

APULIA



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Bari is a city in southern Italy on the Adriatic sea.

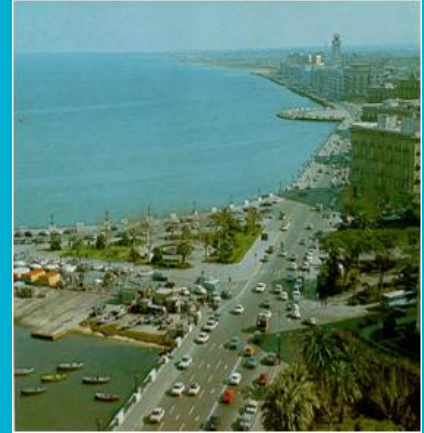
Bari is the capital of the Bari Province and of the Apulia Region.

It is the second economic centre of Southern Italy and is well known as a port and university city, as well as the city of Saint Nicholas.

The city itself has a decreasing population of 320,257 over 116 km², while the fast-growing urban area counts 750,000 inhabitants over 203 km².

1.3 million people live in the metropolitan area.

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- Bari is made up of four different urban sections.
- To the north, the old town, with the huge Basilica of Saint Nicholas, the Cathedral of San Sabino (1035 - 1171) and the *Castello Svevo* of Frederick II, is now also one of the major nightlife districts.
- The *Murattiano* section to the south, the modern heart of the city, is laid out on a rectangular checkerboard pattern with a promenade on the sea, and the main shopping district
- The more modern city surrounding this center was the result of chaotic development during the 60's and 70's
- Finally, the outer suburbs have been in rapid development during the 90's.
- The city has a new airport named after Pope John Paul II, Karol Wojtyla Airport, with connections to several European cities.