

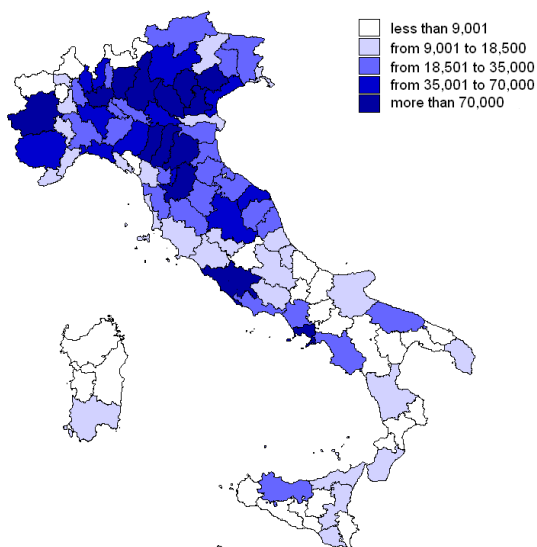
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## NON-EU CITIZENS HOLDING A RESIDENCE PERMIT

- The non-EU foreigners holding a residence permit in Italy on 1 January 2011 are over 3 million 500 thousand. From 2008 to 2011 there was an increase of 35%.
- The most relevant citizenships are: Morocco, Albania, China, Ukraine and Moldova. This community, between 2008 and 2011, almost doubled from less than 81 thousand residents in 2008 to 142 thousand in 2011
- The 37% of non-EU citizens live in the Northwest, the 29% in the Northeast and the 22% in the Center, only the 13% live in the South. Lombardy is the region which hosts the largest number of regular foreigners (26.6%), followed by Emilia-Romagna (12.6%) and Veneto (12.1%).
- Almost half of non-EU citizens present in Italy (46.3%) has a long-term permit. In the North East is registered the highest percentage of the long-term permits.
- Approximately two thirds of the non-EU children legally present in Italy was born in our country. For Tunisia, China and the Philippines the share of children born in Italy exceeds 79%.
- In 2010 were released almost 600.000 new residence permits: The 60% of the total was issued for employment; the 39.9% for family reasons.
- The highest number of permits in 2010 was granted to Moroccans, Chinese and Ukrainians; however, if we consider the ratio between the number of permits issued and the size of the present population the most dynamic are Moldovans, Indians and Pakistanis.
- The data underline a predominance of women among Ukrainians (81.1%) Moldovans (68.0%) and Filipinos (58.7%) and a male prevalence among the population coming from Egypt (the 72.4% are men), Bangladesh (72.1%), Tunisia (65.3%) e India (65.3%).
- The largest number of new permits was granted in the Center and in the North of Italy. The South is interested by new inflows but just as “transit area”.

**Figure 1. Non-Eu citizens holding a residence permit, Italian provinces**

1 January 2011, absolute values <sup>(a)</sup>



Source: Istat on data of Ministry of Interior

(a) data are referred to the place of issue/renewal of the permit

**Table 1. Non-Eu citizens holding a residence permit, indicators for main citizenships, Total and long-term permits**  
1 January 2011, absolute and percentage values

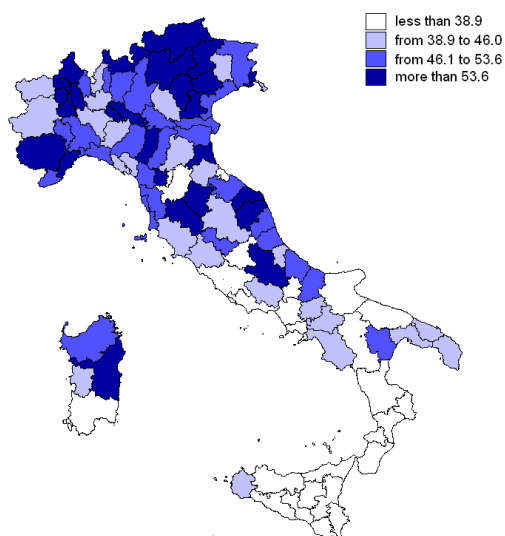
Country of citizenship	Total	Women	Children	Elderly (a)	Married	1 <sup>st</sup> Region	Mean age
		%	%	%	%		
<b>Total Citizens holding a residence permit – Main citizenships</b>							
Morocco	501.610	41.9	27.7	4.3	43.2	Lombardia (24.3%)	29.5
Albania	483.219	45.6	25.0	7.4	49.7	Lombardia (20.4%)	30.5
China	274.417	48.2	21.5	1.8	42.4	Lombardia (21.2%)	29.7
Ukraine	218.099	81.1	7.0	9.1	42.0	Lombardia (21.4%)	42.2
Moldova	142.583	68.0	14.6	2.9	44.0	Veneto (27.4%)	34.1
India	142.565	34.7	20.7	2.3	45.8	Lombardia (38.9%)	29.9
Philippines	136.597	58.7	18.2	5.6	49.6	Lombardia (34.2%)	35.5
Tunisia	116.651	34.7	28.8	1.7	41.9	Emilia-Romagna (23.8%)	29.2
Egypt	110.171	27.6	28.9	1.4	39.4	Lombardia (69.8%)	27.8
Bangladesh	103.285	27.9	22.4	0.4	46.8	Lazio (21.9%)	27.4
Other countries	1.306.865	49.4	18.4	4.2	42.5	Lombardia (28.4%)	32.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.536.062</b>	<b>48.4</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>44.0</b>	<b>Lombardia (26.6%)</b>	<b>31.7</b>
<b>Citizens holding a long-term permit - Main citizenships</b>							
Morocco	279.904	44.0	33.4	4.0	46.4	Lombardia (25.0%)	28.8
Albania	274.688	47.1	26.9	7.3	52.9	Lombardia (20.5%)	31.1
China	85.445	48.8	29.0	2.5	48.4	Lombardia (23.5%)	29.8
Ukraine	81.816	82.9	7.0	11.0	45.9	Campania (19.4%)	44.0
Tunisia	65.833	40.3	35.6	1.4	44.9	Emilia-Romagna (26.3%)	28.3
India	62.519	41.9	29.4	2.2	53.9	Lombardia (32.1%)	28.8
Philippines	57.637	58.1	20.5	8.4	53.5	Lombardia (35.4%)	37.5
Egypt	56.021	34.7	36.7	1.5	43.7	Lombardia (70.0%)	27.5
Bangladesh	50.896	37.9	32.1	0.4	53.1	Veneto (27.7%)	26.0
Serbia/ Kosovo/ Montenegro (b)	49.886	46.6	28.2	4.0	51.3	Veneto (37.4%)	30.4
Other countries	574.089	51.1	22.5	4.1	47.5	Lombardia (29.4%)	32.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.638.734</b>	<b>49.0</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>Lombardia (27.5)</b>	<b>31.6</b>

