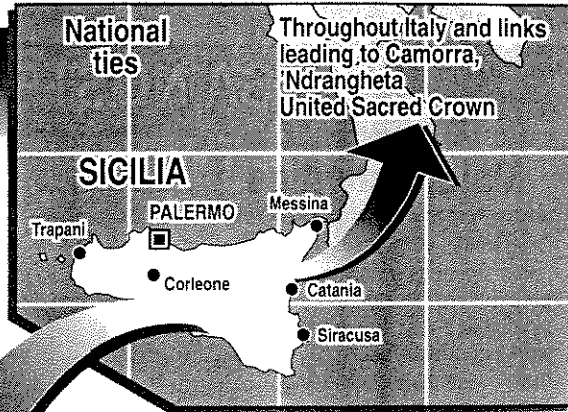


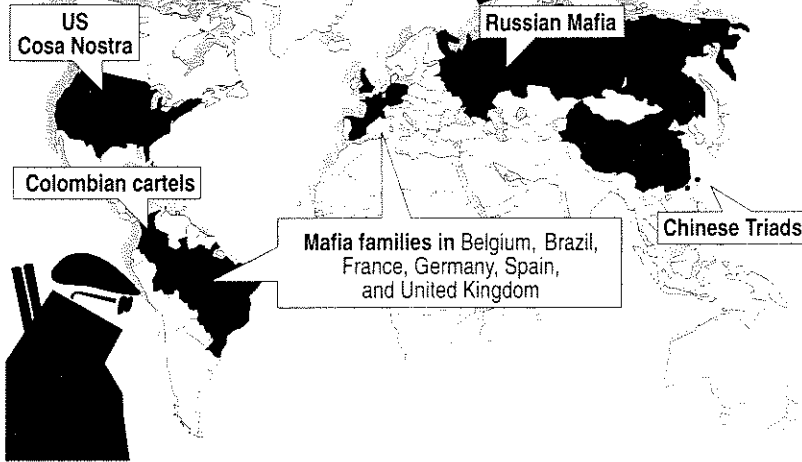
SICILIAN COSA NOSTRA

Major activities

International drug trafficking has become a major activity of Cosa Nostra which acts as a clearing-house for agreements and drug routes, and financial activities in laundering colossal sums, arms trafficking, extortion and skimming public works contracts.



International ties



Size and structure

5,000 members
 (one man of honour for every person in population.)
 and dozens of sympathizers
 Vertical organization with regional commission and provincial commissions .
 Ranks of members
 -picciotto
 -man of honour
 -capodecina
 -capomandamento
 -provincial representative
 -regional representative
 -consigliere