



**Regularisation 2020**

THE ITALIAN STRATEGY TO TACKLE LABOUR EXPLOITATION AND ILLEGAL RECRUITMENT IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR



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Adopted the first **THREE – YEAR NATIONAL PLAN TO TACKLE LABOUR EXPLOITATION AND ILLEGAL RECRUITMENT IN AGRICULTURE (2020 – 2022)**

Approved by Regions Conference in **MAY 2020**

Three-year Plan to tackle labour exploitation and unlawful recruitment in agriculture (2020 – 2022)

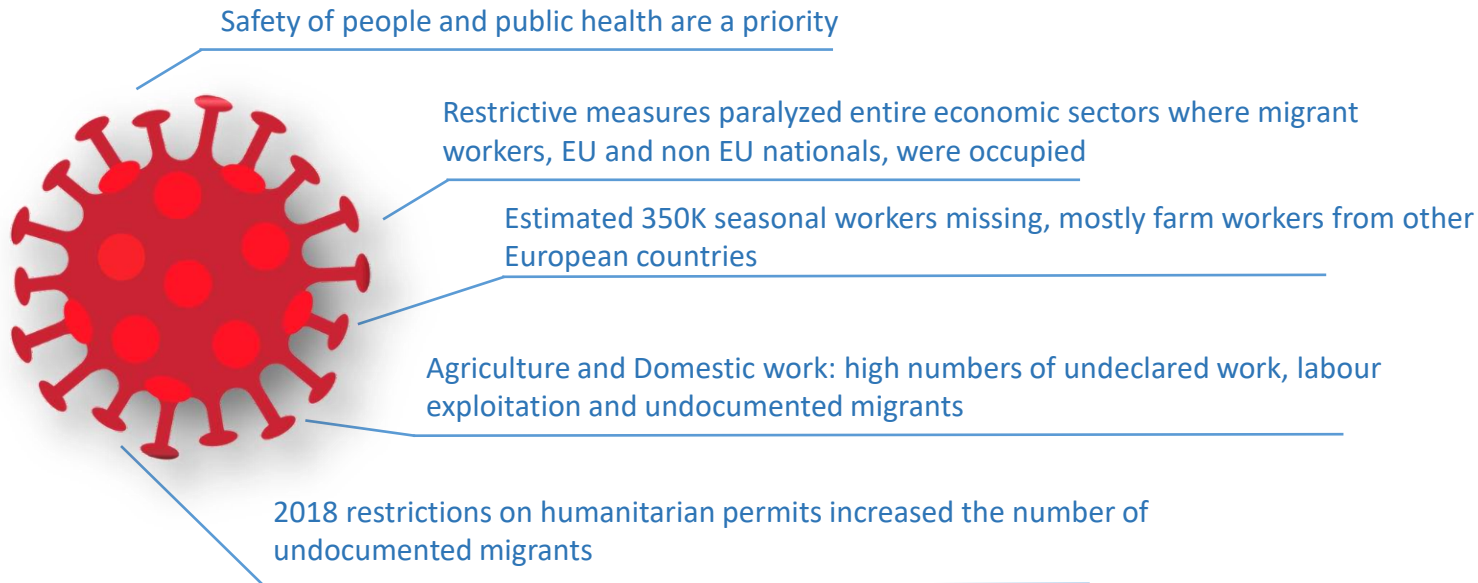
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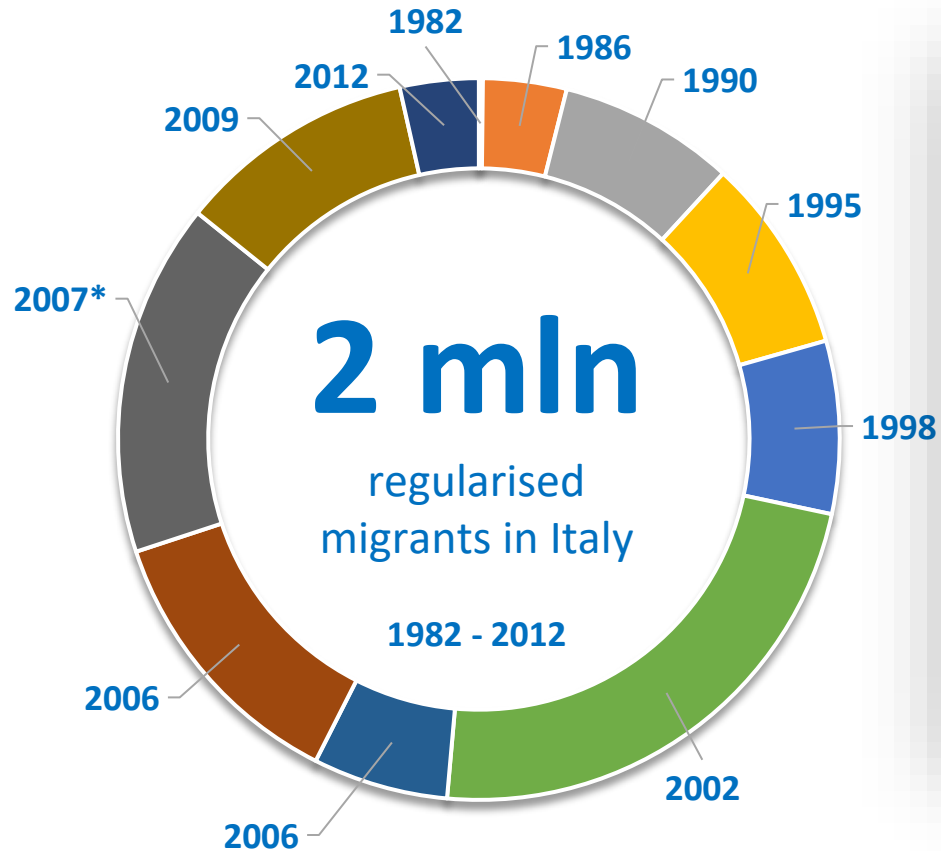
2020

