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# COMMUNICATION MARKETS MONITORING SYSTEM

no. 1/2021



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# 03 POSTAL SERVICES

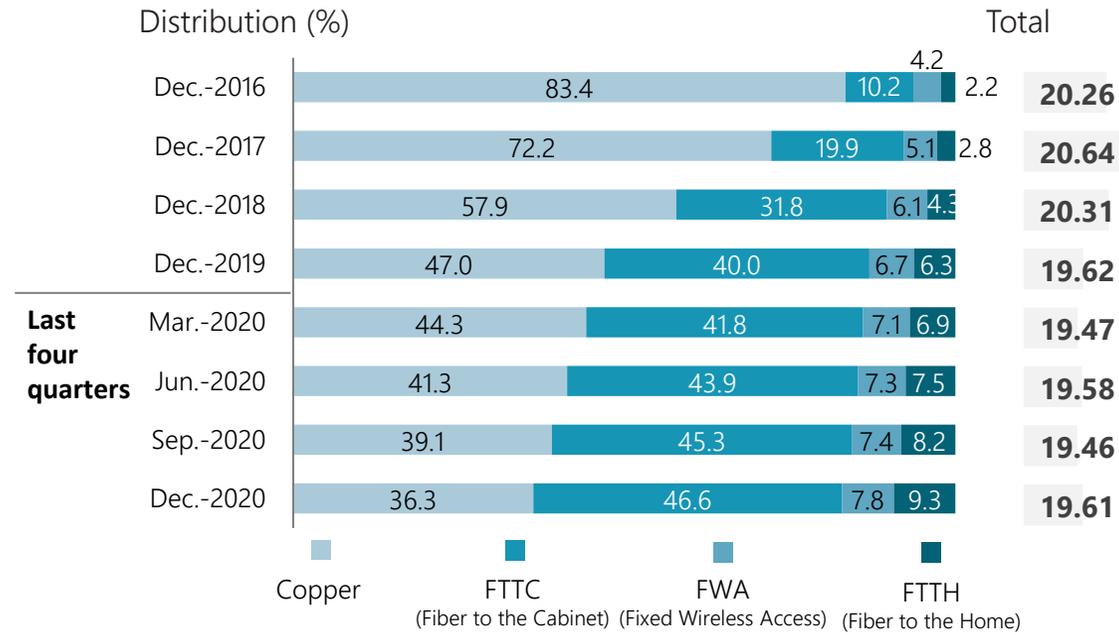
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daily newspapers, magazines, TV and postal services price indices
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international benchmark

The following figures are based on AGCOM's elaborations on firms' data and other sources (updated to December 2020). Due to changes in firms' accounting methods, some figures cannot be compared directly with those reported in previous issues. Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.

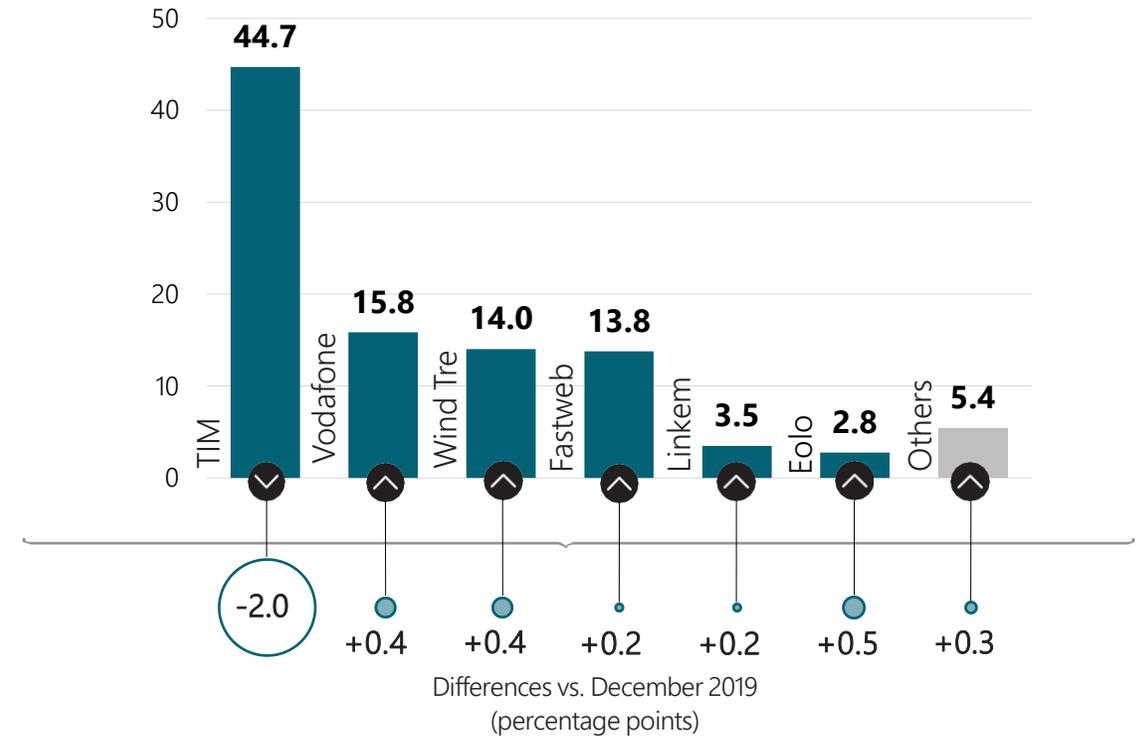
# 1.1: FIXED LINES: TOTAL LINES



Total lines	(no of lines)	(Δ %)	Distribution (Δ 2019-2020) percentage points
Quarterly change (September 2020 – December 2020)	<b>+144 K</b> accesses	-0.7% ↓	Copper: -10.7 ↓
Annual change (December 2019 – December 2020)	<b>-9 K</b> accesses	-2.0% ↓	FWA: +1.1 ↑
4-Year change (December 2016 – December 2020)	<b>-653 K</b> accesses	-3.9% ↓	FTTC: +6.6 ↑
			FTTH: +3.0 ↑

## MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020

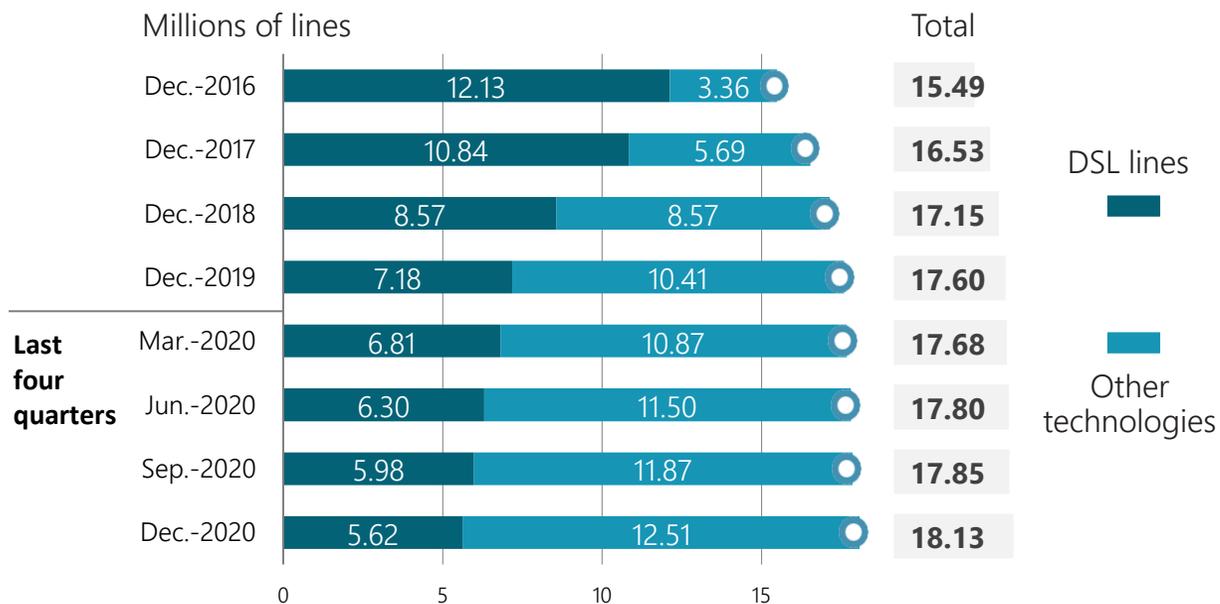


↓ **TIM's** market share has dropped to **44.7%**

↑ The market shares of **Vodafone, Wind Tre and Fastweb** has increased

↑ **Other operators**, as a whole, have increased their market share

## 1.2: FIXED LINES: BROADBAND AND ULTRABROADBAND LINES



Quarterly change  
(Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2020)

Total lines



**+274 K**  
lines  
(+0.3%)

Annual change  
(Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)

Total lines



**+533 K**  
lines  
(+2.1%)

DSL lines



**-1.563 M**  
lines  
(-19.5%)

Other technologies

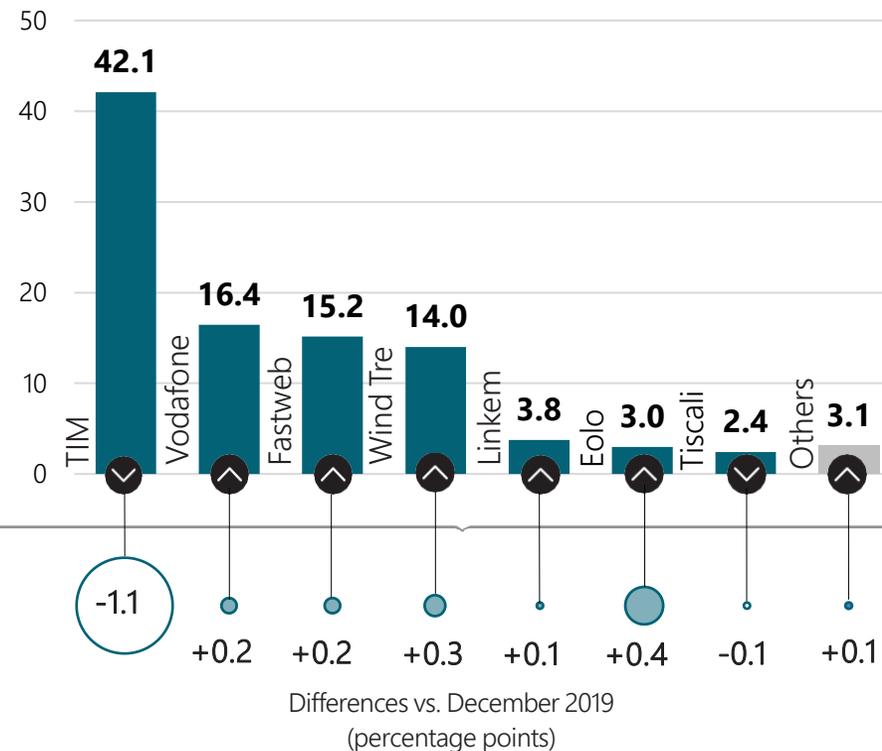


**+2.096 M**  
lines  
(+18.3%)

K = thousand  
M = million

### MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020



**TIM's** market share  
has dropped to  
**42.1%**

The market shares of  
**Vodafone, Wind Tre**  
and **Fastweb**  
has increased

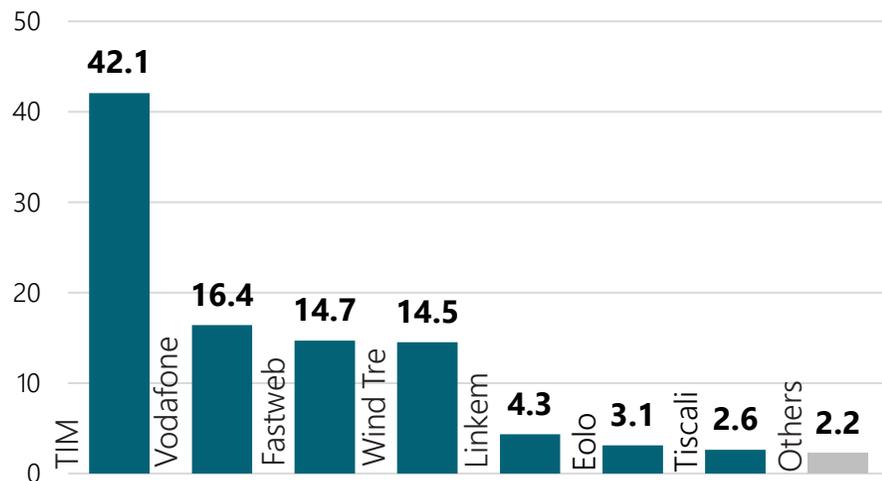
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# 1.3: FIXED LINES: BROADBAND LINES BY TYPE OF CUSTOMER

DECEMBER 2020

## RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

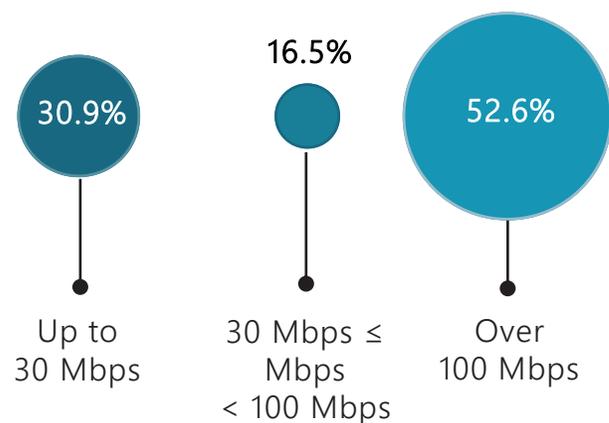
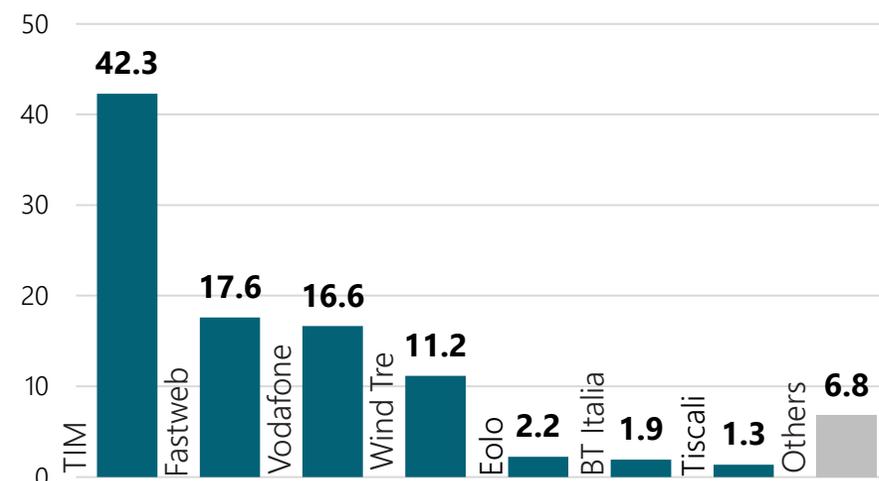
Total lines: **15.312** million lines



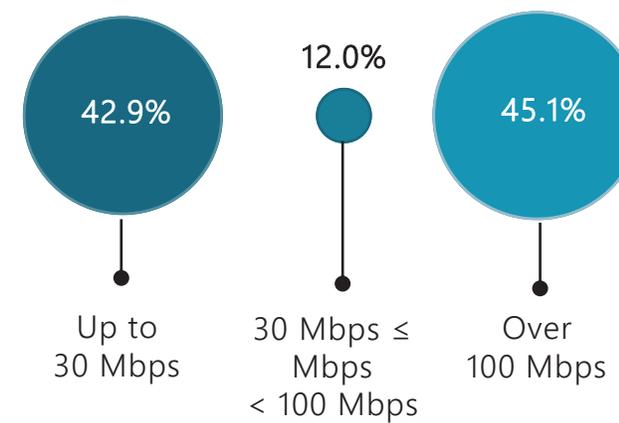
by operator (%)

