

# Italy Unaccompanied And Separated Children (UASC) Dashboard

January – September 2016

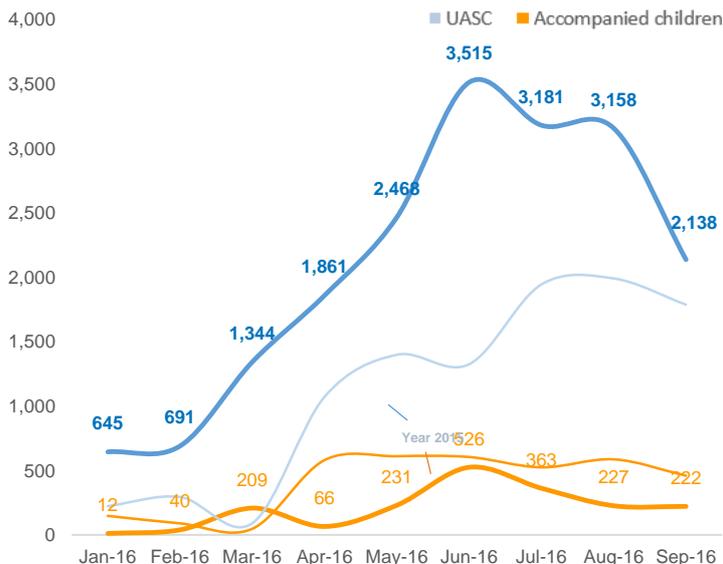
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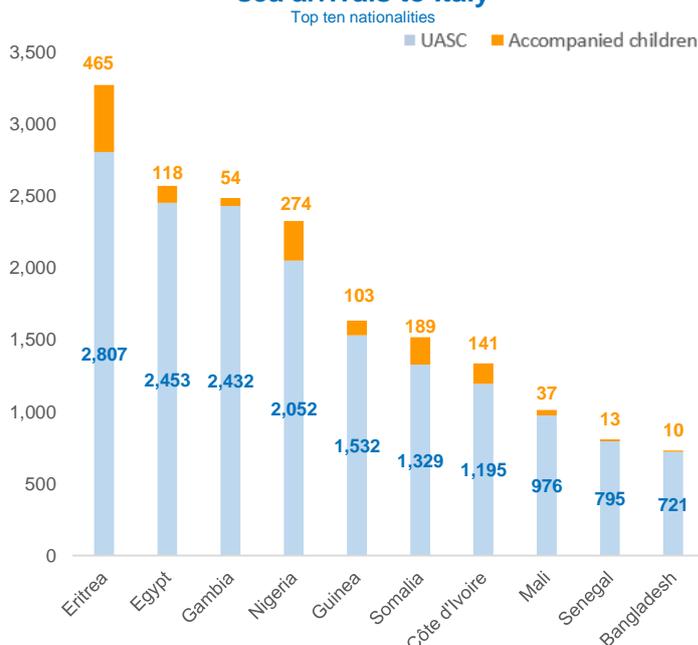
(91%) of children are UASC

Between 1 January and 30 September 2016, 20,897 children arrived to Italy by sea: 9 out of 10 children arrived unaccompanied (19,001). UASC thus account for some 14% of all sea arrivals in the above period, an increase of around 88% compared to the same period of 2015, when 8% of all those arrived by sea were UASC.

UASC and accompanied children sea arrivals trend



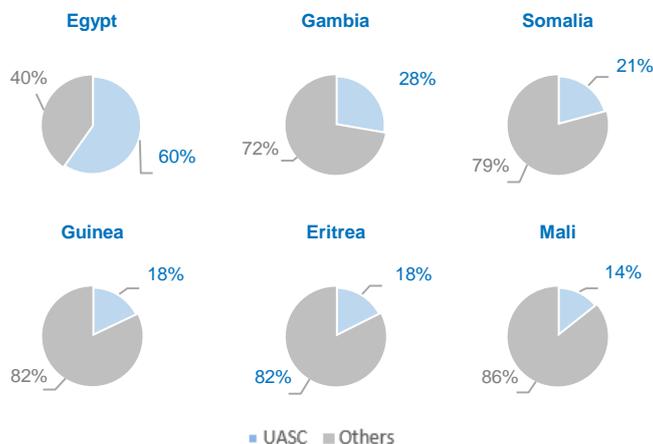
UASC and accompanied children: sea arrivals to Italy



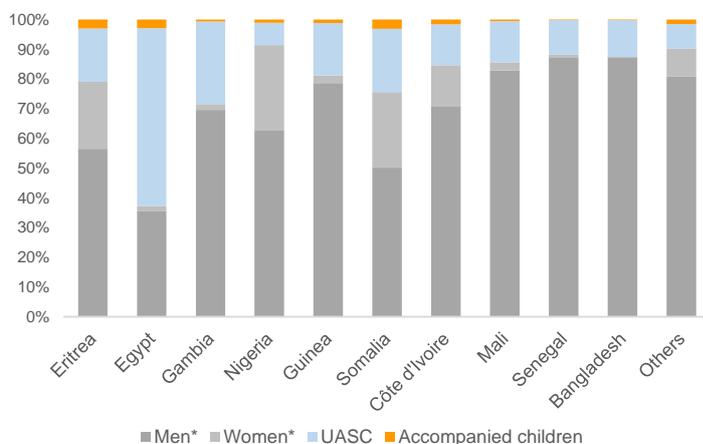
A progressive increase in UASC arriving by sea was noted since the beginning of the year, with a sharp increase in June, when 3,515 UASC arrived by sea (out of 22,371 total sea arrivals). Of 16,975 total sea arrivals in September, 2,138 (13%) were UASC.

The top nationalities of UASC arriving by sea between January and September 2016 are Eritrean, Egyptian and Gambian. The total number of Eritrean UASC arrived so far is comparable to last year. Notably, however, UASC represent a much higher proportion among Eritrean arrivals this year than in 2015 (from 8% in Jan-Sep 2015 to 18% in Jan-Sep 2016). The numbers of both Gambian and Egyptian UASC rose significantly compared to the same period last year (plus 201% and plus 81%, respectively).

Proportion of UASC by nationality on total sea arrivals



Distribution by age, gender, UASC and accompanied children by nationality



60% of all Egyptians who arrived by sea in the January-September 2016 period are UASC, the highest proportion of all nationalities. UASC from The Gambia represent the second highest proportion, accounting for 28% of all Gambians, up from last year's 12%.

Most UASC arriving by sea are boys and are between 16 and 17 years old. However, exact figures on gender are currently unavailable.

The charts are based on figures from the Italian Ministry of Interior. All figures are provisional and subject to change.

\* The groups of men and women refer to persons over 18 year old.