ITALY Sea arrivals dashboard
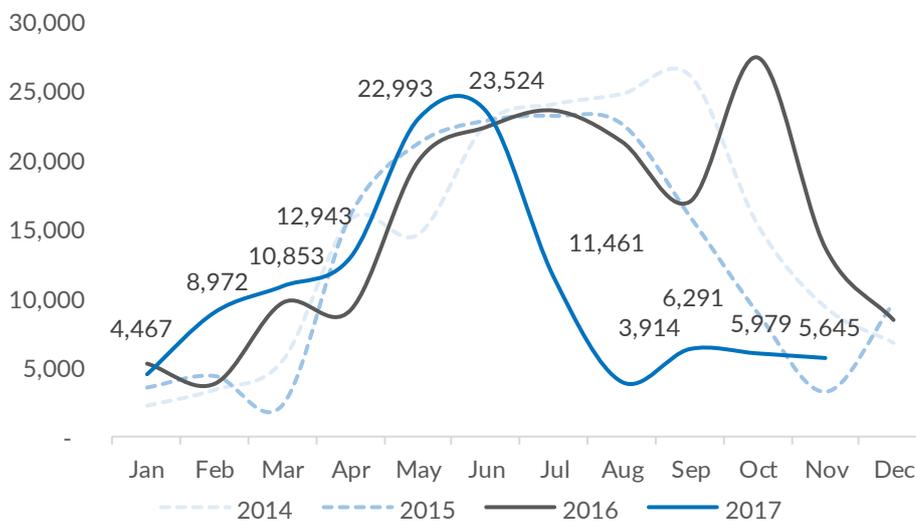
Overview

Between 1 January and 30 November 2017, 117,042 persons arrived in Italy by sea. This is a 32% decrease compared to sea arrivals in the same period last year (173,008). In November 2017, 5,645 persons reached Italy by sea, compared to 13,581 registered at landing points in November 2016. Sea arrivals in November were slightly lower than in the previous month, when almost 6,000 persons reached Italian shores.

117,042 Jan - Nov 2017 [1]
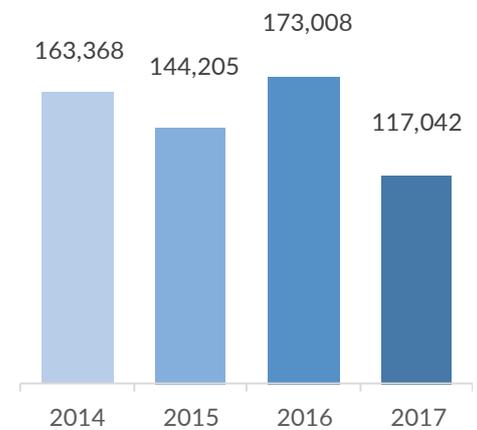**173,008** Jan - Nov 2016 [1]

Monthly sea arrivals
January 2014 to November 2017
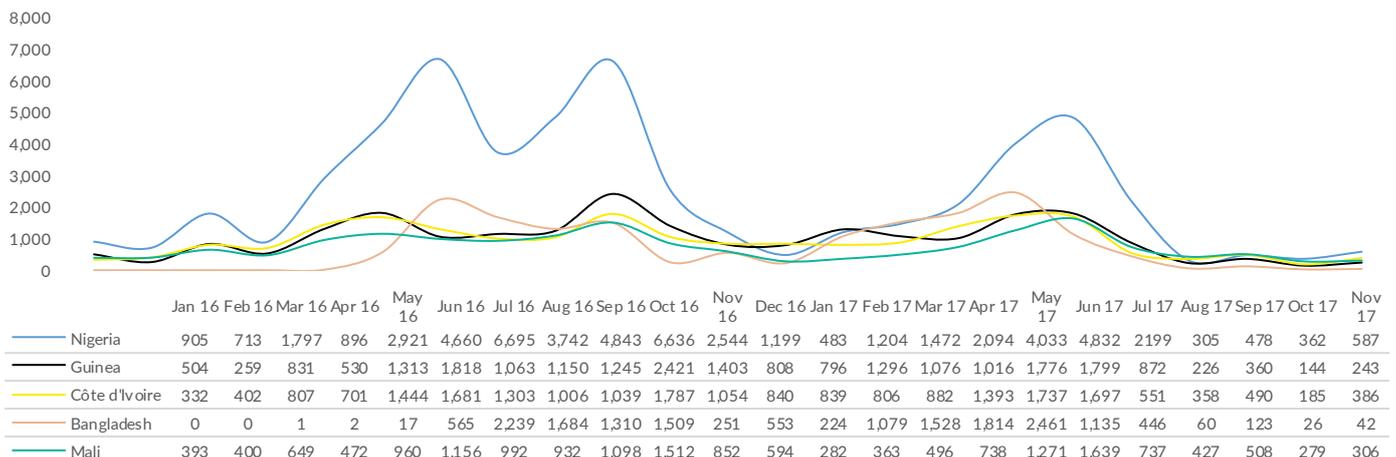

