

Machinery Made in Italy worldwide

Data, trends, and
key sector trade fairs

Italian mechanics makes the world go round

Made in Italy is renowned worldwide especially for its mechanical products. The skill and precision of small artisans have been skilfully combined with the innovations of large industries, contributing to making the sector one of Italy's flagships. Mechanical product exports are the country's largest share — a sign of confidence in the high quality of products that combine reliability and competence of one of Europe's largest talent pools, which produces 45,000 graduates every year.

Mechanics:
sector
numbers

World's
5th largest
exporter

€99.8 BN
World export value in 2024

Italy is the world's 5th largest exporter in the mechanical engineering sector. Made in Italy exports generated almost EUR 100 billion worldwide, placing the country just behind China, Germany, the United States, and Japan.

The main markets of Made in Italy ^①

12.8%

United States
Turnover:
€12.8 BN

7.9%

France
Turnover:
€7.8 BN

3.6%

United Kingdom
Turnover:
€3.6 BN

3.2%

Turkey
Turnover:
€3.1 BN

2.4%

Mexico
Turnover:
€2.3 BN

10%

Germany
Turnover:
€9.9 BN

4.2%

Spain
Turnover:
€4.1 BN

3.6%

China
Turnover:
€3.5 BN

3.1%

Poland
Turnover:
€3.1 BN

2.3%

Saudi Arabia
Turnover:
€2.3 BN

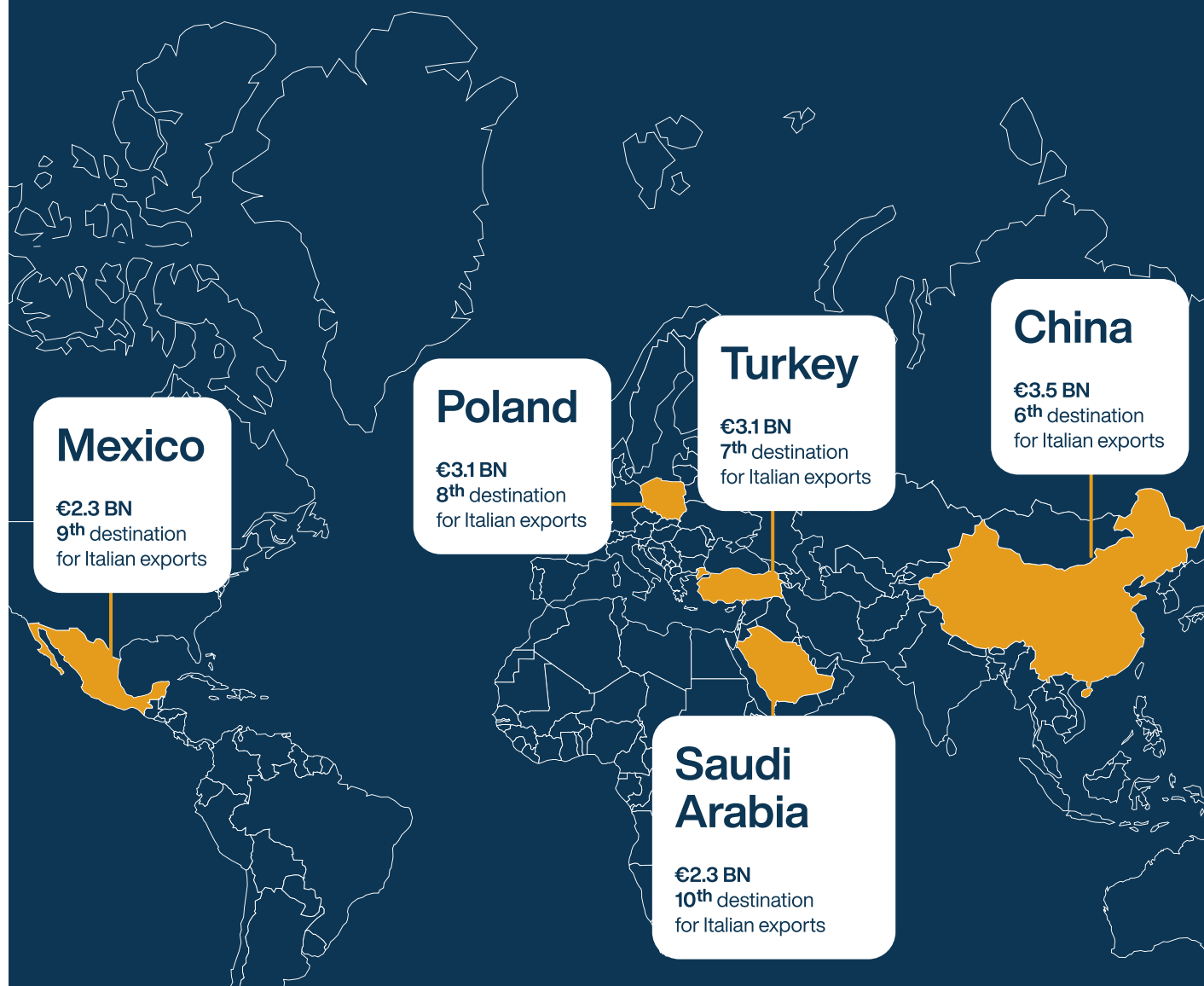
Most popular products

Of all sector exports, the most popular products are ventilation and refrigeration products for non-domestic use and stationary domestic air conditioners. In total, exports of these goods generated 9.3 billion €.

