

# ITALY Sea arrivals dashboard

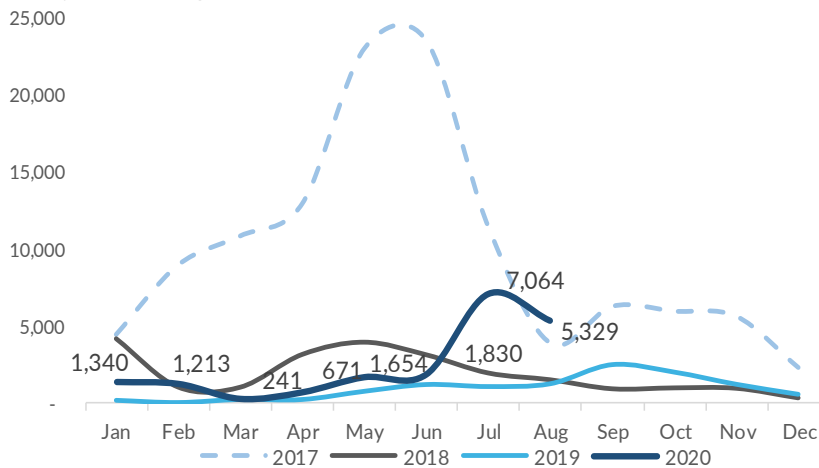
## Overview

Between 1 January and 31 August 2020, 19,342 refugees and migrants arrived in Italy by sea. This represents an increase compared to the same period last year, when 5,135 sea arrivals were recorded at landing points in southern Italy. However, sea arrivals numbers in 2020 so far remain lower than in comparable periods in recent years (e.g. 20,078 sea arrivals in January-August 2018; 99,127 sea arrivals in January-August 2017). In August 2020, 5,329 refugees and migrants reached Italian shores, down from 7,064 who disembarked in Italy in July 2020. Notably, 74% of August 2020 sea arrivals (3,934 persons) disembarked in Lampedusa.

**19,342** Jan - Aug 2020<sup>1</sup>  
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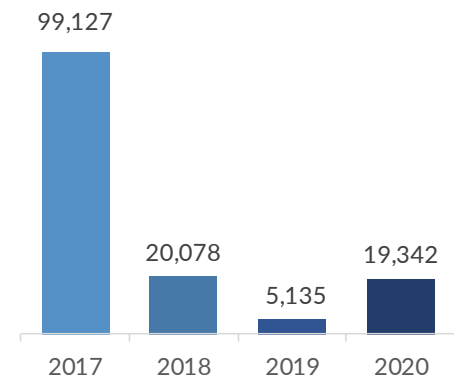
## Monthly sea arrivals