ESTIMATED **600K UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS**  
THIRD-COUNTRY NATIONALS



*«The invisibles become attractive when covid-19 desertifies land and greenhouses from European seasonal workers (... )»*

Coldiretti (National Confederation of Farmers)



1982	1986
5.000	105.000
1990	1995
222.000	246.000
1998	2002
217.000	647.000
2006	2006
170.000	350.000
2007* - EU Enlargement	
444.000	
2009	2012
300.000	99.000



### Standardisation

Until 1998, lack of specific policies to attract migrant workers, to tackle international human-trafficking, to contrast labour exploitation



### Restrictions

In 1998, 2002 and 2018, introduced quotas available for migrant workers, job-seeker visa cancelled, increased sanctions for illegal immigration, tourism and other visas not valid to obtain a work-related residence permit, strict conditions to release a permit for humanitarian purposes



### Reduction of quotas available for migrant workers

Due to the national economic situation (2007-present) and the refugee crisis (2015 - 2017), drastic reduction of visa released for working purposes. In 2020 released 30k quotas vs. 150k in 2007



### Expulsions are complicated and expensive

Low percentage of repatriated irregular migrants, need to renovate and strengthen agreements with origin countries



### The geographical position of Italy in the Mediterranean

## 2020 Regularisation Scheme: KEY FEATURES

Art. 103 – Law Decree 134/2020



Addressed to national or non-national workers irregularly employed in specific sectors



AGRI-FOOD



HEALTH-CARE



DOMESTIC WORK



FROM 1 JUNE  
to 15 AUGUST 2020



Irregular **non-EU nationals** should have to prove their presence in Italy **before 8.03.2020**



**Asylum seekers** admitted. In case of success, asylum procedure closed and release of a work-related permit of stay



Employers and workers **condemned for serious crimes**. **Non-Eu national workers reached by expulsion measures for serious reasons**



