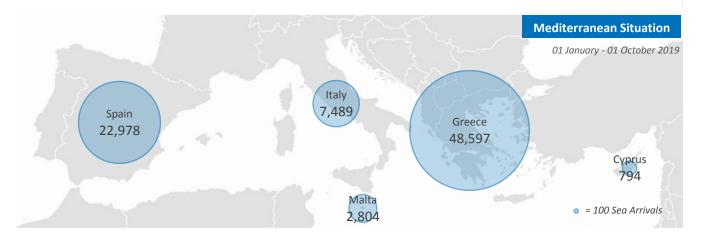


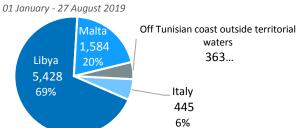
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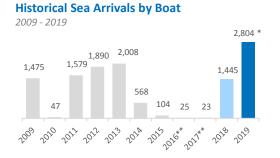
Overview

Refugees and migrants continue to depart from Libya as part of a desperate journey towards Europe. The main countries of arrivals are Spain, Italy, Malta, Cyprus and Greece.

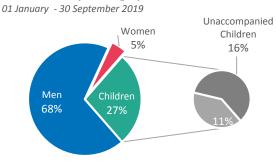
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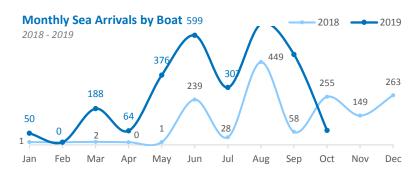


Malta at a Glance

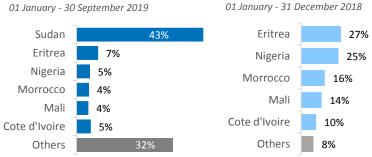


Sea Arrivals by Demographics





Sea Arrivals by Most Common Nationalities



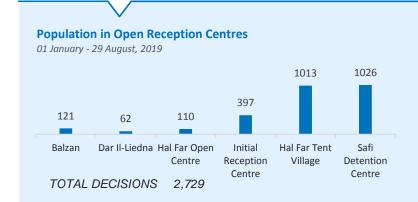
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* For 2019, the sea arrival figure is updated to 27 August 2019.

**All 2016-17 arrivals are medical evacuations. Monthly data is unavailable

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Reception

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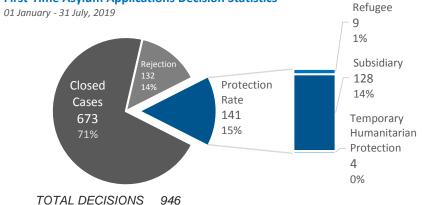
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UNHCR protection staff regularly visit open centres and the Initial Reception Centres to provide information on the asylum system, Dublin regulation, rights and obligations of asylum seekers in Malta and to refer persons of concern to appropriate services. UNHCR also conducts child protection activities, detention monitoring and, through its

Asylum Applications and Decisions

Since 2011 Malta has received an average of 1,800 asylum applications to be processed by the Office of the Refugee Commissioner in Malta. The asylum applications are composed of both regular and irregular arrivals. In the last few years the refugee population in Malta has been mainly composed of Libyan, Syrian and Somali refugees.

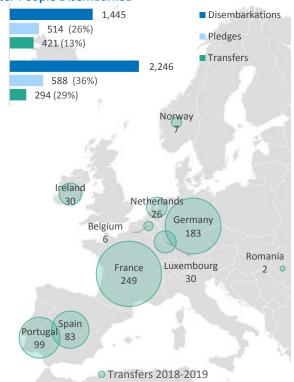
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Most Common Nationalities

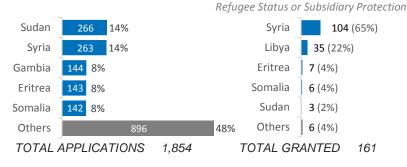
Granted International Protection

EU Member States Pledges and Transfers After People Disembarked



Most Common Nationalities

by First-Time Asylum Applications



Transfers to Other EU Member States After People Disembarked

Since 2018, a number of ad hoc transfers have taken place from Malta to other Member States namely France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Slovenia, Romania, Portugal and Ireland. Malta has also been part of these ad-hoc arrangements.

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