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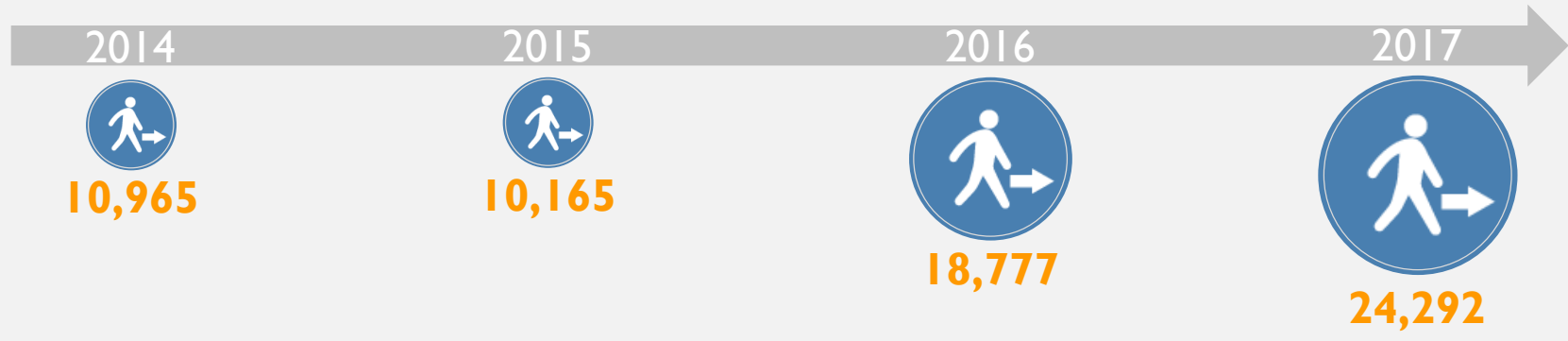
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# MEDITERRANEAN DEVELOPMENTS FLOWS FROM WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA (WCA)

