2,478	3,777	2,615	602	25	10,588	10.30	5.92	6.85	6.74
Veneto	104	435	4,166	10,429	16,940	12,556	2,932	120	47,682	9.87	6.40	4.85	7.82
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	24	107	874	2,198	3,703	2,919	611	32	10,468	9.60	6.14	5.48	6.89
Liguria	42	136	937	2,226	4,352	3,645	935	56	12,329	9.04	8.04	5.19	9.02
Emilia-Romagna	113	472	4,073	9,080	14,598	11,087	2,576	118	42,117	11.06	6.40	5.58	7.68
Tuscany	58	299	2,797	6,431	11,642	8,894	2,159	100	32,380	9.74	6.98	4.70	8.11
Umbria	27	87	738	1,737	2,819	2,018	436	17	7,879	10.81	5.75	5.91	6.52
Marche	31	150	1,366	3,240	5,299	3,714	773	47	14,620	10.58	5.61	5.98	6.48
Lazio	113	472	3,889	10,505	19,517	15,840	4,077	288	54,701	8.18	7.98	5.91	8.77
Abruzzo	32	117	985	2,550	4,102	2,941	633	42	11,402	9.95	5.92	6.94	6.52
Molise	6	24	162	529	886	613	131	9	2,360	8.14	5.93	6.56	6.10
Campania	452	1,105	6,850	16,782	20,196	11,570	2,510	181	59,646	14.09	4.51	13.70	4.57
Puglia	293	717	3,763	9,387	13,710	8,177	1,857	91	37,995	12.56	5.13	11.84	5.23
Basilicata	11	39	353	1,045	1,767	1,216	279	19	4,729	8.52	6.30	7.12	6.40
Calabria	77	250	2,044	4,863	6,184	3,676	865	54	18,013	13.16	5.10	12.10	5.20
Sicily	613	1,224	6,328	12,763	16,366	9,647	2,114	162	49,217	16.59	4.62	16.00	4.73
Sardinia	55	166	1,076	2,512	4,611	3,939	1,082	67	13,508	9.60	8.51	9.04	8.83
North-West	395	1,592	13,168	32,472	54,033	40,131	9,184	577	151,552	10.00	6.44	5.24	7.45
North-East	271	1,141	10,047	24,185	39,018	29,177	6,721	295	110,855	10.34	6.33	5.38	7.56
Centre	229	1,008	8,790	21,913	39,277	30,466	7,445	452	109,580	9.15	7.21	5.57	8.13
South	871	2,252	14,157	35,156	46,845	28,193	6,275	396	134,145	12.88	4.97	12.07	5.08
Islands	668	1,390	7,404	15,275	20,977	13,586	3,196	229	62,725	15.08	5.46	14.50	5.61
ITALY	2,434	7,383	53,566	129,001	200,150	141,553	32,821	1,949	568,857	11.14	6.11	8.32	6.73

SUMMARY TABLE 5. BIRTHS TO UNMARRIED PARENTS BY REGION. 1995 and 2009, by 100 births

REGIONS	1995 ¹	2009	
	All residents	All residents	of which: to Italian parents
Piedmont	10.1	26.5	28.4
Aosta Valley	13.6	32.7	36.0
Lombardy	8.8	21.6	23.4
<i>Bolzano/Bozen</i>	18.5	39.4	43.0
<i>Trento</i>	7.2	23.1	25.7
Trentino-Alto Adige	13.2	30.8	33.9
Veneto	6.8	22.0	23.4
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	11.3	23.1	26.3
Liguria	11.9	27.0	27.4
Emilia-Romagna	12.7	28.4	32.0
Tuscany	9.8	27.5	28.7
Umbria	6.3	17.9	18.8
Marche	5.3	21.6	21.9
Lazio	10.0	24.6	24.5
Abruzzo	4.1	16.6	15.2
Molise	2.9	9.6	8.2
Campania	5.0	10.8	9.8
Puglia	6.9	14.4	13.8
Basilicata	2.7	8.2	7.1
Calabria	3.9	10.4	8.5
Sicily	8.7	13.9	13.1
Sardinia	8.9	23.5	22.8
North-West	9.5	23.4	25.1
North-East	10.0	25.4	27.9
Centre	9.1	24.5	25.0
South	5.2	12.1	11.1
Islands	8.7	16.0	15.2
ITALY	8.1	20.4	20.4

Sources: 1995, survey of births from population register; 2008, survey of live births recorded in the population register

