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MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Regional Flow Monitoring Network: Libya, Sudan, Yemen

# DTM MONTHLY REGIONAL REPORT

## Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)

Middle East & North Africa

### Regional Flow Monitoring Network

Reporting Period  
June 2019

Active Flow Monitoring Network	
Libya	44 FMPs
Sudan	3 FMPs
Yemen	6 FMPs

53 FMPs are currently active in three countries in the region.

IOM identified at least 641,398 migrants in **Libya** during the March – May data collection cycle (Round 25). Migrants were identified in all 100 municipalities, within 565 communities and originated from at least 39 different countries of origin. Information on current migration flows was collected through 706 assessments in 11 regions and 16 municipalities.

The top five nationalities identified were Nigerien (21%), Egyptian (15%), Chadian (15%), Sudanese (11%) and Nigerian (9%). Out of the total number of migrants identified, 602,282 individuals (94%) originated from 21 different African countries while 38,897 individuals (6%) came from 10 Asian and Middle Eastern countries. The remaining 219 individuals were recorded as unknown nationality and/or other country of origin.

Out of the 602,282 individuals from Africa, 417,117 (69%) were from Sub-Saharan countries and 185,165 individuals 31% were from North African countries.

While 31 per cent of migrants from Sub-Saharan countries were identified in the South of the country, few Asian and Middle-Eastern migrants were present there; only one per cent of Asian and Middle Eastern migrants in Libya were identified in Southern Libya.

Since the onset of armed conflict in southern Tripoli on 4 April 2019, DTM has also been monitoring the situation of migrants affected by the ongoing clashes. Several rapid assessments were conducted to determine the situation of migrants (in urban settings outside detention) in the conflict affected areas. The situation for migrants in the areas of Khallat al Forjan, Salah Eddine, Wadi Al Rabi, Al Aziziya, and Swani bin Adam in the southern Tripoli was determined to be critical. Migrants in these areas were assessed to constitute a particularly vulnerable group whose protection remains a concern (for more information see Libya — Tripoli Rapid Migrant Assessment 4 July 2019). Furthermore, as of 30 June, 5,816 migrants were held in DCIM detention centers in Libya, out of which 3,819 migrants were detained in areas close to the frontlines, at risk of being directly affected by the ongoing armed conflict. DTM also provided baseline statistics for interagency coordination on the number of migrants in detention in Libya, and tracked the changes in the figures on a daily basis. The daily updates and regular provision of information on migrants in detention also facilitated the humanitarian response to this most vulnerable population group.

Through IOM's Maritime Incidents tracking activities, DTM provides updates on the number of maritime incidents off the Libyan coast, as well as the latest figures on Italy arrivals and recorded deaths

along the Central Mediterranean Route. Between January and May 2019, the total number of arrivals to Italy was recorded at 1,561 individuals representing a steep drop in comparison to the number of arrivals from the preceding year (as 13,430 arrivals were recorded in the same period of 2018). In the first five months of 2019, 321 deaths were recorded along the central Mediterranean route. From the beginning of the year until the 28th of May, 2,417 migrants were returned by Libyan coast guards, this included 140 migrant minors and 185 females that were rescued.

Since July 2017, IOM in **Sudan** has monitored returns of Sudanese migrants from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA). The returns are monitored at the entry points of Khartoum International Airport (KRT) in Khartoum and at the port of Sawakin in Port Sudan state. IOM DTM teams, jointly with the Secretariat of Sudanese Working Abroad (SSWA), register Sudanese nationals returning via these entry points. In April 2019, 1,195 Sudanese nationals returned (74% arrived through KRT). Since mid-2017, a total of 72,487 Sudanese migrants returning from KSA have been registered, 92 per cent of whom were registered at Khartoum International Airport. Sixty-nine per cent of the returnees were identified as male, whereas 31 per cent were female. More than half of the registered returnees (60%) were of working age (18 to 59 years), and 21 per cent were school age children.

From July 2017 to June 2019, 26,357 South Sudanese migrants were identified at the Abyei flow monitoring point crossing the border from South Sudan into Sudan.