Yearly sea arrivals
January to November, 2014-2017

Nationality of arrivals

Between 1 January and 30 November 2017, 15% of all arrivals originated from Nigeria, followed by Guinea (8%), Côte d'Ivoire (8%), Bangladesh (8%), Mali (6%), Eritrea (6%), Sudan (5%), Tunisia (5%), Senegal (5%), and The Gambia (5%). Nigeria remains the most common country of origin of sea arrivals in Italy, but numbers have halved compared to the same period last year. Furthermore, while Eritreans represented the second most common nationality of sea arrivals in 2016, their numbers decreased by over two thirds if compared by the same period last year (January to November). Also Gambians and Somalis have decreased by 49% and 61%, respectively.

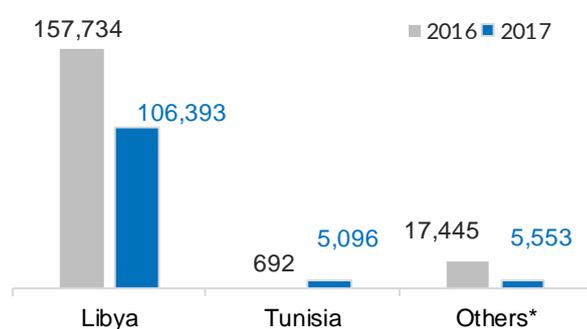### Most common nationalities of arrivals - January 2016 to November 2017

	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	Jan 17	Feb 17	Mar 17	Apr 17	May 17	Jun 17	Jul 17	Aug 17	Sep 17	Oct 17	Nov 17
Nigeria	905	713	1,797	896	2,921	4,660	6,695	3,742	4,843	6,636	2,544	1,199	483	1,204	1,472	2,094	4,033	4,832	2199	305	478	362	587
Guinea	504	259	831	530	1,313	1,818	1,063	1,150	1,245	2,421	1,403	808	796	1,296	1,076	1,016	1,776	1,799	872	226	360	144	243
Côte d'Ivoire	332	402	807	701	1,444	1,681	1,303	1,006	1,039	1,787	1,054	840	839	806	882	1,393	1,737	1,697	551	358	490	185	386
Bangladesh	0	0	1	2	17	565	2,239	1,684	1,310	1,509	251	553	224	1,079	1,528	1,814	2,461	1,135	446	60	123	26	42
Mali	393	400	649	472	960	1,156	992	932	1,098	1,512	852	594	282	363	496	738	1,271	1,639	737	427	508	279	306

[1] All data is based on figures from the Italian Ministry of Interior and UNHCR estimates. All figures are provisional and subject to change.