## BUSINESS CUSTOMERS

Total lines: **2.816** million lines



by marketed speed classes (%)



# 1.4: FIXED LINES: BROADBAND AND ULTRABROADBAND LINES BY TECHNOLOGY AND OPERATORS

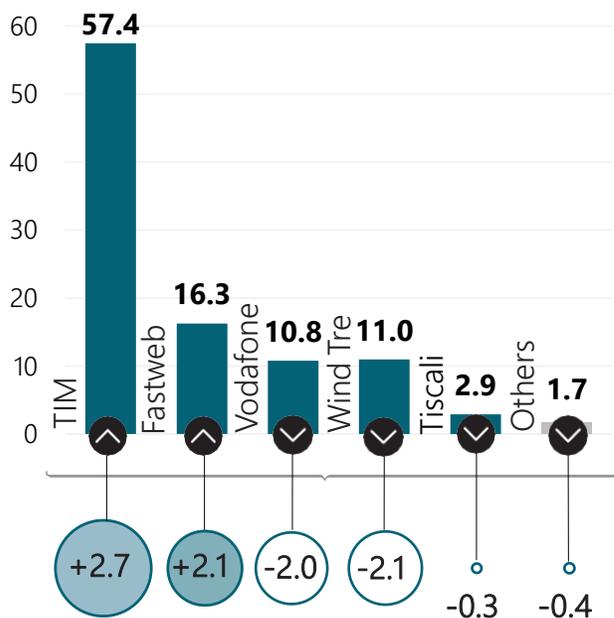
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DSL

Total lines: **5.62** million accesses

Annual change  
Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020

**-21.8%** ↓

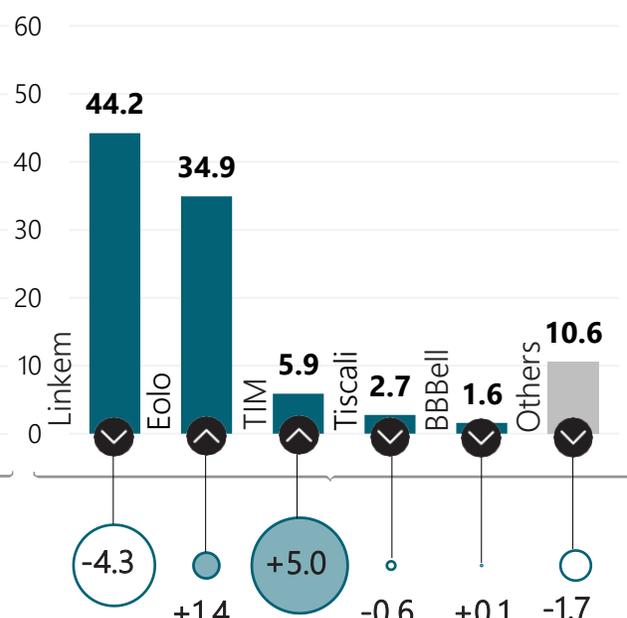


FWA

Total lines: **1.54** million access

Annual change  
Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020

**+16.3%** ↑

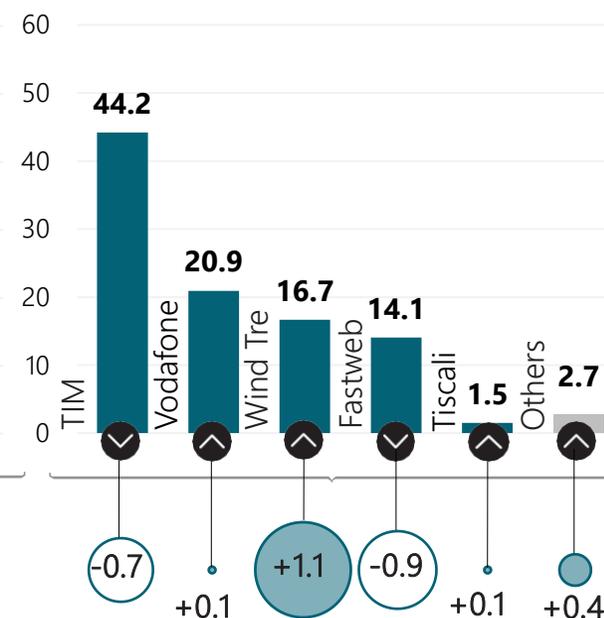


FTTC

Total lines: **9.13** million access

Annual change  
Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020

**+16.4%** ↑

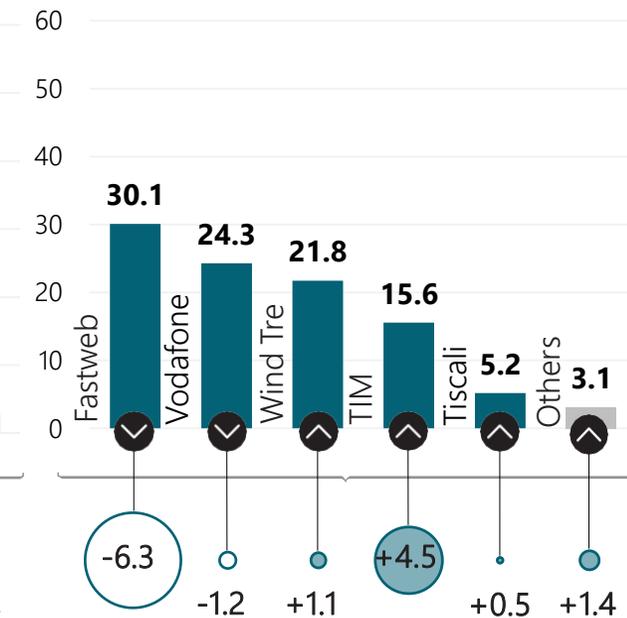


FTTH

Total lines: **1.82** million access

Annual change  
Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020

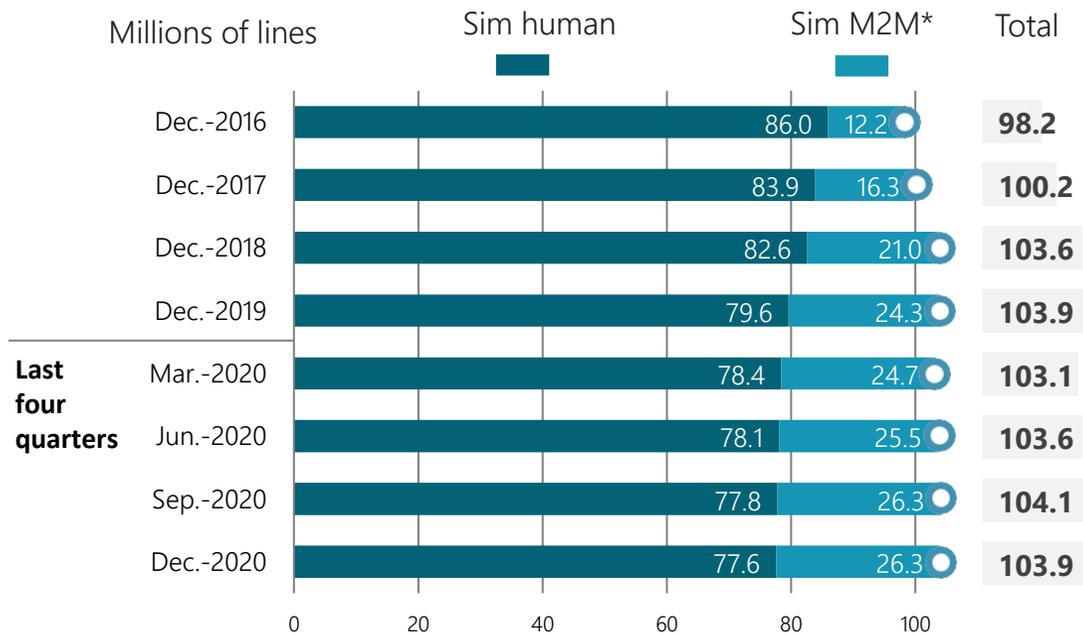
**+48.6%** ↑



Differences vs. December 2019  
(percentage points)

Note: elaborations based on data provided by companies in the context of the preparation of European reporting A few thousand lines allocated by the companies in the categories "Other non-NGA" and "Other NGA" are excluded from the analysis.

# 1.5: MOBILE LINES: TOTAL SUBSCRIBERS



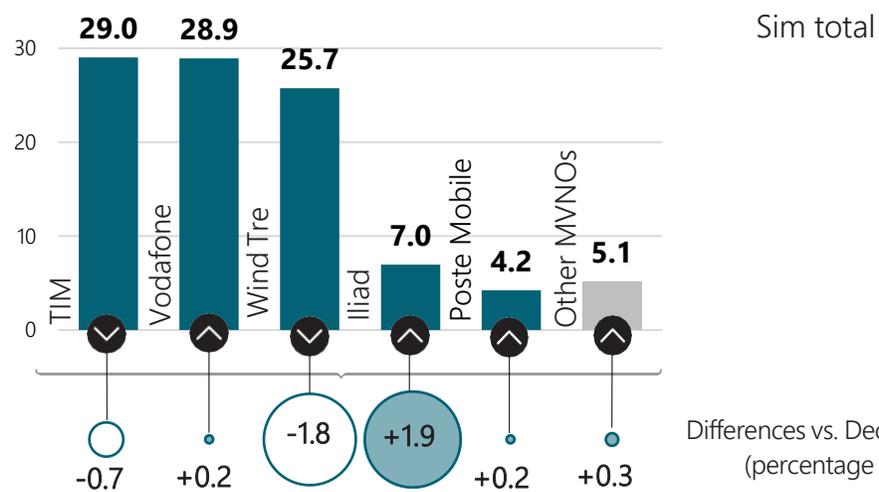
(\*) Note: Machine-to-Machine sims are based on the technologies that enable devices and sensors or "things" (within the IoT) to communicate with each other and with other Internet-enabled devices and systems

	Quarterly change (Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2020)		Annual change (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)	
	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)
Total sim cards:	-182	↓ -0.2%	+75	↑ +0.1%
Sim human:	-216	↓ -0.3%	-2,016	↓ -2.5%
Sim M2M:	+34	↑ +0.1%	+2,091	↑ +8.6%

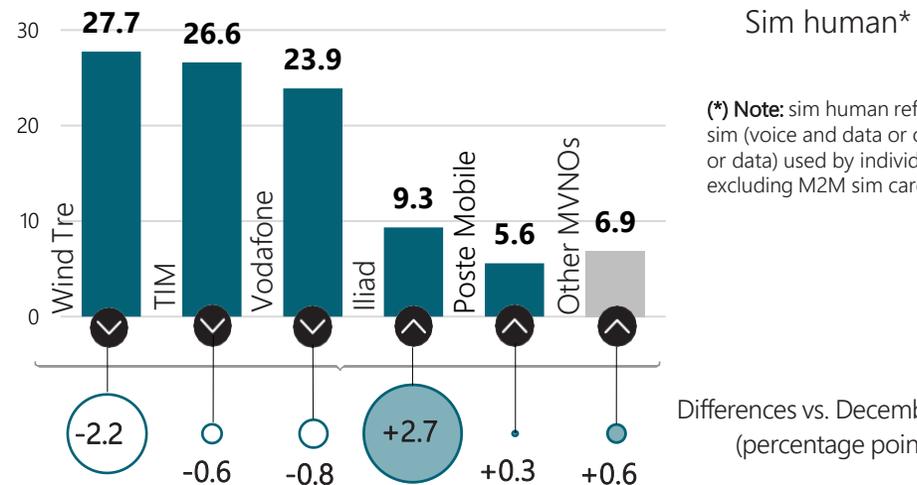
Note: the data collected on TIM and Vodafone include the lines of the subsidiaries, respectively Kena mobile and VEI (which offers mobile telephony services called .ho)

## MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020



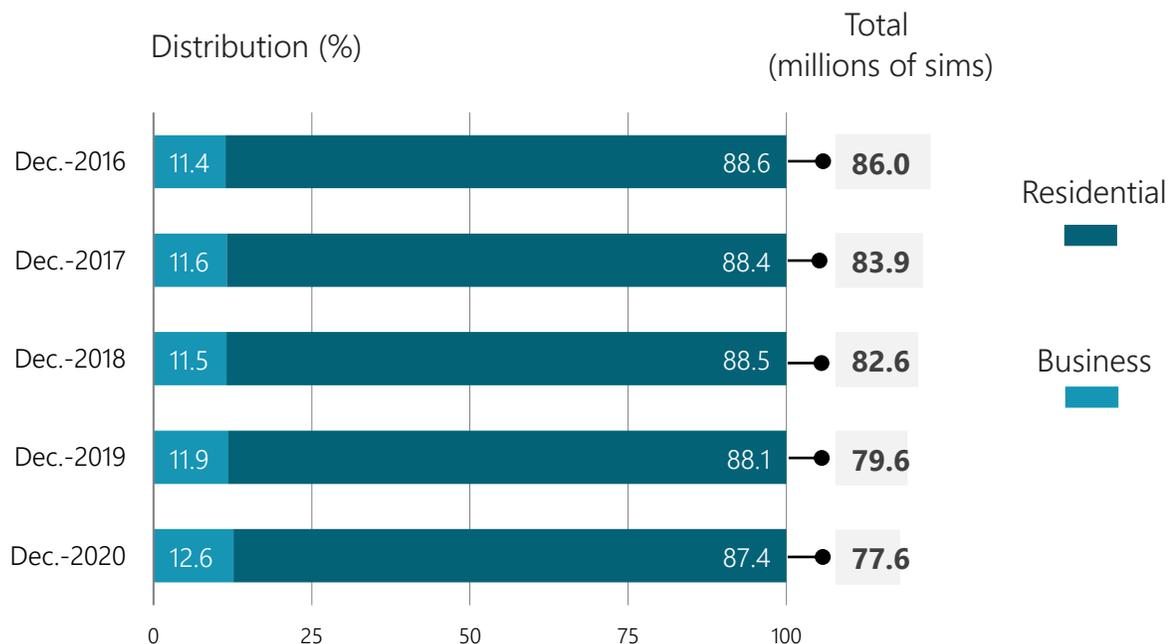
Differences vs. December 2019 (percentage points)



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(\*) Note: sim human refers to sim (voice and data or only voice or data) used by individual, excluding M2M sim cards

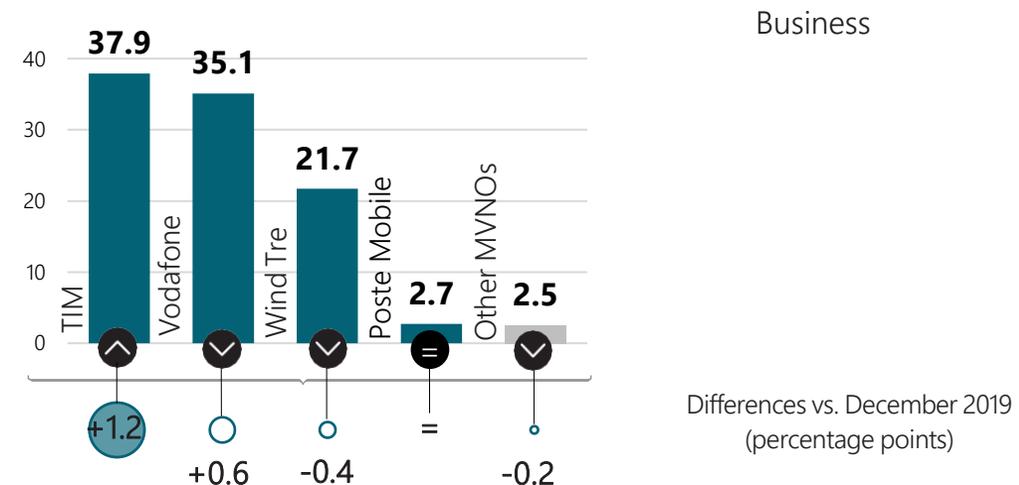
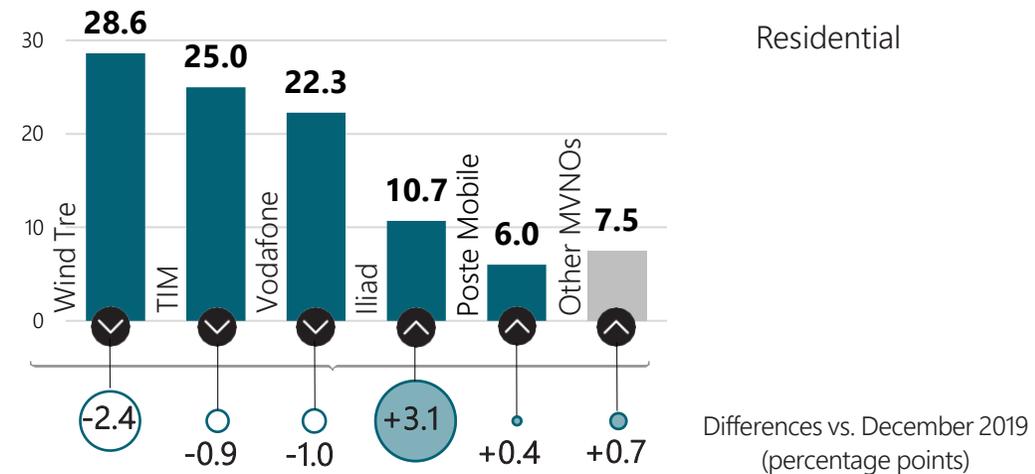
# 1.6: MOBILE LINES: SUBSCRIBERS BY TYPE OF CUSTOMER (sim human)



