

EUROPE SITUATIONS: DATA AND TRENDS

ARRIVALS AND DISPLACED POPULATIONS

FIGURES as of 30 SEPTEMBER 2020



Includes Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999]). The boundaries and names shown, and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

CUMULATIVE FIGURES (1 JANUARY - 30 SEPTEMBER 2020)

59,217 estimated arrivals 1,232 estimated dead and missing¹ CANARY ISLANDS **WESTERN** CENTRAL **EASTERN** ROUTE² **MEDITERRANEAN MEDITERRANEAN MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE³ ROUTE⁴ ROUTE⁵** 6.215 arrivals 13,974 arrivals, of which 13,140 arrivals, of which 25.888 arrivals 1,395 by land 3,874 by land no arrivals by land no arrivals by land 556 dead and missing **136** dead and missing 443 dead and missing **97** dead and missing

ARRIVAL TRENDS (SINCE 2014)



Total Monthly Arrivals through

Yearly arrivals (rounded)



¹ Dead and missing figures refer to the Mediterranean and Canary Islands routes. Information is compiled from a variety of sources, the quality and reliability of which can vary. Every effort has been made to ensure that all statistical information is verified, and figures on dead and missing at sea represent conservative estimates of a number that could possibly be higher than reported. ² Includes sea arrivals in Canary Islands (Spain) via the Atlantic Ocean. ³ Includes sea and land arrivals in Spain via the Western Mediterranean route.

⁴ Includes sea and land arrivals in Spain vi ⁴ Includes sea arrivals in Italy and Malta.

⁵ Includes sea and land arrivals in Greece and sea arrivals in Cyprus.



ARRIVALS TO EUROPE

-45%

Estimated decrease in the number of arrivals via the Mediterranean and Canary Islands routes in September 2020 compared to September 2019

In September, some 10,600 refugees and migrants arrived in Europe via the Mediterranean and Canary Island routes, a 9% increase compared to August, but a 45% reduction compared to September 2019.

Spain received the highest number of arrivals in Europe in September (5,264 persons), a first since January 2019. While the majority arrived to the Spanish mainland, nearly 2,200 (42%) reached the country via the Canary Islands in the Atlantic Ocean, the highest number in a single month so far this year. To date, most people arriving to the Canary Islands are from Mali and other West African countries, with people departing from various points along Africa's western coast.

A further 4,400 refugees and migrants reached Europe via the Central Mediterranean route in September. Some 2,000 departed from Tunisia (the vast majority of whom were Tunisians), while some 1,400 departed from Libya (down from over 2,000 in August), with most of the remainder arriving from Turkey and Algeria. Some 65 dead and missing people were reported in September along the Central Mediterranean route, of whom the vast majority is believed to have drowned in

several different incidents after departing from the Libyan coast.

Just under 1,000 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece in September (a 92% decrease compared to September 2019), most via the land border with Turkey, as allegations of push-backs at sea continued to be reported. In Cyprus, following the arrival of several boats from Lebanon at the end of August and in early September, UNHCR received reports of alleged push-backs or returns of people not having been offered the possibility to access asylum procedures.

For more information please visit https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/mediterranean

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE⁶

As part of mixed movements, in September, arrivals in South Eastern Europe increased by 11% compared to August and by 16% compared to September 2019, with some 7,606 persons estimated to have entered, mainly through North Macedonia. In total, an estimated 43,575 people arrived in or transited through South Eastern Europe between 1 January and 30 September 2020. In September, 154 persons submitted an asylum application across all countries in the subregion, an increase of 55% compared to August 2020.

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OTHER SITUATIONS

Turkey		Ukraine	
Refugees ⁷	3.6 million	Internally displaced persons ⁸	734,000
Asylum-seekers ⁷	328,000	Refugees ⁹	2,200
		Asylum-seekers ¹⁰	2,400
% of Syrian among the refugees	92%	Stateless persons ¹¹	35,600
		Other persons of concern ¹²	1.7 million
For more information please look at <u>UNHCR Turkey Operational Update August 2020</u>		For more information please look at UNHCR Ukraine Operational Update September 2020	

Includes Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999])

UNHCR - <u>Global Report 2019</u>. Residing more permanently in government-controlled areas (GCA). OCHA - <u>2020 Humanitarian Needs Overview</u> - <u>Ukraine</u>, January 2020.

Refugees, including persons with complementary protection, UNHCR, State Migration Service of Ukraine as of 31 December 2019 ¹⁰ UNHCR as of 31 December 2019

¹¹UNHCR, State Migration Service of Ukraine as of 31 December 2019. 12 Estimated number of vulnerable, conflict-affected persons living along the 'contact line' in government-controlled areas (GCA) and non-government controlled areas (NGCA), Protection Cluster, UNHCR - 2020.