

ITALY Sea arrivals dashboard

Overview

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117,042

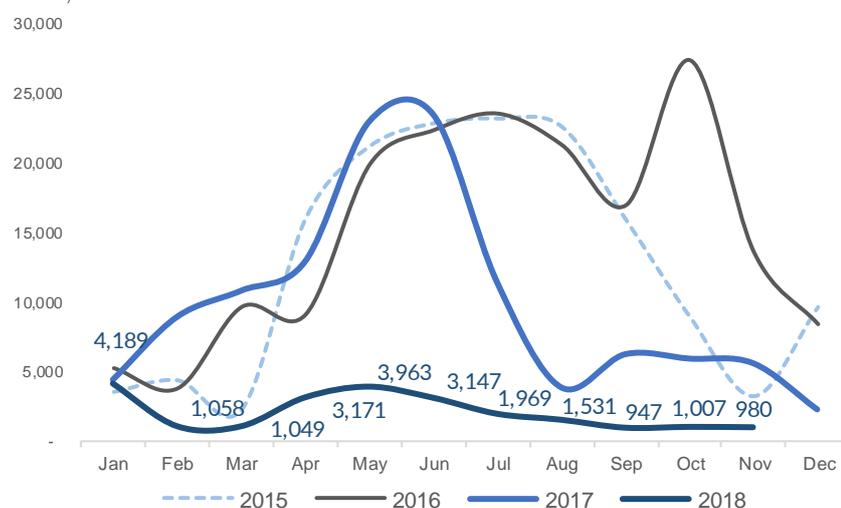
Jan - Nov 2018 ¹

Jan - Nov 2017 ¹

Between 1 January and 30 November 2018, 23,011 persons arrived in Italy by sea. This is an 80 per cent decrease compared to sea arrivals in the same period last year (117,042). In November 2018, less than 1,000 persons reached Italian shores. This is comparable with arrival numbers in the previous month, when just over 1,000 disembarked in southern Italy. However, it is a reduction compared to monthly arrival numbers in previous years. In November 2017, over 5,600 refugees and migrants were recorded at landing points in southern Italy.

