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Political system:	Republic
Capital city:	Rome
Total area	301 263 km ²
Population:	57.3 million
Currency	euro
Value in Euro	1.00000 €
Value in US \$	\$1.37050
Official EU language	Italian

Year of EU entry	Founding member
Belonging to Schengen	Yes
Eurozone (15)	Yes

GDP (2008)	1 585 140.5 Mio €
Household (2008)	934 002.9 Mio €
Economic Growth (2008)	1.70%
Budgetary deficit in % of GDP (2006)	-4.40%
Foreign trade – balance of payments in % of GDP (2005)	-1.50%
Inflation rate (2008)	3.50%
Interest rate (2007)	5.00%
Unemployment (2006)	6.8%