

Migrants in Italy: economic role and integration

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The growth of resident permits and legally residing foreigners

	1 / 1/ 1998	1/ 1/ 2007	% var. '98-'07
Residence permits	1.022.896	2.414.972	136,1%
Legally residing foreigners	991.678	2.938.922	196,4%

Source: Istat

Residence permits at 1st January 2007 Top 10 countries

<i>Nationality</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>% females / total</i>
Albania	282.650	43,5
Romania	278.582	54,1
Morocco	258.571	37,0
China	122.364	47,1
Ukraine	118.524	83,2
Poland	78.930	71,6
Philippines	76.413	61,8
Tunisia	64.870	28,8
India	57.122	38,2
Serbia and Montenegro	55.701	42,5
<i>Total top 10 Countries</i>	<i>1.393.727</i>	<i>49,8</i>
<i>% of total</i>	<i>57,7</i>	
Total	2.414.972	50,4

Source: Istat

Residence permits by motive- 2007

<i>Motive</i>	<i>a.v.</i>	<i>% of total</i>	<i>% var. 2005-2007</i>
Work	1.463.058	60,6	3,6
Family	763.744	31,6	22,3
Study	51.625	2,1	27,9
Elective residence	44.847	1,9	-27,5
Religion	32.081	1,3	-39,8
Political asylum and application	20.913	0,9	17,3
<i>Other</i>	38.704	1,6	10,2
Total	2.414.972	100,0	7,5

Source: Istat

The second generation migrants

	1/1/1998	1/1/2007	% var. '98-'07
Foreign minors residing in Italy	150.080	666.293	+344%
Foreign students	70.657 ('97-'98)	501.494 ('06-'07)	+609,8%
Foreign nationals born in Italy	13.569	57.765	+325,7%

Source: Istat, Ministero Istruzione

Weddings involving at least one non-Italian citizen

<i>Year</i>	<i>Number of marriages</i>
1995	12.329
2004	30.662
% var. '95-'04	+148,7%

Source: Istat

In 2001 families with at least one foreign member were 672.506 above 21.503.088 families in Italy (Census)

The labour market

In 2006

- **Non-EU workers were 1.236.388, making up 5.4% of the total**
- **662.396 were employed in services, 525.428 in industry, 48.564 in fishing and agriculture**
- **45.3% of non-EU were in the blue collar worker category, 30.7% performed an unskilled job**

Source: Istat, Workforce Survey 2006

Programmed hiring of immigrant workers

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
A.V. (*)	163.790	223.940	195.010	182.890	162.320	227.570
% of all recruitments	23.9	33.3	28.9	28.2	23.3	27.1

(*) Reference is to the “maximum” value as per the nomenclature adopted in the Excelsior Information System

Source: Unioncamere - Ministry of Employment, Excelsior Information System

Predicted recruitments of immigrant workers by economic sector

	<i>% of all recruitments (*)</i>
Industry	28.4
<i>- Building industry</i>	<i>30.9</i>
Services	26.3
Total	27.1

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Source: Unioncamere - Ministry of Employment, Excelsior Information System