Source: Istat on data of Ministry of Interior

Notes: (a) Indicator referred to people aged 60 years and more

(a) Il dato si riferisce a cittadini non comunitari di età superiore ai 60 anni. (b) The available data do not distinguish the different citizenships.

**Figure 2. Citizens holding a long-term permit, percentage on total of residence permits. 1 January 2011**



Source: Istat on data of Ministry of Interior

(a) data are referred to the place of issue/renewal of the permit

Table 2. Inflows of Non-eu citizens during 2010, indicators for main citizenships, absolute and percentage values

Country of citizenship	Total	Percentage of the stock	Women	Children	Married	1 <sup>st</sup> Region	Mean age
			%	%	%		
Morocco	64,966	13.0	39.3	14.0	36.4	Lombardia (21.8%)	28.8
China	49,780	18.1	49.2	11.0	37.6	Lombardia (21.4%)	31.1
Ukraine	48,650	22.3	81.2	6.1	36.7	Lombardia (28.4%)	40.5
Albania	48,330	10.0	48.4	17.8	48.0	Lombardia (20.7%)	29.6
Moldova	42,472	29.8	70.8	10.8	38.4	Veneto (27.5%)	33.5
India	38,018	26.7	23.5	9.0	33.5	Lombardia (33.2.4%)	30.7
Pakistan	20,747	23.0	29.8	21.5	34.6	Lombardia (46.1%)	27.7
Bangladesh	20,488	19.8	20.2	9.9	34.8	Lazio (28.8%)	28.2
Egypt	20,305	18.4	19.9	16.8	27.3	Lombardia (65.9%)	27.1
Peru	19,246	18.9	62.2	10.8	27.3	Lombardia (44.5%)	33.9
Other countries	225,565	37.7	51.5	12.8	33.9	Lombardia (24.8%)	31.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>598,567</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>49.2</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>Lombardia (26.5%)</b>	<b>31.7</b>

Source: Istat on data of Ministry of Interior

## Glossary

**Non-EU citizens holding a residence permit:** are included all foreign citizens holding a regular residence permit and the children registered on the permit of an adult.

**Non-EU citizens holding a long-term residence permit:** This permit is permanent and can only be claimed by those who have a residence permit for at least 5 years. The applicant must give proof of sufficient income and, in case the applicant is requiring the residence permit also for his/her family members, depending on the number of applicants, the annual income varies and doesn't have to be inferior to the parameters established by law.

**Inflows of Non-EU citizens:** are registered all the new permits issued during the year, regardless of whether the end of the year the permit is still valid or expired. Documents are accounted for and not persons. A person who has obtained two new permits in the same year is counted twice.

**Children registered on the permit of an adult:** Children (underage population) legally present in Italy are:

- a) "unaccompanied", if they are Italy without parents or other adults legally responsible for their assistance or representation;
- b) "accompanied" minors In this case they are registered on the residence of the parents or of another adult. At the age of 14 years the child has the right to obtain a residence permit for family reasons, which is valid until the age of majority.

## Methodological note

Since the early '90s until 2007, Istat has disseminated data on residence permits on the basis of the data supplied by the Ministry of Interior. Since 2008, Istat disseminate a new series on non-EU citizens in which are no longer included the EU citizens among them the "new" EU citizens (Romanian, Bulgarian), for which, from 27 March 2007, is no longer expected to issue the residence permit.

Since the entry into force of Regulation (EC) 862/2007 concerning Community statistics on migration and international protection, Istat is also collaborating with the Ministry of Interior to improve the quality of data collected and disseminated on the basis of residence permits. This led, in recent years, to a review of criteria for data processing, based on the guidelines provided by Eurostat.