

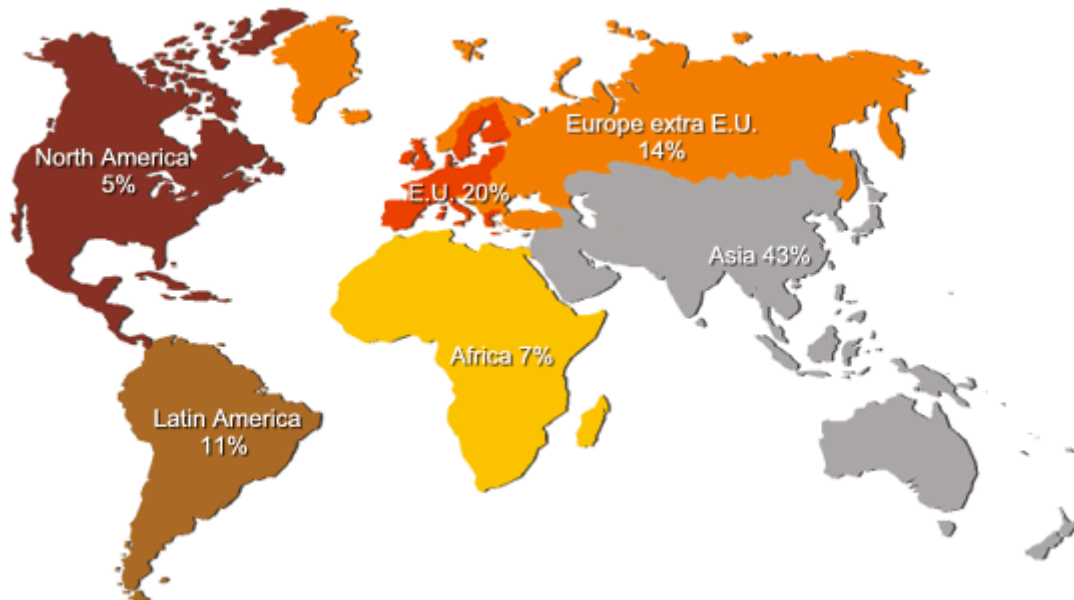
## a portrait

The textile machinery industry requires great investments in research, deep know-how, long experience in textile, mechanic and electronic fields. Therefore countries having a first class production are few. Italy is today the second producer of textile machinery in the world and the technological level of its production is considered of the highest standard by the competitors themselves.

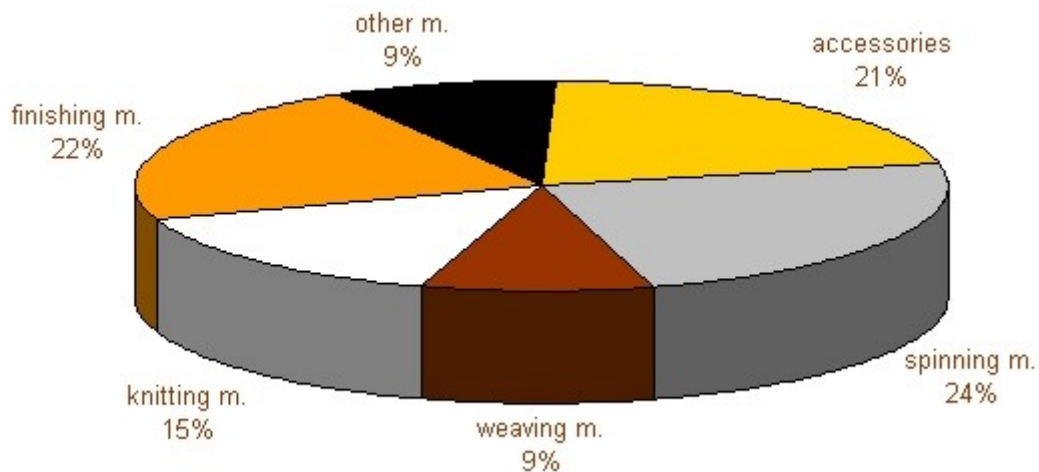
In 2008, the production of Italian textile machinery amounted to 2.0 billion of Euro, 79% of which (worth 1.6 billion Euro) exported in about 130 countries.

Asia (43%) is the main export area, followed by Europe (34%), South America (11%), North America (5%) and Africa (7%).

**Italian textile machinery - export by areas - 2008**



**Italian textile machinery - export by categories - 2008**



### **a complete production range**

The supply of Italian textile machinery is characterised by a wide and complete range:

- pre-spinning and spinning machinery
- twisting, reeling, winding machinery
- pre-weaving and weaving machinery
- knitting and hosiery machinery
- dyeing, printing and finishing machinery
- laundry dry-cleaning and ironing machinery

Italian machines are studied to process all natural fibres (wool, cotton, silk, flax, etc.) as well as man-made fibres (polyester, acrylic, polyamides, etc.) in order to give a correct answer to all requests of a modern textile industry.

Growing attention is dedicated by the Italian Companies to the manufacture of machinery for textile technicals production.

### **the reasons for our success**

There are about 300 Italian manufacturers of textile machinery employing 13,600 workers.

They are located in areas and towns of ancient textile tradition, where a profitable exchange of experiences with the end-users is a stimulating contribution to the improvement of the machines.

These towns are located in Northern and Central Italy, like Biella, Como, Milano, Bergamo, Brescia, Prato, Vicenza.

Thanks to the large number of manufacturers, nearly every type of machines can be supplied by more than one producer: therefore clients can easily find the items more suitable to their requirements.

The main characteristics of Italian machinery are:

- advanced technological level
- flexibility and versatility
- excellent quality/price ratio
- reliability and problem-free operation
- close and continuous relationship with the textile and clothing industry

Besides, research on safety and environment is constantly carried out in order to propose solutions keeping the pace with European and International regulations.