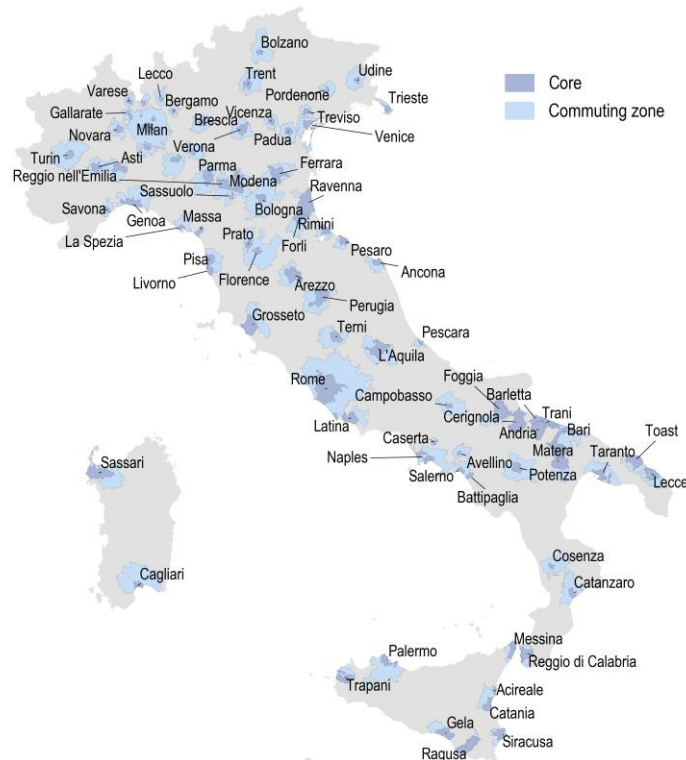


Italy



Note: This map is for illustrative purposes and is without prejudice to the status of or sovereignty over any territory covered by these maps.

The OECD, in cooperation with the EU, has developed a harmonised definition of functional urban areas (FUAs). Being composed of a city (or core) and its commuting zone, FUAs encompass the economic and functional extent of cities based on daily people's movements (OECD, 2012); (Dijkstra, Poelman, & Veneri, 2019). The definition of FUA aims at providing a functional/economic definition of cities and their area of influence, by maximising international comparability and overcoming the limitation of using purely administrative approaches. At the same time, the concept of FUA, unlike other approaches, ensures a minimum link to the government level of the city or metropolitan area.

FUAs are listed below by size, according to four classes:

- Small FUAs, with population between 50,000 and 100,000
- Medium-sized FUAs, with population between 100,000 and 250,000
- Metropolitan FUAs, with population between 250,000 and 1.5 million
- Large metropolitan FUAs, with population above 1.5 million

A city is a group of local administrative units (i.e. LAU for European countries, such as municipality, local authorities, etc.) where at least 50% of its population live in an urban centre. An urban centre is defined as a cluster of contiguous grid cells of one square kilometer with a density of at least 1,500 inhabitants per square kilometer and a population of at least 50,000 inhabitants overall.

The commuting zone is composed of the local administrative units for which at least 15% of their workforce commute to the city. Commuting zones of the functional areas are identified based on commuting data (travel from home-to-work). Commuting data are also used to define whether more than one city share the same commuting zone in a single polycentric functional urban area.

The list of functional urban areas takes into account the results of the consultation with the European National Statistical Institutes launched by Eurostat in June 2011 on the definition of cities and by the OECD with Delegates from the Working Party on Territorial Indicators. This list of functional urban areas may be reviewed on the basis of additional comments provided by countries. The OECD Metropolitan Database provides a set of economic, environmental, social and demographic modelled indicators on the 668 OECD metropolitan areas (functional urban areas with 250 000 or more inhabitants).

Additionally, interactive maps, histograms and summary profiles of each metropolitan area are available on the [OECD Regions and Cities Data Visualisation tool](#).

The population grid used to create the FUAs in Italy is the 2011 Geostat grid. The geographic building blocks are the LAU-2 units. Commuting data comes from the 2011 Census.

