EUROPE SITUATIONS: DATA AND TRENDS

ARRIVALS AND DISPLACED POPULATIONS

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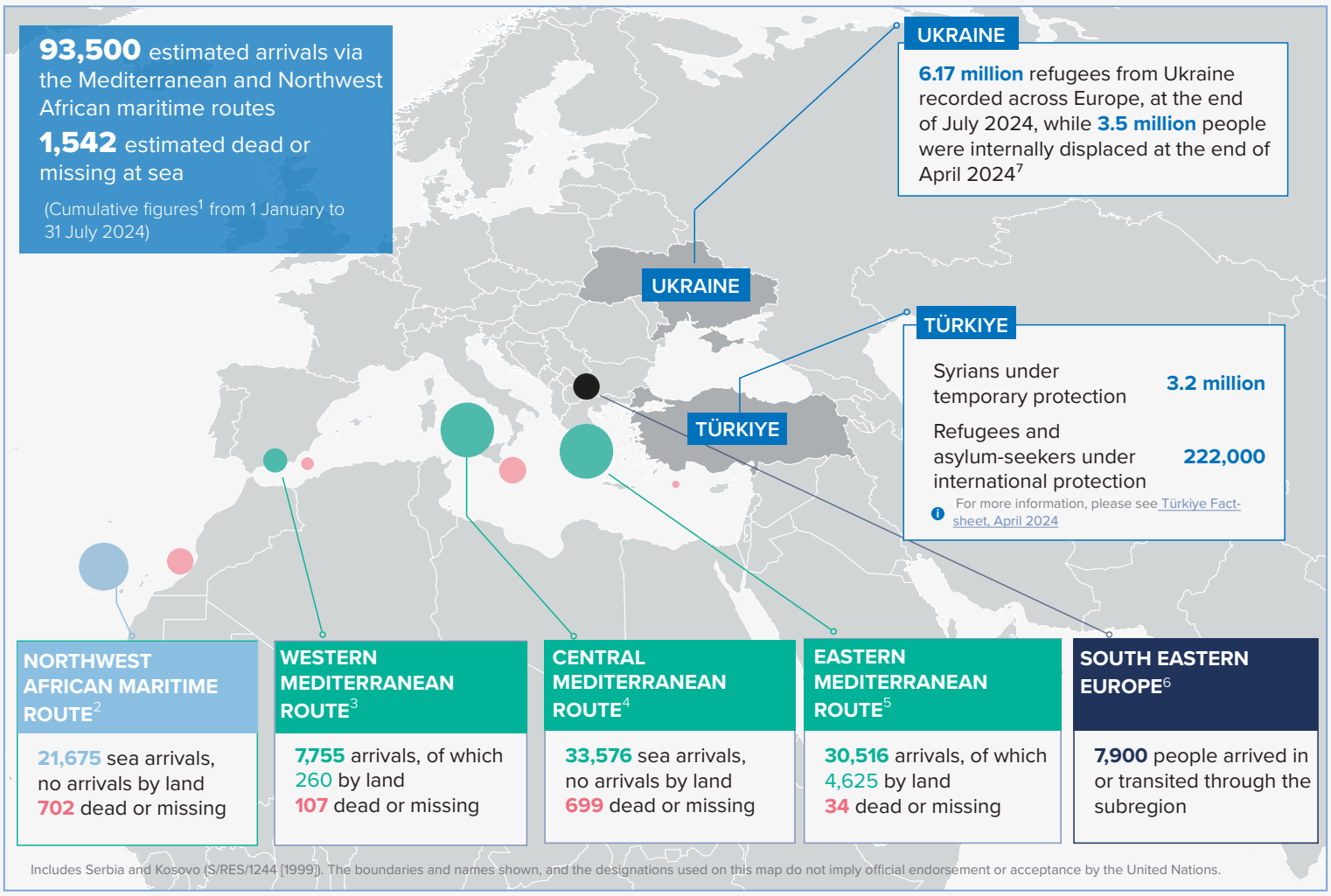
ARRIVALS AND DISPLACED POPULATIONS: KEY FIGURES AND TRENDS

JULY 2024

93,500 estimated arrivals via the Mediterranean and Northwest African maritime routes

1,542 estimated dead or missing at sea

(Cumulative figures[1] from 1 January to 31 July 2024)



UKRAINE

6.17 million refugees from Ukraine recorded across Europe, at the end of July 2024, while **3.5 million** people were internally displaced at the end of April 2024[7]

TÜRKIYE

Syrians under temporary protection	**3.2 million**
Refugees and asylum-seekers under international protection	**222,000**

For more information, please see Türkiye Fact-sheet, April 2024

NORTHWEST AFRICAN MARITIME ROUTE[2]

21,675 sea arrivals, no arrivals by land
702 dead or missing

WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE[3]

7,755 arrivals, of which **260** by land
107 dead or missing

CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE[4]

33,576 sea arrivals, no arrivals by land
699 dead or missing

EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN ROUTE[5]

30,516 arrivals, of which **4,625** by land
34 dead or missing

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE[6]

7,900 people arrived in or transited through the subregion

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.