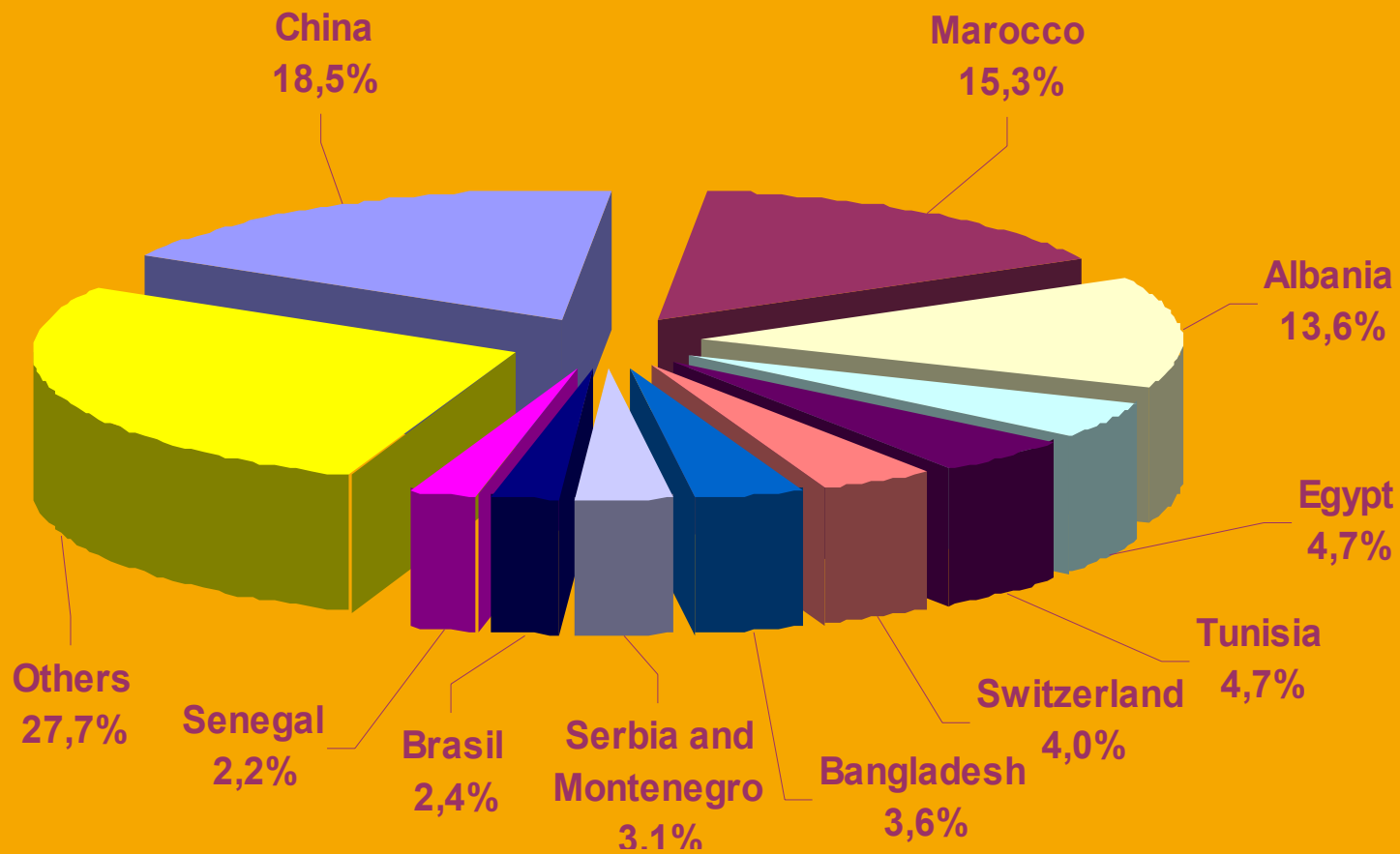
Foreign entrepreneurs*

	31/12/2007	31/12/2002	% var. '02-'07
EU	63.636	27.204	+133,9%
Non EU	225.408	125.461	+79,7%
Total	289.044	152.665	+89,3%

* Owners of enterprises born abroad

Source: Infocamere

+ 37.531 foreign enterprises* in 2007



(*) Owned by entrepreneurs born abroad

Source: Infocamere

Irregular immigration:

The 2007 Decree on Migration flows

- 170.000 foreign nationals allowed into Italy. Of these, 47,100 are reserved to citizens from countries that have entered into agreements with Italy
- 701.510 applications received at 29 February 2008 (deadline: 31 May 2008)

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Illegal migrants expelled or repatriated in 2006: 47.581

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Illegal immigrants who cannot apply for the Decree on migration flows