

ITALY Sea arrivals dashboard

Overview

In the first eleven months of 2021, 62,943 refugees and migrants arrived in Italy by sea, compared to 32,563 (+93%) and 10,882 (+478%) in the same period in 2020 and 2019, respectively.

In November 2021, Italy received the second highest number of monthly sea arrivals this year, with 9,517 refugees and migrants reaching the shores of southern Italy, following the peak of 10,286 recorded in August. Sea arrivals in November 2021 are also much higher than those recorded in the same month in 2020 (5,360) and 2019 (1,233).

The vast majority of monthly sea arrivals (6,100 persons) disembarked in Sicily, most commonly landing on the island of Lampedusa (3,371 persons). Consistent with recent months, increasing sea arrivals were registered in Calabria, where 2,414 refugees and migrants disembarked in November.

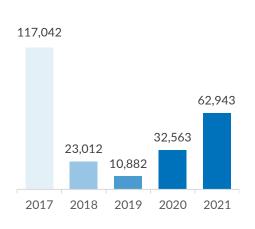
62,943 Jan - Nov 2021 32,563 Jan - Nov 2020

Monthly sea arrivals

January 2018 to November 2021 12.000 10.286 9.517 10.000 8,592 8,000 5,679 5,840 6,919 6.000 3,994 4,000 2.385 2,000 1.595 1.039 Aug Sep Nov Apr Jun Jul 2019 2020 2021

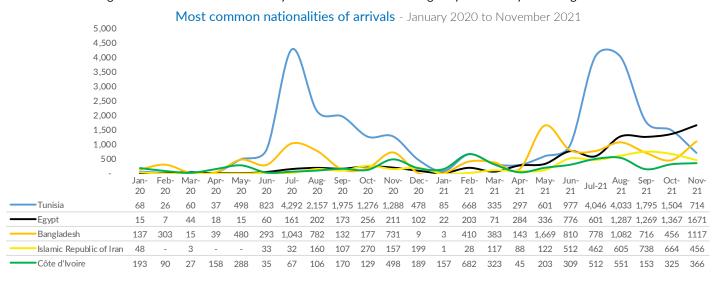
Yearly sea arrivals

January to November, 2018-2021



Nationality of arrivals

To date in 2021, Tunisia has been the most common country of origin of refugees and migrants reaching Italian shores (24% of sea arrivals), followed by Egypt (13%), Bangladesh (12%), the Islamic Republic of Iran (6%), Côte d'Ivoire (6%), Iraq (4%), Guinea (4%), Eritrea (3%), Morocco (3%) and Syria (3%). Approximately half of November 2021 sea arrivals originated from just five countries: Egypt (18% of monthly sea arrivals), Bangladesh (12%), Tunisia (8%), Syria (7%) and Afghanistan (6%). This month, 1,671 Egyptians disembarked in southern Italy, confirming the upward trend observed in recent months. The sea arrivals of Tunisians, Egyptians, Iranians and Iraqis in 2021 are the highest on record since the Ministry of Interior and UNHCR began systematically collecting such data in 2013.

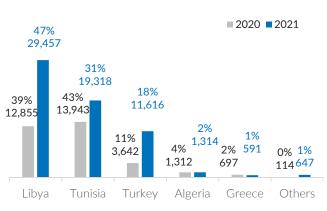




Country of embarkation

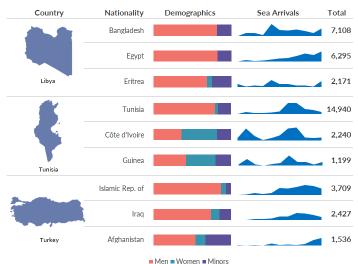
To date in 2021, 47% of sea arrivals in Italy departed from Libya (29,457 persons), followed by 31% departing from Tunisia (19,318 persons), 18% departing from Turkey (11,616 persons), 2% departing from Algeria (1,314 persons), 1% departing from Greece (591 persons) and 1% departing from other countries, namely Egypt, Lebanon, Montenegro and Albania (647 persons). The majority of persons departing from Libya originated from Bangladesh and Egypt, while most of those embarking in Tunisia are Tunisian nationals. The most common nationalities of persons embarking in Turkey were the Islamic Republic of Iran and Iraq and, to a lesser extent, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Egypt. Some 140 persons departed from Lebanon this year, mostly originating from Syria and Lebanon.





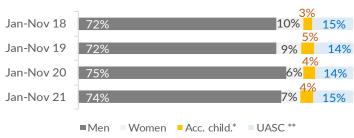
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Top 3 nationalities by country of embarkation, January to November 2021



Demographics of arrivals

January to November 2018 - 2021

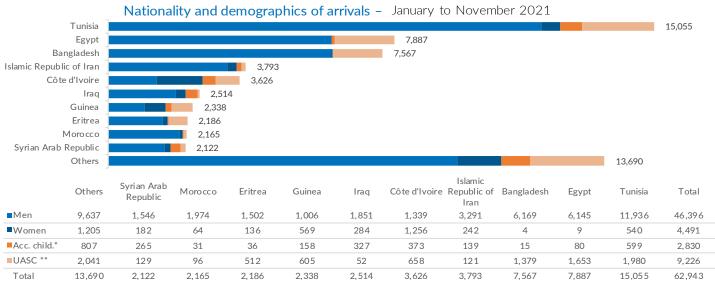


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From 1 January to 30 November 2021, most sea arrivals were adult men (74%), followed by unaccompanied and separated children (UASC, 15%), adult women (7%) and accompanied children (4%).

In the first eleven months of the year, 4,491 adult women reached Italian shores, the vast majority of whom originated from Côte d'Ivoire (1,256). Significant numbers of Guinean women (569) and Tunisian women (540) were also recorded.

From 1 January to 30 November 2021, 9,226 UASC arrived in Italy by sea, compared to 4,502 in the same period last year (+105%): the most common nationalities recorded are Tunisia (1,980), Egypt (1,653), Bangladesh (1,379), Côte d'Ivoire (658), Guinea (605), and Eritrea (512).



^{*} Accompanied children ** Unaccompanied and separated children