

Libya continues to be a 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 29 February 2020, the Libyan Coast Guard rescued/intercepted a total of 2,043 people in different locations along the Libyan coast. Over the same period last year, the LCG rescued/intercepted a total of 778 refugees and migrants at sea. So far in 2020, Libyan local authorities have reported missing of 2 people while attempting to cross the Mediterranean towards Europe.

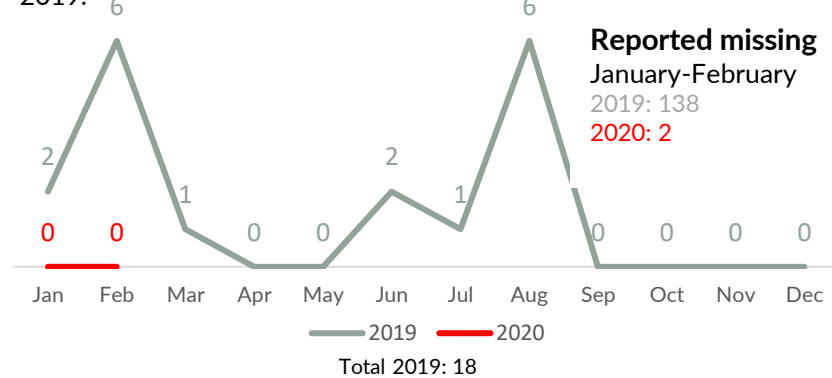
Monthly trends - people rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2019-2020

In January-February 2020, 2,043 people were rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard, an increase of 162% compared to the same period in 2019.

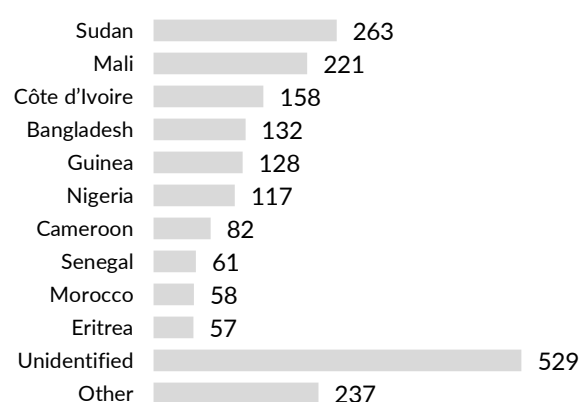


Monthly trends - recorded loss of life in Libyan waters in 2019-2020

In January-February 2020, 0 dead bodies were recovered in Libyan waters, compared to 8 over the same period in 2019. In addition, 2 people were reported missing, compared to 138 in the same months in 2019.

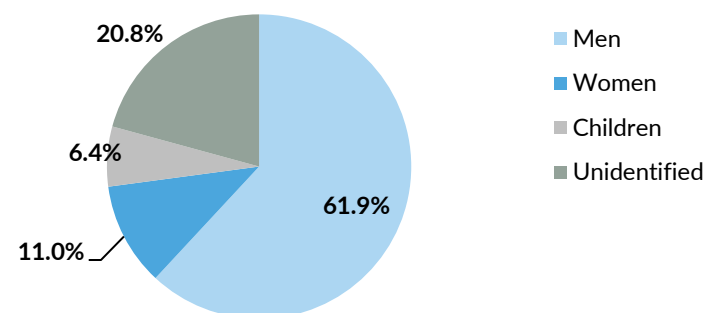


Nationalities rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2020

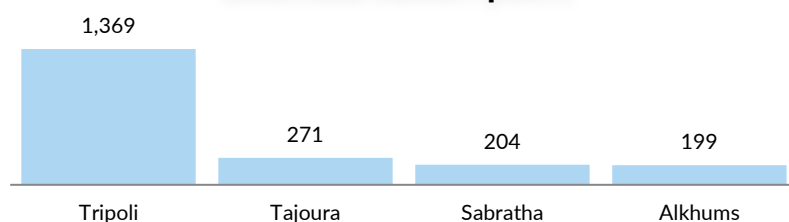


People rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard in 2020 by group

Of the total of 2,043 people rescued/intercepted at sea by the Libyan Coast Guard, 1,265 were men, 224 women, 130 children and 424 unidentified.



People rescued/intercepted in 2020 by disembarkation point



UNHCR health posts at disembarkation points

As of 29 February 2020, UNHCR, through its partner International Medical Corps, provided medical assistance to 128 people and distributed 856 hygiene kits at disembarkation points.