In **Yemen**, DTM Flow Monitoring exercises recorded 10,045 migrants arriving by boat during June 2019. The majority of migrants reported in June were Ethiopian nationals (90% or 9,068 individuals), and 10 per cent were Somali nationals (977 individuals). Arrivals of Ethiopian nationals in June decreased by 45 per cent from the 16,327 individuals recorded in May, and the number of Somali nationals recorded a remarkable decrease of 62 per cent from that reported in the previous month (2,577 individuals). This decrease could be due to the high tides in this period and bad weather conditions.

Ninety per cent intended to reach Saudi Arabia (9,114 individuals), and 10 per cent (931 individuals) intended to stay in

Yemen. The June 2019 figures show a decrease of 982 individuals from May 2019 in the number of migrants who intended to stay in Yemen.

Since November 2017, DTM Yemen has been tracking returns from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia through a border Flow Monitoring Point in Al Wade'a, Hadramaut Governorate. In June 2019, 4,624 individuals returned to Yemen. The three highest districts of Yemeni returnees in June were, Al Hudaydah (557), Ibb (457), and Hajjah (426).

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## Iraq

Current Implementation Round  
Round 110 (May - June 2019)

Latest count of populations tracked and monitored  
As of April 2019

**1,607,148** Internally Displaced  
**4,305,138** Returnees

Implementation Component  
Mobility Tracking (Baseline), Emergency Tracking, Integrated Location Assessment

Current Geographical Coverage  
106 districts in 18 governorates

Published Information Products  
Displacement and Return Report, Displacement Overview Dashboard, Return Movements Overview Dashboards

[displacement.iom.int/iraq](https://displacement.iom.int/iraq)

Data collection for Round 110 took place during May and June 2019. As of 30 June 2019, DTM identified 1,607,148 IDPs (267,858 families), dispersed across 18 governorates, 106 districts and 3,116 locations in Iraq. For the same period, DTM also identified 4,305,138 returnees (717,523 families) across 8 governorates, 38 districts and 1,662 locations.

An additional 38,256 returnees were recorded during Round 110, which is slightly lower than the increase in the previous round (54,900 returnees in round 109). Most returned to three governorates: Ninewa (17,502 individuals), Salah al-Din (14,778) and Anbar (2,136). The number of IDPs continued to decrease at a steady slow pace. During May and June 2019, DTM recorded a decrease of

57,960 IDPs with the top three governorates being Ninewa (-22,674, -5%), Salah al-Din (-11,856, -10%) and Sulaymaniyah (-7,104, -5%).

As Round 110 marks the sixth month of 2019, the current report presents changes recorded in IDP and returnee figures at the mid-year point. During the last six months, DTM recorded a decrease of 195,684 IDPs, i.e. 11 per cent of the total IDP caseload, with the largest decreases being in Ninewa (-97,392, -17%), Salah al-Din (-32,262, -23%) and Anbar (-11,598, -19%). In Round 110, DTM added a new shelter category for IDPs: own property. This shelter type is part of the private settings category, together with rented houses, hotels/motels and host families.

## Libya

Current Implementation Round  
Round 26 (June - July 2019)

Latest count of populations tracked and monitored  
As of May 2019

**268,629** Internally Displaced  
**444,760** Returnees

Implementation Component  
Mobility Tracking (Baseline), Survey, Event Tracking

Current Geographical Coverage  
Country-wide

Published Information Products  
Displacement Report, Migrant Report, Migrant Profiles, Event Tracking Report, Flash Updates, Tawergha Return Weekly Update, Maritime Incident Update

[displacement.iom.int/libya](https://displacement.iom.int/libya)

The onset of armed conflict in the southern areas of Tripoli on 04 April 2019 led to the displacement of almost 100,000 IDPs who were forced to leave their homes by the end of June 2019. This upsurge in armed conflict included heavy airstrikes which impacted localities in conflict areas substantially, leading to large-scale displacement of civilians due to the deteriorating security situation.

DTM initiated Emergency Tracking of displaced and affected populations at the start of the crisis and by the end of the Round 25 published more than 20 flash updates and assessments, including the

most recent market assessment, available [here](#).

Displacements continued to be reported after the end of the Round 25 data collection; please refer to [www.glob-aldtm.info/libya](http://www.glob-aldtm.info/libya) for the latest updates.

