

LIBYA

28 June - 6 July 2018

Key figures:

179,400 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹

372,022 returned IDPs (returns registered in 2016 - April 2018)¹

53,388 registered refugees and asylum-seekers in the State of Libya²

16,675 persons arrived in Italy by sea in 2018³

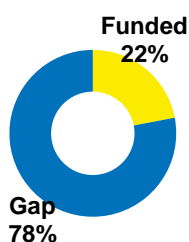
714 monitoring visits to detention centres so far in 2018

1,525 asylum-seekers and refugees released from detention so far in 2018

1,858 vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers evacuated since November 2017

Funding

USD **85** M required for 2018



¹ IOM-DTM April 2018.

² Data as of 2 July 2018.

³ www.data2.unhcr as of 4 July 2018

Highlights

On 3 July, His Excellency the Ambassador of Germany to Libya, Dr. Christian Buck, and UNHCR's Chief of Mission, Mr. Roberto Mignone, visited the Gathering and Departure Facility (GDF) in Tripoli accompanied by Mr. Mohamed Bishr, Head of the Libyan Department for Combating Illegal Migration (DCIM). Mr. Buck expressed his satisfaction with the overall works that have been carried out and the importance of the GDF as a unique model that will provide critical assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers in Libya. The GDF is undergoing rehabilitation work and is expected to be operational by mid-July. The first phase will provide accommodation for 200 individuals while at full capacity, the GDF will accommodate 1,000 individuals. The facility will enable UNHCR to receive the most vulnerable persons of concern in a safe environment to process their cases for resettlement, family reunification, evacuation, or voluntary repatriation, as appropriate. At the GDF, UNHCR staff and partners will provide registration and humanitarian assistance such as accommodation, food, medical care and psychosocial support. The GDF will provide an alternative to detention for UNHCR persons of concern in Libya. It is will be managed by UNHCR and the Libyan Ministry of Interior.

Population Movements

As of 3 July, the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG) rescued/intercepted more than of 10,971 refugees and migrants. Since the beginning of June, the number of rescue at sea/interception operations conducted by the LCG has dramatically increased when compared to the previous months (3,453 in June, 1,756 in May and 1,463 in April). This has caused an upsurge in the number of people disembarked in Libya and the number of [deaths](#) at sea (506 missing persons and 81 bodies recovered in the month of June alone). During the reporting period, 1,366 refugees and migrants were disembarked in Tajoura (16 individuals), Al-Khums (387 individuals), Al-Zawia (114 individuals) and at the Tripoli Naval Base (849 individuals). The majority of the boats departed from areas between Al-Khums and Garabuli. UNHCR has noted an increase in the number of Sudanese and South Sudanese trying to cross the Mediterranean Sea. UNHCR also observed an increase in the number of asylum-seekers registered with UNHCR in Libya who are trying to cross the sea, reportedly due to the lack of solutions in the country. At the disembarkation points, UNHCR and its partner International Medical Corps (IMC) delivered urgent medical and humanitarian assistance to the survivors, before they were transferred to detention facilities by the authorities.

UNHCR Response





As of 2 July, UNHCR registered a total of 53,388 refugees and asylum-seekers in Libya. Syrian nationals comprise the highest registered caseload followed by Sudanese and Palestinians. In 2018 alone, 8,828 refugees and asylum-seekers were registered with UNHCR through its Community Day Centres (CDCs) and in detention centres where UNHCR's protection team conduct regular Refugee Status Determination (RSD) screenings. This represents an increase of 44% when compared to the same period in 2017.

At UNHCR's Community Day Centres (CDCs), UNHCR and its partners IMC and CESVI continue to provide non-food items (NFIs), primary health care, psychological support and cash assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers in Tripoli. So far in 2018, UNHCR and its partners provided more than 5,100 primary health care consultations and 790 medical referrals at the CDCs. UNHCR also distributed 5,326 NFIs and provided cash assistance to more than 2,000 refugees and asylum-seekers.

So far in 2018, UNHCR Libya has submitted 482 cases for direct resettlement out of Libya. Of these, 34 have departed the country. As of 3 July, UNHCR also evacuated 1,858 vulnerable persons of concern out of Libya (1,536 to Niger, 312 to Italy and 10 to Romania).