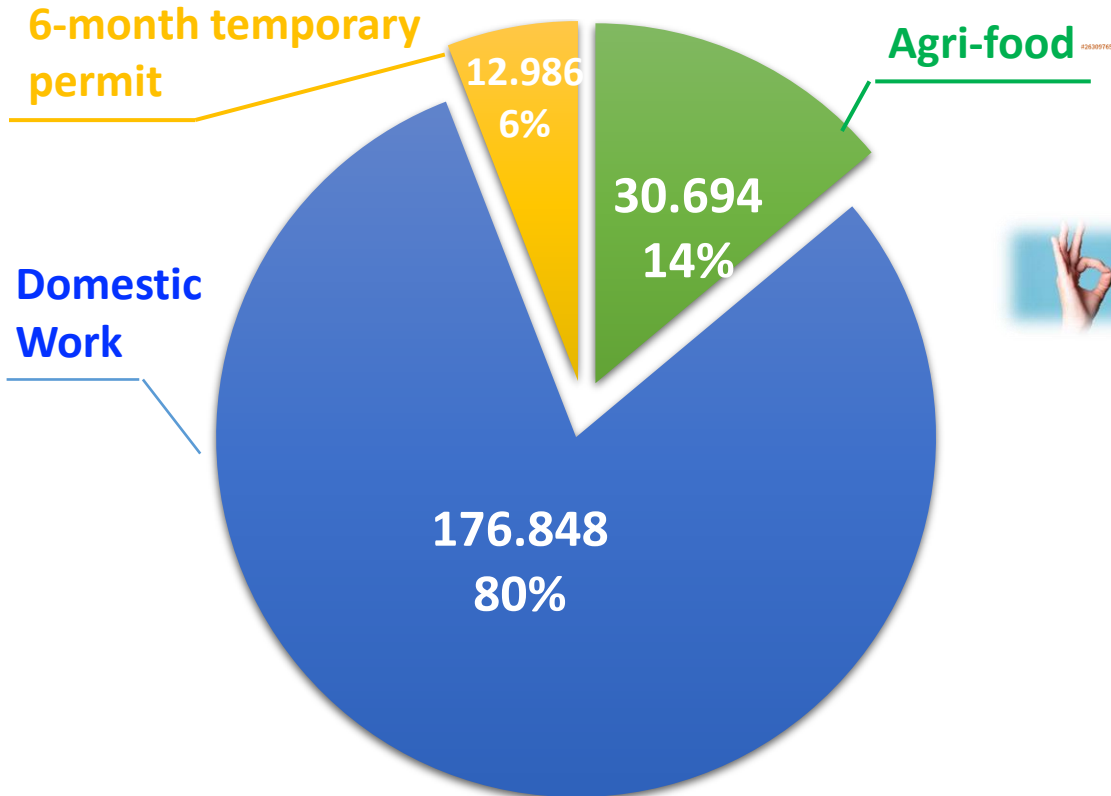
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- Requests submitted by **employers**
- Promise to offer a **new job contract** or **regularisation of a pre-existing undeclared work** in the identified economic sectors
- **Minimum income** for the employer
- Payment of a **one-off social security flat-rate**
- Release of a **work-related permit of stay of 1 or 2 years** according to the contract offered

OPTION  
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- Valid only for **irregular non-EU nationals** who submit the request
- **6-month** temporary job-seeker permit
- **Previous residence permit** expired before 31.10.2019
- **Previous experience** in the identified economic sectors
- **The temporary permit can be turned into a work-related permit** in case of a job offer

**220.528** Requests Submitted - 15.08.2020 



**11.000** permits released – 01.06.2021

**20.000** permits about to be issued – 01.06.2021

**86%** of pending requests



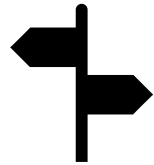
Source: Italian Ministry of Home Affairs

TOP 5 – Domestic-Work Requests per Region



TOP 5 – Agri-Food Requests per Region





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