IOM REGIONAL OFFICE FOR WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

**JANUARY TO MARCH 2017**

## ARRIVALS IN ITALY IN THE FIRST QUARTER (JAN/MAR) 2014 - 2017



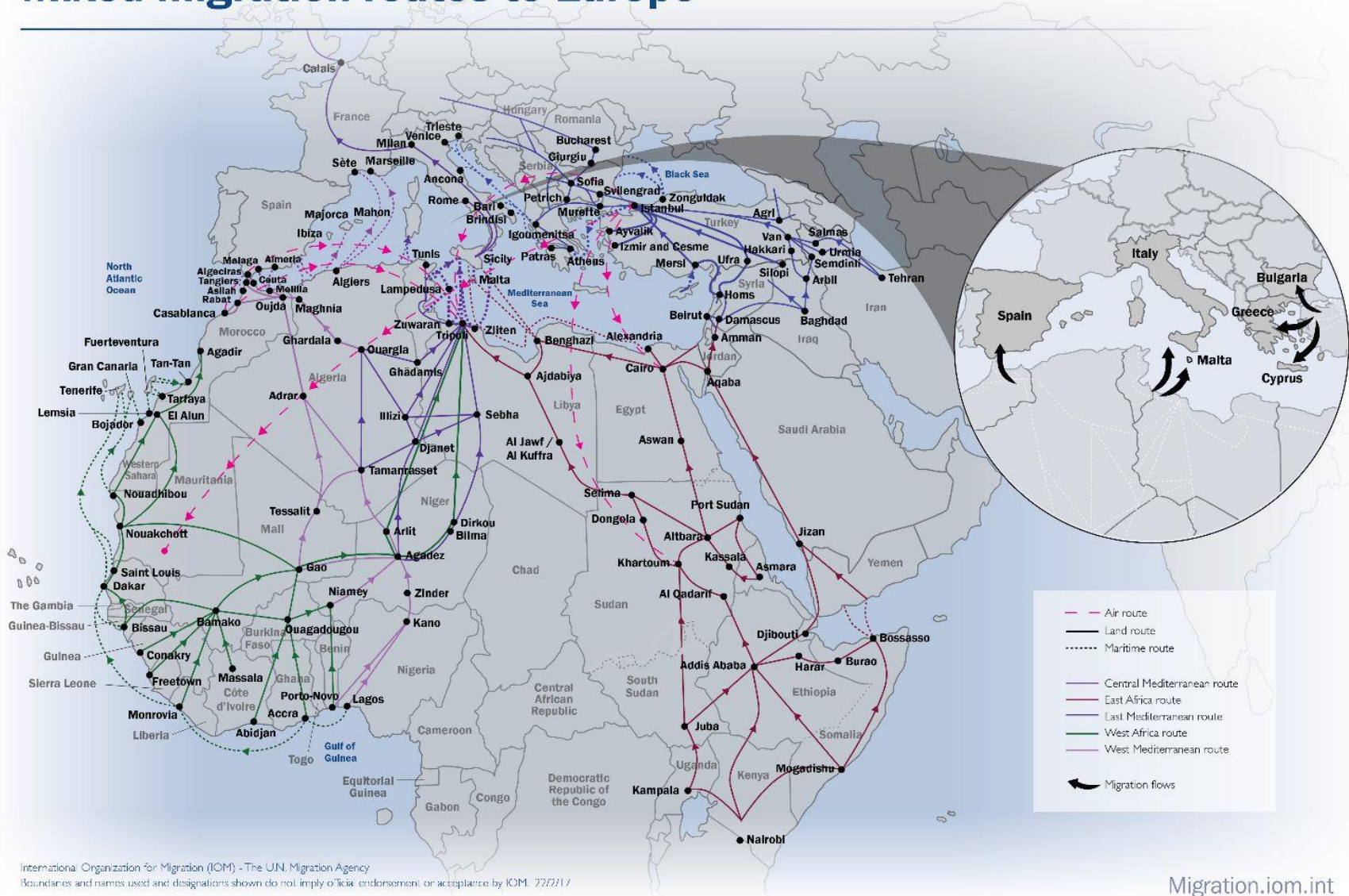
## ARRIVALS IN ITALY BY YEAR 2014-2017

170,100 MIGRANTS IN 2014 (38 916 FROM WCA)  
 153,842 MIGRANTS IN 2015 (56 707 FROM WCA)  
 181,436 MIGRANTS IN 2016 (ESTIMATE 100 000 FROM WCA)  
 24,292 MIGRANTS IN 2017 (ESTIMATE 14,000 FROM WCA)

## KEY DATA FOR 2016

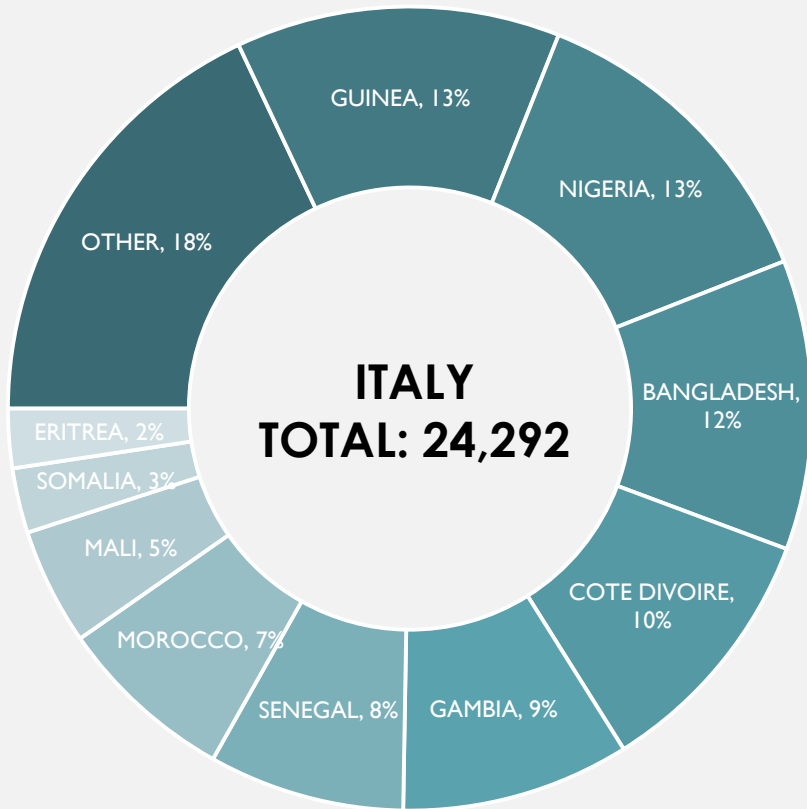
- **5 083 DEATHS/MISSING** MIGRANTS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN IN 2016 (2014: 3,279, 2015: 3,777)
- **MAIN MIGRATORY ROUTE FROM WCA:** NIGER-MALI / LIBYA-ALGERIA / ITALY
- **MAIN NATIONALITIES IN 2016:** NIGERIA, GUINEA CONAKRY, IVORY COAST, GAMBIA, SENEGAL, MALI, GHANA
- **ESSENTIALLY MEN** - EXCEPT NIGERIA (29% WOMEN) - **MINORS** (AM + UAM) : 16%

