



This snapshot summarizes available data on Iranian nationals in Europe in 2021 and 2020. The first page visualizes the number of Iranian nationals who arrived by land and sea in the European Union and those who transited through the Western Balkan and Eastern Europe region in 2021. The data on arrivals and transits is made available by national authorities and then gathered by IOM DTM Europe.¹ Numbers of apprehensions or registrations at the border in the Western Balkan and Eastern Europe region are not summed up to avoid double counting of the same persons who transit through multiple countries in their intent to reach Central and Northern Europe. The second and third pages shows numbers of Iranian nationals residing in Europe in 2020 by gender and European region as reported by UNDESA.

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NUMBER OF IRANIAN NATIONALS WHO ARRIVED BY LAND AND SEA IN THE EUROPEAN UNION IN 2021²



NUMBER OF IRANIAN NATIONALS WHO TRANSITED THROUGH THE WESTERN BALKAN AND EASTERN EUROPE REGION IN 2021



1. Mixed Migration Flows to Europe in 2021: <https://migration.iom.int/europe?type=arrivals>

2. No Iranian nationals reported at arrival by sea or land for Spain and Malta. Nationality data for arrivals by sea and land for Bulgaria and Cyprus are not available.

3. References to Kosovo shall be understood to be in the context of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 (1999)



According to the International Migrants Stock (2020) compiled by UNDESA⁴, a total of 512,303 Iranian nationals resided in Europe in 2020. Fifty-six per cent of them were male and 44 per cent were female. The number of Iranian nationals in each European country in 2020 is shown in Annex 1, together with gender-disaggregated numbers. UNDESA estimates the number and composition of migrants on the basis of data obtained from population censuses, population registers and national surveys. The dataset provides estimates of the international migrant stock by age, sex and origin for the mid-point (1 July) of each year: 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015 and 2020.



Total Migrants

512,303



Male

56%

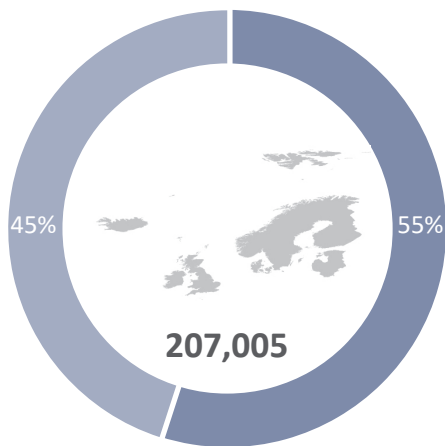


Female

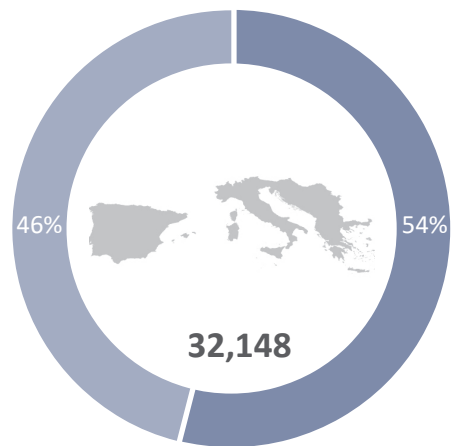
44%

NUMBER OF IRANIAN NATIONALS IN EUROPE BY GENDER, UNDESA- 2020

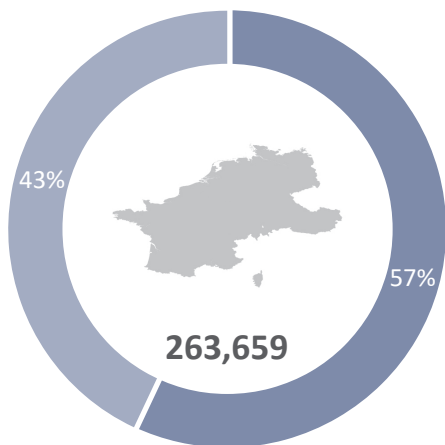
Northern Europe



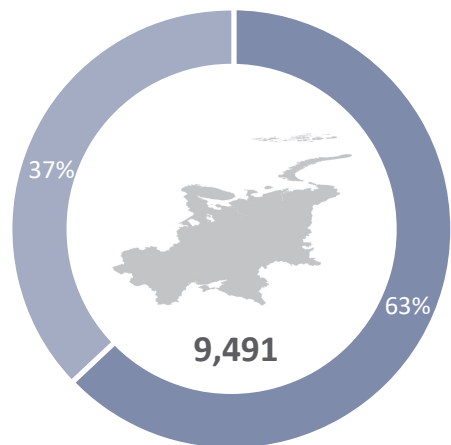
Southern Europe



Western Europe








Eastern Europe



■ Male ■ Female



ANNEX 1: NUMBER OF IRANIAN MALES AND FEMALES IN EUROPE, UNDESA - 2020

 European Region	 European Countries ⁵	 Total Migrants	 Male	 Female
Northern Europe	Denmark	17,125	9,799	7,326
	Estonia	216	141	75
	Finland	7,611	4,286	3,325
	Iceland	166	105	61
	Ireland	508	334	174
	Lithuania	60	38	22
	Latvia	46	32	14
	Norway	18,379	9,745	8,634
	Sweden	79,363	41,945	37,418
	United Kingdom	83,531	48,402	35,129
Southern Europe	Greece	4,684	2,364	2,320
	Italy	18,529	9,821	8,708
	Malta	87	51	36
	Portugal	740	421	319
	Slovenia	161	103	58
	Spain	7,947	4,575	3,372
Western Europe	Austria	24,092	13,784	10,308
	Belgium	11,918	6,543	5,375
	France	26,069	13,364	12,705
	Germany	152,590	89,303	63,287
	Liechtenstein	13	7	6
	Luxembourg	1,074	577	497
	Switzerland	13,094	7,000	6,094
	The Netherlands	34,809	18,773	16,036
Eastern Europe	Bulgaria	475	334	141
	Hungary	4,125	2,325	1,800
	Poland	301	219	82
	Romania	1,516	1,149	367
	Russia	2,010	1,315	695
	Slovakia	168	120	48
	The Czech Republic	896	510	386

5. The countries have been listed in alphabetical order within the European region categories.