January 2017 to August 2020



## Yearly sea arrivals

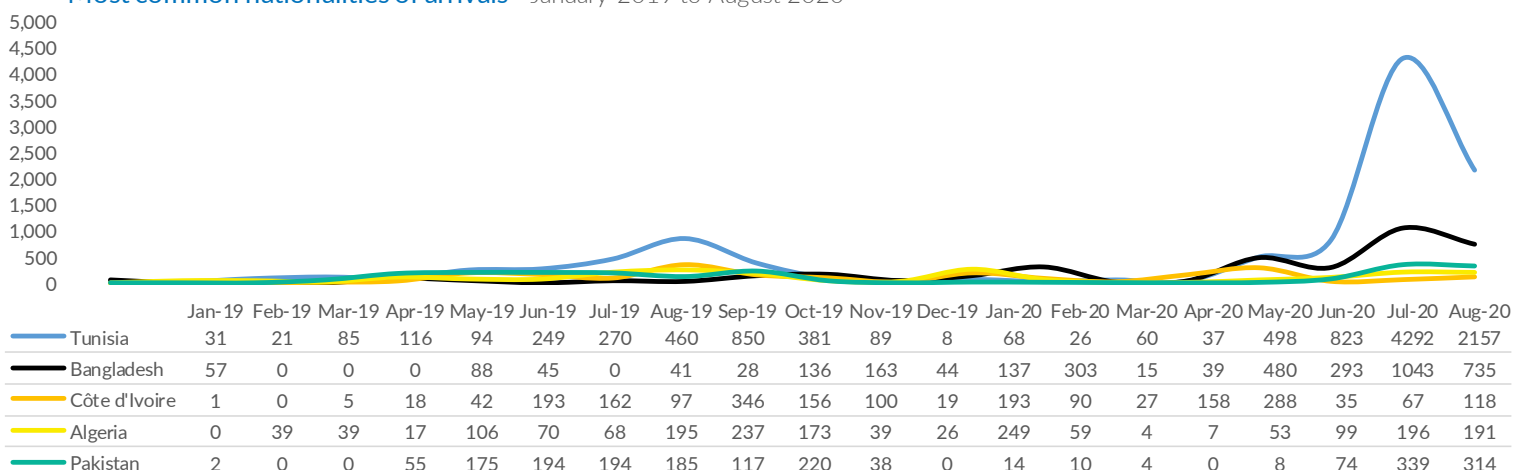
January to August, 2017-2020



## Nationality of arrivals

Between 1 January and 31 August 2020, 41% of refugees and migrants reaching Italian shores originated from Tunisia, followed by Bangladesh (16%), Côte d'Ivoire (5%), Algeria (4%), Pakistan (4%), Sudan (4%), Morocco (3%), Somalia (3%), Egypt (3%), and Afghanistan (2%). Tunisians represented the vast majority of August 2020 sea arrivals: out of 5,329 monthly arrivals, 2,157, that is 40%, were Tunisians. While significant, the numbers of Tunisians recorded at landing points in August 2020 (2,157) were lower than those recorded in the previous month, when almost 4,300 had reached shore in Italy. A downward trend is to be observed also in connection with Bangladeshi arrivals this month (735), compared to the previous month (1,043). Notably, Bangladeshi nationals represented 14% of sea arrivals in August 2020. While the numbers of Algerian and Pakistani sea arrivals in August 2020 are comparable with numbers recorded in July 2020, Ivoirian nationals reaching Italian shores increased in August 2020 (118 up from 67 recorded in July 2020).

## Most common nationalities of arrivals - January 2019 to August 2020

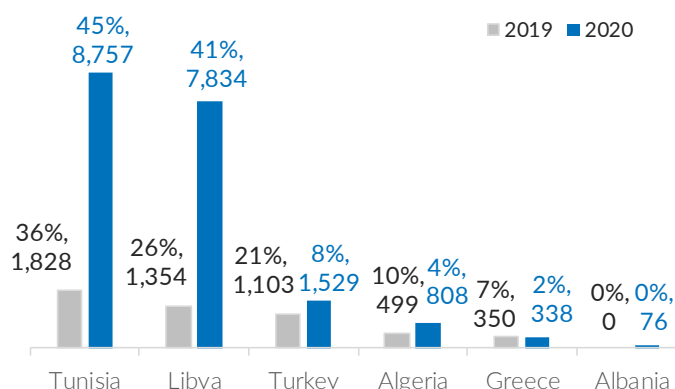


## Country of embarkation

In the first eight months of 2020, 45% of sea arrivals in Italy (8,757 persons) departed from Tunisia, followed by 41% (7,834 persons) departing from Libya, 8% (1,529 persons) departing from Turkey, 4% (808 persons) departing from Algeria, 2% (338 persons) departing from Greece, and less than 1% (76 persons) departing from Albania.

In August 2020, similar numbers of sea arrivals departed from Tunisia and Libya. During the month, 2,148 persons departed from Tunisia, that is, 40% of monthly sea arrivals, compared to 60% who had departed from Tunisia in July 2020. Persons departing from Tunisia in August 2020 most commonly embarked in Zarzis, Djerba, and Sfax. The vast majority of persons embarking in Tunisia were Tunisian nationals. A further 40% of monthly sea arrivals (2,142 persons) departed from Libya, where the most common embarkation site remained Zuwarah. Almost one third of those embarking in Libya in August 2020 originated from Bangladesh. In August 2020, another 15% of sea arrivals departed from Turkey, while 3% and 2% embarked in Algeria, and Greece, respectively.