Country of embarkation and demographics of arrivals

Between 1 January and 30 November 2017, most sea arrivals were men (74%), followed by UASC (13%), and women (11%). Libya remains the main country of departure for persons arriving in Italy by sea. Between 1 January and 30 November 2017, 106,393 persons (91% of arrivals) crossed from Libya. The majority of new arrivals disembark following SAR operations conducted on the high seas. However, autonomous sea arrivals also occur, with persons reaching southern Italy from Algeria, Tunisia, Turkey, and Greece. Most vessels arriving autonomously were intercepted by the authorities just off the Italian coast and transferred to port sites, subsequently undergoing identification procedures. In November 2017, Libya continued to be the most common country of departure (83% of monthly sea arrivals), while departures from Tunisia slowed down in November, compared to previous to peaks in August and September. In November 2017, 9% of individuals registered at landing points departed from Tunisia, while 5% departed from Algeria and 2% from Turkey.
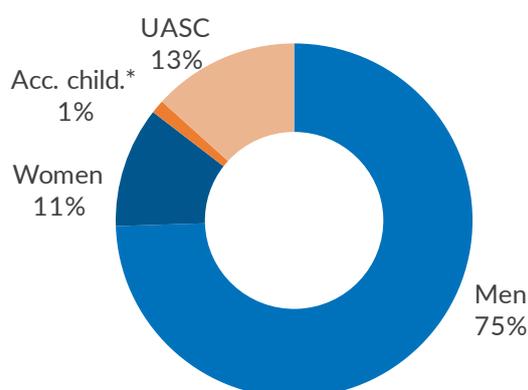
Country of embarkation
January to November 2016 and 2017

* Others include Egypt, Greece, Tunisia and unknown
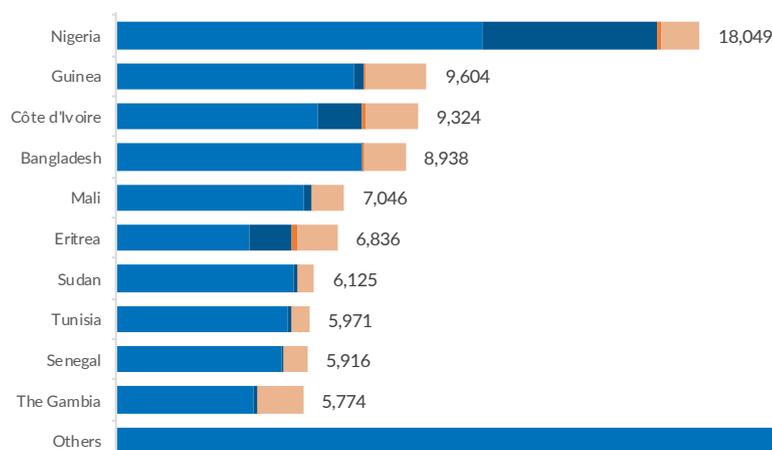
Demographics of arrivals
January to November 2017

Nationality and demographics of arrivals

Almost 5,400 Nigerian women arrived in the first eleven months of 2017, accounting for 30% of all Nigerians reaching Italian shores since the beginning of the year. Relatively higher proportions of women have also been registered among Cameroonians (26% are women), Ethiopians (23%), Eritreans (19%), Syrians (19%), Iraqis (18%), and Ivoirians (15%).

Between 1 January and 30 November 2017, 15,540 UASC reached Italian shores. UASC arrivals have decreased by 37% compared to the same period, when 24,659 UASC arrived. However, the proportion of UASC among sea arrivals (13%) is comparable to the first eleven months (14%) of 2016. More detailed information on UASC arrivals can be found on the *UNHCR Italy – UASC Dashboard*.

Nationality and demographics of arrivals - January to November 2017

	Others	The Gambia	Senegal	Tunisia	Sudan	Eritrea	Mali	Bangladesh	Côte d'Ivoire	Guinea	Nigeria	Total
Men	24,673	4,225	5,101	5,296	5,496	4,115	5,819	7,571	6,221	7,323	11,342	87,182
Women	3,795	122	59	132	94	1,333	201	28	1,365	338	5,399	12,866
Acc. child.*	847	20	13	14	39	188	40	30	118	57	88	1,454
UASC	4,144	1,407	743	529	496	1,200	986	1,309	1,620	1,886	1,220	15,540
Total	33,459	5,774	5,916	5,971	6,125	6,836	7,046	8,938	9,324	9,604	18,049	117,042