

Tab. 1 Italian coastal municipalities in 2011 (Elaboration from ISTAT).

	Number	Size (km ²)	Population	Density (inhab/km ²)	Variation of population density 2011-2001
Italy	8,093	302,072	59,433,744	196.75	+8.0
Costal municipalities	645	43,121	16,671,831	386.62	+7.0
% Coastal	7.97	14.28	28.05	-	-
Italy (>500,000 inhabs excluded)	8,087	299,953	52,496,335	173.8	+8.2
Coastal (>500,000 inhabs excluded)	641	41,314	11,848,912	286.8	+7.9
%Coastal (>500,000 inhabs excluded)	7.92	13.77	22.57	-	-

The goal of the analysis is to provide a characterization of the Italian coastal municipalities allowing to highlight their specialization in terms of economic activities and economic dependence on marine production sectors. Moreover, we also highlight the environmental pressure due to high pollutant sectors in the coastal

municipalities. We then will be able to determine the presence of coastal areas that are subjected to a strong environmental pressure due to both the impact caused by the economic sectors depending on the sea and the high impact sectors and we can also have evidence of a possible interrelation between the two groups of sectors.

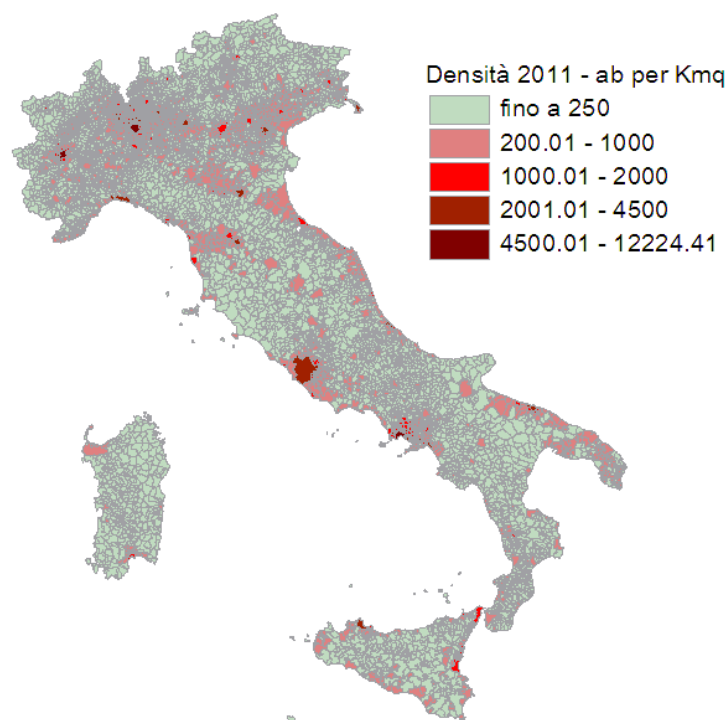


Fig. 1 Population density in Italian coastal municipalities, 2011.