

OVERVIEW

With the overall objective of facilitating safe, dignified, and durable solutions to displacement, particularly for those impacted by conflict or natural disaster-related displacement, IOM Libya's Voluntary Humanitarian Return (VHR) Programme supports migrants to voluntarily return to their countries of origin when protection services can no longer be provided in host countries. VHR team also provides migrants with suitable and tailored socioeconomic reintegration when needed. IOM has been implemented the programme since October 2015 with financial support provided by different donors. In 2023, the programme was supported by the European Union (DG Near), the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Migration Fund) and complemented by Switzerland through a Consular Support Programme.

OBJECTIVES

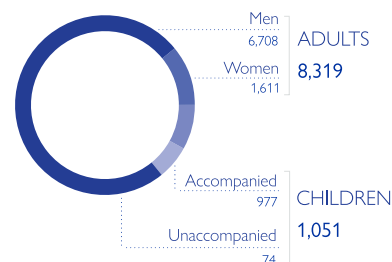
IOM integrates humanitarian protection in its VHR programme: VHR personnel work closely with Protection, Health assistance and Mental Health and Psychosocial Service teams to provide assistance that helps to safeguard the safety and wellbeing of migrants, particularly those with vulnerabilities (including unaccompanied and migrant children (UASC), the elderly and persons with medical and special needs).

The programme provides outreach services, an information hotline, assistance to obtain travel documents, nationality screenings, consular services, individual counselling and vulnerability screening, immediate direct assistance, pre-departure health checks, departure and transportation assistance, cross referrals with other UN agencies, local and international organizations, coordination with countries of origin for specific assistance to returnees and victims of trafficking as well as arrival and reintegration assistance.

2023 KEY FIGURES

9,370
MIGRANTS
RETURNED TO
26 COUNTRIES

ACROSS AFRICA AND ASIA



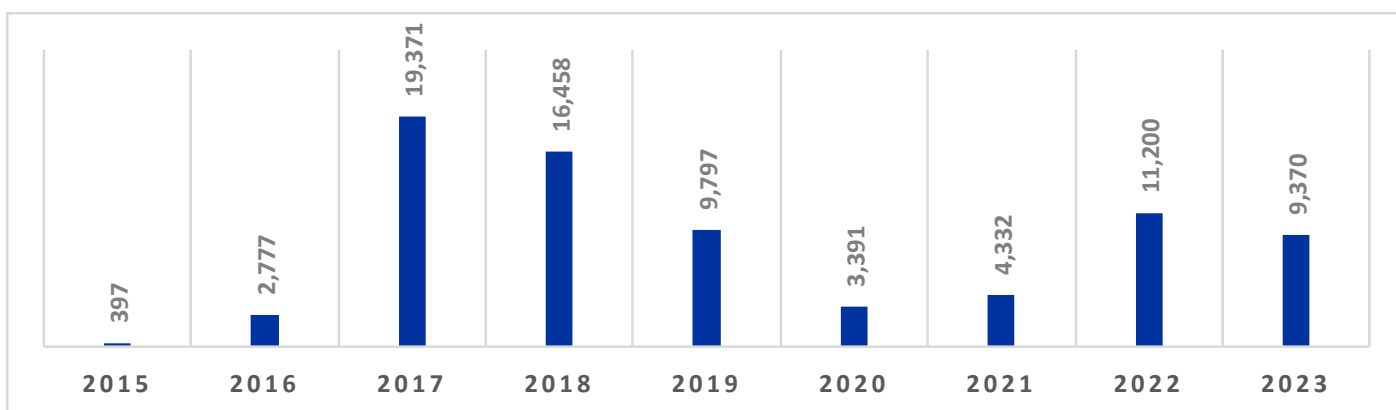
4,031
Returns Located in Detention Centres

5,339
Returns Located in Urban Areas

1,096
Medical Support

628
Victims of Trafficking

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ASSISTED ON A YEARLY BASIS FROM 2015 TO 2023:



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