

LIBYA

9 July 2021

Key figures:

245,483 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹

623,219 returned IDPs¹

42,458 registered refugees and asylum-seekers²

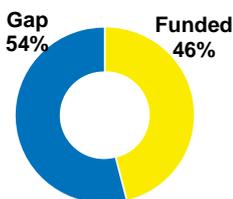
63 monitoring visits to detention centres in 2021

122 refugees and asylum-seekers released from detention in 2021

6,388 vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers departed since 2017 (189 in 2021)

Funding

USD **93.0** M required for 2021



¹ IOM-DTM February 2021.

² Data as of 1 July 2021.

Population movement

As of 6 July, a total of 15,241 refugees and migrants have been reported as rescued/intercepted by the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG) and disembarked in Libya in 2021. Since the start of June, the number of rescue/interception operations has continued to increase due to the clement summer weather, with many embarking from coastal cities such as Sabratha, Al-Zawia and Al-Khums. The majority of those disembarked in Tripoli are initially transferred to Al Mabani detention centre (in central Tripoli) and are then usually parcelled out to other detention centres including Ain Zara and Abusliem, also in Tripoli. So far this year, a total of 116 persons were recorded as missing at sea while 67 bodies were recovered. UNHCR and its medical partner, the International Rescue Committee (IRC), remain present at the disembarkation points to provide urgent medical assistance and core relief items (CRIs).



Partner, IRC providing medical assistance during a disembarkation at night. ©UNHCR

UNHCR response

On 5 July, UNHCR announced the winners for its World Refugee Day photo contest. Three of the winners, from Syria, Sudan and South Sudan received pre-paid cash cards as prizes that can be used in shops, supermarkets, and pharmacies.

Last week, UNHCR's medical partner, IRC, provided 256 primary healthcare consultations (in general, reproductive, and mental health) while 33 cases were referred to secondary public and private hospitals. As of 8 July, IRC has provided 8,583 medical consultations and 1,663 medical referrals to refugees and asylum-seekers in Libya including in the urban community and detention centres.

So far in 2021, UNHCR and its partners at the Community Day Centre have provided protection needs assessments to 2,817 individuals, best interest assessments to 383 minors and legal assistance to 1,052 individuals. Last week, 186 refugees and asylum-seekers including 88 males, 75 females and 23 children received hygiene kits, baby diapers and soaps. As of 5 July, UNHCR and its partners have distributed CRIs to 5,210 refugees and asylum-seekers in Libya.

UNHCR continues to assist internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Libya. On 6 July, UNHCR through its national partner, LibAid distributed CRIs to 660 IDPs in Al-Sabaa and Da'waa Al-Islamia areas in Tripoli. Assistance included mattresses, hygiene kits, diapers, blankets and solar lamps. So far in 2021, UNHCR has provided CRIs to 18,695 IDPs and returnees across Libya. In addition, UNHCR through its partner NRC, has targeted 373 individuals with legal assistance and counselling on issues pertaining to Housing, Land & Property rights and civil documentation.



Distribution of CRIs to IDPs in Tripoli. ©UNHCR



Yambio Yasona holding up his winning photo. ©UNHCR/Mohamed Alalem

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