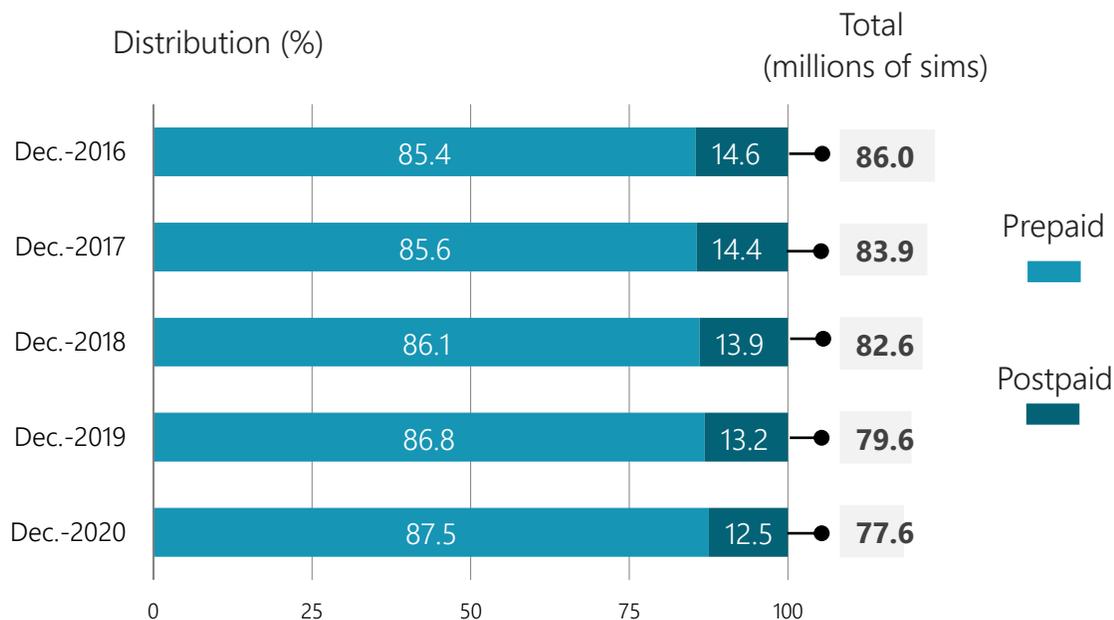
	Annual change (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)		4-Year change (Dec. 2016 – Dec. 2020)	
	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)
Total human sim cards:	-2,016	↓ -2.5%	-8,375	↓ -9.7%
Residential sim card:	-2,389	↓ -3.4%	-8,416	↓ -11.0%
Business sim cards:	+373	↑ +4.0%	+41	↑ +0.4%

## MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020



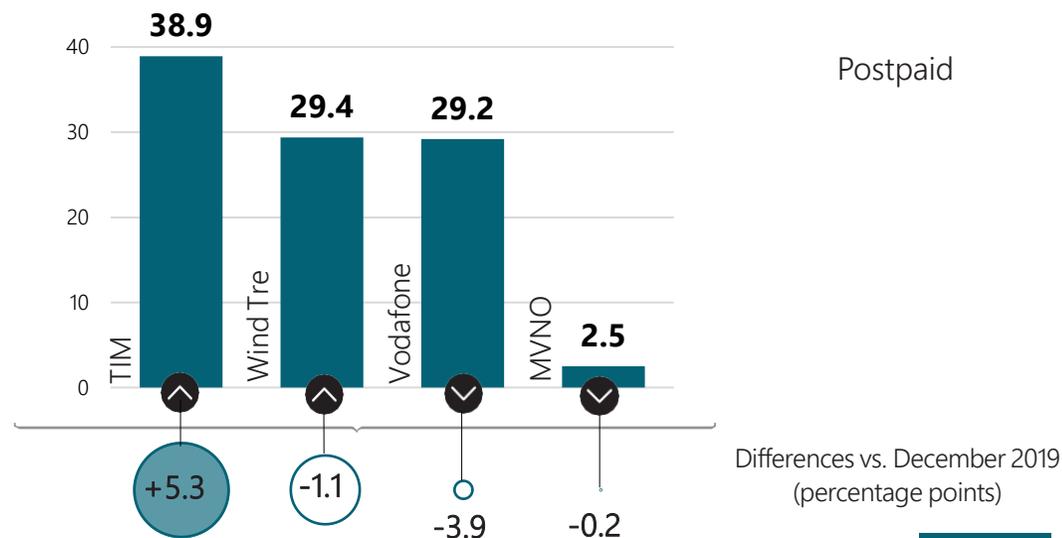
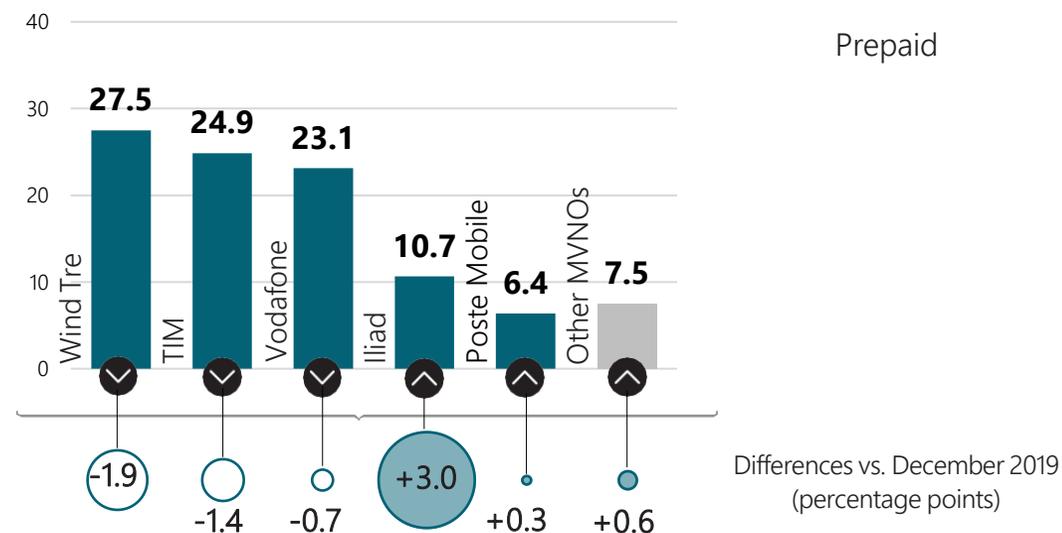
# 1.7: MOBILE LINES: SUBSCRIBERS BY TYPE OF CONTRACT



	Annual change (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)		4-Year change (Dec. 2016 – Dec. 2020)	
	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)
Total human sim cards:	-2,016	↓ -2.5%	-8,375	↓ -9.7%
Prepaid sim cards:	-1,205	↓ -1.7%	-5,516	↓ -7.5%
Postpaid sim cards:	-811	↓ -7.7%	-2,858	↓ -22.8%

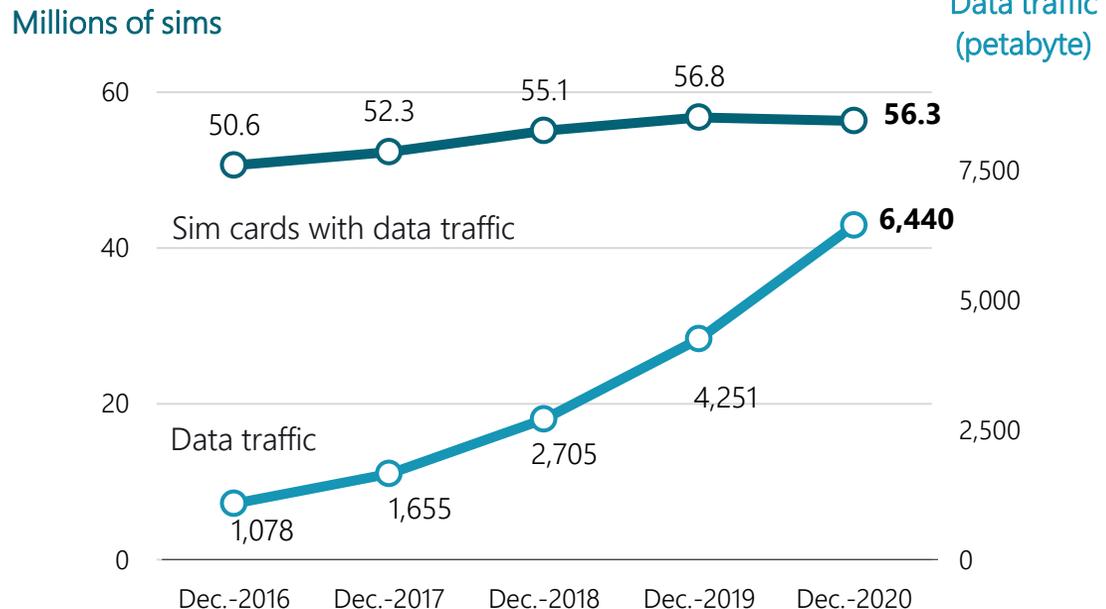
## MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020



# 1.8: MOBILE LINES: DATA TRAFFIC

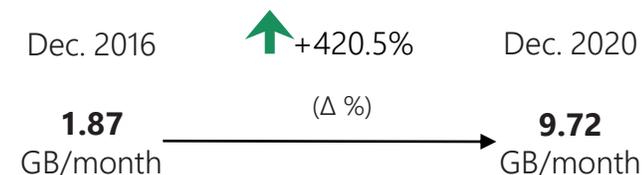
### DATA TRAFFIC SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR



### AVERAGE MONTHLY CONSUMPTION



	Annual change (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)		4-Year change (Dec. 2016 – Dec. 2020)	
	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)	(no of sim in thousand)	(Δ %)
SIM cards with data traffic:	-433	↓ -0.8%	+5,714	↑ +11.3%
Data traffic:	(petabyte)	(Δ %)	(petabyte)	(Δ %)
	+2,188	↑ +51.5%	+5,362	↑ +497,5%

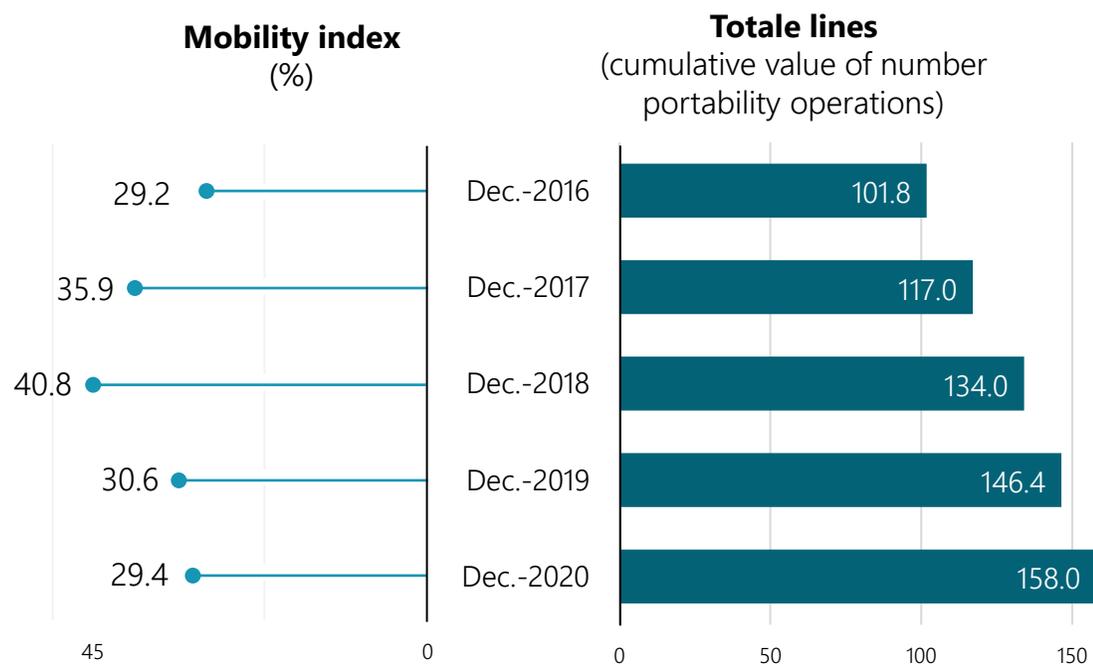


At the end of December 2020, the number of sim cards with data traffic has reached **72.6%** of the total human sim cards

Note: Due to changes in firms' accounting methods and methodological refinements introduced by the Authority, the total number of sim cards with data traffic is not directly comparable with previous versions

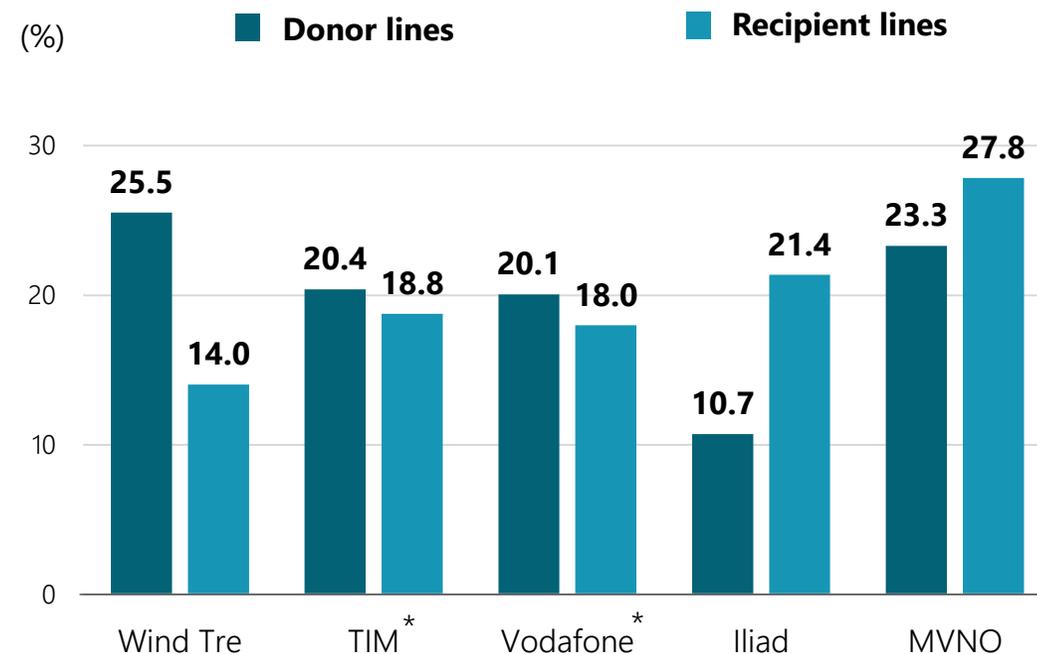
## 1.9: Mobile lines: number portability