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Key Figures

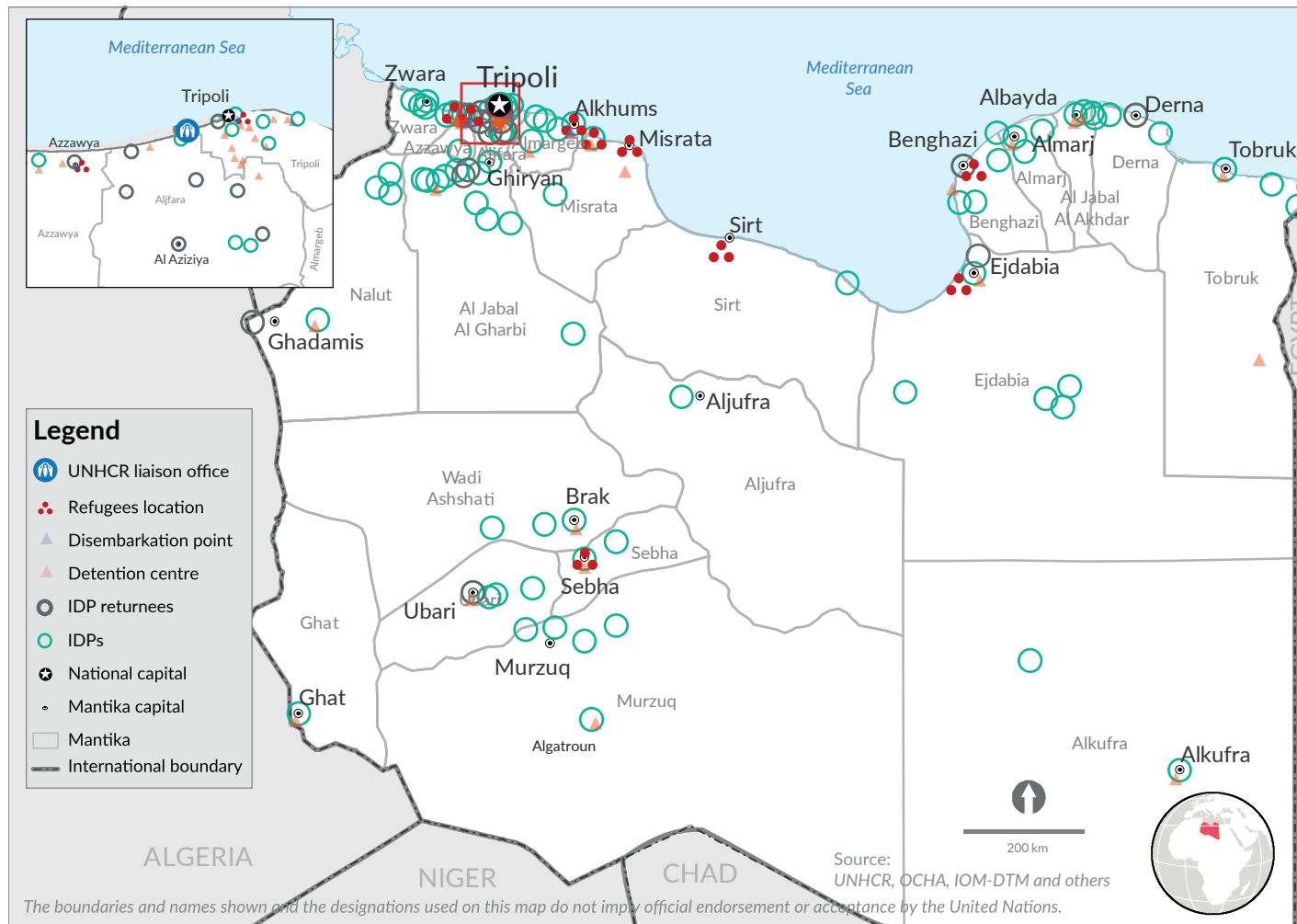
-  **604,810** people of concern
-  **53,388** registered refugees & asylum-seekers
-  **179,400*** internally displaced persons
-  **372,022*** IDP returnees

UNHCR Coordinated Sectors

-  **Protection Sector**
-  **Shelter & NFI Sector**
-  **Cash & Markets Working Group**
-  **Mixed Migration Working Group (Co-led by UNHCR & IOM)**

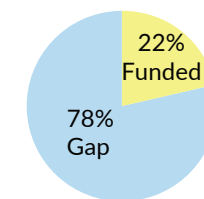
Key Achievements in 2018

-  **22,697** medical consultations (**35,091** in 2017)
-  **46,719** IDPs and refugees received non-food items (**113,605** in 2017)
- QIP 67** Quick Impact Projects implemented in 2018
-  **3,160** IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (**3,314** in 2017)
-  **16,989** individuals registered since 2016 (**8,828** in 2018)
-  **7,175** rescue kits and **1,062** medical consultations provided at disembarkation points (**5,327** and **2,956** in 2017)
-  **714** monitoring visits to detention centres (**1,080** in 2017)
-  **1,525** detained refugees/asylum-seekers released (**1,428** in 2017)
-  **2,340** refugees and asylum-seekers reached with solution since Sept 2017 : **482** resettlement submissions to third countries and **1,858** individuals evacuated from Libya (**1,536** to Niger, **312** to Italy and **10** to Romania)



UNHCR Funding Requirements

 **USD 85 million** required in 2018



* IOM-DTM