Table 1. List of functional urban areas

FUA name	FUA code	Size class	Population in 2015 (GHS)	Share of population living in the city (%)
Acireale	IT056	Small area	60 000	86
Alexandria	IT518	Medium-sized area	131 000	69
Altamura	IT061	Small area	71 000	100
Ancona	IT017	Medium-sized area	210 000	43
Andria	IT524	Small area	99 000	100
Arezzo	IT519	Medium-sized area	157 000	64
Asti	IT045	Medium-sized area	114 000	66
Avellino	IT057	Medium-sized area	153 000	36
Bari	IT008	Metropolitan area	701 000	58
Barletta	IT038	Small area	92 000	100
Battipaglia	IT064	Small area	60 000	83
Bergamo	IT511	Metropolitan area	309 000	37
Bisceglie	IT065	Small area	49 000	100
Bologna	IT009	Metropolitan area	760 000	48
Bolzano	IT034	Medium-sized area	195 000	53
Brescia	IT029	Metropolitan area	482 000	39
Cagliari	IT027	Metropolitan area	462 000	29
Campobasso	IT020	Small area	100 000	46
Carpi	IT066	Small area	87 000	80

Caserta	IT021	Medium-sized area	125 000	64
Catania	IT010	Metropolitan area	608 000	45
Catanzaro	IT024	Medium-sized area	148 000	54
Cerignola	IT067	Small area	56 000	100
Como	IT040	Medium-sized area	164 000	47
Cosenza	IT048	Medium-sized area	189 000	34
Cremona	IT013	Medium-sized area	128 000	52
Ferrara	IT507	Medium-sized area	206 000	62
Florence	IT007	Metropolitan area	778 000	46
Foggia	IT031	Medium-sized area	166 000	86
Forlì	IT512	Medium-sized area	173 000	69
Gallarate	IT068	Medium-sized area	102 000	48
Gela	IT069	Small area	76 000	95
Genoa	IT006	Metropolitan area	646 000	81
Grosseto	IT520	Small area	95 000	83
L'Aquila	IT526	Small area	94 000	70
La Spezia	IT036	Medium-sized area	186 000	44
Latina	IT513	Medium-sized area	182 000	65
Lecce	IT037	Medium-sized area	229 000	38
Lecco	IT060	Medium-sized area	138 000	33
Livorno	IT504	Medium-sized area	170 000	83
Massa	IT047	Small area	76 000	89
Matera	IT054	Small area	76 000	78
Messina	IT501	Metropolitan area	237 000	86
Milan	IT002	Large metropolitan area	4 769 000	31
Modena	IT030	Metropolitan area	367 000	48
Naples	IT003	Large metropolitan area	3 288 000	31
Novara	IT516	Medium-sized area	160 000	63
Padua	IT028	Metropolitan area	533 000	38
Palermo	IT005	Metropolitan area	959 000	70
Parma	IT503	Metropolitan area	330 000	54
Pavia	IT046	Medium-sized area	134 000	49
Perugia	IT016	Metropolitan area	287 000	57
Pesaro	IT039	Medium-sized area	129 000	73
Pescara	IT019	Medium-sized area	219 000	49
Piacenza	IT033	Medium-sized area	203 000	50
Pisa	IT041	Medium-sized area	186 000	45

Pordenone	IT058	Medium-sized area	143 000	35
Potenza	IT023	Medium-sized area	129 000	50
Prato	IT502	Metropolitan area	275 000	69
Ragusa	IT523	Small area	79 000	84
Ravenna	IT506	Medium-sized area	178 000	86
Reggio di Calabria	IT025	Medium-sized area	197 000	84
Reggio nell'Emilia	IT505	Metropolitan area	284 000	60
Rimini	IT508	Metropolitan area	246 000	57
Rome	IT001	Large metropolitan area	4 131 000	64
Salerno	IT032	Metropolitan area	246 000	51
Sassari	IT026	Medium-sized area	209 000	58
Sassuolo	IT073	Small area	94 000	38
Savona	IT052	Medium-sized area	91 000	56
Siracusa	IT509	Medium-sized area	169 000	63
Taranto	IT022	Metropolitan area	398 000	44
Terni	IT515	Medium-sized area	173 000	63
Toast	IT521	Medium-sized area	152 000	53
Trani	IT525	Small area	49 000	100
Trapani	IT522	Medium-sized area	115 000	56
Trent	IT014	Medium-sized area	236 000	50
Treviso	IT042	Medium-sized area	196 000	40
Trieste	IT015	Medium-sized area	207 000	86
Turin	IT004	Large metropolitan area	1 740 000	48
Udine	IT035	Medium-sized area	237 000	41
Varese	IT043	Medium-sized area	191 000	40
Venice	IT011	Metropolitan area	514 000	45
Verona	IT012	Metropolitan area	506 000	49
Vicenza	IT514	Medium-sized area	236 000	47

Note: This document includes information as of 2019.

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