In one year (December 2019 – December 2020), there have been **11.6** million of Mobile Number Portability (MNP) operations



**Mobility index:** the ratio between (i) total donating lines plus total recipient lines since the beginning of the year, and (ii) the corresponding average customer base (net off M2M sims)

### DISTRIBUTION (%) OF DONOR AND RECIPIENT LINES (12 months) DECEMBER 2020

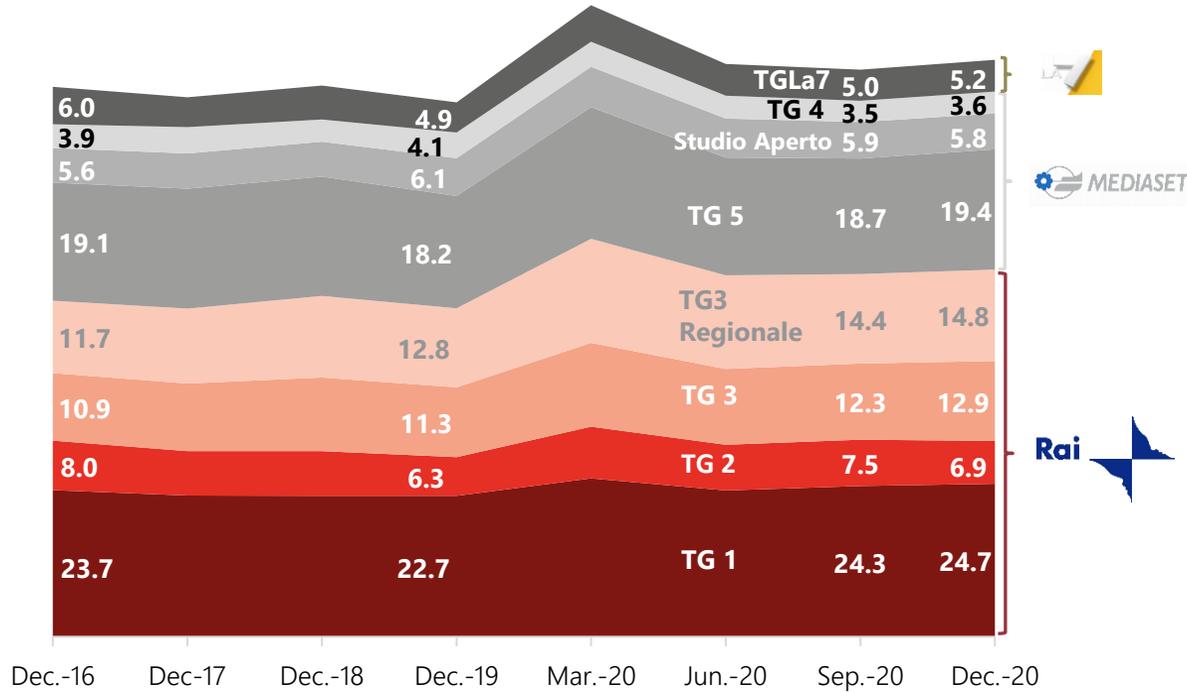


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## 2.1: MEDIA: TV

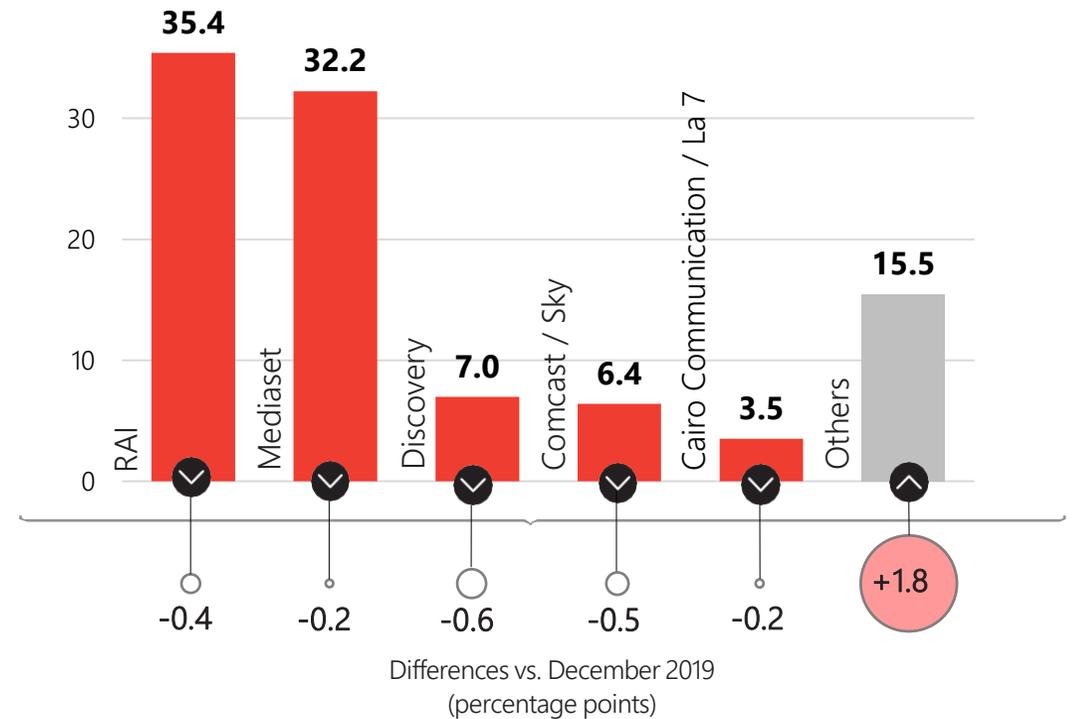
### AUDIENCE OF THE MAIN EVENING NEWSCASTS (%)

AVERAGE DAY (December 2016 – December 2020)



### MARKET SHARES (%)

DECEMBER 2020



Δ percentage points  
(December 2019 – December 2020)

Channel	Change (p.p.)	Channel	Change (p.p.)	Channel	Change (p.p.)
Tg 1	+2.0 p.p. ↑	Tg 5	+1.2 p.p. ↑	Tg La 7	+0.3 p.p. ↑
Tg 2	+0.7 p.p. ↑	Studio Aperto	-0.3 p.p. ↓		
Tg 3	+1.6 p.p. ↑	Tg 4	-0.6 p.p. ↓		
Tg 3 - Regionale	+2.0 p.p. ↑				

Source: Agcom elaboration on Auditel's data (Nielsen)

Average daily television viewership

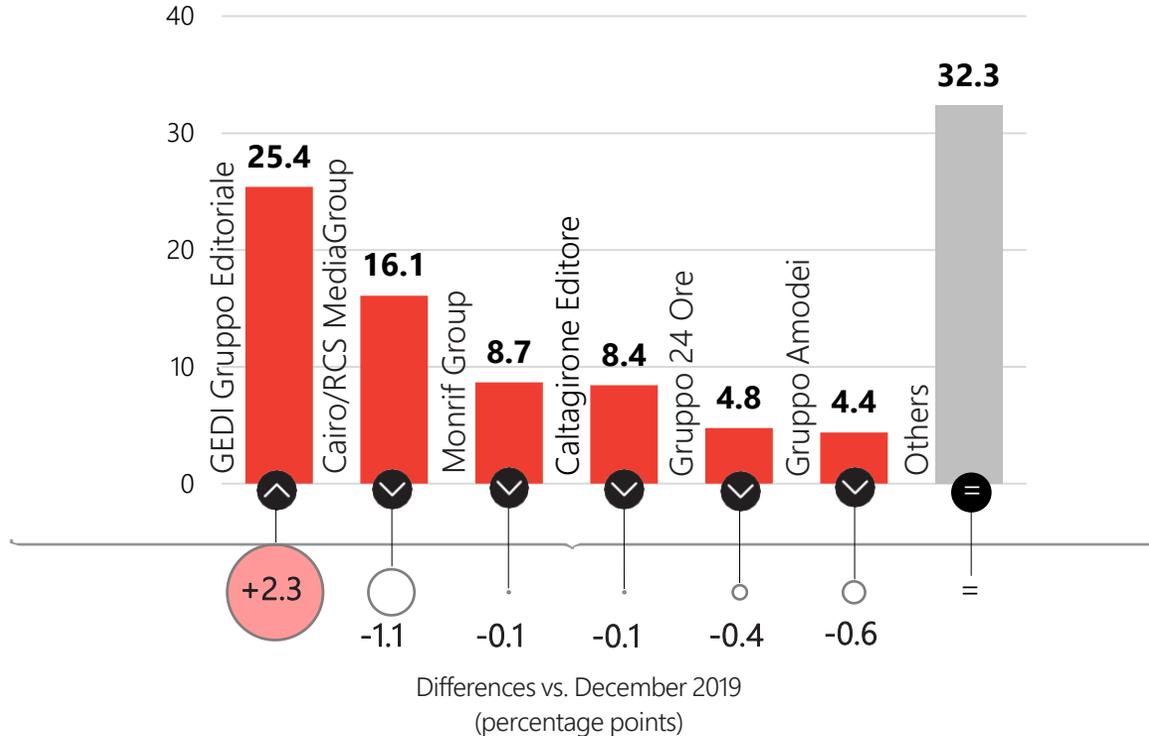
Category	Viewers (M)
Newscasts	
Tg 1	6.2 M
Tg 5	4.9 M
Broadcasters	
Rai	4.2 M
Mediaset	3.9 M

M = million

## 2.2: MEDIA: QUOTIDIANI

### NEWSPAPERS' TOTAL MONTHLY SALES BY EDITORIAL GROUPS (%)\*

DECEMBER 2020



Total copies sold in December 2020

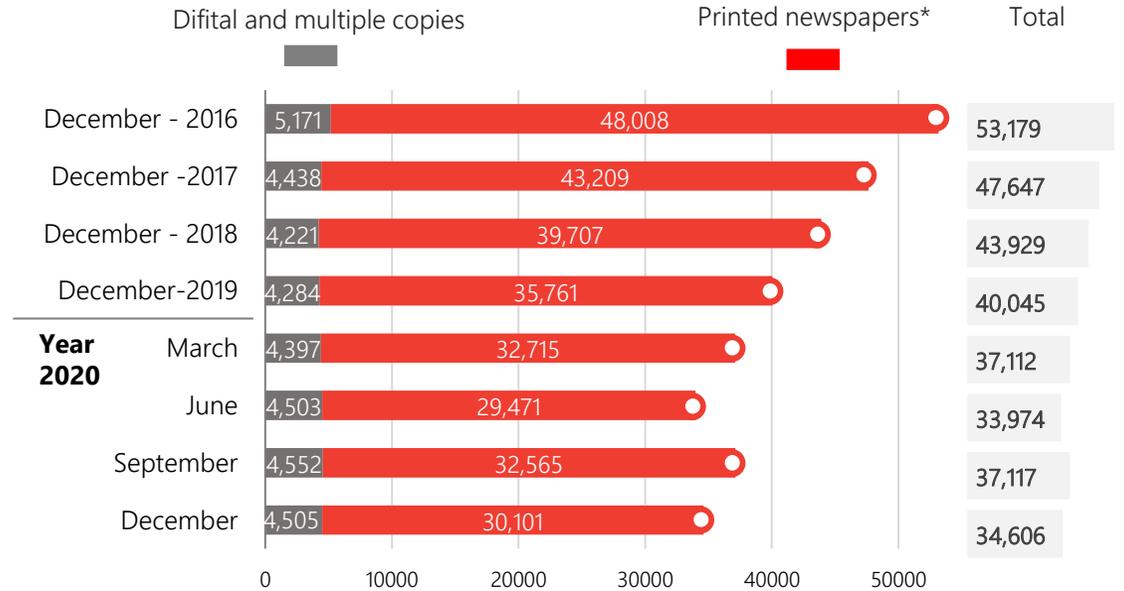
**51,147,917**

Annual change:  
(December 2019 – December 2020)

**- 14%** ↓

### NEWSPAPERS' TOTAL MONTHLY SALES BY 7 MAJOR EDITORIAL BRAND AND TYPE OF DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS\*

IN THOUSANDS – DECEMBER 2020



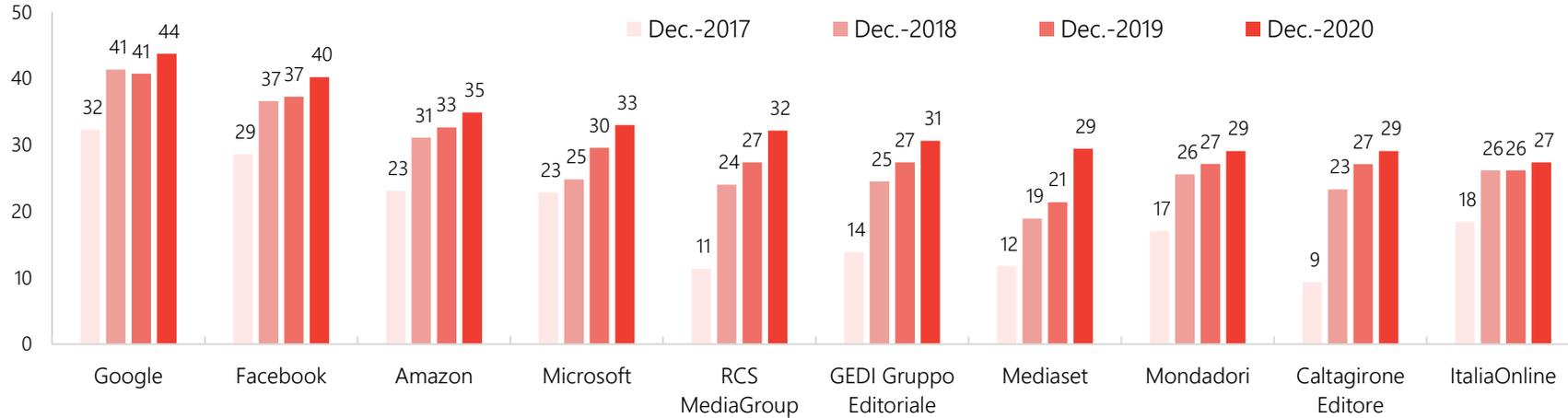
(\* Note: copies sold via distribution channels provided for by law)

	Annual change (Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)		4-Year change (Dec. 2016 – Dec. 2020)	
Printed newspapers:	-16%	↓	-37%	↓
Digital and multiple copies: (represent 13 % of total sales)	+5%	↑	-13%	↓

(\* Note: During the last quarter of 2020, GEDI completed the sale of the business unit of the magazines Il Tirreno, La Gazzetta di Modena, La Gazzetta di Reggio, La Nuova Ferrara to the company SAE Srl. The data shown refer to the ownership configuration of the subjects prior to this operation.

