

# **Stocks of Irregular Migrants: Estimates for Italy**

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Classification of the quality of estimates (see also WP1)								
II.								
High quality	Medium quality	Low quality	Low quality with plausibility warning					

<u>Abbreviations</u>										
IFR: Irregular Foreign	IFW: Irregular Foreign	Incl. EU: Estimate includes	FTE: Full-time equivalents	Abs.: Estimate of absolute	Rel.: Estimate of subgroup					
Residents	Workers	EU-citizens		numbers	in % of total					

Groups	<b>Definition</b>	Year	<u>Estimate</u>		Main data	Short explanation	Reference	
			minimum	central	maximum	source		
Total stocks of irregula	r foreign reside	<u>ıts</u>						
IFR – estimate 1	IFR (15 years+)	2002	702 156			regularisation data	CLANDESTINO country expert estimate based on data on applications in the frame of the amnesty programme in 2002 as min estimate for irregular residing foreigners	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008
IFR – estimate 2	IFR (15	2005		541 000		migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: migrant survey based on "Centre	Blangiardo 2006,
	years+, incl.	2006		650 000			Sampling Technique" with specific efforts to include irregular	2007, 2008 Fasani
	EU)	2007		349 000			migrants, weighting answers according to inclusion likelihood	
		2008		651 000				forthcoming
<b>Total stocks of irregula</b>	r foreign worker	<u>'S</u>						
IFW – estimate 1	IFW incl. EU/	2000		656 600		multiple	Scientific study estimate based on residual method for several	Istat 2008
	FTE	2001		721 100		sources	indicators	
		2002		464 100				
		2003		113 500				
		2004		124 600				
		2005		274 500				
IFW – estimate 2	IFW/ irregular residents	2001		300 000		multiple sources	Scientific study estimate based on residual method for several indicators	Reyneri 2003
	IFW/ regular and irregular residents incl. EU	2001		462 400				

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Groups		<u>Definition</u>	Year	<u>Estimate</u>			Main data	Short explanation	Reference
				minimum	central	maximum	source		
Total sto	cks for specific	cities or regio	<u>ns</u>						
<u>rel. 1</u>	Northern and Central Italy South Italy	IFR (15 years+ incl. EU)	2005		75% 25%		migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: migrant survey based on "Centre Sampling Technique" with specific efforts to include irregular migrants, weighting answers according to inclusion likelihood	Blangiardo and Tanturri 2006
<u>rel. 2</u>	North-West Italy North-East Italy Central Italy	IFR (15 years+ incl. EU)	2002		33% 19% 29%		regularisation data	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on applications in the frame of an Amnesty programme in 2002 as indicator for regional distribution of irregular foreign residents, assessment as min by HWWI	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008
	South Italy and Islands			19%					
<u>rel. 3</u>	North-West Italy North-East Italy Central Italy South Italy and Islands	IFR (15 years+ incl. EU)	2007		36% 28% 19% 16%		administrative data	CLANDESTINO country expert estimate presented data on applications for the 2007 Decree for work permits for migrant workers (including a large number of undocumented immigrants) as indicator for regional distribution	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008
Gender o	omposition		<u> </u>						
abs.		m / f /							
<u>rel. 1</u>		m IFR (15 f years+ incl. EU)	2006	54%		46%	migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: Lombardy gender composition of irregular residents based on "Centre Sampling Technique" as indicator for the whole country, assessment as min/ max by HWWI	Barbagli 2007, WP1 2008
<u>rel. 2</u>		m IFR (15 f years+)	2002	54%		46%	regularisation data	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on legalised migrants in an amnesty programme 2002 (which had a major focus on employees in private households) as indicator for gender composition, assessment as min/ max by HWWI	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008 WP1 2008
<u>rel. 3</u>		m IFR (15 f years+)	2006	55%		45%	support service data	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on irregular migrants seeking health care in Milan as indicator for gender composition, assessment as min/ max by HWWI	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008 WP1 2008



Groups		<u>Definition</u>	Year	<u>Estimate</u>			Main data	Short explanation	Reference
				minimum	central	maximum	source		
Age co	mposition_								
abs.	1	IFR							
<u>rel. 1</u>	15-29	IFR (15	2006		52%		migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: Lombardy age composition of	Barbagli 2007
	30-39	years+ incl.			30%			irregular residents based on "Centre Sampling Technique" as	
	40+	EU)			18%			indicator for the whole country	
<u>rel. 2</u>	15-29	IFR (15	2002		46%		regularisation	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on legalised	CLANDESTINO
	30-44	years+)			41%		data	migrants in an amnesty programme 2002 as indicator for age	Italy 2008
	45+				13%			composition	
	ality composition								
<u>abs. 1</u>	Romania	IFR (15	2005		95 000		migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: migrant survey based on "Centre	Blangiardo 2006
	A.II	years+ incl.			(17%)			Sampling Technique" with specific efforts to include irregular	
	Albania	EU)			66 000 (12%)			migrants, weighting answers according to inclusion likelihood	
	Morocco				58 000				
					(11%)				
	Ukraine				40 000				
					(7%)				
	China				19 000				
		_			(4%)				
	Tunisia				18 000 (3%)				
	Poland				18 000				
					(3%)				
	Other				İ				
<u>abs. 2</u>	Eastern Europe	IFR (15	2005		286 000		migrant survey	Scientific study: migrant survey based on "Centre Sampling	Blangiardo and
	North Africa	years+ incl.			91 000			Technique" with specific efforts to include irregular migrants, weighting answers according to inclusion likelihood	Tanturri 2006
	Asia + Oceania	EU)			67 000				
	Latin America				51 000				
	Sub-Saharan				47 000				
	Africa								



