

Italy – Fact Sheet

(1989 figures unless otherwise specified)

Capital:	Rome
Total area:	301,255 km ²
Population:	57.6 million
Language:	Italian
Type of government:	Republic, parliamentary democracy
Head of state:	President Francesco Cossiga (since 1985)
Head of government:	Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti (since 1989)
Minister of Foreign Affairs:	Gianni de Michelis (since 1989)
Minister of Foreign Trade:	Renato Ruggiero (since 1987)
GDP:	\$1,079 billion
GDP per capita:	\$18,800
Growth rate:	3.2%
Unemployment rate:	12%
Inflation rate:	6.6%
Exchange rate:	\$1 = £1,018
Total imports:	\$191 billion
Imports from Canada:	\$1.1 billion
Total exports:	\$176 billion
Exports to Canada:	\$2 billion
Total national debt:	\$929 billion (1988)
Percent of GDP:	101.7 (1988)