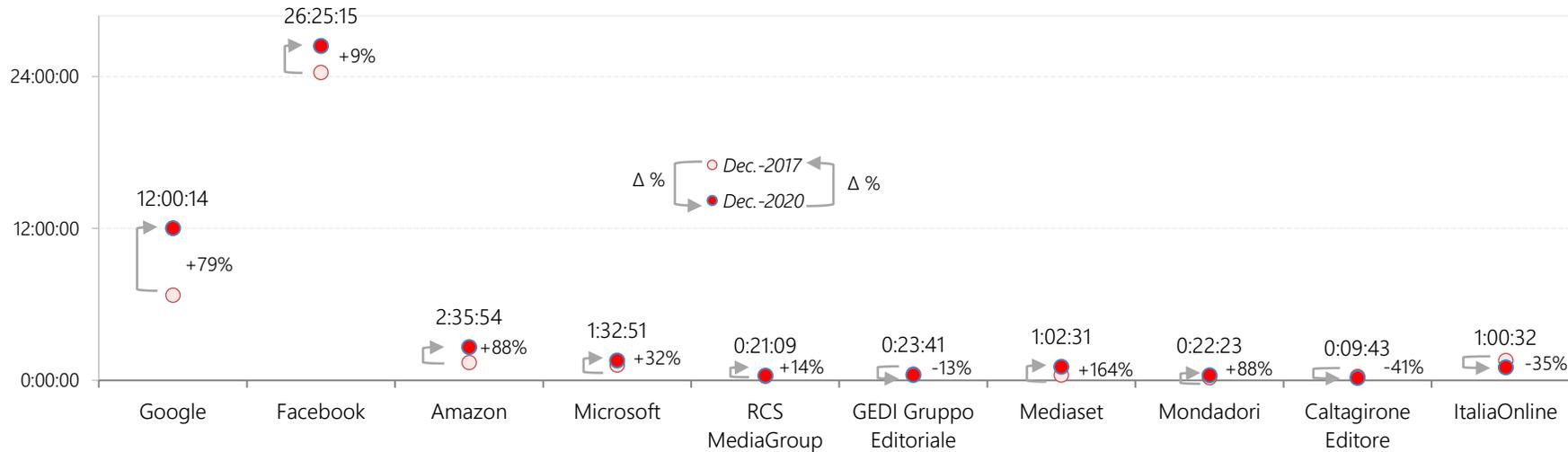
## 2.3: MEDIA INTERNET: ACTIVE USERS OF THE MAIN OPERATORS

**AUDIENCE ON AN AVERAGE DAY (%)** (DECEMBER 2017 – DECEMBER 2020)  
IN MILLIONS



In December 2020, **45** million unique users connected to the internet

**AVERAGE MONTHLY TIME SPENT ON WEBSITE BY VISITORS** (DECEMBER 2017 – DECEMBER 2020)  
(hh:mm:ss)



In December 2020, a total amount of **66** hours of surfing, on average, per person per month

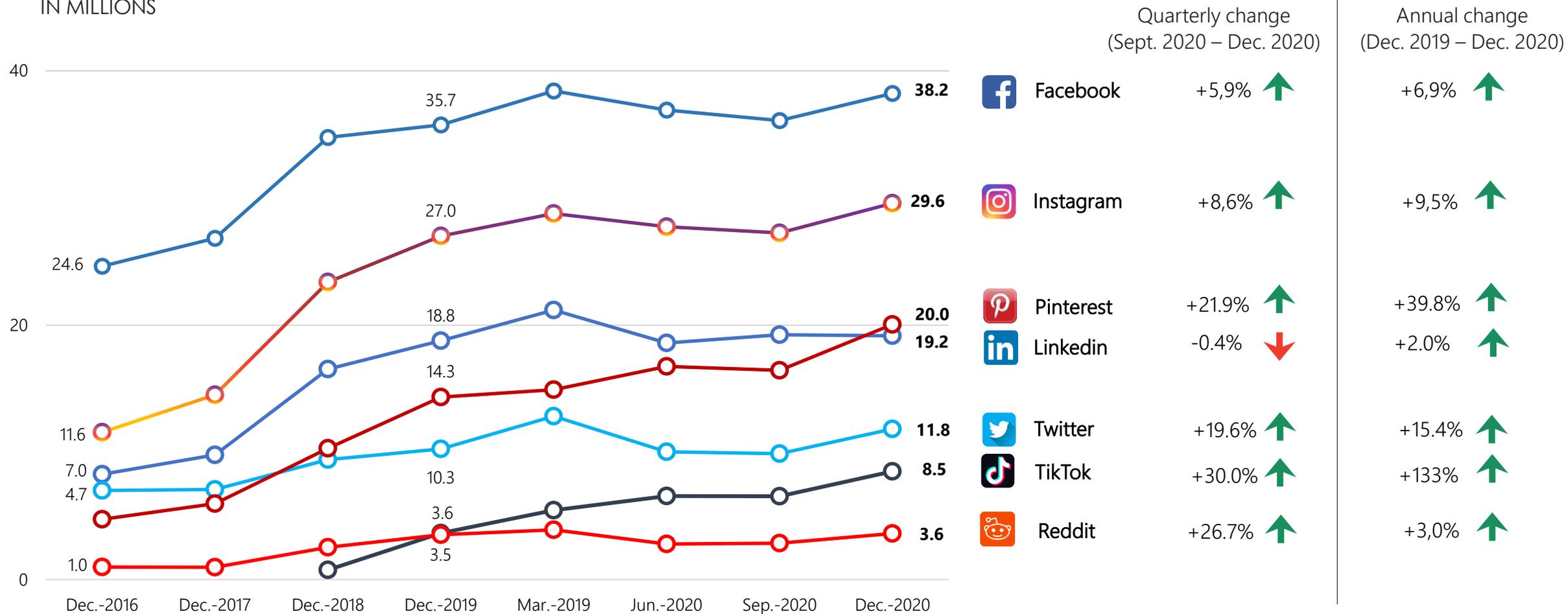
**Note:** Since March 2018, the Audiweb system has adopted a new methodology

Source: Agcom elaboration on Audweb's data (Nielsen)

## 2.4: MEDIA INTERNET: ACTIVE USERS OF THE MAIN SOCIAL NETWORKS

### MAIN SOCIAL NETWORKS USERS

DECEMBER 2017 – DECEMBER 2020  
IN MILLIONS

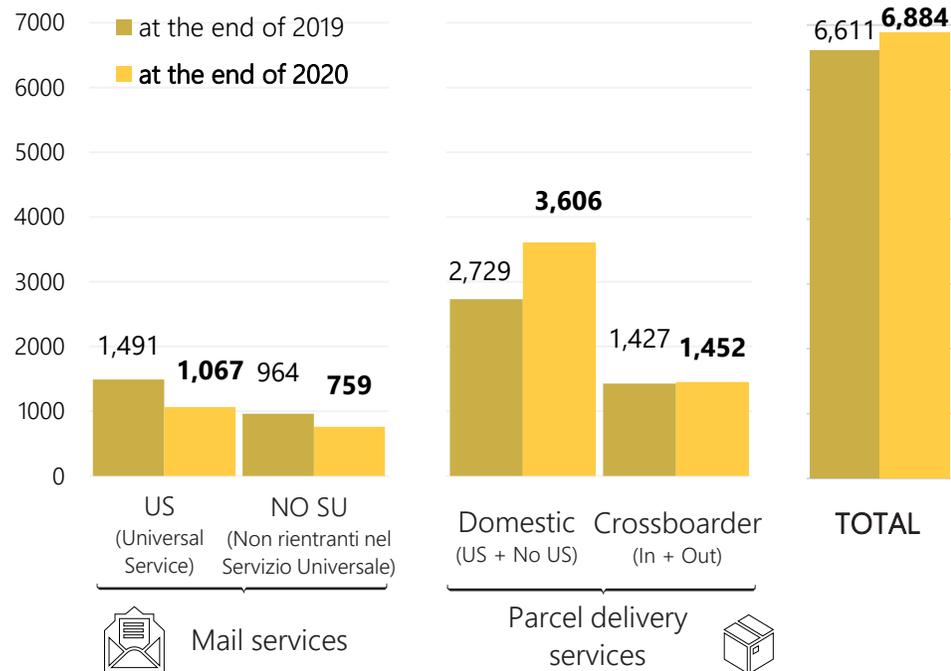


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### 3.1: POSTAL SERVICES: REVENUES

#### REVENUES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR

MILLIONS OF €



Annual change  
(Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)

**-25.6%**



**+21.7%**

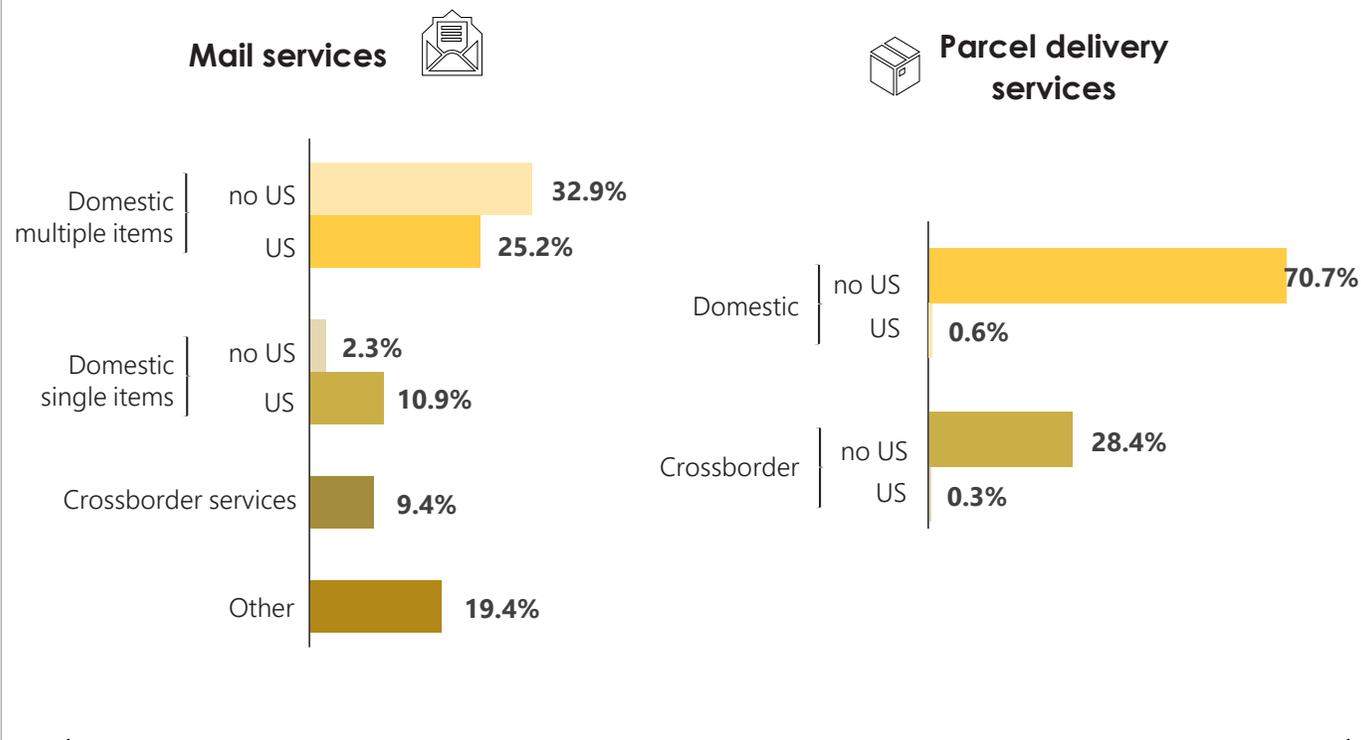


**+4.1%**

Total

#### REVENUES BY SOURCE TYPE SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR (%)

DECEMBER 2020



Annual change  
(Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)

**-22.2%**

Domestic multiple items

**-25.9%**

Domestic single items

**-24.9%**

Crossborder services

**-34.5%**

Other

**+32.1%**

Domestic

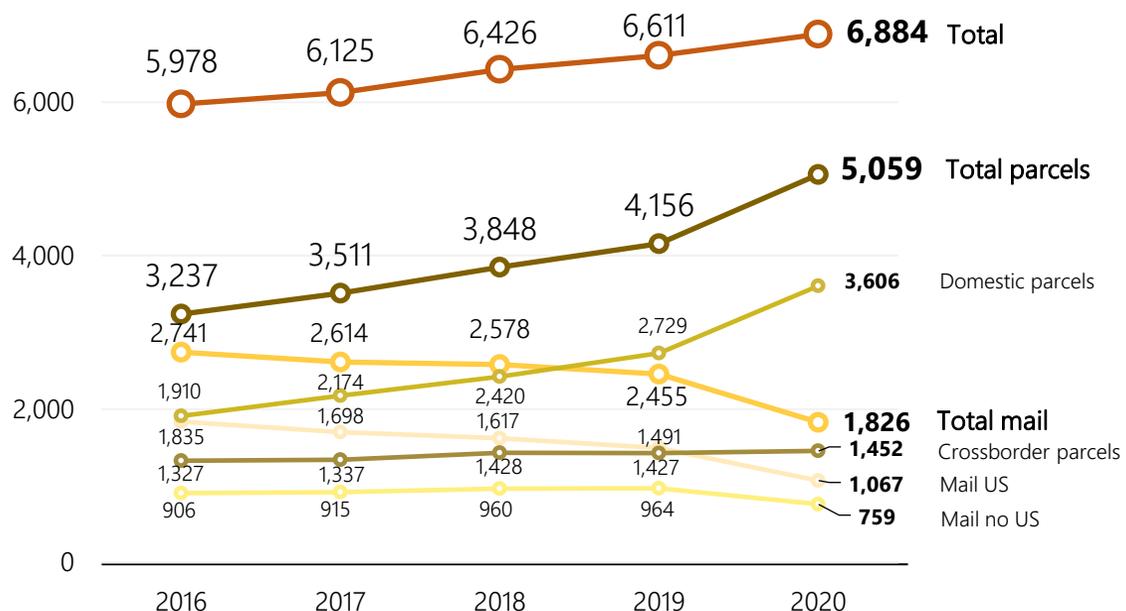
**+1.8%**

Crossborder

## 3.2: POSTAL SERVICES: REVENUES HISTORICAL TRENDS

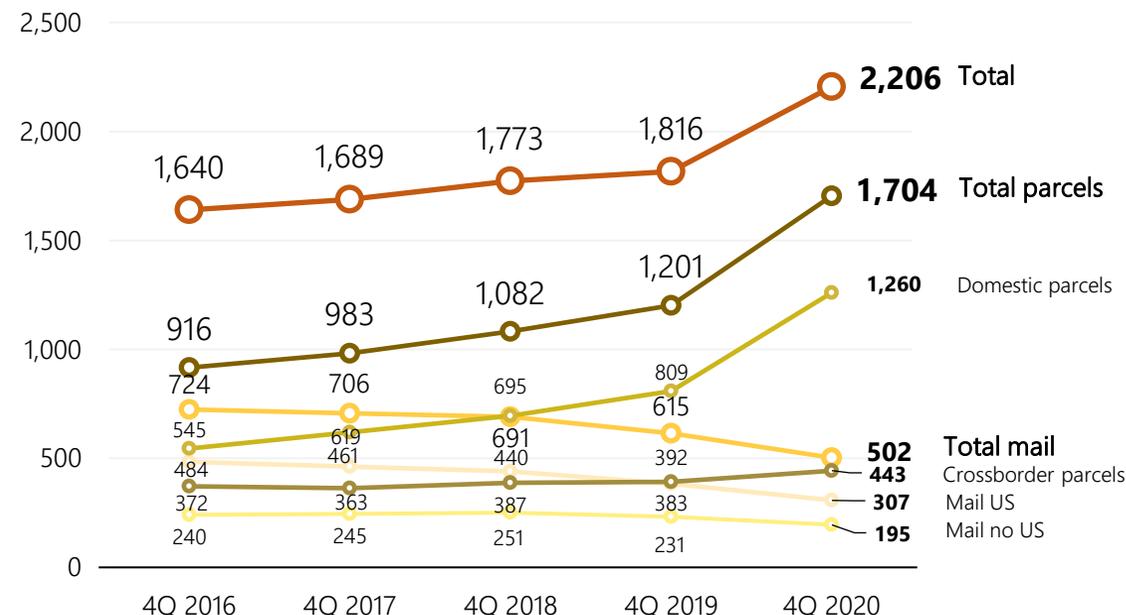
### ON A YEARLY BASIS (12 months cumulative sum)

