Tunisia is primarily a transit country for most migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers. This population arrives by air, land and sea, through regular and irregular channels, often with the aim of moving onward to Europe.

Individuals rescued at sea, intercepted, or arrested on the grounds of irregular stay or attempted irregular departure, are often referred to humanitarian actors by the authorities, and are then profiled, to obtain individuals’ demographic data and to identify protection issues and specific needs.

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Demographic profile

Entry points to Tunisia

Country of Origin

Transit through Libya

Length of stay in Libya

Impact of transit through Libya

Vulnerability profile

Future intentions at the time of profiling

Note: No referrals received from the Tunisian Red Crescent as of August 2019

*Reasons for this include, most commonly, to earn money for onward migration; less commonly to earn money to avoid going home with nothing.