

Country fact sheet Italy

ESRA 2015 results

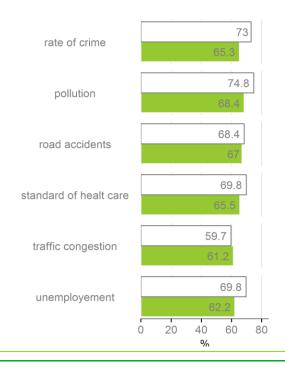


The ESRA project is a joint initiative of research institutes in 17 European countries aiming at collecting comparable national data on road users' opinions, attitudes and behaviour with respect to road traffic risks. A common questionnaire was developed in English (UK) and translated into 20 different country-language versions. The themes covered in the survey are: attitude towards unsafe traffic behaviour, behaviour of other road users, subjective safety and risk perception, involvement in road crashes, reported police checks and perceived likelihood of getting caught for traffic offences, self-declared (unsafe) behaviour in traffic, support for road safety policy measures and use of different modes of transportation.

Data collection took place simultaneously in all countries in June/July 2015. In total, ESRA gathered data from over 17,000 road users, including almost 11,000 frequent car drivers. An overview of the project and the results are available on **www.esranet.eu**. The following figures show a core set of variables in which Italy (green) is compared with the European ESRA mean (white).

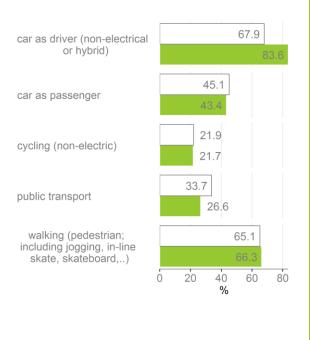
General RS

How concerned are you about each of the following issues? (4-point scale, 1=very concerned to 4=not at all concerned) - % of respondants feeling (very) concerned (1-2)



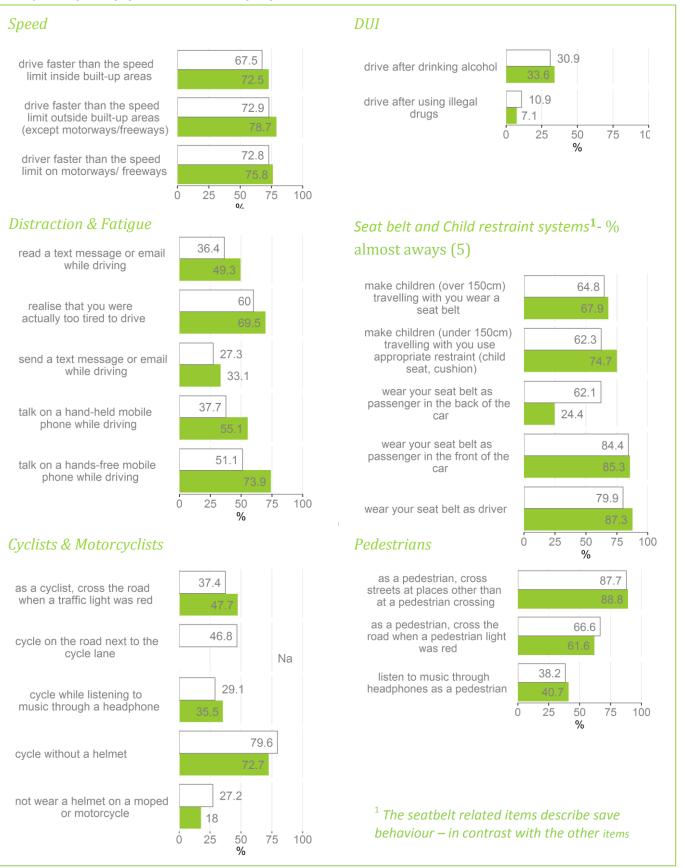
Mode of transportation

What were your most frequent modes of transport during the last 12 months? - % of respondents choosing this mode as one of their top 3 transportation mode



Self-reported behaviour

In the past 12 months, as a road user, how often did you...? (5-point scale, 1=never to 5=(almost) always) - % at least once (2-5)



Acceptability - personal

How acceptable do you, personally, feel it is for a driver...? (5-point scale, 1=unacceptable to 5=acceptable) - % (rather) acceptable (4-5)

Speed

to drive 20 km per hour over the speed limit in an urban area to drive 20 km per hour over the speed limit on a freeway

/ motorway



3.4

3

3.5

4

%

6

8

30

50

2

3.5

4.8

4.3

0

6.6

10

20

%

7.4

8.3

0

DUI

to drive 1 hour after using drugs (other than medication)

to drive after using both drugs (other than medication) and alcohol

to drive when they think they may have had too much to drink

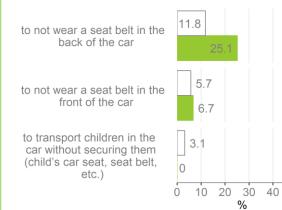
Distraction & Fatigue

to drive when they're so sleepy that they have trouble keeping their eyes open

to talk on a hand-held mobile phone while driving

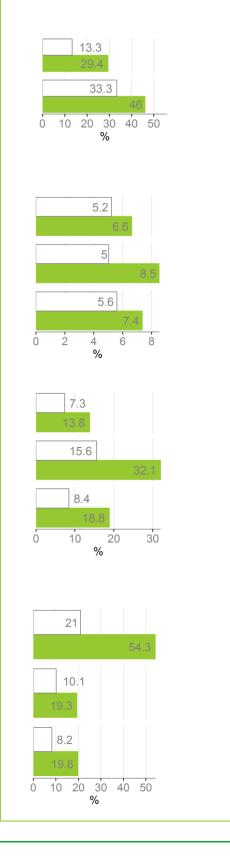
to type text messages or e-mails while driving