The sector as seen from emerging markets ^②

The sector is of primary interest to emerging markets, such as: China, Mexico, Poland, Singapore, Turkey, Vietnam, India, United Arab Emirates, Brazil, and Saudi Arabia.

Some of Italy's best customers ^③



Source [2]: Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, "Action Plan for Italian Exports"

Source [3]: Economic Observatory elaboration based on ISTAT data – Economic Observatory - Infomercatiesteri, report: "Statistics on Italy's Trade in the Machinery Sector", 2025.

Mechanical products account for nearly half of Italy's exports ^④

Among emerging markets, in addition to Mexico, India and Brazil are also present. In these countries, the mechanical sector accounts for a significant share of Made in Italy imports, with figures approaching 40%.



India

40.2% of total exports

€2 BN



Brazil

31.8% of total exports

€1.8 BN in 2024

The link with Brazil ^⑤

In Central and South America, Italian mechanical engineering exports are very strong, especially to Brazil and Mexico.

For the former in particular, Italy is the third largest supplier after Germany and China.

Top-selling Italian products in international markets ^⑥



Other pumps and compressors

Total exports

€7.4 BN

in 2024

Export weight of the sector

7.5% of the sector's total exports



Other taps and valves

Total exports

€7.4 BN

in 2024

Export weight of the sector

7.5% of the sector's total exports



Turbines and turboalternators (including parts and accessories)

Total exports

€3.3 BN

in 2024

Export weight of the sector

3.4% of the sector's total exports



Lifting and handling machinery and equipment

Total exports

€8.3 BN

in 2024

Export weight of the sector

8.3% of the sector's total exports



Ovens, furnaces and burners

Total exports

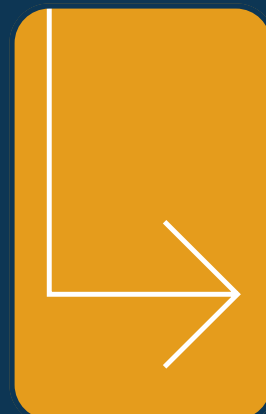
€1.7 BN

in 2024

Export weight of the sector

1.7%

of the sector's total exports



Top-selling Italian products in international markets ^⑥



Non-domestic refrigeration and ventilation equipment; stationary domestic air conditioners

Total exports

€9.3 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

9.4%
of the sector's total exports



Other machinery for agriculture, forestry and animal husbandry

Total exports

€3.5 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

3.6% of the sector's total exports



General purpose machinery and other mechanical equipment n.e.c.

Total exports

€6.4 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

6.5% of the sector's total exports



Automatic dosing, wrapping and packaging machines (including parts and accessories)

Total exports

€6.4 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

6.5%
of the sector's total exports



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Other mining, quarrying and construction machinery (including parts and accessories)

Total exports

€4.2 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

4.3% of the sector's total exports



Machines for the food, beverage and tobacco industry (including parts and accessories)

Total exports

€4.6 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

4.7% of the sector's total exports



Machines for the plastics and rubber industry (including parts and accessories)

Total exports

€2.5 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

2.6%
of the sector's total exports



Metal forming machine tools (including parts and accessories and excluding interchangeable parts)

Total exports

€4.7 BN
in 2024

Export weight of the sector

4.8%
of the sector's total exports

The most relevant international trade fairs

Discover the most relevant national and international trade fairs for Made in Italy, and the key events for the mechanics sector.

Expomafe Brasile



6-10 May 2025



São Paulo, Brazil

Expomafe, one of Latin America's largest trade fairs for machinery and tools, presents the latest trends and innovations in the manufacturing sector, attracting exhibitors and visitors from all over the world.

FIERA INTERNAZIONALE DELL'AGRICOLTURA



17 - 22 May 2025



Novi Sad, Serbia

The trade fair is the leading event in the Balkan region for the mechanical engineering sector, particularly in agricultural mechanisation, packaging, and food processing.

EMO Hannover 2025



22-27 September 2025



Hannover, Germany

EMO Hannover, the world's leading trade fair for machine tools and manufacturing technology, showcases the latest innovations in automation, robotics and industrial digitisation.

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SteelFab Saudi Arabia 2026



12 - 16 January 2026



Sharjah, Saudi Arabia

SteelFab is recognised as the most comprehensive event of its kind, effectively catering to the full range of auxiliary segments in the fabrication industry.

International Manufacturing Technology Show



14 - 19 September 2026



Chicago, USA

It is one of the most important trade shows in the world for manufacturing technology. The biennial event brings together over 2,500 exhibitors and attracts more than 90,000 professionals from around the globe.



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MARMOMAC



23 - 26 September 2025



Verona Fiere, Verona, Italy

Marmomac is the most important global trade fair dedicated to the entire stone production chain, from the quarry to the finished product, from technologies and machinery to tools.

BI-MU 2026



14-17 October 2026



Fiera Milano Rho, Milan, Italy

Italy's leading biennial event dedicated to the machine tool, robotics and digital manufacturing industry, and focusing on additive technologies and smart manufacturing.