## Mixed migration routes to Europe





## NATIONALITIES OF THE MIGRANTS IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2017



**Estimate 14,000 migrants from WCA**



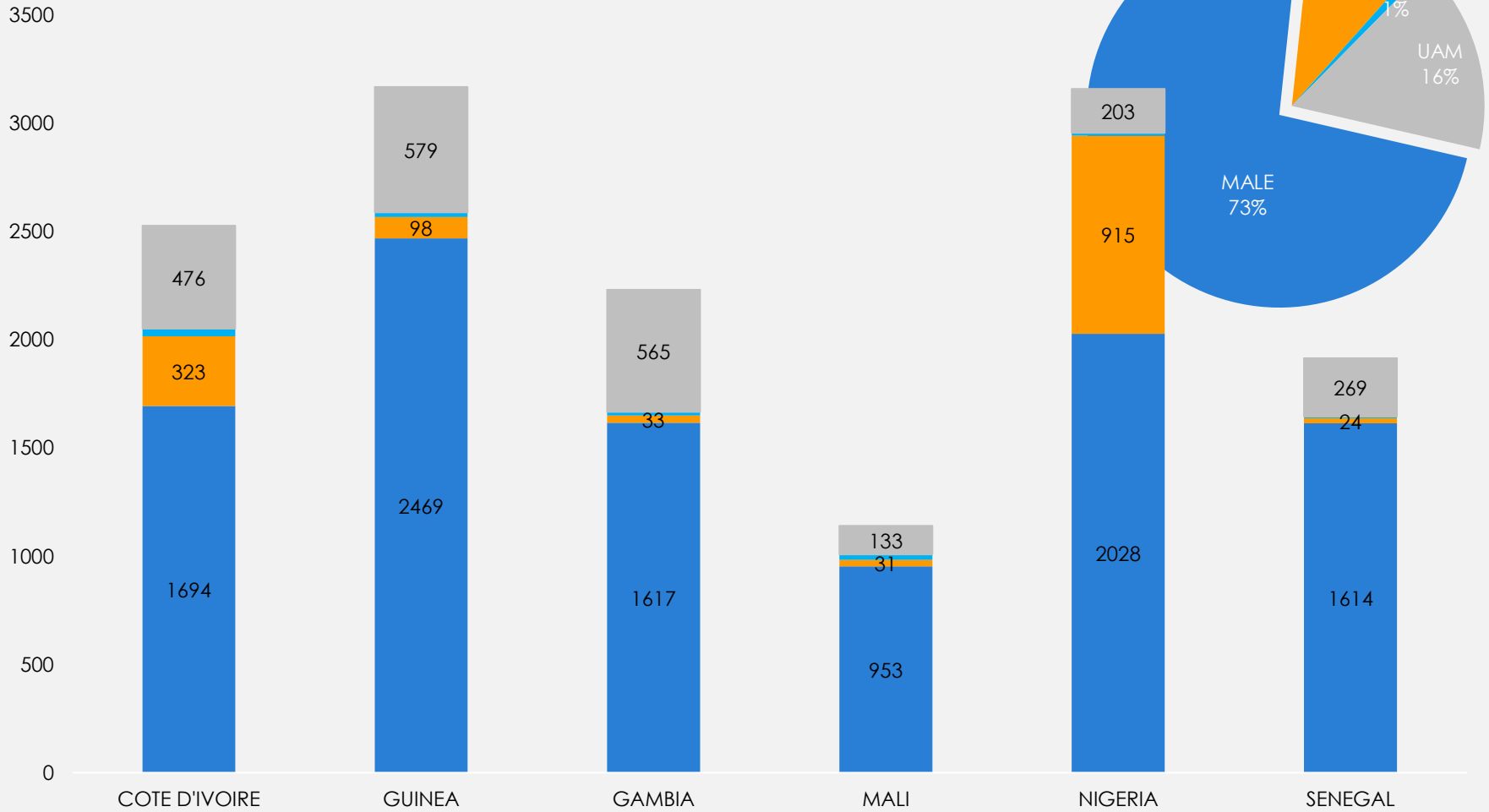
**Estimate 116 migrants from WCA**



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## DISTRIBUTION OF ARRIVALS BY AGE, GENDER