SUMMARY TABLE 6. BIRTHS TO MARRIED AND UNMARRIED PARENTS BY TYPE OF COUPLE. 2009

TYPE OF COUPLE	Born to married parents	Born to unmarried parents	Total
ABSOLUTE VALUES			
Father and mother both Italian	371,507	95,210	466,717
Foreign father and Italian mother	3,186	1,641	4,827
Italian father and foreign mother	13,011	7,193	20,204
Father and mother both foreign	65,466	11,643	77,109
Total couples	452,810	116,047	568,857
PERCENTAGE VALUES			
Father and mother both Italian	79.6	20.4	100
Foreign father and Italian mother	66.0	34.0	100
Italian father and foreign mother	64.4	35.6	100
Father and mother both foreign	84.9	15.1	100
Total couples	79.6	20.4	100

¹ Despite the different reference population (births among the actual/present-in-area population in 1995 and births among the resident population in 2009) and a slight difference in classification of births (by parentage in 1995 and by marital status of parents in 2009), a comparison of the two measures provides useful information regarding recent trends in the phenomenon of births outside marriage.

SUMMARY TABLE 7. AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN PER WOMAN (TFT) AND AVERAGE AGE (A) OF PARENTS AT TIME OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP OF MOTHER AND REGION. 1995 and 2009

REGIONS	Average number of children per woman				Average age of women				Average age of men 2009
	2009		1995						
	Italian	Foreign	Resident total	Resident total	Italian	Foreign	Resident total	Resident total	
Piedmont	1.25	2.16	1.40	1.04	32.1	28.0	31.2	30.2	34.9
Aosta Valley	1.49	2.50	1.62	1.10	31.6	28.4	31.0	30.0	34.8
Lombardy	1.30	2.64	1.53	1.07	32.4	28.0	31.2	30.8	35.1
<i>Bolzano/Bozen</i>	1.46	2.38	1.55	1.39	31.7	28.2	31.2	30.0	35.0
<i>Trento</i>	1.42	2.44	1.58	1.27	32.2	27.9	31.3	30.4	35.1
Trentino-Alto Adige	1.44	2.41	1.57	1.34	32.0	28.0	31.2	30.2	35.0
Veneto	1.26	2.39	1.46	1.07	32.5	28.1	31.3	30.6	35.2
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	1.25	2.15	1.39	0.95	32.2	28.2	31.2	30.6	35.1
Liguria	1.19	2.08	1.32	0.94	32.5	28.1	31.6	30.8	35.4
Emilia-Romagna	1.25	2.47	1.50	0.97	32.2	28.0	30.9	30.3	35.0
Tuscany	1.21	2.02	1.35	0.99	32.6	27.7	31.4	30.4	35.1
Umbria	1.23	1.82	1.34	1.08	32.2	27.9	31.2	30.1	35.1
Marche	1.26	2.27	1.42	1.11	32.3	28.0	31.3	30.3	35.1
Lazio	1.34	1.74	1.38	1.11	32.6	28.5	32.0	30.4	35.6
Abruzzo	1.20	1.93	1.27	1.19	32.2	27.4	31.6	30.0	35.3
Molise	1.07	2.01	1.11	1.22	32.2	28.3	32.0	29.4	35.7
Campania	1.43	1.86	1.43	1.52	30.7	27.6	30.6	28.9	34.2
Puglia	1.31	1.88	1.33	1.38	31.1	27.7	31.0	29.1	34.5
Basilicata	1.16	1.88	1.18	1.31	32.3	27.2	32.0	29.6	35.8
Calabria	1.26	1.77	1.28	1.40	31.2	28.1	31.0	28.9	35.1
Sicily	1.40	1.94	1.42	1.49	30.6	27.9	30.4	28.6	34.2
Sardinia	1.11	1.87	1.13	1.06	32.3	28.1	32.1	30.5	35.9
North-West	1.28	2.46	1.47	1.05	32.3	28.0	31.2	30.7	35.1
North-East	1.27	2.40	1.48	1.05	32.3	28.1	31.1	30.5	35.1
Centre	1.28	1.92	1.38	1.07	32.5	28.0	31.7	30.4	35.3
South	1.33	1.86	1.35	1.42	31.1	27.7	30.9	29.0	34.6
Islands	1.34	1.93	1.35	1.40	30.9	27.9	30.8	29.1	34.5
ITALY	1.31	2.23	1.41	1.19	31.8	28.0	31.2	29.8	34.9

(a) The average age expresses the average age of the women and men who have had a child in a given year.

