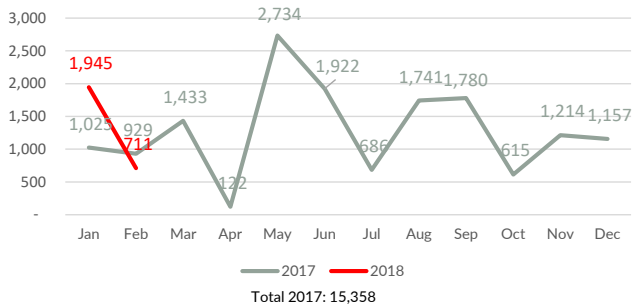


Libya continues to be the main transit point for departure from North Africa towards Europe. UNHCR's interventions at disembarkation points in Libya focus on the provision of life-saving assistance and protection monitoring, to identify persons in need of international protection, as well as vulnerable individuals, such as unaccompanied and separated children, elderly, medical cases, women at risk or victims of trafficking. UNHCR through its partner International Medical Corps provides medical services and core relief items. In addition, UNHCR rehabilitated WASH facilities at six disembarkation points, in Azzawya, Tripoli (3), Tajoura (Al Hamidiyah) and Alkhums.

As of 28 February 2018, the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG) rescued/intercepted a total of 2,656 refugees and migrants in different locations along the Libyan coast. Last year the LCG rescued/intercepted a total of 15,358 refugees and migrants at sea. So far in 2018 Libyan authorities have recovered 21 bodies while attempting to cross the Mediterranean towards Europe.

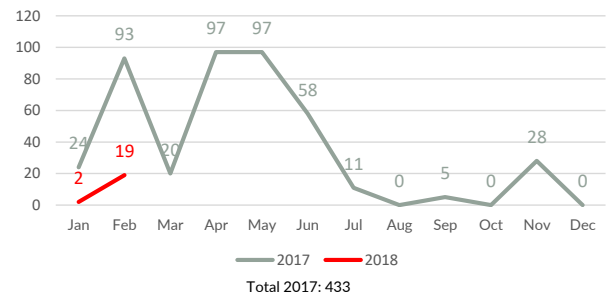
Monthly trends - people rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2017-2018

In January-February 2018, 2,656 people were rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard, an increase of 3.6% compared to the same period in 2017.

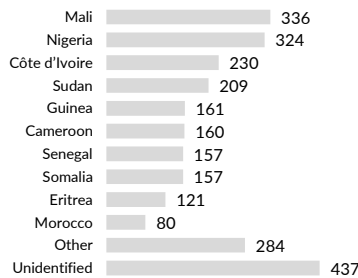


Monthly trends - recorded loss of life in Libyan waters in 2017-2018

In January-February 2018, 21 dead bodies were recovered in Libyan waters, compared to 117 over the same period in 2017.

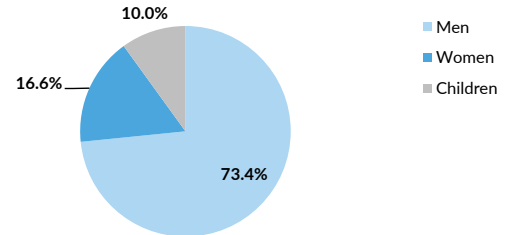


Top 10 nationalities rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2018

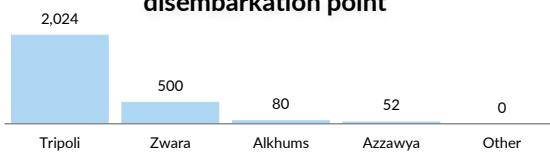


People rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2018 by group

Of the total of 2,656 people rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard, 1,656 were men, 375 women and 225 children.



People rescued/intercepted in 2018 by disembarkation point



UNHCR health posts at disembarkation points

As of 28 February 2018, UNHCR, through its partner International Medical Corps, provided medical assistance to 180 people and distributed 1,376 hygiene kits at six health posts.

