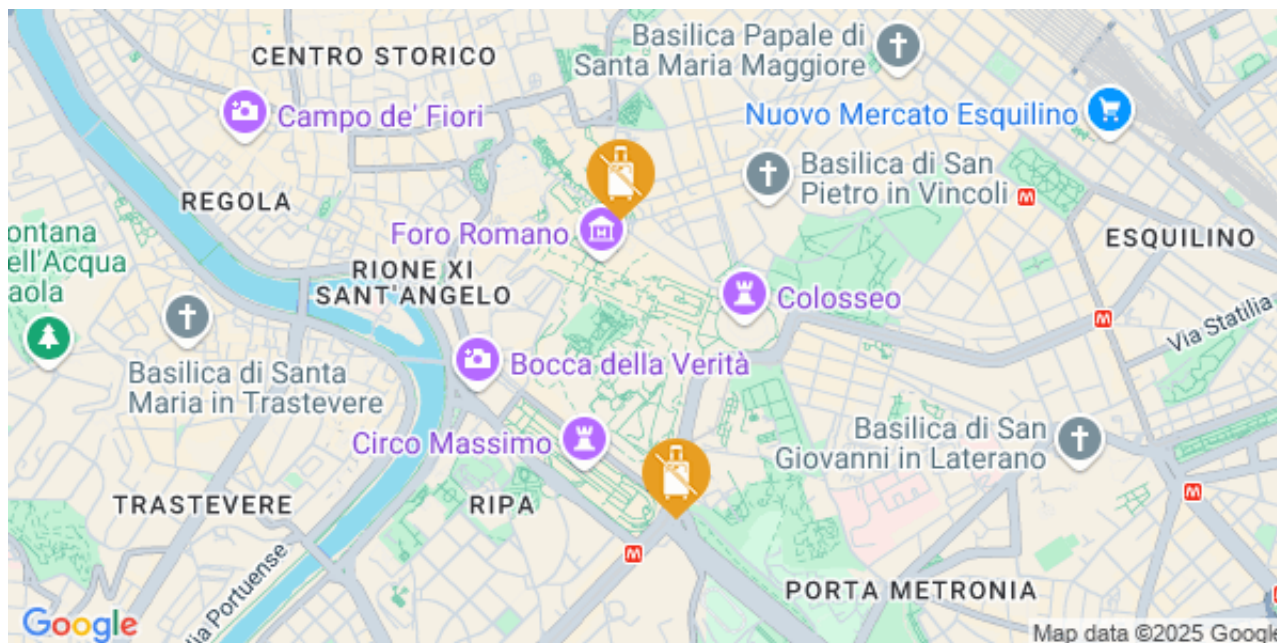


## Travel



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**Italy Tactical: Republic Day celebrations to take place in Rome on June 2, associated parade rehearsals scheduled for May 28-29; remain cognizant of authorities' updates**

## Current Situation

- According to Roma Mobilita, the public transport operator in Rome, celebratory events associated with Italy's 79th Republic Day, Festa Della Repubblica, will be held in central Rome on June 2. Associated rehearsals will begin on May 28.
- Parade rehearsals will take place starting at 22:00 (local time) on May 28 through 05:30 on May 29. The parade route will start at Porta Capena square, making a loop through central Rome.
- Traffic will be closed during the stated time frame on Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, Piazza di Porta Capena, Via dei Cerchi, Via di San Gregorio, Via Celio Vibenna, and Via dei Fori Imperiali. Additional details, along with restrictions to public transportation and information on alternative routes, can be found [here](#) (in Italian).

Source: [Romamobilita](#)

- The official Republic Day celebrations will take place starting with a flag raising ceremony in front of the War Memorial in Piazza Vittorio Veneto in Rome at 09:30 on June 2 and continue throughout the day.
- Reports indicate that multiple high-profile government and political leaders, including President Sergio Mattarella, will join these events.
- Subsequently, a military parade will take place along Via Dei Fori Imperiali. Around 5,300 personnel participated in the parade in 2024, and thousands attended the event.
- In response to these celebrations, authorities have announced multiple restrictions on vehicular traffic and public transport routes in Rome throughout the day on June 2. Details on road closures can be found [here](#) (in Italian). The tourist bus plan can be found [here](#) (in Italian).

Source: [Quirinale](#)

## Assessments & Forecast

1. Based on official estimates, the Festa Della Repubblica events on June 2 are liable to attract turnout in the low-to-mid tens of thousands. While the rehearsal parades are liable to garner a turnout in the high hundreds to low thousands.
2. Based on precedent, celebratory events are expected to transpire peacefully and without instances of major unrest. Separately, although authorities have not noted specific plots, considering general heightened concerns over Islamist terrorism in Italy, the potential for Islamists to target the celebratory events remains, given their symbolic nature. As such, a bolstered security presence is liable to be deployed in the vicinity of Via Dei Fori Imperiali over the coming days as a precautionary measure.
3. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic, including road closures and diversions, are likely to be established in central Rome over the period from May 28 to June 2.

## Recommendations

1. Those operating or residing in Rome from May 28 to June 2 are advised to remain cognizant of authorities' updates regarding the travel restrictions and road closures due to the Republic Day celebration events.
2. Allot for disruptions to travel in the central Rome as well.