ITALY  Sea arrivals dashboard

Overview
Between 1 January and 31 March 2020, 2,794 persons arrived in Italy by sea. This is a 433% increase compared to sea arrivals in the same period last year (524). In March 2020 8 landings occurred and 241 individuals reached Italian shores, compared to 262 in March 2019.

Monthly sea arrivals
January 2017 to March 2020

Yearly sea arrivals
January to March, 2017-2020

Nationality of arrivals
Between January and March 2020, 16% of persons who arrived by sea originated from Bangladesh, followed by Algeria (11%), Côte d’Ivoire (11%), Sudan (9%), Somalia (6%), Tunisia (6%), Morocco (5%), Guinea (5%), Mali (4%), Iraq (3%). In the same period last year, the most common nationalities of sea arrivals were Tunisia, Algeria, Iraq, Bangladesh, Guinea, Senegal, Somalia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Eritrea and Nigeria. In March, there was an increase (130%) of Tunisian arrivals (60) compared to February (26).

Most common nationalities of arrivals - January 2019 to March 2020

1 All data are based on Official MoI figures shared with UNHCR. All figures are provisional and subject to change.
Country of embarkation

In the first three months of 2020, 67% of sea arrivals in Italy (1,873 persons) departed from Libya, followed by 16% (456 persons) from Tunisia, 10% (290 persons) from Algeria, 5% (131 persons) from Greece, and 2% (44 persons) from Albania.

Demographics of arrivals

Between 1 January and 31 March 2020, most sea arrivals were adult men (69%), followed by unaccompanied and separated children (18%), adult women (9%) and accompanied children (4%). In March 2019 the 7% of arrivals (262) were women (20).

In 2020 so far, most UASC arriving by sea originated from Bangladesh (143), followed by Guinea (56) and Côte d’Ivoire (56), Somalia (41), Tunisia (34), Mali (23) and Sudan (23). In March 2019, UASC originated from Tunisia (16), Somalia (10), Guinea (10), Iraq (6), Eritrea (3), Senegal (2), The Gambia (2) and Algeria (1).