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SUDAN SITUATION

Sudanese Refugees and Asylum-Seekers in Libya

As of 08 Dec 2024

Overview

It is estimated that over 210,000 Sudanese refugees have arrived in Libya since April 2023. This includes 36,290 individuals who were registered post-conflict, bringing the total number of Sudanese by UNHCR at its registration centre in Tripoli to 55,828.

Authorities in Alkufra reported issuing 125,020 health certificates this year with approximately 173,000 Sudanese arriving through Alkufra alone, averaging 400 to 500 new arrivals per day.

Due to the irregular nature of entry, the ad hoc data shared by authorities, and the vast remote land border with Chad, Egypt, and Sudan, combined with movements towards cities along the coast, it remains challenging to provide an accurate number of Sudanese refugees.

Urgent Needs in the East

Needs are increasing due to continuous Sudanese arrivals, specifically in health, WASH, cash, food and shelter. Refugees show concerning health conditions, requiring immediate assistance, including nutritional support. WASH infrastructure is overstretched risking the spread of disease. Immediate support for increased access to water and latrines is required. Local authorities provide significant assistance, including access to public health services and education enrollment. However, support to local communities is needed throughout the country, as Sudanese refugees are moving towards coastal cities. Specifically tailored protection assistance to female-headed households is required to ensure no-one is left behind.

Registered with UNHCR Libya since April 2023

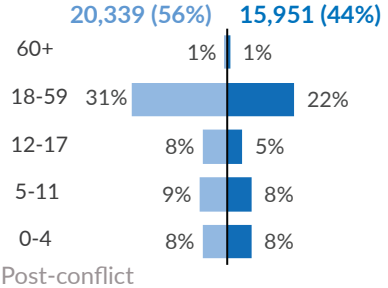
36,290

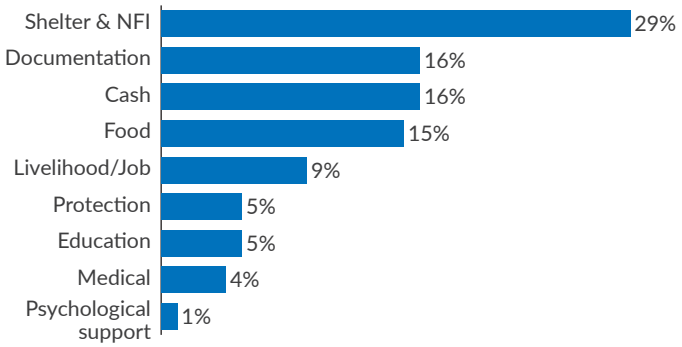
Total individuals registered

95%

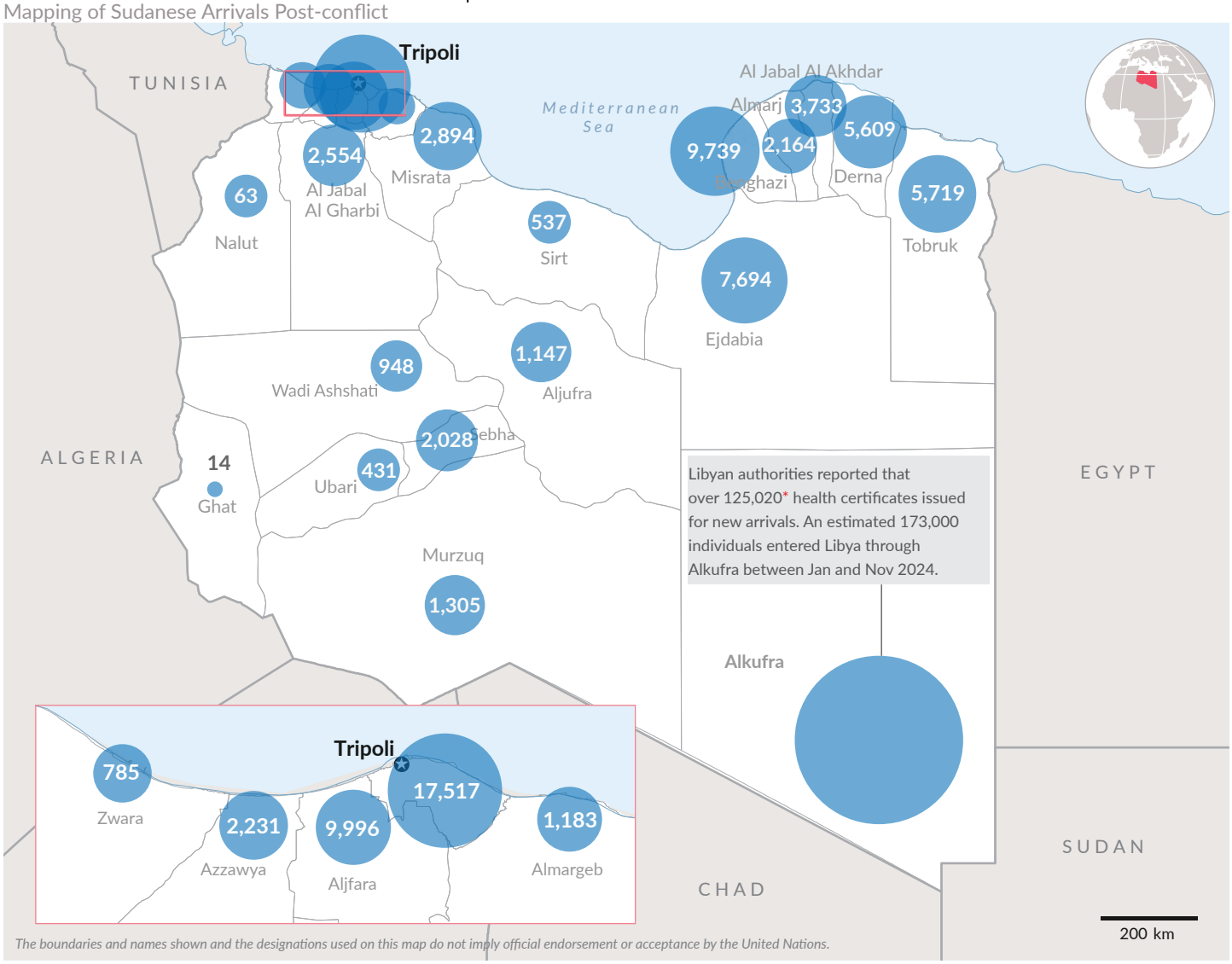
Individuals entered Libya via unofficial border crossing points

Age and gender breakdown





Mapping of Sudanese Arrivals Post-conflict



Note: population figures estimated in collaboration with **IOM** and **REACH IMPACT**

(*) Correspondence received from the Libyan authorities refers (letter ref# 1/194)