MILLIONS OF €



### ON A QUARTERLY BASIS

MILLIONS OF €

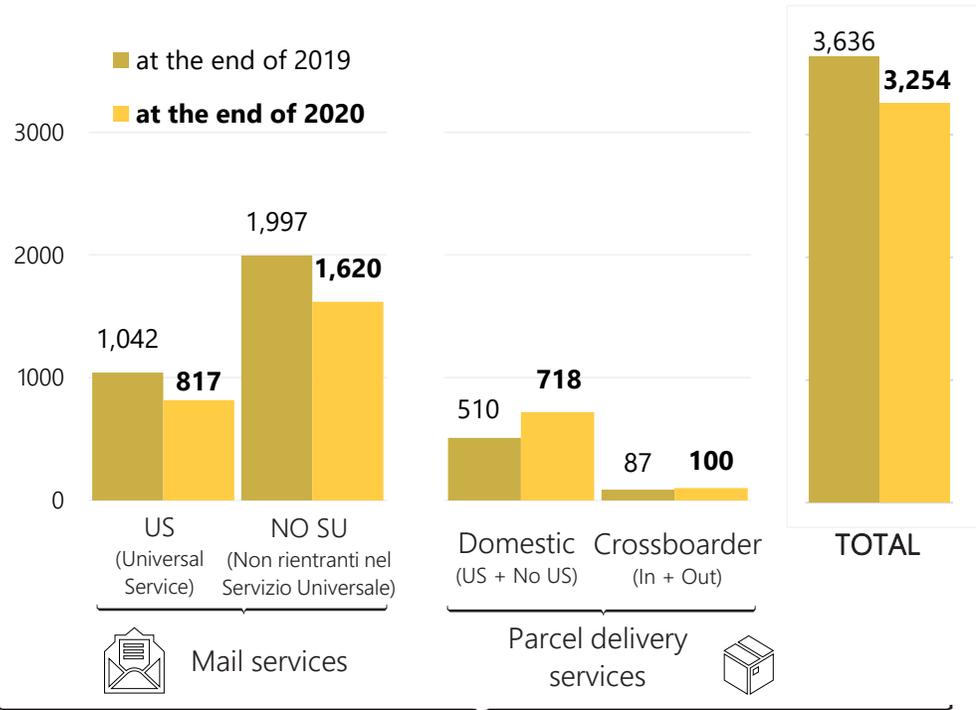


	Change (2016 – 2020)	Change (2019 – 2020)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>+15.2%</b> ↑	<b>+4.1%</b> ↑
<b>Mail services:</b>	<b>-33.4%</b> ↓	<b>-25.6%</b> ↓
- Universal Service:	-41.9% ↓	-28.4% ↓
- No Universal Service:	-16.2% ↓	-21.3% ↓
<b>Parcel delivery services:</b>	<b>+56.3%</b> ↑	<b>+21.7%</b> ↑
- Domestic:	+88.8% ↑	+32.1% ↑
- Crossborder:	+9.4% ↑	+1.8% ↑

	Change (4Q 2016 – 4Q 2020)	Change (4Q 2019 – 4Q 2020)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>+34.5%</b> ↑	<b>+21.5%</b> ↑
<b>Mail services:</b>	<b>-30.6%</b> ↓	<b>-18.3%</b> ↓
- Universal Service:	-36.5% ↓	-19.8% ↓
- No Universal Service:	-18.9% ↓	-15.8% ↓
<b>Parcel delivery services:</b>	<b>+86.0%</b> ↑	<b>+41.8%</b> ↑
- Domestic:	+131.5% ↑	+55.8% ↑
- Crossborder:	+19.3% ↑	+13.0% ↑

### 3.3: POSTAL SERVICES: VOLUMES

#### VOLUMES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR MILLIONS OF UNITS



Annual change  
(Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)

**-19.8%**



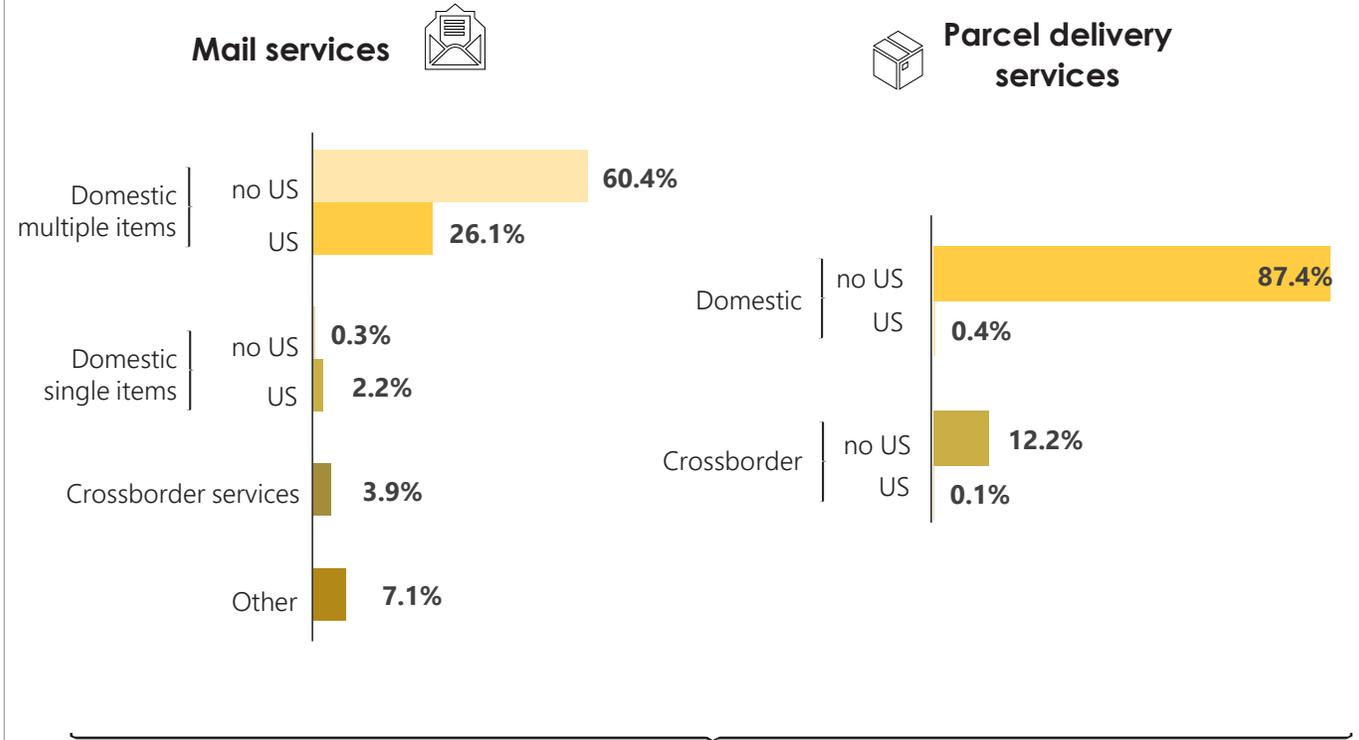
**+36.9%**



**-10.5%**

Total

#### VOLUMES BY SOURCE TYPE (%) DECEMBER 2020



Annual change  
(Dec. 2019 – Dec. 2020)

**-17.6%**

Domestic multiple items

**-30.7%**

Domestic single items

**-32.9%**

Crossborder services

**-30.9%**

Other

**+40.6%**

Domestic

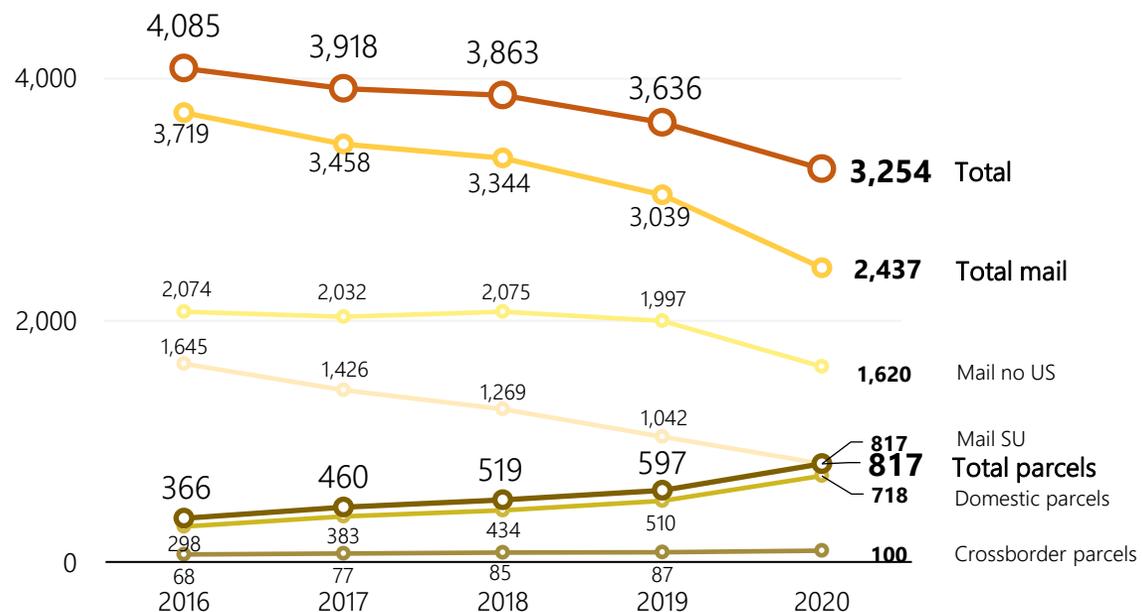
**+14.7%**

Crossborder

### 3.4: POSTAL SERVICES: VOLUMES HISTORICAL TRENDS

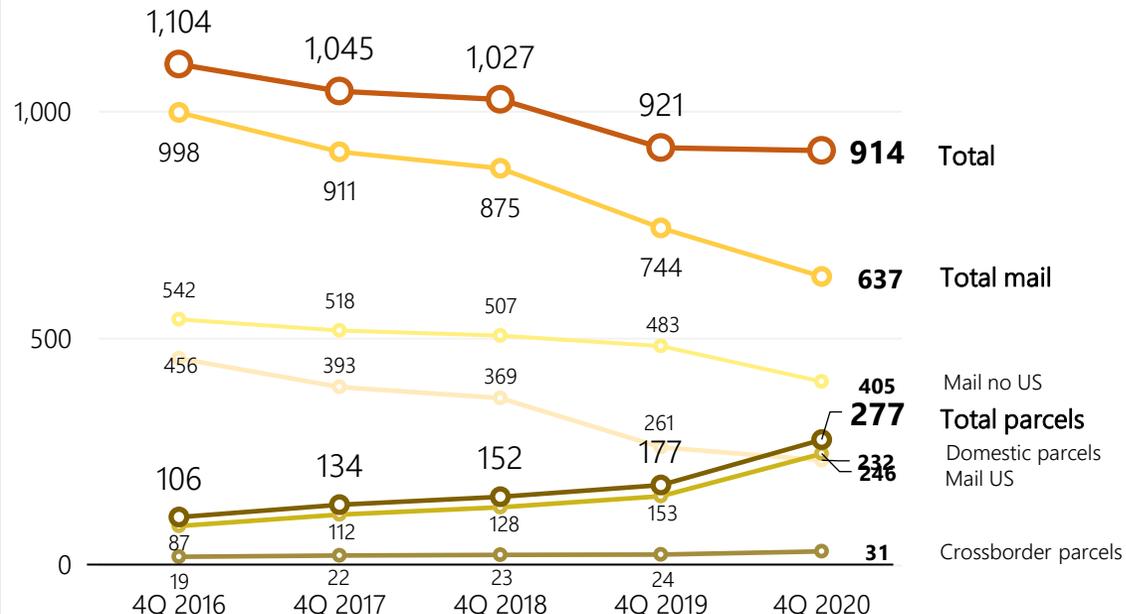
#### ON A YEARLY BASIS (12 months cumulative sum)

MILLIONS OF UNITS



#### ON A QUARTERLY BASIS

MILLIONS OF UNITS



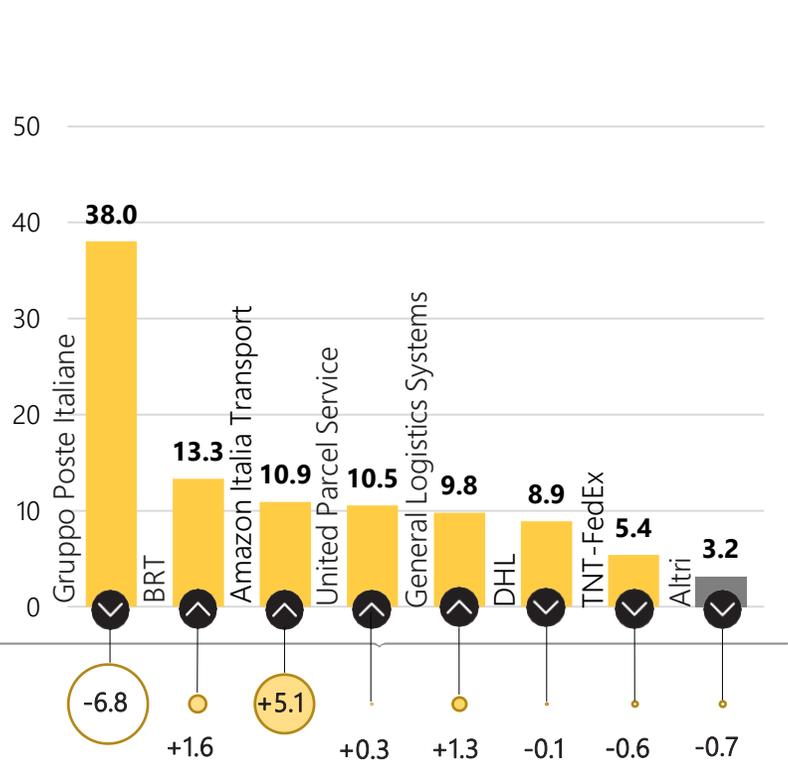
	Change (2016 – 2020)	Change (2019 – 2020)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>-20.3%</b> ↓	<b>-10.5%</b> ↓
<b>Mail services:</b>	<b>-34.5%</b> ↓	<b>-19.8%</b> ↓
- Universal Service:	-50.3% ↓	-21.5% ↓
- No Universal Service:	-21.9% ↓	-18.9% ↓
<b>Parcel delivery services:</b>	<b>+132.2%</b> ↑	<b>+36.9%</b> ↑
- Domestic:	+140.7% ↑	+40.6% ↑
- Crossborder:	+46.8% ↑	+14.7% ↑

	Change (4Q 2016 – 4Q 2020)	Change (4Q 2019 – 4Q 2020)
<b>Total:</b>	<b>-17.2%</b> ↓	<b>-0.7%</b> ↓
<b>Mail services:</b>	<b>-36.2%</b> ↓	<b>-14.4%</b> ↓
- Universal Service:	-49.2% ↓	-11.0% ↓
- No Universal Service:	-25.3% ↓	-16.2% ↓
<b>Parcel delivery services:</b>	<b>+160.7%</b> ↑	<b>+56.7%</b> ↑
- Domestic:	+182.9% ↑	+61.2% ↑
- Crossborder:	+60.5% ↑	+28.4% ↑

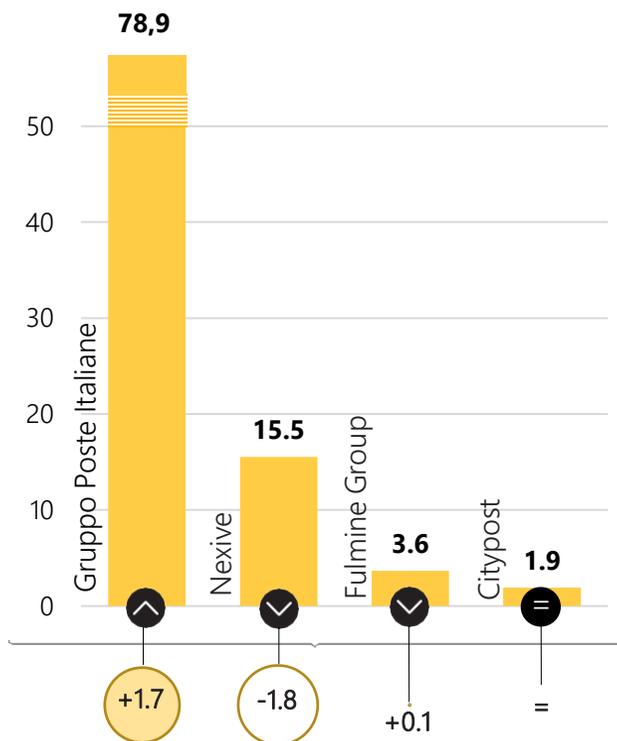
### 3.5: POSTAL SERVICES: COMPETITIVE LANDSCAPE