FIGURE 2. SPECIFIC FERTILITY RATES BY AGE FOR WOMEN WHO ARE RESIDENT IN ITALY
1995 and 2009, values per 1,000 women

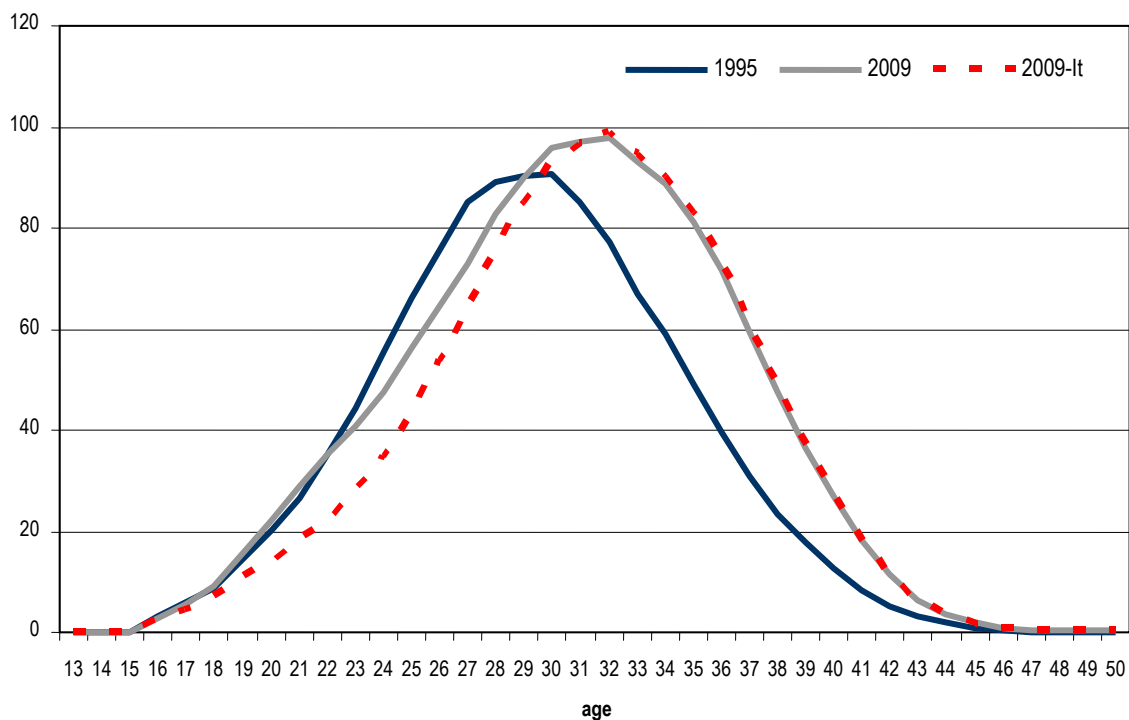
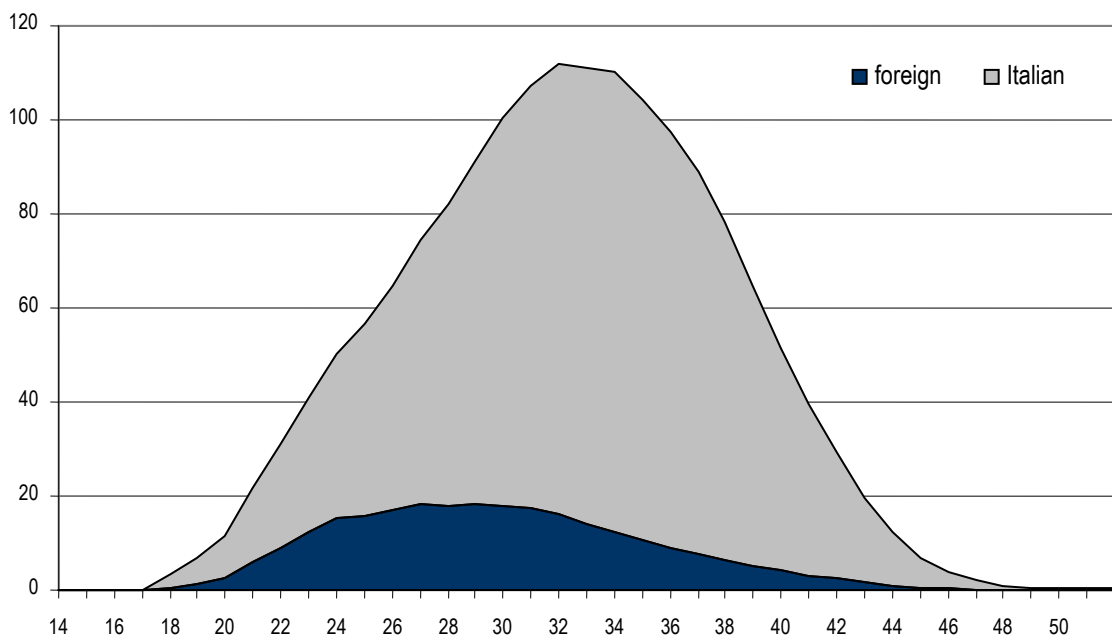