MALE FEMALE AM UAM

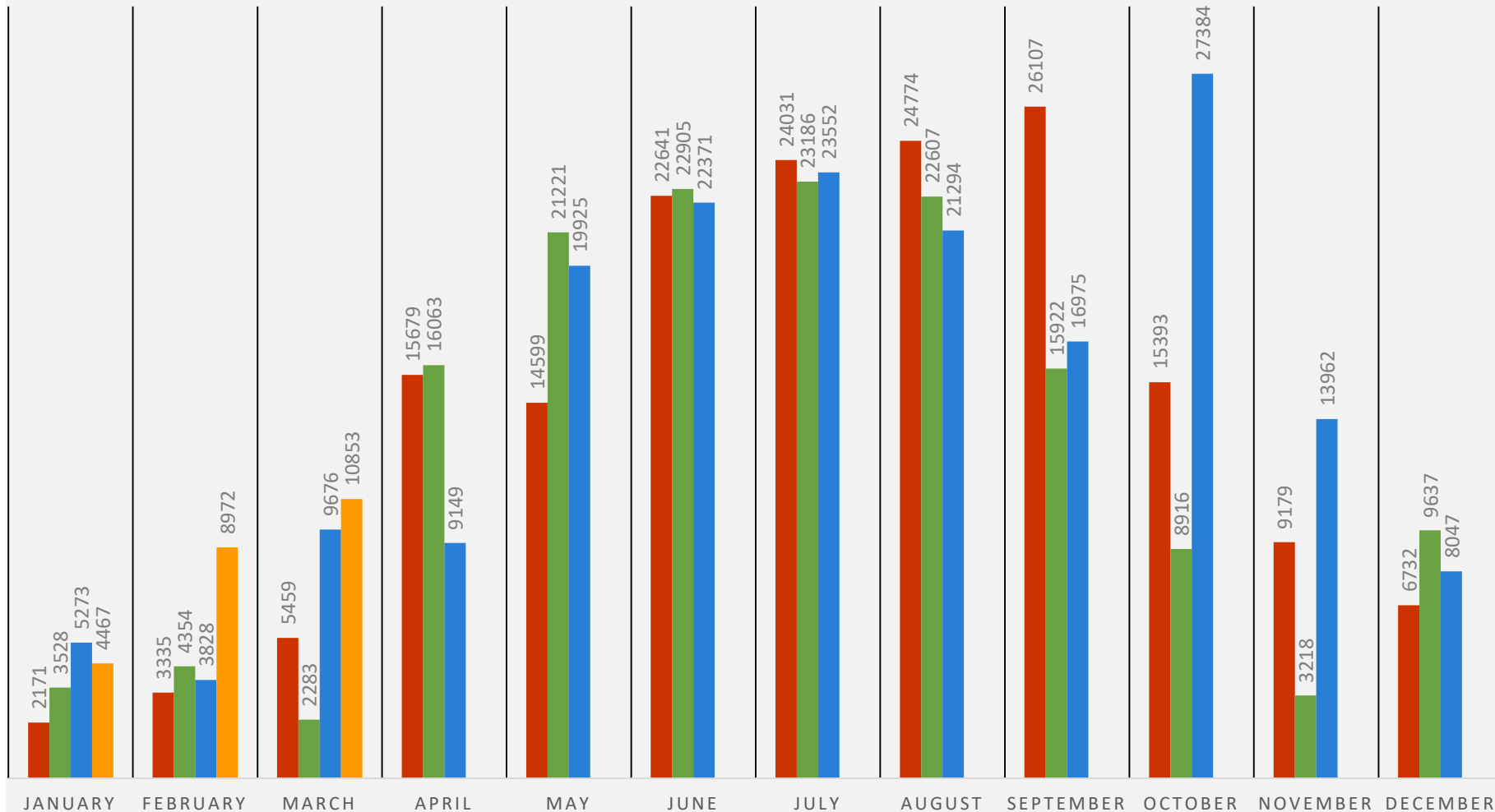




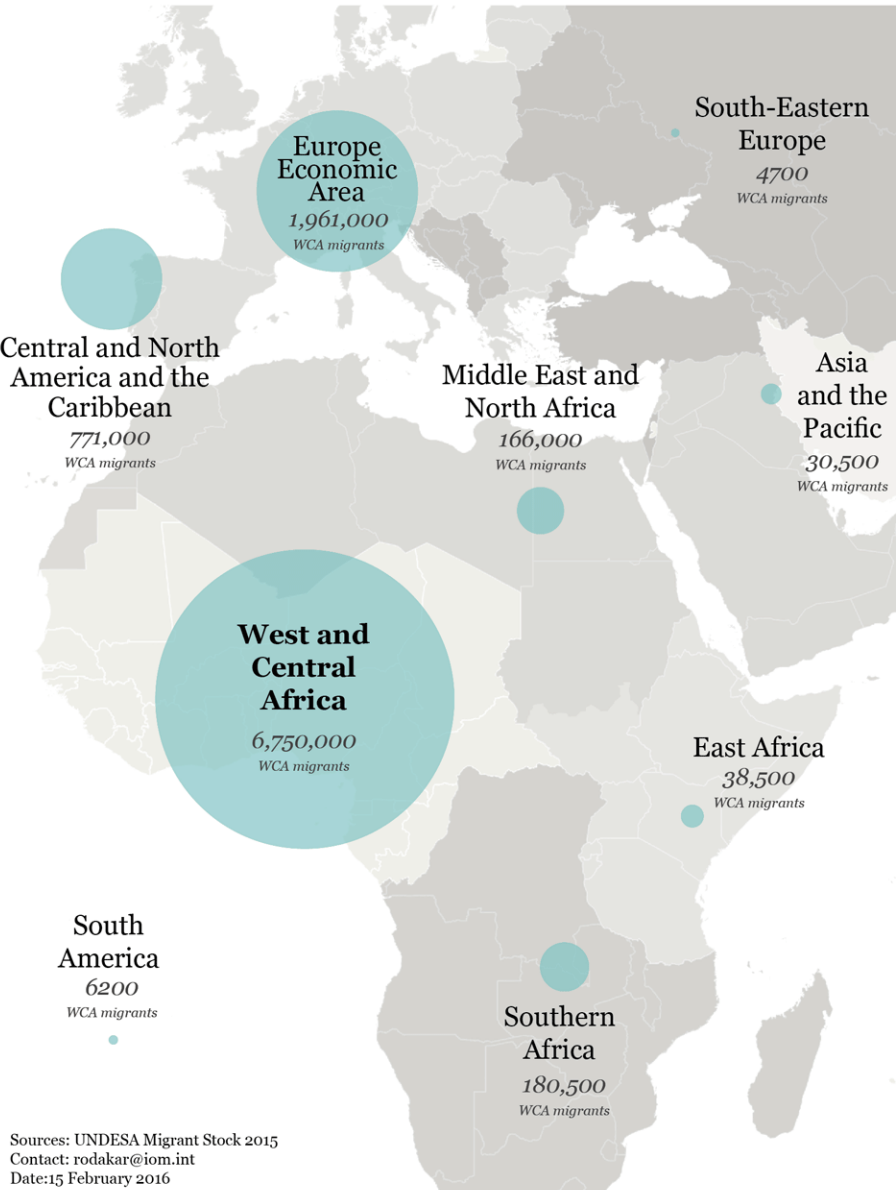
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## ITALY - MONTHLY ARRIVALS BY SEA

