

Italy, Europe

Number of Protected areas

3,899

Polygons/Points ratio

100%

Polygons

0%

Points

Number of sources

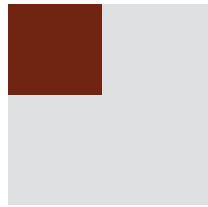
For International designations	7
For National designations	1
For Regional designations	2
TOTAL	10

Governance types

Name	Governance type	Count	%
Federal or national ministry or agency		3831	98.26
Not Reported		66	1.69
Collaborative governance		1	0.03
Non-profit organisations		1	0.03

Protected areas coverage [\(Ref 1 ↓\)](#)

Area terrestrial



21.54%

coverage

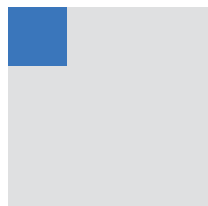
64,904.79198 km²

Land Area Protected

301,335.3097 km²

Total Land Area

Area marine



8.79%

coverage

47,392.68975 km²

Marine Area Protected

538,881.0 km²

Total Marine Area

Warning: These statistics might differ from those reported officially by countries due to difference in methodologies and datasets used to assess protected area coverage and differences in the base maps used to measure terrestrial and marine area of a country or territory.

8 National designations

Categories	Count
Natural Marine Reserve and Natural Protected Marine Areas	27
Regional/Provincial Nature Reserve	365
International significance Natural Marine Area	1
Others	2
Other Protected Natural Regional Areas	171
National Park	24
State Nature Reserve	147
Regional/Provincial Nature Park	134

3 Regional designations

Categories	Count
Special Protection Area (Birds Directive)	613
Specially Protected Areas of Mediterranean Importance (Barcelona Convention)	11
Site of Community Importance (Habitats Directive)	2335

3 International designations

Categories	Count
World Heritage Site (natural or mixed)	5
UNESCO-MAB Biosphere Reserve	8
Ramsar Site, Wetland of International Importance	56

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