

ITALY

Nomenclature

INAIL	National Insurance Institute for Employment Injuries
INPS	National Social Security Institute
SSN	National Health Service
TFR	Severance pay

Monetary unit

Social spending is expressed in millions of Euros (EUR).

General notes

By and large, the Italian system of social protection is organised along categorical provision of benefits. For each branch of social policy, e.g. pensions, there is a separate administrative body that is responsible for the collection of contributions and the provision of benefits. Government departments are responsible for the supervising the implementation of legislation and other operational aspects of social protection delivery.

Break in series

Data for 1990 onwards are based on the new ESSPROS methodology format. Coherent spending series for 1980 onwards at the individual programme level were obtained on basis of information for a few years in the early 1990s for which both historical spending series and information based on the new ESSPROS format were available. For certain programmes and aggregate categories, breaks in series (between 1989 and 1990) were inevitable. In general, programmes from the old ESSPROS format which could not be matched with a figure from the new ESSPROS format were set for the 1990-98 period to “missing”; similarly, figures from the new ESSPROS format which could not be matched to a programme from the old methodology were set to “missing” for the period 1980-89.

Data on public expenditure are underestimated for the period 1980-89 because data on public expenditure on ALMP are available only from 1990 onwards.

Secretariat estimates: No

Sources

1980-89

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1990-2001

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Code	Title of the programme	Description of the programme and attached notes
1.	OLD AGE	
380.10.1.1.1.1	General scheme for employees (INPS)	Worker aged 64 (men) or 59 (women) and over are entitled to an old age pension if he/she has contributed to the programme for at least 15 years (19 years since 1 January 1999). The general pension scheme grants pension payments to those who retire prior to the specified ages, provided that certain contribution conditions have been met.
380.10.1.1.1.2	Other special professional schemes	Data under "Other special professional schemes" include data on expenditure on pension payments for employees of private gas companies, employees of private electricity companies, employees of public transport companies, mariners, miners, airline personnel, employees of the public telephone company, Inland Revenue employees, former employees of the Exercise Duty Office, self-employed (farmers, craftsmen, tradesmen), members of the clergy, miscellaneous pension schemes for employees in the public sector as administered by the Treasury and miscellaneous pension schemes for self-employed and employed persons.
380.10.1.1.1.3	Special voluntary schemes	Data under "Special voluntary schemes" include data for collective pension insurance (shipping registry), and voluntary insurance (housewives, etc.).
380.10.1.1.1.5	Supplementary pension schemes for various occupational scheme	These payment concern employees of various public institutions and private sector employees. The latter payments are private social expenditures, and are therefore outside the present scope of SOCX. However, separate data are not available.
380.10.1.1.3.1	Lump-sum payments by pension agencies	Lump-sum payments to survivors are included.
2	SURVIVORS	
380.10.2.1.1.1	General scheme for employees (INPS)	Data under "General scheme for employees (INPS)" include data for the occupational accidents and illness scheme (INAIL).
380.10.2.1.1.2	Other special professional schemes	See 1.1.1.2
380.10.2.1.1.5	Supplementary pension schemes for various occupational groups	See 1.1.1.5
380.10.2.1.1.6	Survivors' pension	
3.	INCAPACITY BENEFITS RELATED	(Disability, Occupational injury and disease, Sickness)
380.10.3.1.1.1	General scheme for employees (INPS)	Data under "General pension scheme for employees (INPS)" include spending on the monthly allowances to pensioners in need of care.
380.10.3.1.1.2	Special professional schemes	Expenditure data under "Special professional schemes" include payments for self-employed (farmers, craftsmen, tradesmen), employees of electricity companies, employees of gas companies, employees of public transport companies, mariners, airline personnel, employees of the public telephone company, members of the clergy, former employees of the Excise Duty Office, and employees of the Inland Revenue service.
380.10.3.1.1.3	Victims of war	Expenditures recorded under "Victims of war" include outlays on disability grants and short-term disability allowances to victims of war prior to 1990.
380.10.3.1.1.7	Disability pension (non means-tested)	Payable when the incapacity rate is adjudicated to be 100 per cent.
380.10.3.1.1.8	Disability pension (means-tested)	See 3.1.1.7.
380.10.3.1.2.1	Occupational accident and disease	Data under "Occupational accident and disease" include spending on supplements for dependants when permanent incapacity benefit is paid. Injuries occurring during travel to and from work do not usually give rise to compensation.

380.10.3.1.4.1	Civil servants daily benefit, employees daily benefit, and manual workers tuberculosis insurance	The (public) employer is obliged by law to continue payment of wages for at least three months.
380.10.3.1.5.2	Discretionary allowances	Payable when the incapacity rate is at least equal to 66 per cent.
380.10.3.1.5.4	Other cash lump sum benefits (non means-tested)	Invalidity pensioners who need help to move around or who need permanent attendance to accomplish daily tasks are entitled to a monthly allowance equal to that paid under the employment injury scheme.
380.10.3.1.5.5	Other cash periodic benefits (means-tested)	See 3.1.5.4
380.10.3.2.2.1	Rehabilitation for disabled	The National Institute for Social Protection (INPS) can provide medical care, etc. to prevent or reduce invalidity and to restore capacity for work.
380.10.3.2.3.1	Miscellaneous social services	Payable to persons at least 55 years of age who are socially or financially in need.
4.	HEALTH	
380.10.4.2.0.0	Public expenditure on health	See <i>OECD Health Data 2003</i> .
5.	FAMILY	
380.10.5.1.1.4 and 380.10.5.1.1.5	Family or child allowances	Income-tested cash transfers.
380.10.5.1.2.1 and 380.10.5.1.2.2	Income in the event of childbirth	The maternity allowance (only if wage is discontinued) is payable two months before the presumed confinement date and three months thereafter. There is an option for a further 6 months of parental leave, which can be used by the father if the mother does not claim it or if the father has sole charge of the child.
380.10.5.2.1.1	Day nurseries	Data under "Day nurseries" include spending on holiday camps.
6.	ACTIVE LABOUR MARKET PROGRAMME	
	See OECD Labour Market Policy database.	
380.10.6.2.2.1	Training for unemployed adults and those at risk	There is a break in series for LMP figures from 1991 onwards because of a new structure for LMP figures.
7.	UNEMPLOYMENT	
	See OECD Labour Market Policy database.	
380.10.7.1.1.1	Unemployment benefits	From 1997 onwards, unemployment compensation and early retirement for labour market reasons include some "fictitious" contributions.