■ 2014 ■ 2015 ■ 2016 ■ 2017



# World Repartition of the Migrants from West and Central Africa in 2015

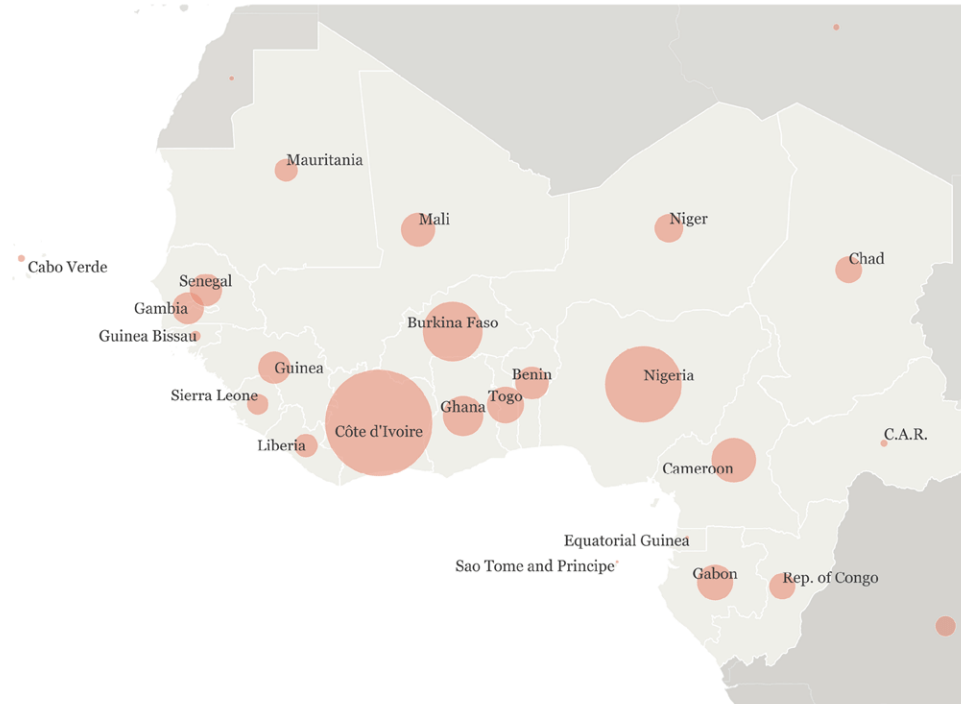
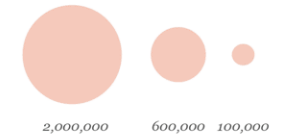


The West and Central African region is characterized by a long history of intra- and interregional migration (mainly towards North Africa). Mobility is embedded in most cultures in West and Central Africa and it represents an effective livelihood and coping strategy to respond to shocks and build resilience.

**70%** OF MIGRANTS STAY WITHIN THE REGION  
(source: UNDESA)

West Africa, specifically, has the strongest intraregional mobility in sub-Saharan Africa, with some 70 per cent of migratory movements taking place within the sub-region. Most of these movements are motivated by economic reasons and they are further facilitated by the Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS) Protocol on free movement of persons, right of residence and right of establishment to promote trade and foster economic development. Most migration within the sub-region is mainly from the northern zones to the coastal regions.

**West and Central Africa Migrant Stock**  
 Number of migrants coming from West and Central Africa per country



**THANK YOU**

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