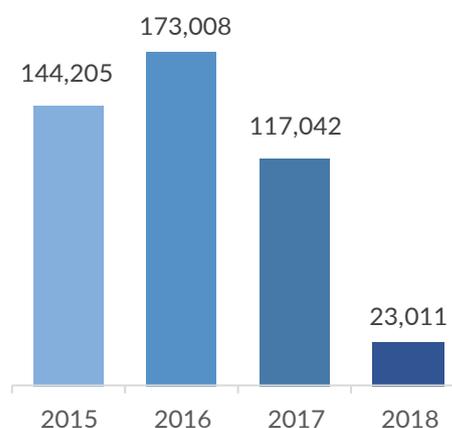
Monthly sea arrivals

January 2015 to November 2018



Yearly sea arrivals

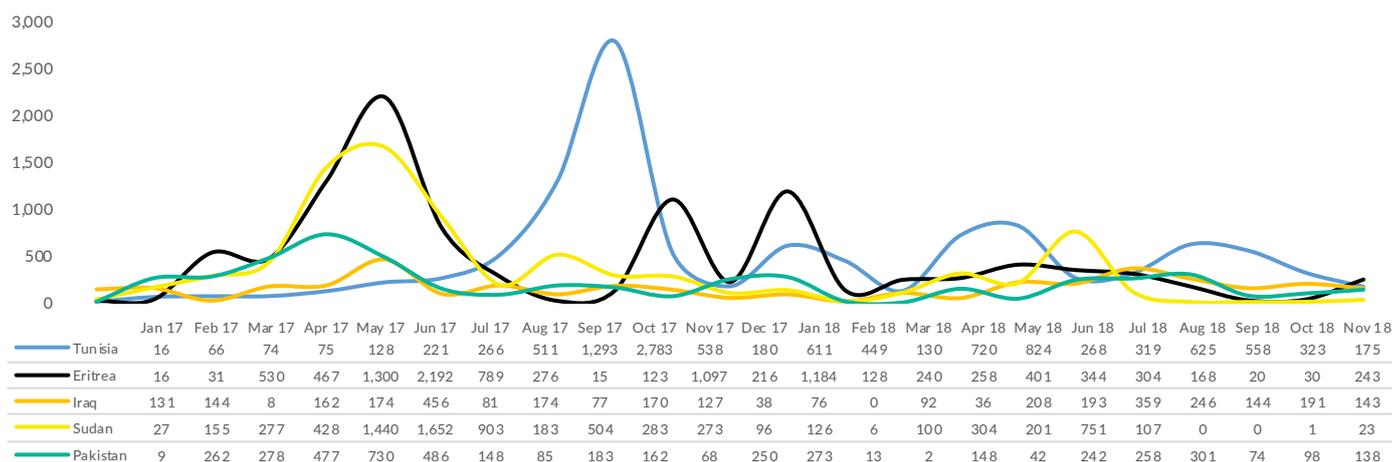
January to November, 2015-2018



Nationality of arrivals

Between 1 January and 30 November 2018, 22 per cent of all arrivals originated from Tunisia, followed by Eritrea (14 per cent), Iraq (7 per cent), Sudan (7 per cent), Pakistan (7 per cent), Nigeria (5 per cent), Algeria (5 per cent), Côte d'Ivoire (5 per cent), Mali (4 per cent), and Guinea (4 per cent). In the same period last year, the most common nationalities of sea arrivals were: Nigeria, Guinea, Côte d'Ivoire, Bangladesh, Mali, Eritrea, Sudan, Tunisia, Senegal, and The Gambia. The numbers of arrivals from Nigeria and western African countries have significantly decreased this year. While over 18,000 Nigerians were registered at landing points between 1 January and 30 November 2017, their number dropped to 1,250 in the same period this year. The numbers of Eritreans reaching Italian shores have also halved, from some 6,800 in January-November 2017 to 3,320 in January-November 2018. Notably, while arrivals of Tunisian nationals are proportionally higher than last year - when they accounted for 5 per cent of arrivals in the first eleven months of the year- their absolute numbers are largely comparable to last year: in January-November 2017, almost 6,000 Tunisians arrived in Italy by sea, compared to 5,000 in the same period this year.

Most common nationalities of arrivals - January 2017 to November 2018

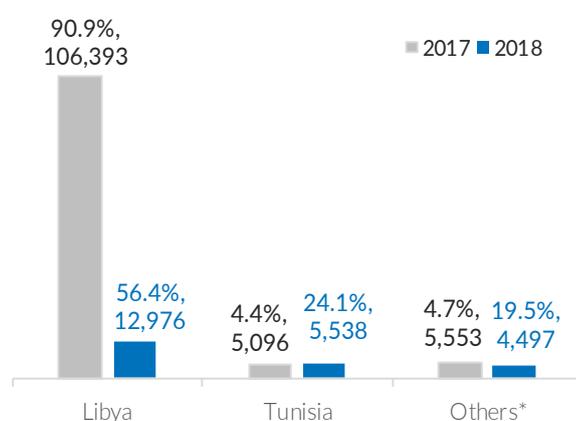


Country of embarkation and demographics of arrivals

While Libya remains the main country of departure for persons arriving in Italy by sea, departures from Libya have dropped significantly compared to last year. Between 1 January and 30 November 2018, 56 per cent of sea arrivals (12,976 persons) crossed from Libya, compared to 91 per cent (106,393 persons) in the same period last year. In November 2018, 511 refugees and migrants reached Italian shores having departed from Libya, including a group of 264 persons who disembarked spontaneously (i.e. without a SAR intervention) in Pozzallo on 24 November. Other refugees and migrants crossing from Libya in November 2018 reached Italian shores in Lampedusa, travelling in smaller groups ranging from approximately 15 to approximately 70 persons. Notably, in November 2018, there was an increase in the number of individuals crossing to Italy from Libya, compared to October and September 2018. Furthermore, in November 2018 there were more departures from Libya (511) than from Tunisia (156). However, the proportion of departures from Tunisia increased from 4 per cent in the January-November 2017 period to 24 per cent in the January-November 2018 period. Most refugees and migrants embarking in Tunisia reached the island of Lampedusa. Another 19 per cent of sea arrivals since the beginning of the year embarked from other countries, including most commonly Turkey, but also Greece and Algeria.

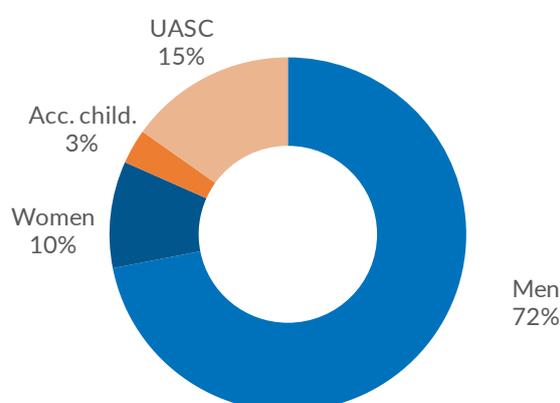
Country of embarkation

January to November 2017 and 2018



Demographics of arrivals

January to November 2018



* Others include Turkey, Greece and Algeria

Between 1 January and 30 November 2018, most sea arrivals were men (72 per cent), followed by unaccompanied and separated children (15 per cent), adult women (10 per cent), and accompanied children (3 per cent). Between 1 January and 30 November 2018, 3,485 UASC reached Italian shores. Further information on UASC arrivals in Italy can be found in the October 2018 *Italy - Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASC) Dashboard*.

Nationality and demographics of arrivals – January to November 2018