### DTM SUPPORT OF THE RAPID RESPONSE MECHANISM (RRM)

DTM identified priority needs throughout its emergency tracking of displaced populations and facilitated service delivery to over 25,000 IDPs in urgent need of humanitarian assistance through the Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM). The Rapid Response Mechanism in Libya includes partners UNFPA, UNICEF, IOM and WFP, and the timely identification of affected populations at the locations of displacement by DTM resulted in the quick delivery of life-saving and dignity-restoring assistance via the provision of food and non-food items, dignity kits and hygiene kits.

In Round 25, the number of identified returnees in Libya had remained stable at 444,760 individuals, whereas the number of identified IDPs in Libya was 268,629, 36 per cent higher than the 172,541 IDPs identified in the previous round (January – February 2019). The top three municipalities (*Baladiya*) of displacement were identified as Benghazi, Sebha, and Misrata, whereas the highest number of previously displaced households had returned to Benghazi, Sirt, and Abusliem.

An overwhelming majority of key informants (93%) reported that IDPs left their places of origin because of the deterioration of the security situation. To a significantly lesser extent, other reasons for displacement included the worsening of the economic situation and lack of basic services at the place of origin.

Similarly, a better security situation was the main reason for IDPs to choose their current place of displacement (65%). The second most reported reason for choosing their current location of displacement was presence of relatives, social and cultural bonds (51%), indicating the presence of possible social safety nets for IDPs on the move. Another frequently reported reason was better access to livelihood opportunities (38%), followed by availability of basic services (34%).

Overall, the data indicates that the major driver of displacement was the deteriorating security situation, reflected in

both the decision to leave and the decision to choose the new place of settlement.

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## Sudan

Current Implementation Round  
June 2019

Latest count of populations tracked and monitored  
As of June 2019

**2,082,116** Internally Displaced  
**511,910** Returnees

Number of individuals registered (new arrivals) as of  
June 2019, since the beginning of 2019

**7,872** Internally Displaced  
**39,718** Returnees

DTM Sudan is conducting registration activities relating to five population groups: IDPs, returning IDPs, refugees, returning refugees and returning migrants; this includes those in these population groups affected by natural disasters.

Implementation Component  
Emergency Registration (incl. Biometric)

Current Geographical Coverage  
5 States

Published Information Products  
Displacement Dashboard, Monthly Report, Registration Report, Returnee Statistical Report, Site Profile

[displacement.iom.int/sudan](http://displacement.iom.int/sudan)

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## Yemen

Current Implementation Round  
April 2019

Latest count of populations tracked and monitored  
As of Round 37- April 2019

**3,647,250** Internally Displaced  
**1,280,562** Returnees

Implementation Component  
Mobility Tracking (Baseline), Rapid Displacement Tracking (RDT)

Current Geographical Coverage  
333 districts in 22 Governorates

Published Information Products  
Rapid Displacement Tracking Report

[displacement.iom.int/yemen](http://displacement.iom.int/yemen)

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DTM in Yemen completed Round 37 of its Mobility Tracking Baseline Area Assessments in November 2018 in 22 governorates. This is the first time DTM has had access to the country as a whole, and the report gives a country-wide picture of displacement in the country from 01 June to 06 November 2018.

As of November 2018, DTM Yemen estimates that there are 3.6 million internally displaced persons (IDPs) (607,865 households) dispersed across all 22 governorates, the majority of whom were displaced due to conflict ongoing since March 2015. For the same period, DTM identified an estimated 1.28 million IDP returnees (213,427 households) across 22 governorates.

Rapid Displacement Tracking tool remains in place to collect figures on displacement events that occur in between DTM rounds.

DTM's Rapid Displacement Tracking estimates that 50,978 Households (HH) or 305,868 Individuals (IND) have been forced to leave their homes at least once, since the beginning of the year. In general, 5,219 households are estimated to have been displaced in June 2019. Most displacement resulted from increased fighting in Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Ad Dhale.

In addition, the Multi Cluster Location Assessment for 2019 is being prepared for pilot roll-out in August and full roll-out in October. Sample selection, household listing and interview methods are in the final stages, pending endorsement.

