

# LIBYA: MIGRATION & ASSISTANCE OVERVIEW

#### 23 SEPTEMBER— 6 OCTOBER

# **Maritime Incidents - Libyan Coast**

14,017

migrants have been rescued in 2016 to date

# EPTEMBER 2 OCTOBER

18 bodies were retrieved in Tobruk by the LCG LCG rescued 800 migrants on 5 boats at Az Zawiyah Misfate port. The migrants will receive non-food items and hygiene kits through IOM local partners PSS, STACO and LRC.

The LCG rescued 139 migrants in Garaboli. The rescued migrants were suffering from bad health conditions but received the necessary treatment upon arrival.

In addition, 11 bodies were retrieved (nine women and two children) at shore.

22 migrants were rescued by the LCG in Sabratah.

In addition, 240 migrants, on two boats, were rescued and transferred to Al Nasr detention centre with the help of IOM partners STACO and PSS.

138 migrants were rescued by the LCG outside Zuwara, west of Tripoli. The rescued migrants were transferred to Surman detention centre.

In addition, 20 bodies were retrieved by a charity boat on the shores of Tripoli.

96 migrants were rescued by LCG outside Zuwara.

In addition, three bodies (two women and one child) were retrieved on the shores of Zuwara.

# Regional Migrant Figures Update

In 2016 (as of 5 October) 142,725 arrivals were recorded by sea to Italy through the Central Mediterranean route, whereby 95 migrants were recorded between 25 September and 2 October, a –93% decrease from the week before when 1,454 were reported. The main countries of origin are Nigeria, Eritrea and Guinea.

On the same route, as of 6 October, **3,134 deaths** were recorded in 2016, 79 so far in the month of October. The number of fatalities in 2016 remains higher than the same period last year (2,785 deaths were recorded along the Central Mediterranean route between January and October 2015).

The migrants continue making the perilous journey at great risk, travelling under precarious conditions and on ill-equipped boats, leaving them highly vulnerable to both arduous travel and exploitation of organized criminal networks along the way.

Source: MissingMigrants.iom.int

## Maritime Incidents Recorded in Libya, 2016

Month	Incidents	Rescued	# bodies retrieved	Estimated missing
January	1	242	0	0
February	1	120	0	0
March	10	1,750	14	174
April	5	868	0	0
May	12	3,768	139	120
June	9	2,531	7	0
July	9	967	150	136
August	6	388	9	0
September	14	1,948	27	0
October	7	1,435	34	0
Total to date	74	14,017	380	430

\*The number of migrants estimated missing is determined by the number of migrants reported to be on board the boats, the number rescued and the number of deaths reported, the remaining migrants unaccounted for are considered missing.

Sources: IOM, Libyan Coast Guard, DTM Implementing partners.

Disclaimer: DTM findings on migrants includes also persons who originate from refugee producing countries. Figures on Maritime Incidents in Libya are estimates based on initial reports at the time of each incident, and are regularly updated as more information becomes available.

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### IOM Libya installs medical clinics at disembarkation points

IOM Libya, in coordination with the Libyan Coast Guard and the Libyan Port Security, has installed three furnished and equipped medical clinics at the main disembarkation points in Tripoli, Garaboli and Zliten.

The instalment, which is part of the project "Direct assistance to migrants rescued at sea and tracking displaced populations inside Libya," funded by UK's Department for International Development (DFID), is the first in a series of steps that aim to support the Libyan authorities and civil society organizations engaged in receiving migrants, refugees and asylum seekers being disembarked by the Libyan authorities in response to actual or perceived distress at sea situations.



The equipped medical clinics will be able to immediately assist the migrants rescued at sea who often suffer from for example dehydration and are in a dire need of medical assistance. With poorly equipped and unseaworthy boats overloaded with migrants and refugees attempting to leave the Libyan coast, including women and children, the Libyan Coast Guards' resources are overstretched and insufficient to respond to the scale of attempted departures and of distress incidents.



#### **Distribution**

Between 23 September – 6 October, non-food items and hygiene kits were distributed, with the support of IOM Libya's implementing partners STACO, Ayadi Al Khair and Multakana to a total of **1,651 vulnerable migrants** across Libya. The distributions were funded by ECHO and DFID. The distributions took place:

- On 26 September to 200 migrants outside detention centre in Tajourah
- On 26 September to 256 migrants at Surman detention centre
- On 27 September to 83 migrants at Abou Essa detention centre
- On 30 September to 400 migrants at Sabha outside detention centre
- On 30 September to 130 migrants at Tobruk detention centre
- On 30 September to 482 migrants at Al-Shook detention centre
- On 4 October to 100 migrants in Qasr Bin Ghashir detention centre



