Groups	Groups		Year		<u>Estimate</u>		Main data	Short explanation	Reference		
				minimum	central	maximum	<u>source</u>				
Nationality composition											
<u>rel. 1</u>	Morocco	IFR (15	2007		17%		administrative	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on	CLANDESTINO		
	China	years+)			10%		data	applications for work permit under the 2007 flow decree	Italy 2008		
	Bangladesh				10%			(including a large number of undocumented immigrants) as			
	India				7%			indicator for nationality composition			
	Ukraine				6%						
	Moldova	7			5%						
	Albania	7			5%						
	Pakistan				5%						
	Other				35%						



Groups		Definition	n	Year		Estimate	)	Main data	Short explanation	Reference
					minimum	central	maximum	source		
<b>Econon</b>	nic sector compos	sition								
abs.										
<u>rel. 1</u>	Private household and care	ls IFR (adu		2005		33%		migrant survey	Scientific study estimate: migrant survey based on "Centre Sampling Technique" with specific efforts to include irregular	Bragato 2006, CLANDESTINO
	Construction (uns		y, incl.			26%			migrants, weighting answers according to inclusion likelihood,	Italy 2008
	Services (transportrade, hotels, restaurants, other services)			-		15%			questions on occupations (not strictly relating to sectoral distributions in other studies)	
	Owner of commercial activit	ty				11%				
	Craftsmen, skilled and white collar jo					5%				
	Agriculture and fishing					3%				
	Manufacture (unsl	k.)			2%					
	Prostitution					2%		4		
	Other	1514		2222		2%	470/			0.41.05070.0
<u>rel. 2</u>	Services to familie (Private household			2002			47%	regularisation data	CLANDESTINO country expert presented data on legalised migrants in an Amnesty programme 2002 as indicator for	CLANDESTINO Italy 2008
	Construction					17%			economic sector composition	
	Services/ Retail trade, hotel and restaurants					16%	6%			
	Other manufacture	е				10%				
	Agriculture					5%				
	Other					5%				
Other s	ubgroups									
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#### **Annotations**

## Total stocks of irregular foreign residents: back to table

- IFR estimate 1: Careful minimum estimate; as the amnesty was relatively broad, it can be assumed that a high proportion of irregular migrants applied (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 33).
- IFR estimate 2: Estimate fulfilling usual academic standards; these estimates were embedded in substantial fieldwork and rely on statistical indicators of reliability (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 30, for 2005-2007 estimates; Fasani forthcoming: 5, for 2008 estimate).

### Total stocks of irregular foreign residents: back to table

- IFW estimate 1: Careful estimate; medium quality due to systematic check of compatibility of several data sources (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 39, 96).
- IFW estimate 2: Low quality due to a lack of documentation how different forms of information were merged into one estimate (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 40, 97).

## Total stocks for specific cities or regions: back to table

- Relative estimate 1: Estimate fulfilling usual academic standards; these estimates were embedded in substantial fieldwork and rely on statistical indicators of reliability (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 31).
- Relative estimate 2: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; minimum estimate for South Italy due to targeting of private households in this amnesty, the Agrian South is probably underrepresented, while over- or underrepresentation of other regions cannot be assessed (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 34, 109).
- Relative estimate 3: Low quality due to unknown composition with regard to legal/ illegal applicants and unknown selectivity of the Flow decree applications (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 38).



### **Gender composition:** back to table

Relative estimate 1: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; male percentage as maximum as female dominated nationalities are overrepresented in the North; in the frame of IFR 2 (CLANDESTINO Italy Report, page 98, table 22, 43).

Relative estimate 2: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; female percentage as maximum as the female dominated household sector was more intensely targeted in this amnesty (CLANDESTINO Italy: 44).

Relative estimate 3: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; male percentage as maximum as females tend to be overrepresented in the North and in health care; for the calculation and assessment logic, see also WP1 (CLANDESTINO Italy: 101, table 25).

#### **Age composition:** back to table

Relative estimate 1: Low quality as regional estimates for Lombardy cannot be extrapolated to the whole country. Age compositions of nationalities differ and nationalities are unevenly distributed over the country (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 46).

Relative estimate 2: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; Percentage of persons over 45 considered as maximum, because the female dominated household sector was more intensely targeted in this amnesty. Older females tend to be overrepresented in private households (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 48).

#### Nationality composition: back to table

Absolute estimate 1 and 2: Estimate fulfilling usual academic standards; these estimates were embedded in substantial fieldwork and rely on statistical indicators of reliability (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 51; table 29: 103).

Relative estimate 1: Low quality due to unknown composition with regard to legal/ illegal applicants and unknown selectivity of the Flow decree applications (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 52)



**Economic sector composition:** <u>back to table</u>

Relative estimate 1: Estimate fulfilling usual academic standards (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 55).

Relative estimate 2: Low quality as there is no information on the degree of over- and underestimation; maximum estimate for private households due to targeting of private households in this 2002 amnesty, the private households sector is likely to be overrepresented with unknown effects for the percentages of other sectors (CLANDESTINO Italy Report: 56).

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