

EUROPE SITUATIONS: DATA AND TRENDS

ARRIVALS AND DISPLACED POPULATIONS

FIGURES as of 31 OCTOBER 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 - 31 OCTOBER 2020)

72,017 estimated arrivals 1,409 estimated dead and missing¹ CANARY ISLANDS **WESTERN** CENTRAL **EASTERN** ROUTE² **MEDITERRANEAN MEDITERRANEAN MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE³ ROUTE⁴ ROUTE⁵** 15,982 arrivals, of which 11.574 arrivals 29.459 arrivals 15,002 arrivals, of which 1,434 by land 4,781 by land no arrivals by land no arrivals by land 650 dead and missing 140 dead and missing 522 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. While every effort has been made to ensure that all statistical information is verified, figures on dead and missing at sea represent an estimate. Triangulation of information and sources is performed on a continuous basis, therefore amendments in figures may occur, including retroactively. ² Includes sea arrivals in Canary Islands (Spain) via the Atlantic Ocean.

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 arrivals in Italy and Malta.

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



ARRIVALS TO EUROPE

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1 in every 16 persons went missing or died while crossing the Atlantic towards the Canary Islands in 2020 Most arrivals to Europe in October via sea routes were to the Canary Islands, where over 5,300 people arrived from West Africa and North Africa, almost double the number that arrived there in the whole of 2019. Arrivals to the Canary Islands represent 42% of sea arrivals to Spain so far this year.

As of the end of October, Spain had received the highest number of arrivals to Europe in 2020, some 27,600 by land and sea, slightly more than Italy, which received some 27,200 in the same period. The latest available data continues to indicate that most arrivals to the Spanish mainland are from Algeria and Morocco, while most arriving this year by sea via the deadly Canary Islands route are from Mali, Morocco, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea and Senegal. In October, some 94 people are believed to have died along the route to the Canary Islands, contributing to a cumulative total of 650 so far in 2020, making it the deadliest sea route to Europe this year, overtaking the Central Mediterranean route.

Just under 3,500 refugees and migrants arrived in Italy by sea in October, a 72% increase compared

to last October, but a 21% decrease from last month. Arrivals in October came primarily from Tunisia (42%), Turkey (31%) and Libya (17%), with crossings also recorded from Greece, Algeria and Montenegro. As of the end of October, the primary nationalities arriving in Italy this year have been Tunisians (41%) and Bangladeshis (13%), followed by Pakistanis, Ivorians and Algerians (5% each).

Just over 1,000 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece in October, with the majority arriving by the land route and only 121 sea arrivals recorded. However, the Turkish Coast Guard reported rescuing or intercepting over 1,500 people in October, some of whom were allegedly pushed back from Greece.

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

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE⁶

As part of mixed movements, in October, arrivals in South Eastern Europe decreased by 26% compared to September and by 8% compared to October 2019, with some 5,602 persons estimated to have entered the subregion, mainly through North Macedonia. In total, an estimated 49,177 people arrived in or transited through South Eastern Europe between 1 January and 31 October 2020. In October, 209 persons submitted an asylum application across all countries in the subregion, an increase of 36% compared to September 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	2,600
% of Syrians among the refugees	92%	Stateless persons ¹¹	35,700
		Other persons of concern ¹²	1.68 million
For more information, please see the UNHCR Turkey Operational Update October 2020		For more information, please see the UNHCR Ukraine Operational Update September 2020	

⁶ Includes Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999])

⁷ UNHCR - <u>Global Report 2019</u>.
⁸ Residing more permanently in government-controlled areas (GCA). OCHA - <u>2020 Humanitarian Needs Overview - Ukraine</u>, January 2020.

Refugees, including persons with complementary protection, UNHCR, State Migration Service of Ukraine as of 30 June 2020 ¹⁰ UNHCR as of 31 October 2020

¹¹ UNHCR, State Migration Service of Ukraine as of 30 June 2020.

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.