

## Elementi storico economici della statistica nella società italiana nel lungo periodo

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### ABSTRACT

#### **Dove vive la povertà. Una rivisitazione multidisciplinare delle condizioni abitative a Roma nella prima metà del ventesimo Secolo**

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The issue of housing conditions in Italy is getting new relevance in the social, economic and political debate. In some cities, it takes the form of a real emergency for that part of population - residents and immigrants - whose wages are insufficient to enter the housing market. Consequently, scholars are giving more and more attention to this issue. This renewed scientific interest gives an hint to investigate again the first half of the last century when the housing crisis emerged with new and increasing severity.

Today, the availability of unpublished archival sources allows us to study the housing condition from the first to the second post-war period using modern statistical tools. The main aim of the project is to analyze the subject from a multi-disciplinary point of view – social, demographic, economic and urbanistic - by framing it into an historical perspective. The research investigates the informal settlements (slums) that housed tens of thousands of people just outside the urban core of Rome.

The main documentary sources are the censuses carried out by the Governorate of Rome starting from the end of the 1920's. In particular, the original handwritten forms of the Census of shanties of 1933 have been used to create a database from which it is possible to extract detailed information on the location of the slums, the structural features of the dwellings, the social, demographic and economic characteristics of the families living there.