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Factsheet: The Italian Chamber of Deputies
























Palazzo Montecitorio, seat of the Camera dei Deputati

1. At a glance



The Italian Parliament consists of two chambers: the Chamber of Deputies ("*Camera dei Deputati*") and the Senate ("*Senato della Repubblica*").

The Chamber of Deputies has a maximum of **630 Members**, elected by the citizens being at least 18 years old. Every elector who is 25 years old on the day of the elections can be elected to the Chamber. Given the failed attempt to reform the Constitution, the Italian Parliament has remained a "perfect bicameral system", where the two Chambers have exactly the same functions and powers. Italy is a Parliamentary Democracy, where both the Chamber and the Senate give a vote of confidence on a new Government and its political programme. Every seven years, a special body composed of the Chamber, Senate and regional delegates elects the President of the Republic. The last electoral law is a mixture of majority (1/3 of the seats) and proportional system (2/3 of the seats). In addition, since 2006, 12 deputies are elected by the Italians resident abroad.

2. Composition

	Party	EP Affiliation	Current seats
	Movimento 5 Stelle 5 Stars Movement		222
	Lega Salvini Premier League Salvini for Premier		123
	Partito Democratico (PD) Democratic Party		111
	Forza Italia - Berlusconi Presidente Come on Italy - Berlusconi for President		105
	Fratelli d'Italia Brothers of Italy		32
	Liberi e Uguali (LEU) Free and equal		14
Gruppo Misto	 Più Europa con Emma Bonino More Europe with Emma Bonino		3
	 Noi con l'Italia - UDC Together with Italy		4
	 Civica Popolare+AP+PSI+Area Civica Popular Civic List		4
	 Minoranze Linguistiche SVP-PATT Linguistic Minorities		4
	 MAIE - Movimento Associativo Italiani all'Estero		6
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3. Officeholders

<p>Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies</p>  <p>Mr Roberto Fico (M5S), since 24 March 2018</p>	<p>Chairperson of the EU Policies Committee</p>  <p>Mr Sergio Battelli (M5S), since 21 June 2018</p>
<p>Secretary General of the Chamber of Deputies: Ms Lucia Pagano</p>	

4. Relations with Members of the European Parliament

Participation rights for Italian MEPs in plenary sittings	No
Participation rights for Italian MEPs in committee meetings	Yes
Availability of videoconferencing system in the Chamber of Deputies	Yes

5. Information links

Official website: <http://camera.it>

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