DECEMBER 2020

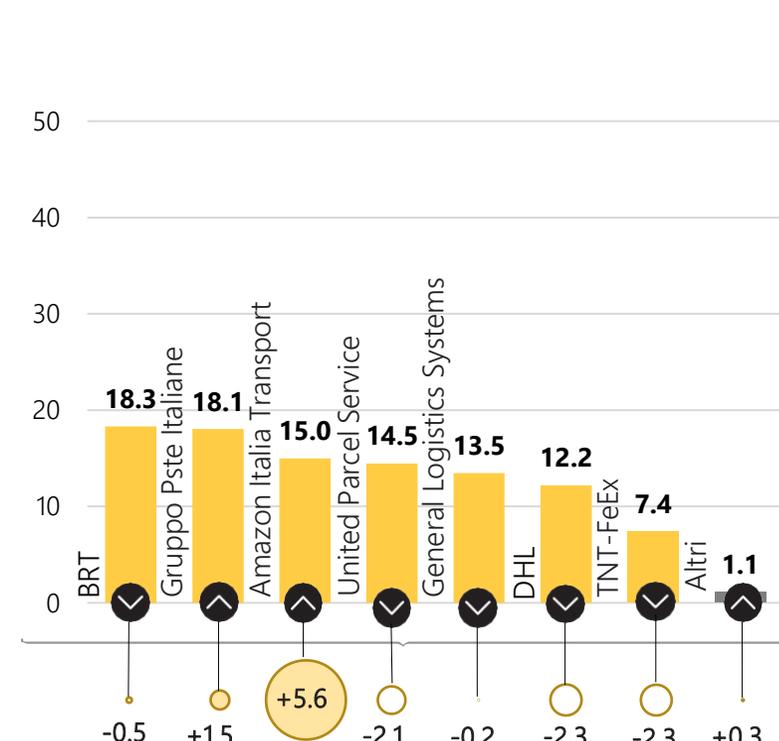
#### MAIL AND PARCEL DELIVERY SERVICES



#### MAIL SERVICES not included in Universal service



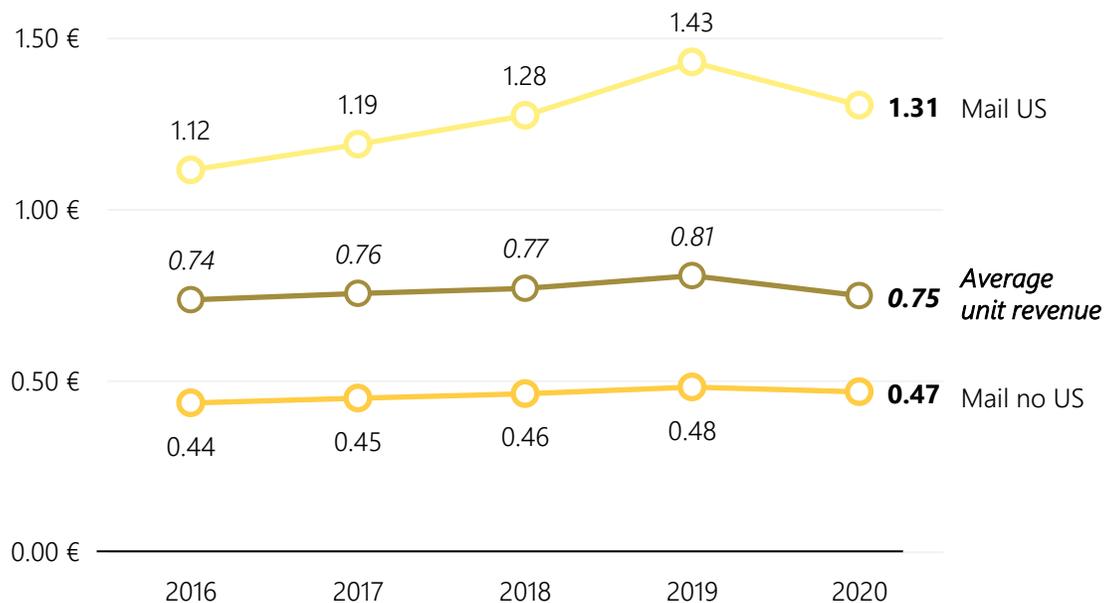
#### PARCEL DELIVERY SERVICES COURIERS not included in Universal service



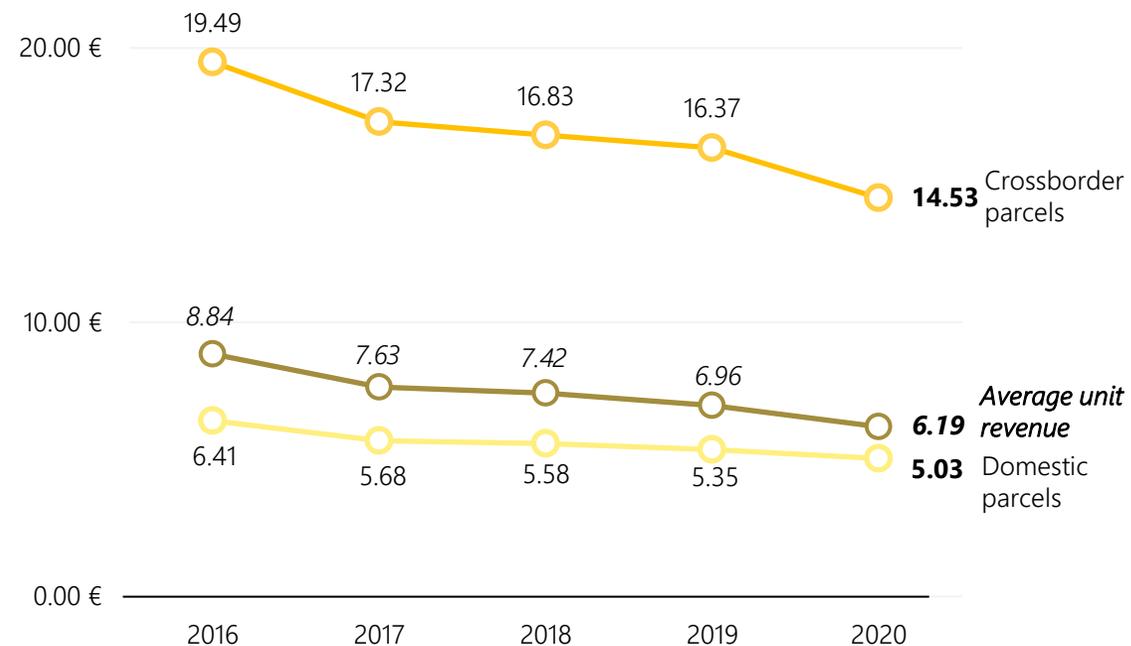
Differences vs. December 2019  
(percentage points)

### 3.6: POSTAL SERVICES: PER-UNIT REVENUES HISTORICAL TRENDS IN €

#### MAIL SERVICES



#### PARCELS DELIVERY SERVICES

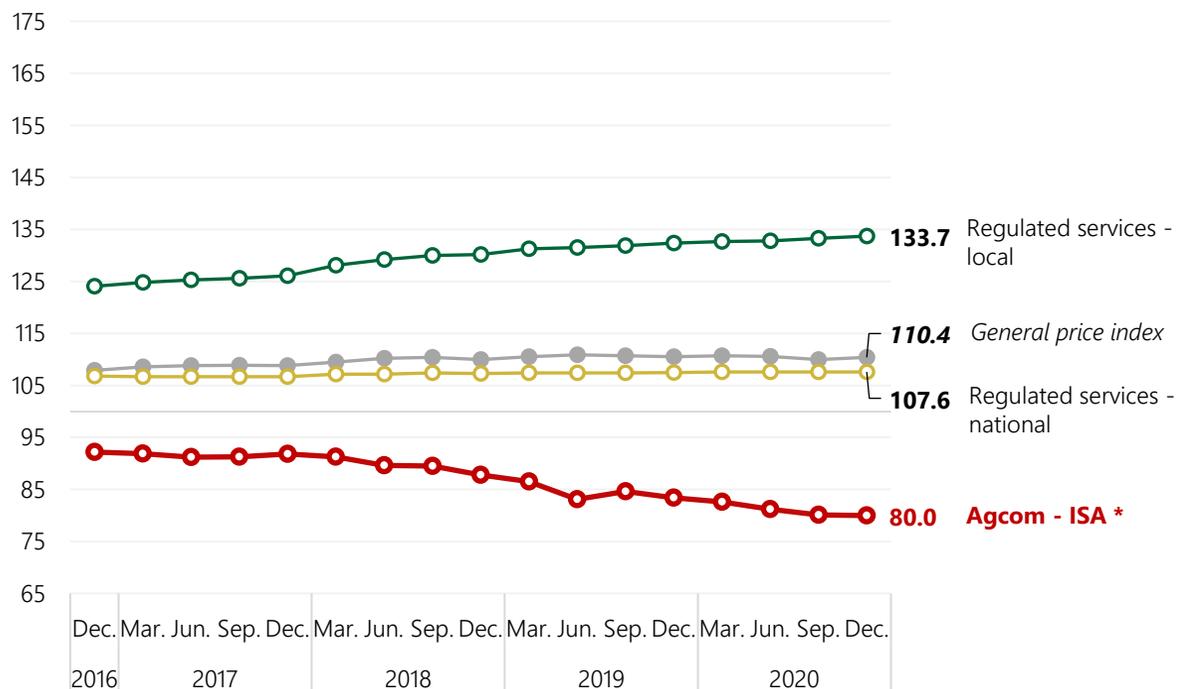


	Change (2016 – 2020)	Change (2019 – 2020)
Average unit revenue:	+1.7% ↑	-7.3% ↓
- Mail US:	+17.0% ↑	-8.8% ↑
- Mail no US:	+7.3% ↑	-3.0% ↓

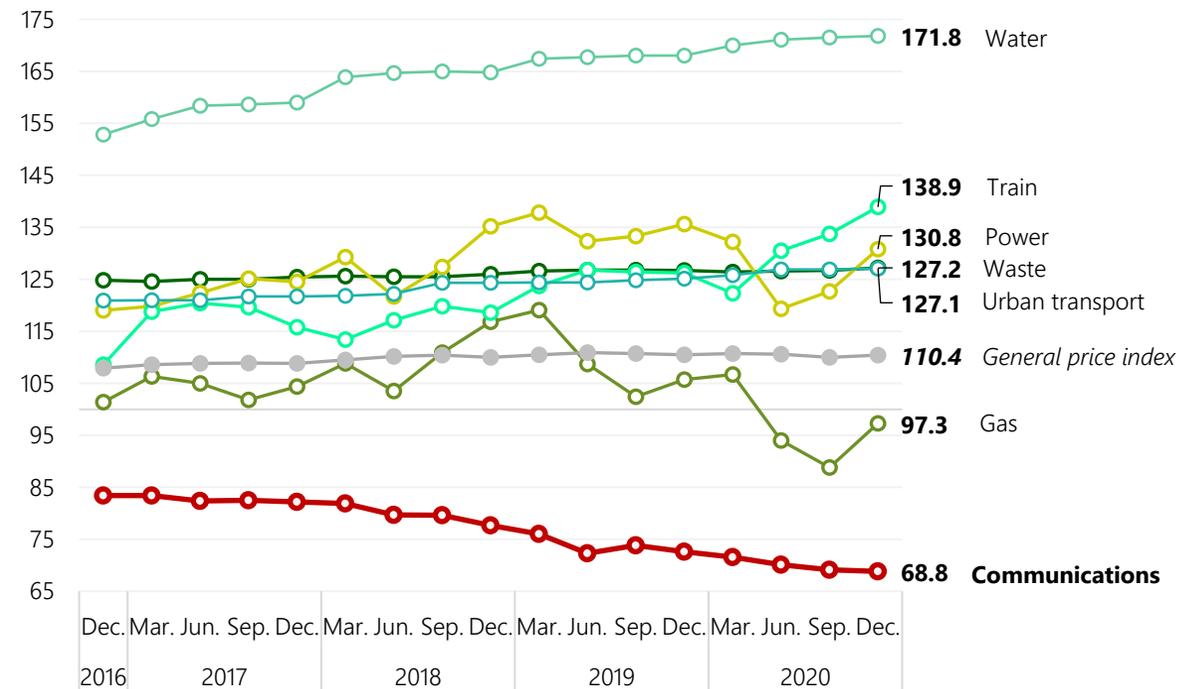
	Change (2016 – 2020)	Change (2019 – 2020)
Average unit revenue:	-30.0% ↓	-11.1% ↓
Crossborder parcels:	-25.4% ↓	-11.2% ↓
- US:	-16.3% ↓	+0.0% =
- No US:	-25.3% ↓	-11.2% ↓
Domestic parcels:	-21.6% ↓	-6.0% ↓
- US:	-2.5% ↓	-6.5% ↓
- No US:	-21.7% ↓	-6.0% ↓

## 4.1 PRICE: HARMONISED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AND OTHER UTILITIES PRICE INDICES (2010=100)

### GENERAL PRICE INDEX



### UTILITIES PRICE INDEX



Source: Agcom elaboration on data from Istat

4-Year change Annual change

**ISA (Agcom summary price index):**

**-13.2%** ↓ **-4.1%** ↓

**General price index:**

**+2.3%** ↑ **-0.1%** ↓

Regulated services - local:

**+7.7%** ↑ **+1.0%** ↑

Regulated services - national:

**+0.7%** ↑ **+0.1%** ↑

(\*) **Note:** The ISA («Indice Sintetico Agcom») price index includes postal services, services and devices for fixed and mobile telephony, public TV license fee, pay TV, newspapers and magazines (for a total of 10 items).

