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Information and Communication Technologies in Households

In the first quarter of 2007, 48,3% of households had a computer¹ and 39,6% had access to the Internet at home; from these, in 76,8% (30,4% of the total households) this connection was made through broadband. The number of households with these technologies have been increasing: being observed, comparatively to 2003, an average annual growth of 42,1% for the broadband connection and of 17,8% for the Internet connection at home. Relatively to the computer the medium annual growth is of 7,4%.

Information and Communication Technologies: usage by individuals

In the first quarter of 2007, the computer was used by 45,8% of individuals aged 16 to 74 years old and the Internet by 39,6%. The average annual growth rates reveal that, compared to 2003, the usage of computer and Internet has grown 6,4% and 11,8%, respectively.

¹ In computer concept is considered desktop computer, portable computer and PDA.