FIGURE 3. FERTILITY RATES AND CONTRIBUTIONS BY CITIZENSHIP AND BY AGE OF MOTHER, ITALY
2009, values per 1,000 women



SUMMARY TABLE 8. RESIDENT BIRTHS IN ITALY BY SEX AND BY 30 MOST COMMON NAMES.
2009, absolute values, percentage of resident births and cumulative percentage of resident births

	Boys' names	absolute values	%	cumulative %	Girls' names	absolute values	%	cumulative %
1	Francesco	9,259	3.21	3.21	Giulia	8,998	3.31	3.31
2	Alessandro	9,141	3.17	6.38	Sofia	8,854	3.26	6.57
3	Matteo	8,111	2.81	9.19	Martina	6,981	2.57	9.13
4	Andrea	7,947	2.76	11.95	Sara	6,445	2.37	11.50
5	Lorenzo	7,711	2.67	14.62	Giorgia	5,727	2.11	13.61
6	Gabriele	6,865	2.38	17.00	Chiara	5,516	2.03	15.64
7	Mattia	6,426	2.23	19.23	Aurora	5,028	1.85	17.49
8	Riccardo	5,998	2.08	21.31	Alessia	4,963	1.83	19.31
9	Davide	5,220	1.81	23.12	Alice	4,749	1.75	21.06
10	Luca	4,884	1.69	24.82	Francesca	3,957	1.46	22.52
11	Leonardo	4,771	1.65	26.47	Anna	3,712	1.37	23.88
12	Marco	4,517	1.57	28.04	Gaia	3,612	1.33	25.21
13	Federico	4,361	1.51	29.55	Emma	3,487	1.28	26.49
14	Giuseppe	4,359	1.51	31.06	Elisa	3,248	1.19	27.69
15	Simone	4,033	1.40	32.46	Giada	3,137	1.15	28.84
16	Tommaso	4,008	1.39	33.85	Matilde	3,107	1.14	29.98
17	Antonio	3,927	1.36	35.21	Noemi	2,954	1.09	31.07
18	Giovanni	3,734	1.29	36.50	Beatrice	2,803	1.03	32.10
19	Alessio	3,594	1.25	37.75	Elena	2,676	0.98	33.09
20	Filippo	3,467	1.20	38.95	Greta	2,393	0.88	33.97
21	Christian	3,351	1.16	40.12	Federica	2,299	0.85	34.81
22	Pietro	3,104	1.08	41.19	Rebecca	2,295	0.84	35.66
23	Samuele	3,066	1.06	42.25	Nicole	2,223	0.82	36.47
24	Daniele	2,980	1.03	43.29	Arianna	2,188	0.80	37.28
25	Cristian	2,858	0.99	44.28	Asia	2,159	0.79	38.07
26	Emanuele	2,849	0.99	45.27	Viola	2,101	0.77	38.84
27	Michele	2,792	0.97	46.24	Ilaria	2,084	0.77	39.61
28	Edoardo	2,707	0.94	47.17	Vittoria	2,025	0.74	40.36
29	Diego	2,473	0.86	48.03	Ginevra	1,930	0.71	41.07
30	Nicolò	2,327	0.81	48.84	Marta	1,895	0.70	41.76

