

Summary Statistics Sectoral Level

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Economic Sectors

In the analysis of ICT usage in enterprises, the classification of economic sectors adhered to the ATECO 2007 standards set by ISTAT, the Italian National Institute of Statistics. Initially, for 2014 and 2015, data collection followed 27 distinct sector groupings as detailed in the ATECO 2007 classification. Subsequently, to streamline data analysis and improve reporting efficiency, these groupings were condensed into 11 broader categories. Further refining the categorization, these 11 groupings have now been reorganized into four major groups: Industrial, Commercial, Service, Creative Industries and ICT. This restructuring facilitates a more uniform analysis across different years, enabling a comprehensive view of ICT usage trends across Italy's economic sectors.

Grouping of 11 Sectors

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C	Manufacturing
D_E	Energy & Water Treatment
F	Construction
G	Wholesale Retail
H	Transport
I	Accommodation
J	Media & ICT
L	Real Estate
M	Professional, scientific and technical activities
N	Rental & Travel
S	Repair computers and communications

Count of Firms by Sector by year

sec_name	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Manufacturing	4320	4684	4728	5308	4648	4015
Energy & WT	1369	1378	1269	1473	1288	1287
Construction	3514	2896	2516	2906	3094	3030
Wholesale Retail	4723	4668	5752	6853	7777	4500
Transport	801	748	682	792	853	737
Accommodation	670	617	575	710	666	713
Media & Telecom	1045	1027	951	1157	1517	1465
Real Estate	245	229	209	224	251	222
Prof, Sci & Tech	901	1004	799	601	585	867
Rental & Travel	1158	1995	1345	1079	1067	1496
Tech Repair	86	76	66	92	79	51

Percentage of Firms by Sectors by Year

sec_name	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Manufacturing	22.94	24.24	25.03	25.04	21.30	21.84
Energy & WT	7.27	7.13	6.72	6.95	5.90	7.00
Construction	18.66	14.99	13.32	13.71	14.18	16.48
Wholesale Retail	25.08	24.16	30.45	32.33	35.63	24.48
Transport	4.25	3.87	3.61	3.74	3.91	4.01
Accommodation	3.56	3.19	3.04	3.35	3.05	3.88
Media & Telecom	5.55	5.32	5.03	5.46	6.95	7.97
Real Estate	1.30	1.19	1.11	1.06	1.15	1.21
Prof, Sci & Tech	4.78	5.20	4.23	2.84	2.68	4.72
Rental & Travel	6.15	10.33	7.12	5.09	4.89	8.14
Tech Repair	0.46	0.39	0.35	0.43	0.36	0.28

Manufacturing

In the database, the manufacturing sector is designated by the code 'C' and includes subgroups ranging from 10 to 33, as defined by the ATECO classification. Manufacturing is prominently represented in the sample, averaging **4617.17** firms per year. The average proportion of firms within this sector is **23.4%**, with a standard deviation of **1.62%** over the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Manufacturing	2014	4320	18832	22.94
Manufacturing	2015	4684	19322	24.24
Manufacturing	2016	4728	18892	25.03
Manufacturing	2017	5308	21195	25.04
Manufacturing	2018	4648	21825	21.30
Manufacturing	2019	4015	18383	21.84

Supply of Energy, Water and Water Treatments

In the sample, the sectors for the supply of energy, water, and water treatments are collectively categorized under the codes “D” and “E”. Sector D, represented by subgroup 35, is responsible for the supply of electric energy, gas, steam, and air conditioning. Sector E, denoted by subgroup 39, manages water supply and sewerage treatment. On average, this combined sector includes **1344** firms per year. The proportion of firms within this sector averages **6.83%**, with a standard deviation of **0.49%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Energy & WT	2014	1369	18832	7.27
Energy & WT	2015	1378	19322	7.13
Energy & WT	2016	1269	18892	6.72
Energy & WT	2017	1473	21195	6.95
Energy & WT	2018	1288	21825	5.90
Energy & WT	2019	1287	18383	7.00

Construction

In the sample, the construction sector, designated by the code “F” and including subgroups 41 to 43, consistently features **2992.67** firms each year on average. The proportion of firms within this sector averages **15.22%**, with a standard deviation of **2.02%** over the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Construction	2014	3514	18832	18.66
Construction	2015	2896	19322	14.99
Construction	2016	2516	18892	13.32
Construction	2017	2906	21195	13.71
Construction	2018	3094	21825	14.18
Construction	2019	3030	18383	16.48