UKRAINE SITUATION

The war in Ukraine triggered a major increase in humanitarian needs due the mass internal displacement within Ukraine as well as refugee outflows. By the end of July 2024, 6,168,100 refugees from Ukraine were recorded across Europe, with 5,974,600 registered for asylum, temporary protection or similar national protection schemes. As of the end of April 2024, 3.5 million people were displaced internally within Ukraine.[7]

Ukraine situation key figures as of 30 July 2024

6,168,100
Refugees from Ukraine recorded in Europe

571,300
Refugees from Ukraine recorded beyond Europe

6,739,400
Refugees from Ukraine recorded globally

For more information, please visit the Operational Data Portal for the Ukraine Refugee Situation

To provide an updated overview of the ongoing efforts by UNHCR and Inter-Agency partners, the 2024 Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP) Mid-Year report has been published. It outlines the multi-sector response by inter-agency partners supporting the host Governments of Belarus, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Republic of Moldova, Poland, Romania, and Slovakia in providing assistance and protection to refugees from Ukraine.

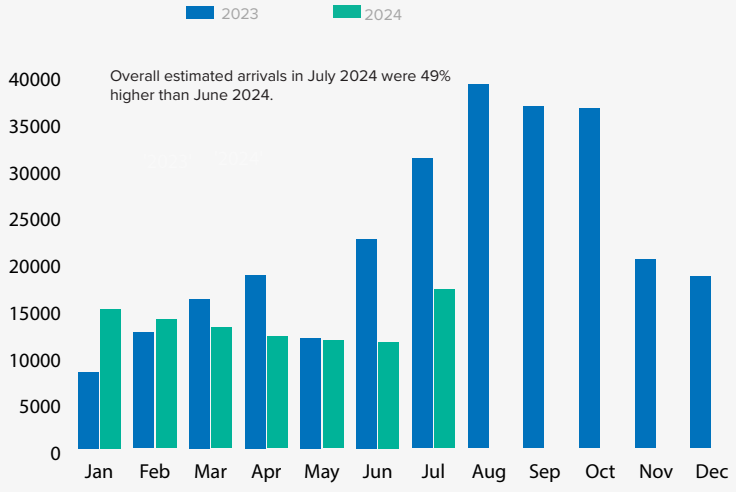
ARRIVALS IN EUROPE VIA THE MEDITERRANEAN AND NORTHWEST AFRICAN MARITIME ROUTES

In July 2024, 17,000 refugees and migrants arrived in Europe through the Mediterranean and Northwest African maritime route. This amounted to a 49 per cent increase compared to last month, and a 45 per cent decrease compared to July 2023.

In July, arrivals to Italy increased by 52 per cent compared to previous month but decreased by 68 per cent compared to July 2023. Of the 7,500 refugees and migrants who arrived in Italy over July, 67 per cent departed from Libya and 24 per cent from Tunisia. Most refugees and migrants, arriving in July, originated from Bangladesh, the Syrian Arab Republic and Tunisia.

In July 2024, some 3,000 refugees and migrants who departed from Libya were intercepted, or rescued, by Libyan authorities and disembarked in Libya. This amounted to a 19 per cent increase compared to the prior month. The majority of those departing from Libya in July were from Bangladesh, the Syrian Arab Republic and Sudan.

Total monthly arrivals through the Mediterranean and Northwest African maritime routes



In Spain, 4,200 refugees and migrants arrived in July, a 35 per cent increase compared to the previous month, and a 17 per cent increase compared to July 2023. Of all arrivals in July, 53 per cent landed in the Canary Islands. In July, arrivals in Spain through the Northwest African maritime route decreased by three per cent but increased by 139 per cent through the Western Mediterranean route when compared to June.

In July 2024, 5,100 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece by land and sea, a 59 per cent decrease compared to last month, but an increase by 50 per cent when compared to July 2023. Turkish authorities reported rescuing or intercepting 4,473 refugees and migrants at sea in July, a 19 per cent increase compared to the previous month. In Cyprus, 171 refugees and migrants arrived in July, a 10 per cent increase compared to the previous month and a 69 per cent decrease, when compared to July 2023.

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

SOUTH EASTERN EUROPE[8]

In July 2024, some 1,880 people arrived in, or transited through the subregion as part of mixed refugee and migrant movements. Resultantly, arrivals have increased by 10 per cent in comparison with the previous month (1,705) but decreased by 58 per cent compared to July 2023. Of the overall arrivals so far in 2024, majority were from Syrian Arab Republic, Afghanistan and Morocco.

In July 2024, 113 people submitted asylum applications, an increase of 98 per cent when compared with June (57). There were 121 first-instance, 6 refugee status and one subsidiary protection status decisions issued in July. There were 34 applications were rejected, while 80 others were closed. By the end of July, 601 asylum applications were still pending a decision across the subregion.

As of the end of July 2024, 3,300 forcibly displaced and stateless people were present in the Western Balkans, including 268 unaccompanied and separated children.

For more information, please visit https://data.unhcr.org/en/situations/southeasterneurope

[1] Dead and missing figures refer to the Mediterranean and Northwest African maritime 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 some arrivals, as well as dead and missing at sea, represent an estimate.Triangu- lation of information and sources is performed on a continuous basis. Therefore, amendments in figures may occur, including retroactively.
[2] Includes sea arrivals in the 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 Cyprus.
[6] Majority of the persons arriving in the Western Balkan region are part of the secondary movement, those who have already arrived in Greece or Bulgaria and then transited through the region with the intention to move onward to other EU countries.
[7] International Organization for Migration (IOM), May 30 2024. DTM Ukraine — Internal Displacement Report — General Population Survey Round 16 (April 2024). IOM, Ukraine.
[8] Includes Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Kosovo (S/RES/1244 [1999]).