

## Country Information Guide



### Vatican

**A guide to information sources on the Vatican City and the Holy See,  
with hyperlinks to information within European Sources Online  
and on external websites**

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## Information sources in the ESO database

- [Vatican – External / Internal / Regions](#)

## General information

- Vatican: Government portal: [The Holy See](#)
- European Union: European Countries: [The Holy See](#)
- Wikipedia:
  - [The Holy See](#)
  - [Vatican City](#)
- United States: CIA: World Factbook: [The Holy See](#)
- United States: Department of State: [The Holy See](#)
- BBC News: Country Profile: [The Holy See](#)
- Encyclopaedia Britannica: World data: [The Holy See](#)
- The Guardian: World news: [The Holy See](#)
- Google: Search for websites on [The Holy See](#)
- SearchEnginesoftheWorld: European Search Engines, Directories and Lists: [The Holy See](#)
- NationMaster: Home: Country Info: Profiles: [Holy See \(Vatican City\)](#)

## Culture and language information

- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Pontifical Councils: [Pontifical Council for Culture](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Pontifical Commissions:
  - [Pontifical Commission for Sacred Archaeology](#)
  - [Pontifical Commission for the Cultural Heritage of the Church](#)
  - [Pontifical Biblical Commission](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Offices:
  - [Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See \(A.P.S.A.\)](#)
  - [Pontifical Commission for Cultural Assets](#) [in Italian]
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Institutions Connected with the Holy See:
  - [Vatican Library](#)
  - [The Papal Basilica of St. Peter](#) [in Italian]
  - [Office of Papal Charities](#)
  - [Vatican Observatory Foundation](#)
- Council of Europe/ERICarts: Cultural Policies and Trends in Europe: [Holy See](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: [The Holy See](#)
- UNESCO: World Heritage Sites: [Vatican City](#)
- SIL International: Ethnologue: Languages of the World: [Vatican State](#)

## Defence and security information

- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Pontifical Councils: [Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: [Swiss Guard](#)
- The Holy See: The Holy See Press Office: [Corpo della Gendarmeria dello Stato della Città del Vaticano](#) [in Italian]

## Economic information

- ESO: [Vatican: Economic situation](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Offices:
  - [Council for the Economy](#)
  - [Secretariat for the Economy](#)
  - [Prefecture for the Economic Affairs](#) [in Italian]
  - [Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See](#) [in Italian]
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Institutions Connected with the Holy See: [Financial Information Authority](#)
- The Holy See: The Holy See Press Office: [Euro](#) [in Italian]
- WTO: The Holy See has permanent observer status in the WTO, but there is no section on the Holy See on the [WTO website](#).

## Education information

- The Holy See: Roman Curia:
  - [Pontifical Academies](#)
  - [The Congregation for Catholic Education](#) (Congregatio de Institutione Catholica) [in Italian]
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Institutions Connected with the Holy See: [Agency for the Evaluation and Promotion of Quality in Ecclesiastical Universities and Faculties](#)
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: [Education in the Holy See](#)
- NationMaster: [Education Statistics](#)

## Employment information

- The Holy See: [The Labour Office of the Apostolic See](#) [in Italian]

## European policies and relations with the European Union

- The Holy See: Roman Curia: [Secretariat of State](#)
- European Union: Countries: [The Holy See](#)
- European Union: EEAS: EU Delegations: Rome: [Work with the Holy See](#)
- Council of Europe: Member States: [Holy See](#)

## Geographic information and maps

- The Holy See: The Holy See Press Office: [Map of Vatican City](#)
- Lonely Planet: [Map of The Holy See](#)
- Maps of the World: [Vatican City](#)
- University of Texas: Perry Castañeda Library Map Collection: [Vatican City](#)

## Health information

- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Pontifical Councils: [Pontifical Council for Health Care Workers \(for Health Pastoral Care\)](#)

## Human rights information

- UNHCR – The UN Refugee Agency: Country Information: [The Holy See](#)
- The Holy See: [The Holy See Mission](#)

## Intellectual property information

- World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO): Member States: [The Holy See](#)

## Justice and home affairs information

- The Holy See: Roman Curia: [Secretariat of State](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Pontifical Councils: [Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Tribunals:
  - [Apostolic Penitentiary](#)
  - [Supremo Tribunale della Segnatura Apostolica](#) [In Italian]
  - [Tribunal of the Roman Rota](#)
- United States: Library of Congress: Law Online: Nations: [Vatican](#)

## Living and working information

- The Holy See: The Holy See Press Office: [Vatican Citizenship](#)
- United States: Department of State: Countries: [Holy See](#)

## Media information

- The Holy See: [News Service](#)
- The Holy See: Roman Curia: Institutions Connected with the Holy See:
  - [L'Osservatore Romano](#)
  - [Vatican Press](#)
  - [Vatican Publishing House](#)
  - [Vatican Radio](#)
  - [Vatican Television Center](#)
- European Broadcasting Union: Active Members: [Vatican State](#)
- ABYZ News Links: Europe Newspapers and News Media: [The Holy See](#)
- Online Newspapers: [Vatican](#)
- Radiomap: Radio Stations in [Vatican](#) [in Italian]

## Political information (including Elections)

- ESO: Vatican: [Political situation](#)
- Vatican: Government Portal: [The Holy See](#)
- Vatican City: [Constitution](#) [in Italian]
- The Holy See:
  - [The Roman Curia](#)
  - [The Holy Father](#)
- International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES): Election Guide: [The Holy See](#)
- United States: Law Library of Congress: Law online: [The Holy See](#)

- Wikipedia:
  - [Politics of Vatican City](#)
  - [Papal Conclave](#)

### **Statistical information**

- The Holy See: The Holy See Press Office: [Andamento Numeric della Chiesa Cattolica nel Mondo](#) [in Italian]
- UNESCO: Institute for Statistics: Country and Regional Profiles: [The Holy See](#)
- NationMaster: Nations of the World: Statistics on [Vatican City](#)

### **Tourism information**

- Vatican City: Tourism Websites: [Vatican City](#)
- Guardian News & Media Ltd: Travel: [Vatican City](#)
- Lonely Planet: [Vatican City](#)
- TripAdvisor: Europe Tourism: [Vatican City](#)

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