

MEDITERRANEAN UPDATE

MIGRATION FLOWS EUROPE: ARRIVALS AND FATALITIES



Mediterranean Migrant Arrivals Reach 71,418 in 2017; Deaths: 1650

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Switzerland - IOM, the UN Migration Agency, reports that 71,418 migrants and refugees entered Europe by sea in 2017 through 04 June, with nearly 85 percent arriving in Italy and the remainder arriving in Greece, Cyprus and Spain. 1,650 migrants and refugees died at sea attempting this through during this period.

This compares with 206,790 arrivals and 2,512 deaths across the region in the same period last year.

TOTAL ARRIVALS BY SEA AND DEATHS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN 2016-2017				
	1 JANUARY – 4 JUNE 2017		1 JANUARY – 4 JUNE 2017	
Country of Arrival	Arrivals	Deaths	Arrivals	Deaths
Italy	60.388	1.562 (Central Med. route)	48.600	2.096 (Central Med. route)
Greece	7.443	37 (Eastern Med. route)	156.782	376 (Eastern Med. route)
Cyprus	273 (as of 11/04)		345	
Spain	3.314 (as of 30/04)	51 (Western Med. route)	1.063	40 (Western Med. route)
Estimated Total	71.418	1.650	206.790	2.512
<small>Data on deaths of migrants compiled by IOM's Global Migration Data Analysis Centre. All numbers are minimum estimates. Arrivals based on data from respective governments and IOM field offices.</small>				

Since the last IOM Mediterranean update (02/06), 510 migrants were rescued at sea have been brought to Italy. IOM staff are deployed at the main landing points in Sicily (including Lampedusa), and Apulia to provide legal assistance to those arriving by sea, monitor the reception conditions and support the authorities in the identification of vulnerable groups.

On Monday (05/06), 110 migrants (including 40 women and 3 children) all of African nationalities were rescued in the waters off Zliten by the Libyan Coast Guard. Following the rescue mission the migrants were taken to Al Khums detention centre. So far in 2017, 8,293 migrants have been rescued outside the Libyan coast and 236 bodies have been retrieved.

On Sunday (06/06), according to the Directorate for Combatting Illegal Migration (DCIM), seven migrants suffocated after being abandoned in a locked van close to the sea. They had been told by the smuggler that they had to wait before being taken to the boat. The survivors (reportedly approximately 30) were transferred to Triq Al Sekka detention centre in Tripoli where they were provided with medical treatment. The bodies of the seven migrants were retrieved by the Libyan Red Crescent.

For the latest Mediterranean Update infographic:

http://migration.iom.int/docs/MMP/060617_Mediterranean_Update.pdf

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