SUMMARY TABLE 9. RESIDENT BIRTHS IN ITALY BY SEX, REGION AND MOST COMMON NAME

2009, absolute values and percentage of resident births

REGION	Most common boy's name	absolute values	%	Most common girl's name	absolute values	%
Piedmont	Alessandro	741	3.69	Sofia	740	3.89
Aosta Valley	Alessandro	23	3.42	Giulia	18	2.87
Lombardy	Alessandro	1,871	3.77	Sofia	1,673	3.59
<i>Bolzano/Bozen</i>	<i>Alex</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>2.60</i>	<i>Anna</i>	<i>77</i>	<i>3.03</i>
<i>Trento</i>	<i>Andrea and Davide</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>2.63</i>	<i>Sofia</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>3.70</i>
Veneto	Matteo and Riccardo	788	3.20	Giulia	764	3.32
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	Matteo	177	3.39	Giulia	192	3.82
Liguria	Lorenzo	234	3.78	Sofia	226	3.71
Emilia-Romagna	Alessandro	793	3.68	Giulia	708	3.48
Tuscany	Lorenzo	714	4.31	Giulia	604	3.87
Umbria	Alessandro	173	4.21	Giulia	155	4.12
Marche	Lorenzo	291	3.92	Giulia	273	3.86
Lazio	Lorenzo	1,073	3.88	Sofia	1,136	4.42
Abruzzo	Alessandro	206	3.70	Sofia	196	3.69
Molise	Francesco	57	4.73	Sofia	38	3.40
Campania	Antonio	1,512	4.98	Martina	869	3.00
Puglia	Francesco	948	5.05	Martina	595	3.36
Basilicata	Francesco and Giuseppe	106	4.44	Francesca	93	4.14
Calabria	Francesco	571	6.18	Sofia	275	3.19
Sicily	Giuseppe	1,120	4.50	Sofia	883	3.74
Sardinia	Gabriele	271	3.91	Giulia	232	3.66
ITALY	Francesco	9,259	3.21	Giulia	8,998	3.31

Glossary

Population register: the continuous system for recording resident population. It is continuously updated by recording births to parents who are resident in the municipality, deregistrations due to death of residents and registrations/deregistrations due to change of residence to/from another municipality or to/from a foreign country.

Citizenship: the bond of membership of a state, required and documented in order to enjoy rights and be subject to specific duties.

Resident foreign citizen: a person with foreign citizenship or stateless person recorded in the population register.

Average age at birth: the age at the time of birth, expressed in years and tenths of years.

Births outside marriage: an estimate obtained by considering the total number of births for which the marital status of both parents is known and subtracting from this amount the total number of births to parents who are both married.

Births to mixed couples births of Italian citizenship with one Italian parent and the other of foreign citizenship.

Foreign births: births with both parents of foreign citizenship recorded in the population register.

Births to at least one foreign parent: total of foreign births plus total of births to mixed couples.

Average number of children per woman (or total fertility rate – TFT): the sum of specific fertility quotients calculated by the ratio of the number of live births to the average annual female population total, for each fertile age (15-50).

Resident population: people with usual place of resident in a municipality, even if on the date in question they are absent because they are temporarily in another municipality or abroad.

Marital status: the condition of each citizen in relation to marriage. Single: a male or female citizen who has never been married. Married: a married citizen who has not obtained the dissolution or termination of the civil effects of the marriage. Divorced: a married citizen who has obtained the dissolution or termination of the civil effects of the marriage. Widow/Widower: a citizen whose marriage has ended due to the death of her/his partner.

Absolute change: the difference between the total of a phenomenon at the end of the period under consideration and the total at the beginning.

Percentage change: ratio between absolute change and initial amount. It is then multiplied by 100.

Average annual percentage change (or average annual rate of change): obtained by dividing the percentage change, referring to a multi-year time interval, by the number of years in the interval.

Methodological note

The individual survey of births recorded in the population register (Istat P.4 form) was implemented by Istat starting from January 1999 and makes it possible to obtain information at the local municipal level (and by census area) on live births in resident population, according to the following variables: sex of the newborn, date of birth (of the child), place of birth, citizenship (of the child), mother's (individual years of) age and cohort, father's (individual years of age) and cohort, mother's marital status, father's marital status, mother's citizenship and father's citizenship. These data thus allow birthrate and fertility trends to be monitored and developments in the phenomenon in relation to the main demographic characteristics of parents to be analysed.

The level of coverage, in each year, of the survey of single births recorded in the municipal population registers is evaluated in relation to the information collected by Istat through the annual municipal summary forms indicating the movement and calculation of the overall resident population and the foreign population alone (respectively Istat P.2 and Istat P.3), is respectively 99% for total resident births and 98% for births of foreign citizenship alone.

More detailed data are available online by consulting the I.Stat datawarehouse at <http://dati.istat.it/> and Demo, the topic-based system, at http://demo.istat.it/altridati/iscritti_in_anagrafe_per_nascita.