

Walter Veltroni



• PERSONAL DATA

Walter Veltroni was born in Rome in 1955. He is married and is the father of two daughters.

• POLITICAL CAREER

<i>1976 to 1981</i>	Local councillor for Rome
<i>1987</i>	Member of the Parliament
<i>1988</i>	Secretary General of the Italian Communist Party
<i>1992 to 1996</i>	Editor of "Lunità newspaper"
<i>1996</i>	Vice President of the Council of Ministers; National Heritage Minister
<i>1998</i>	Political Secretary of the Democratici di Sinistra
<i>1999</i>	European MP
<i>2001-2008</i>	Mayor of Rome

• Other

Following the defeat of Prodi's government in a January 2008 Senate vote, Walter Veltroni is leading the Democratic Party into the April 2008 general election. Walter Veltroni resigned as Mayor of Rome on February 13, 2008 to concentrate on the campaign.