Wholesale Retail

In the sample, the Wholesale and Retail sector, coded with the letter “G” and encompassing subgroups 45 to 47, has the highest representation. This sector averages **5712.17** firms per year, making up an average of **28.69%** per year, the highest percentage among all sectors. The variability in firm proportions annually is captured by a standard deviation of **4.81%**.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Wholesale Retail	2014	4723	18832	25.08
Wholesale Retail	2015	4668	19322	24.16
Wholesale Retail	2016	5752	18892	30.45
Wholesale Retail	2017	6853	21195	32.33
Wholesale Retail	2018	7777	21825	35.63
Wholesale Retail	2019	4500	18383	24.48

Transport

In the sample, the transport sector, coded with the letter “H” and spanning subgroups 49 to 53, consistently includes an average of **768.83** firms per year. The proportion of firms within this sector typically averages **3.9%**, with a standard deviation of **0.22%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Transport	2014	801	18832	4.25
Transport	2015	748	19322	3.87
Transport	2016	682	18892	3.61
Transport	2017	792	21195	3.74
Transport	2018	853	21825	3.91
Transport	2019	737	18383	4.01

Accommodation

In the sample, the Accommodation sector, coded with the letter “I” and encompassing subgroups 53 to 55, consistently includes **658.5** firms per year on average. This sector, which covers lodging and catering services, typically accounts for **3.34%** of the total sample, with a standard deviation of **0.33%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Accommodation	2014	670	18832	3.56
Accommodation	2015	617	19322	3.19
Accommodation	2016	575	18892	3.04
Accommodation	2017	710	21195	3.35
Accommodation	2018	666	21825	3.05
Accommodation	2019	713	18383	3.88

Media & Telecom

In the sample, the Media and Telecom sector, coded with the letter “J” and spanning subgroups 58 to 63, consistently includes **1193.67** firms per year on average. This sector comprises a range of activities including publishing, film and video production, telecommunications, and other information services. It typically accounts for **6.05%** of the total sample, with a standard deviation of **1.15%** across the years.

sec__name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Media & Telecom	2014	1045	18832	5.55
Media & Telecom	2015	1027	19322	5.32
Media & Telecom	2016	951	18892	5.03
Media & Telecom	2017	1157	21195	5.46
Media & Telecom	2018	1517	21825	6.95
Media & Telecom	2019	1465	18383	7.97

Real Estate

In the sample, the Real Estate sector, coded with the letter “L” and specifically encompassing subgroup 68, consistently includes **230** firms per year on average. It typically accounts for **1.17%** of the total sample, with a standard deviation of **0.08%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Real Estate	2014	245	18832	1.30
Real Estate	2015	229	19322	1.19
Real Estate	2016	209	18892	1.11
Real Estate	2017	224	21195	1.06
Real Estate	2018	251	21825	1.15
Real Estate	2019	222	18383	1.21

Professional, scientific and technic activities

In the sample, the Professional, Scientific, and Technical Activities sector coded with “M” includes a broad spectrum of services such as legal, accounting, architectural, engineering, and specialized scientific research, excluding veterinary activities. On average, this sector comprises **792.83** firms annually. It represents **4.08%** of the total sample with a variability (standard deviation) of **1.07%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Prof, Sci & Tech	2014	901	18832	4.78
Prof, Sci & Tech	2015	1004	19322	5.20
Prof, Sci & Tech	2016	799	18892	4.23
Prof, Sci & Tech	2017	601	21195	2.84
Prof, Sci & Tech	2018	585	21825	2.68
Prof, Sci & Tech	2019	867	18383	4.72

Rental & Travel

In the sample, the Rental and Travel Services sector, coded with the letter “N,” encompasses activities related to rental services and travel agency operations. On average, this sector features **1356.67** firms annually. It accounts for **6.95%** of the total sample, with a standard deviation of **2.06%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Rental & Travel	2014	1158	18832	6.15
Rental & Travel	2015	1995	19322	10.33
Rental & Travel	2016	1345	18892	7.12
Rental & Travel	2017	1079	21195	5.09
Rental & Travel	2018	1067	21825	4.89
Rental & Travel	2019	1496	18383	8.14

Tech Repair

In the sample, the sector coded with the letter “S,” specifically subgroup 95, focuses on the Repair of Computers and Communication Equipment. This specialized sector consistently includes **75** firms annually. It accounts for **0.38%** of the total sample, with a standard deviation of **0.06%** across the years.

sec_name	year	count	total_firms	proportion
Tech Repair	2014	86	18832	0.46
Tech Repair	2015	76	19322	0.39
Tech Repair	2016	66	18892	0.35
Tech Repair	2017	92	21195	0.43
Tech Repair	2018	79	21825	0.36
Tech Repair	2019	51	18383	0.28