

LIBYA

21 - 27 April 2018

Key figures:

184,612 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹

368,583 returned IDPs (returns registered in 2016 - March 2018)¹

51,519 registered refugees and asylumseekers in the State of Libya²

9,361 persons arrived in Italy by sea in 2018³

451 monitoring visits to detention centres so far in 2018

1,006 asylum-seekers and refugees released from detention so far in 2018

1,342 vulnerable refugees and asylumseekers evacuated since November 2017

Funding

USD **85** M required for 2018

- 1 IOM-DTM March 2018.
- ² Data as of 31 March 2018.
- ³ www.data2.unhcr as of 26 April 2018.

Highlights

UNHCR is responding to the urgent humanitarian situation of around 800 refugees and migrants who are detained in the Zwara detention centre (115 km west of Tripoli). On 25 April, UNHCR and its partner International Medical Corps (IMC) visited the facility, provided medical assistance, and dispatched non-food items for 800 refugees and migrants in detention. UNHCR, MSF and DRC are conducting an anti-scabies campaign inside the detention facility. Due to the fact that the coastal road between Zwara and Tripoli is too dangerous, in coordination with the authorities, UNHCR is exploring the evacuation of all persons of concern (Eritreans, Somali and Sudanese) from Zwara to Tripoli by airplane, logistics and security permitting.

Population Movements

As of 26 April 2018, 5,109 refugees and migrants were rescued/intercepted by the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG). During the week, over 600 refugees and migrants were disembarked in Tripoli (322 individuals), Zwara (111 individuals), Azzawya (82 individuals) and Al Khums (94 individuals). On the 22 April, a shipwreck took place near Sabratha (75 km west of Tripoli) causing the loss of at least 11 lives at sea. The remaining 82 survivors were disembarked in Azzawya. Humanitarian and medical assistance was provided by UNHCR and its partner IMC at all disembarkation points where the most vulnerable cases were identified. In line with recent trends, boats departed from areas near Zwara and Garabulli.

UNHCR Response

On 24 April, UNHCR conducted a protection monitoring visit to two settlements in Misrata where over 14,000 persons are currently displaced (IDPs). UNHCR and its partner LibAid led focus group discussions with men, women and the elderly to identify their needs and work towards providing solutions for them. The main needs raised include the lack of health care and medicines, and reduced access to civil documentation. Many new-born IDPs have no access to birth registration. The majority of IDPs are facing dire living conditions with limited income. During the visit, UNHCR distributed 300 hygiene kits to women and girls living in the settlements.

On 25 April, UNHCR evacuated two unaccompanied children from Misrata, Libya, to Switzerland, as part of family reunification efforts to reunite the children with their mother. UNHCR appreciates the cooperation with authorities in Libya, Tunis and Switzerland, who facilitated the departure and safe arrival of two refugee children to Switzerland. The children were identified by UNHCR during its registration activities in Karareem detention centre in Misrata (200 km east of Tripoli) in February.

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Key Figures



604,714 people of concern



51,519 registered refugees & asylum-seekers



184,612* internally displaced persons



368.583* IDP returnees

UNHCR Coordinated Sectors



Protection Sector



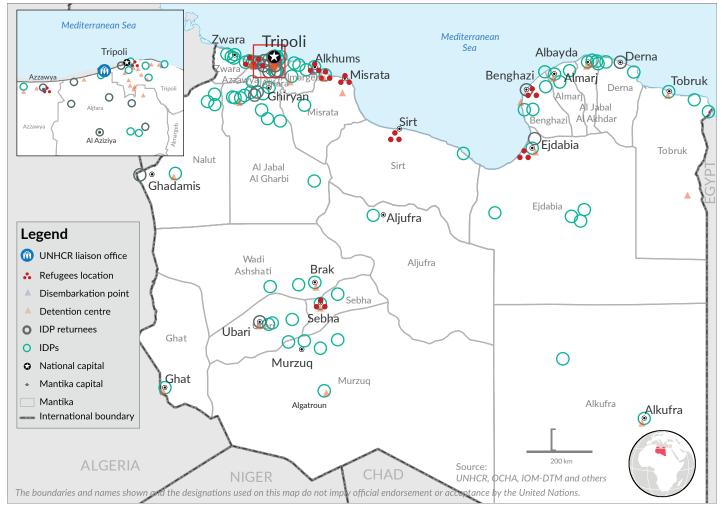
Shelter & NFI Sector



Cash & Markets Working Group



Mixed Migration Working Group (Co-led by UNHCR & IOM)



Key Achievements in 2018



13,581 medical consultations (35,091 in 2017)



21,416 IDPs and refugees received non-food items (113,605 in 2017)



2,705 IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (3,314 in 2017)



15,021 individuals registered since 2016 (6,860 in 2018)



3,134 rescue kits and 488 medical consultations provided at disembarkation points (5,327 and 2,956 in 2017)



451 monitoring visits to detention centres (1,080 in 2017)



1,006 detained refugees/asylum-seekers released (1,428 in 2017)



1,807 refugees and asylum-seekers reached with solutions since Sept 2017: 465 resettlement submissions to third countries and 1,342 individuals evacuated from Libya (1,020 to Niger, 312 to Italy and 10 to Romania)

UNHCR Funding Requirements



USD 85 million

required in 2018 for Libya emergency response

* IOM-DTM