4-Year change Annual change

Water (04.4.1):

**+12.4%** ↑ **+2.3%** ↑

Waste (04.4.2):

**+1.9%** ↑ **+0.4%** ↑

Power (04.5.1):

**+9.9%** ↑ **-3.5%** ↓

Gas (04.5.2):

**-4.0%** ↓ **-7.9%** ↓

4-Year change Annual change

Train (07.3.1): **+27.9%** ↑ **+10.1%** ↑

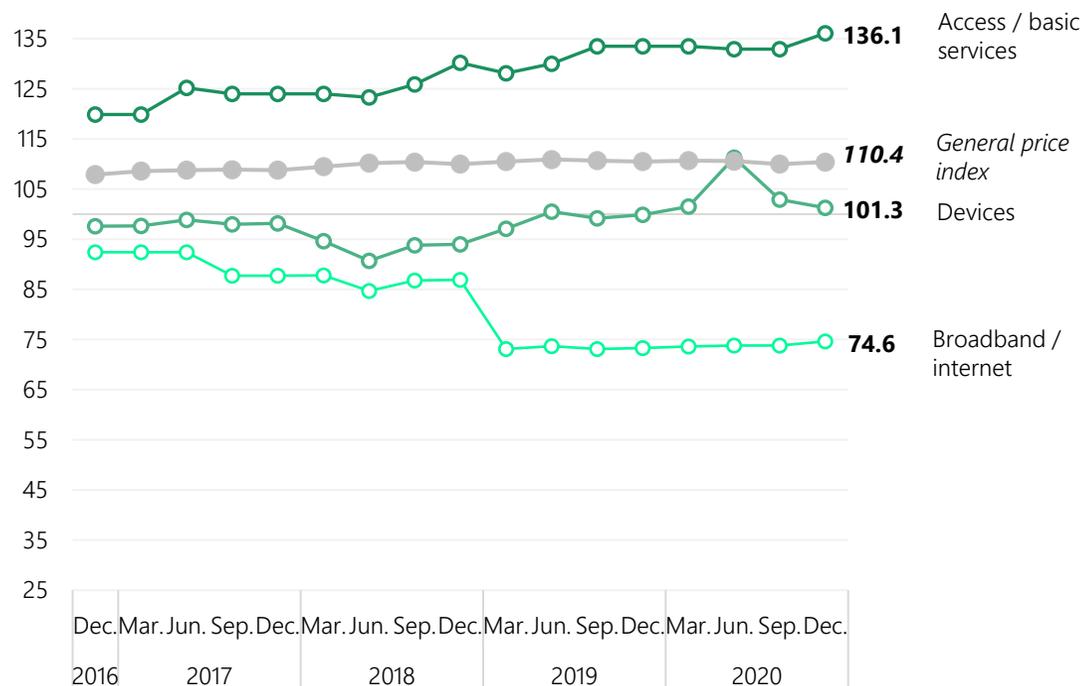
Urban transport (07.3.2.1.1): **+5.1%** ↑ **+1.6%** ↑

**Communications (08): -17.5%** ↓ **-5.2%** ↓

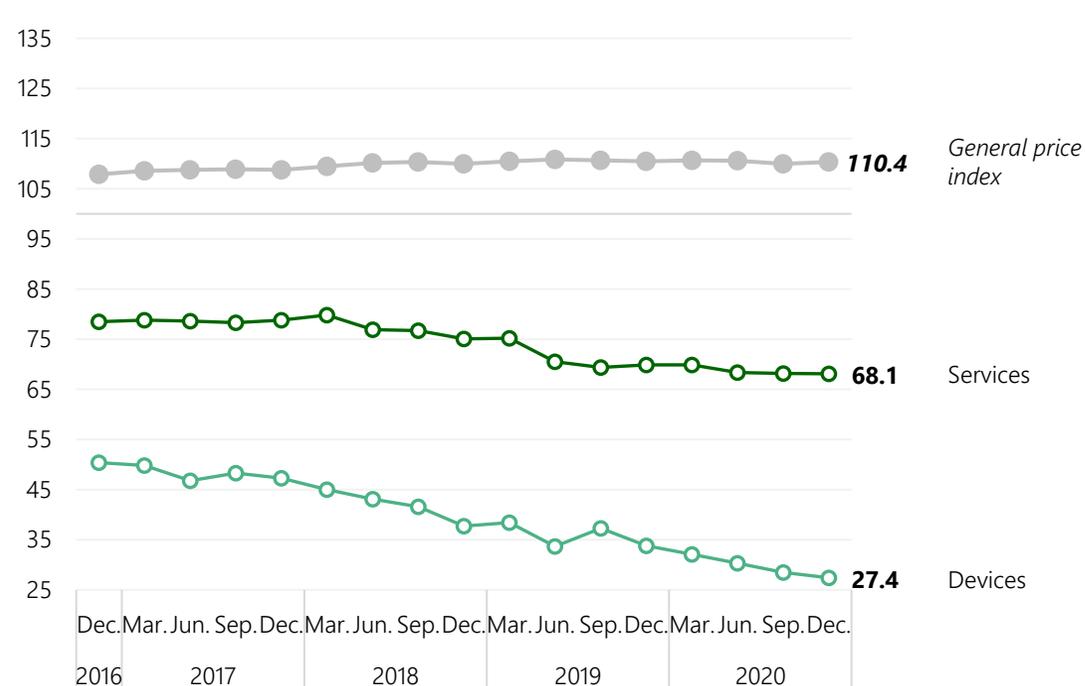
(COICOP - Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose)

## 4.2 PRICE: MOBILE AND FIXED TELEPHONY PRICE INDICES (2010=100)

### FIXED TELEPHONY PRICE INDICES



### MOBILE TELEPHONY PRICE INDICES



Source: Agcom elaboration on data from Istat

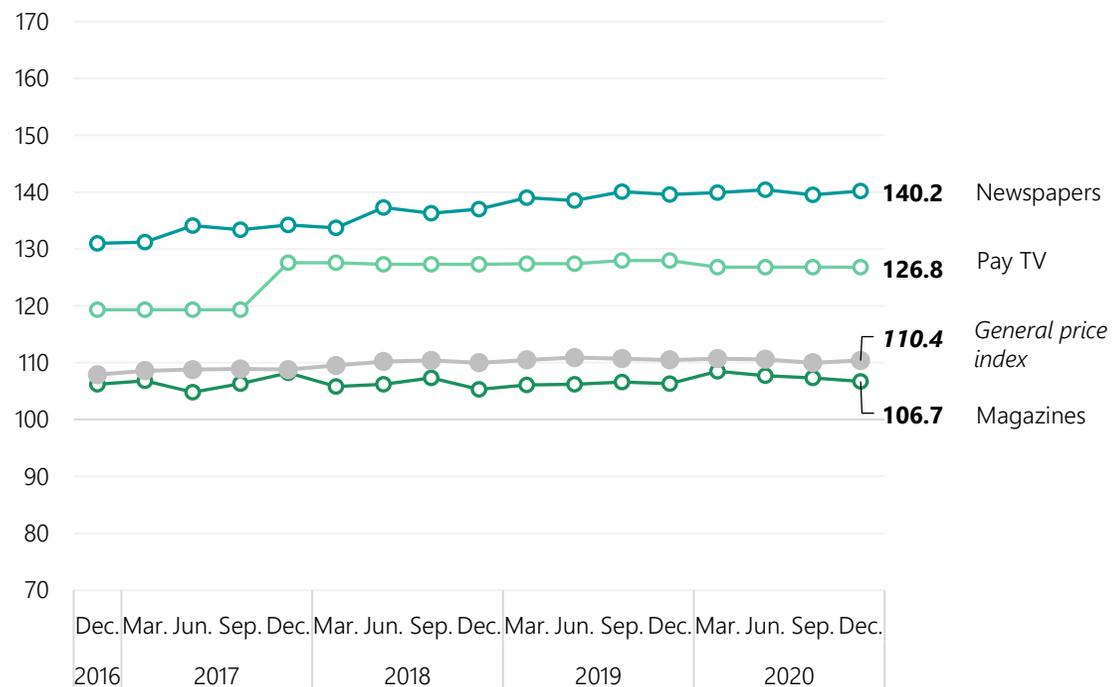
	4-Year change	Annual change
Access / basic services (08.3.0.1):	<b>+13.5%</b> ▲	<b>+1.9%</b> ▲
Devices (08.2.0.1):	<b>+3.8%</b> ▲	<b>+1.4%</b> ▲
Broadband / internet (08.3.0.3.0.07):	<b>-19.3%</b> ▼	<b>+1.8%</b> ▲

	4-Year change	Annual change
Services (08.3.0.2):	<b>-13.2%</b> ▼	<b>-2.6%</b> ▼
Devices (08.2.0.2):	<b>-45.6%</b> ▼	<b>-18.9%</b> ▼

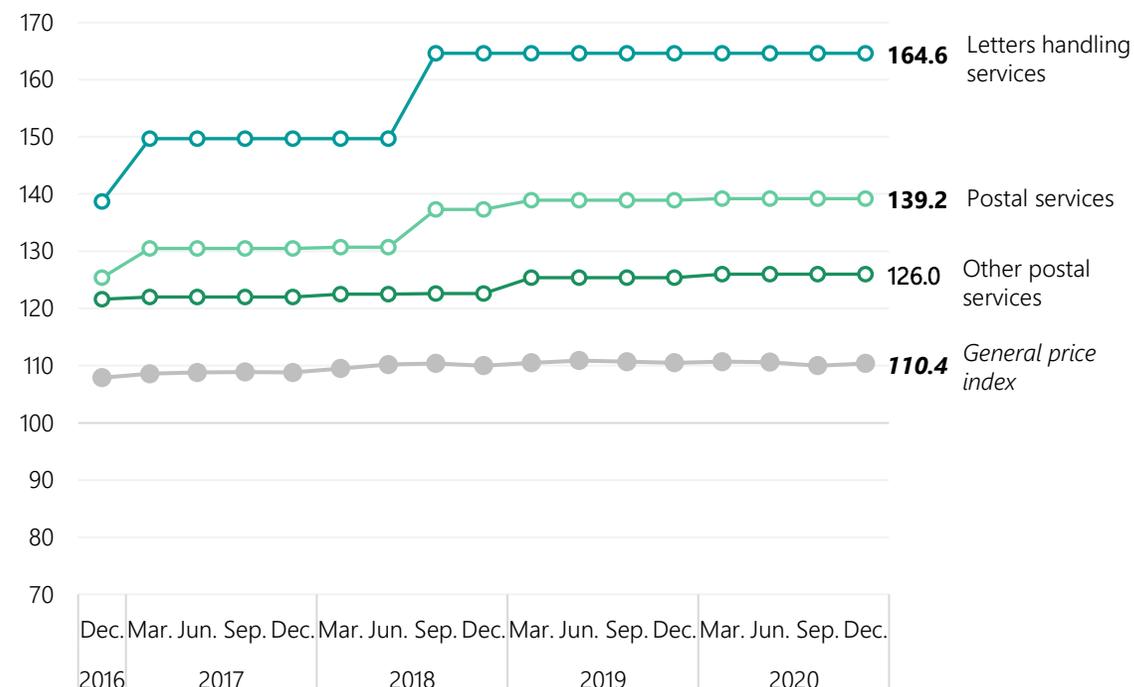
(COICOP - Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose)

## 4.3 PRICE: DAILY NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, TV AND POSTAL SERVICES PRICE INDICES (2010=100)

### NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, TV PRICE INDICES



### POSTAL SERVICES PRICE INDEX



Source: Agcom elaboration on data from Istat

	4-Year change	Annual change
Newspapers (09.5.2.1.0):	<b>+7.0%</b> ▲	<b>+0.4%</b> ▲
Pay TV (09.4.2.3.0.02):	<b>+6.3%</b> ▲	<b>-0.9%</b> ▼
Magazines (09.5.2.2.0):	<b>+0.5%</b> ▲	<b>+0.4%</b> ▲

	4-Year change	Annual change
Postal services (08.1):	<b>+11.0%</b> ▲	<b>+0.2%</b> ▲
Letters handling services (08.1.0.1.0.00):	<b>+18.7%</b> ▲	=
Other postal services (08.1.0.9.0.00):	<b>+3.6%</b> ▲	<b>+0.5%</b> ▲

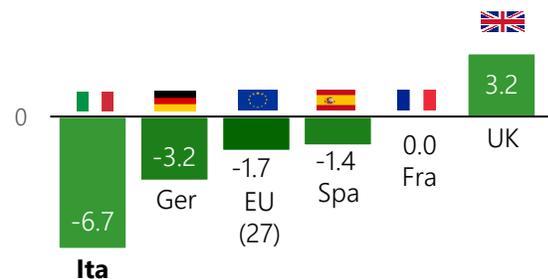
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## 4.4 PRICE: INTERNATIONAL BENCHMARK

### 1-Year change %

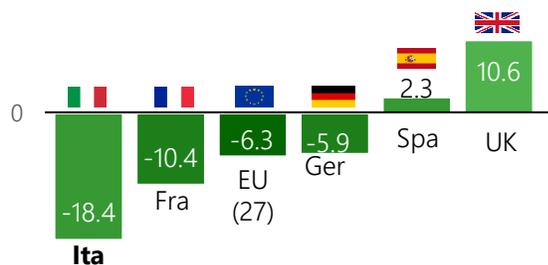
Dec. 2019  
-  
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#### TLC – SERVICES AND EQUIPMENTS (COICOP 08.2 - 08.3)



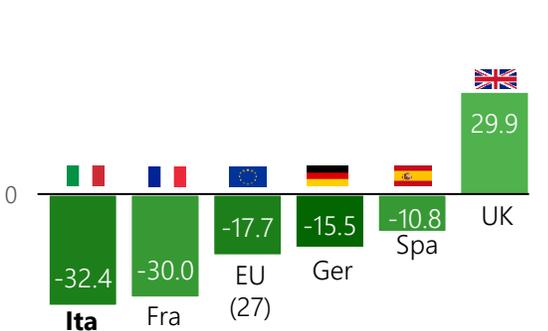
### 5-Year change %

Dec. 2015  
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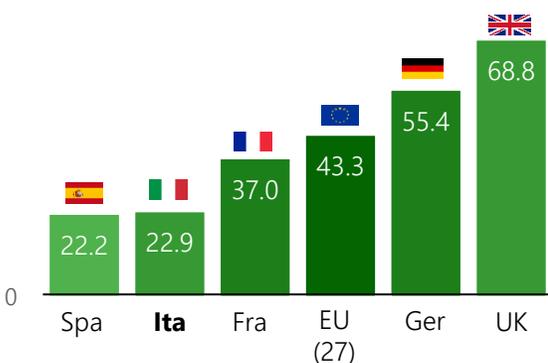
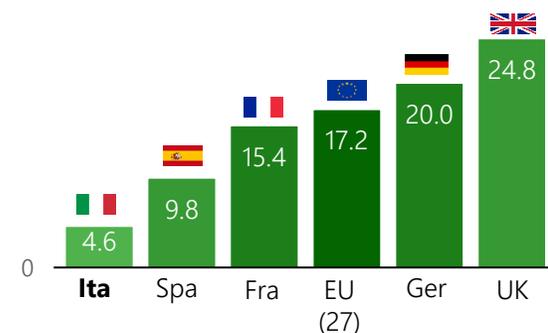
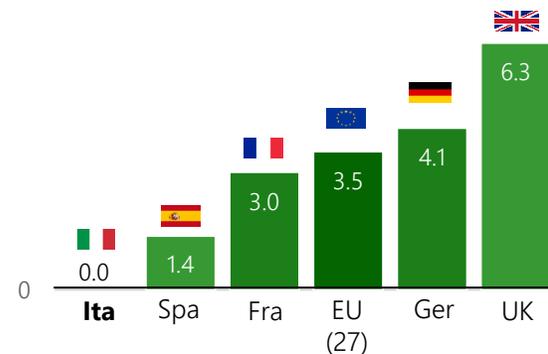


### 10-Year change %

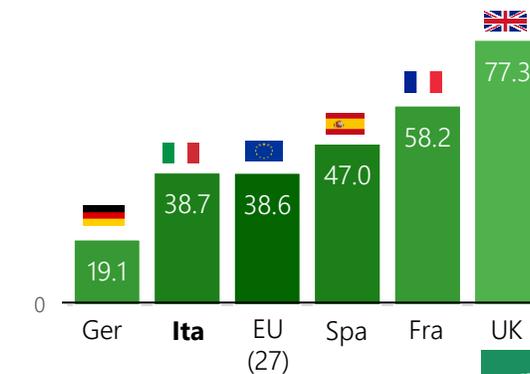
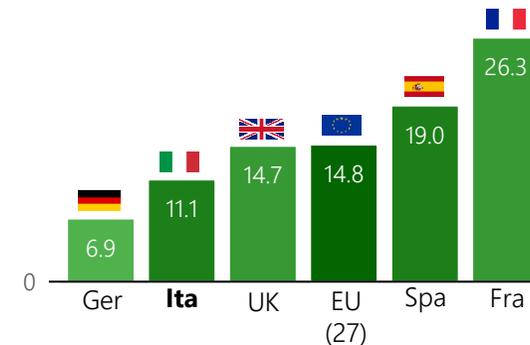
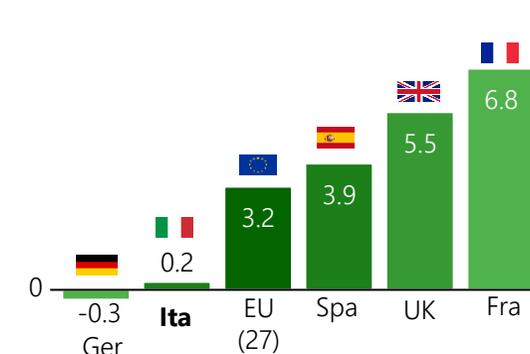
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#### NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES (COICOP 09.5.2)



#### POSTAL SERVICES (COICOP 08.1)





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