Seat belt and Child restraint systems



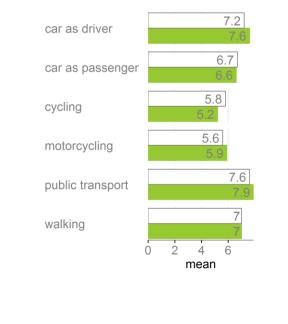
Acceptability- others

Where you live, how acceptable would most other people say it is for a driver...? (5-point scale, 1=unacceptable to 5=acceptable) - % (rather) acceptable (4-5)



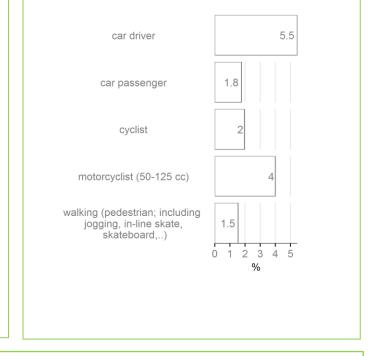
(Un)Safety feeling

How (un)safe do you feel when using the following transport modes...? (11-point scale, *0=very unsafe to 10 very safe*) - mean of the 11-point scale



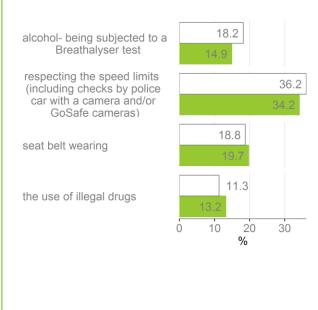
Involvement in road crashes

In the past three months have you been involved in a road traffic accident as...? - % at least once- NA for Italy

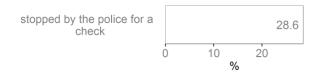


Enforcement

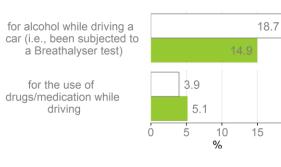
On a typical journey, how likely is it that you (as a driver) will be checked by the police for ...? (5-point scale, 1=very small chance to 5 (almost) always) - % (very) big chance



In the past 12 months, how many times have you been stopped by the police for a check? - % at least once - NA for Italy



In the past 12 months, how many times were you checked by the police...? - % at least once



Background Data

Basic data of Italy in relation to the European average². (Source: Eurostat)

Exposure		
	year	IT
total length of roads (km)*	NA	NA
total length of motorways (km)*	2014	6844
vehicle kilometres (total in millions)*	2014	740500
motorisation rate (Cars/1 000 inhab.)**	2012	621
* Source: IRTAD ** Source: Eurostat		

Persons killed in road accidents by age (CARE database)

			IT	EU	
ages	year	absolute	% of the age	absolute number	% of the age
		number	category	absolute number	category
0-14	2013	62	1.8	673	2.6
15-17	2013	70	2.1	622	2.4
18-24	2013	369	10.9	3813	14.7
25-49	2013	1129	33.4	9236	35.7
50-64	2013	645	19.1	5121	19.8
≥65	2013	1056	31.2	6423	24.8
TOTAL	2013	3385	100.0	25888	100.0

European sum computed with the most recent available year by country (2009: BG, EE; 2010: MT, SK; 2012: IE; 2013: BE, DK, EL, ES, FI, FR, HU, IT, LT, NL, PL, PT, SE, SI; others: 2014)

Persons killed in road accidents by transport mode (CARE database)

		IT	EU
Mode of transportation	year	absolute number	absolute number
car (including taxi)	2014	1497	11768
moped	2014	112	737
motor cycle	2014	704	3776
pedal cycle	2014	273	2108
pedestrian	2014	578	5681

European sum computed with the most recent available year by country (2009: BG; 2010: MT; 2013: EL; IE; SI, SI; others: 2014)

Population

	year	IT	EU
population (M. inhab.)	2014	60.8	502.7
density (inhab./km2)	2014	201.2	117.2

Age Dist	stribution		
ages	year	IT	EU
0-14	2014	13.9	15.6
15-24	2014	9.8	11.3
25-49	2014	35.0	34.7
50-64	2014	19.9	19.8
65-79	2014	15.0	13.4
≥80	2014	6.4	5.1
% of the	e population	1	

² The European average is based on the EU-27: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

³ The six internet-related activities which were used to group the respondents were: (a) use of a search engine to find information; (b) send an e-mail with attached files; (c) post messages to chat rooms, newsgroups or any online discussion forum; (d) use the internet to make telephone calls; (e) use peer-to-peer file sharing for exchanging movies, music etc.; (f) create a web page.

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