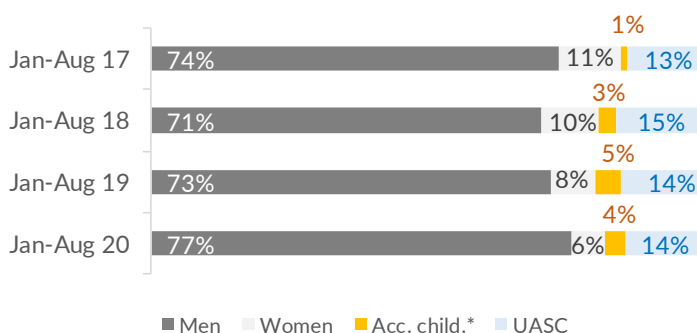
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## Demographics of arrivals

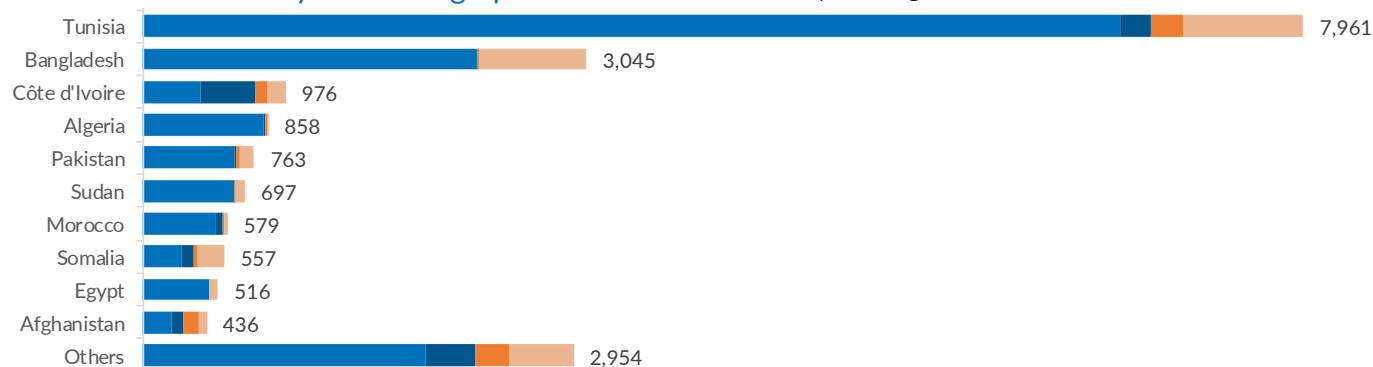
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Between 1 January and 31 August 2020, most sea arrivals were adult men (77%), followed by unaccompanied and separated children (14%), adult women (6%) and accompanied children (4%). In the first eight months of 2020, 1,158 adult women reached Italian shores, the vast majority of whom originated from Côte d'Ivoire (376). In August 2020, 289 women arrived by sea: 60 of them were Tunisian nationals. In 2020 so far, 2,612 unaccompanied and separated children arrived in Italy by sea, the most common nationality being Tunisia (814), followed by Bangladesh (745), Somalia (182), Guinea (138), and Côte d'Ivoire (129). In August 2020, out of 732 unaccompanied and separated children reaching Italy by sea, 278 originated from Tunisia and 116 from Bangladesh.

## Nationality and demographics of arrivals – January to August 2020



|              | Others | Afghanistan | Egypt | Somalia | Morocco | Sudan | Pakistan | Algeria | Côte d'Ivoire | Bangladesh | Tunisia | Total  |
|--------------|--------|-------------|-------|---------|---------|-------|----------|---------|---------------|------------|---------|--------|
| Men          | 1,944  | 196         | 449   | 271     | 499     | 625   | 631      | 822     | 389           | 2,296      | 6,709   | 14,831 |
| Women        | 339    | 85          | 0     | 76      | 49      | 1     | 6        | 19      | 376           | 1          | 206     | 1,158  |
| Acc. child.* | 235    | 106         | 2     | 28      | 16      | 4     | 26       | 7       | 82            | 3          | 232     | 741    |
| UASC         | 436    | 49          | 65    | 182     | 15      | 67    | 100      | 10      | 129           | 745        | 814     | 2,612  |
| Total        | 2,954  | 436         | 516   | 557     | 579     | 697   | 763      | 858     | 976           | 3,045      | 7,961   | 19,342 |