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MIGRATION PROFILE



TUNISIA
END 2016



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This Structural Migration Profile aims at providing an overview on migration and development in a given country. Kindly note that data refer to the end of the year and are collected from different sources and methodologies. For more details please refer to the Technical Note.

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MIGRATION OUTLINE

KEY DATA ON MIGRATION FOR TUNISIA AND FOR THE EU (stock - country of origin)



752 714

(2015)

6.7%
OF TUNISIAN
POPULATION



1 667

0.01%
OF TUNISIAN
POPULATION



571 802

(2015)

76.0%
OF TUNISIAN
MIGRANTS ARE
IN EU



1 101

66.1%
OF TUNISIAN
REFUGEES ARE IN EU

sources: UNDESA, UNHCR

TUNISIA



DEMOGRAPHY



HEAD OF STATE

Mr. Mohamed Beji Caid Essebsi

HEAD OF GOVERNMENT

Mr. Youssef Chahed

NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

Algeria, Libya

DENSITY

72.6 persons / Km2 (2015)

RURAL POPULATION

32.95%



HDI

97th / 188 (2015)

INCOME LEVEL GROUP

Lower middle income

RELIGIONS

Muslim (official; Sunni) 99.0%, other (includes Christian, Jewish, Shia Muslim, and Baha'i) 1%

LANGUAGES

Arabic (official)
French (commerce),
Berber (Tamazight)

ETHNIC GROUPS

Arab 98%, European 1%, Jewish and other 1%

sources: Country's Government, CIA Factbook, World Bank, UNDP, UNDESA

2016

11.4 M

TOTAL
POPULATION

1.1

POPULATION
GROWTH (%)

31.1

(2015)

MEDIAN
AGE

2.1

(2015)

CHILDREN
PER WOMAN

2050
(projections)

13.9 M

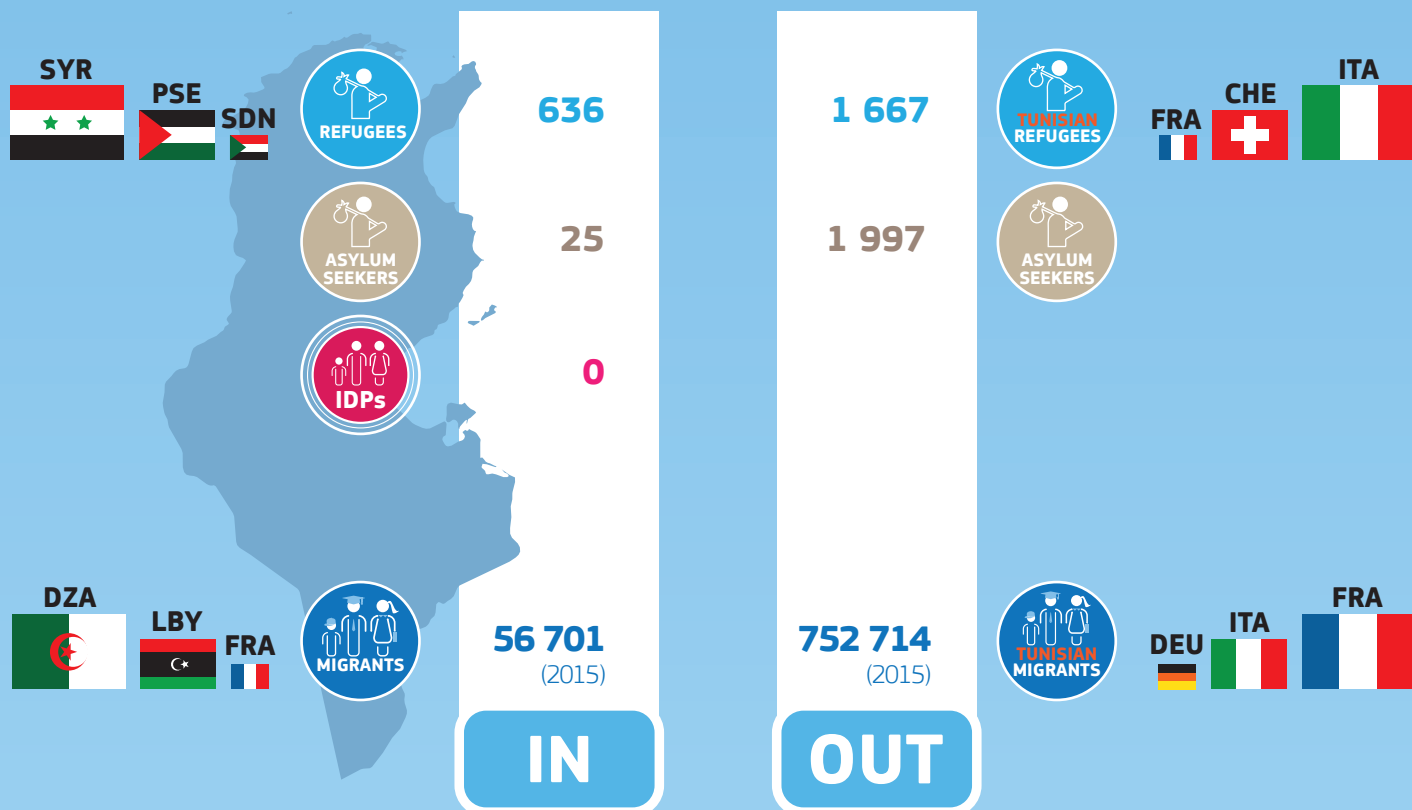
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1.9

THE VIEW FROM TUNISIA

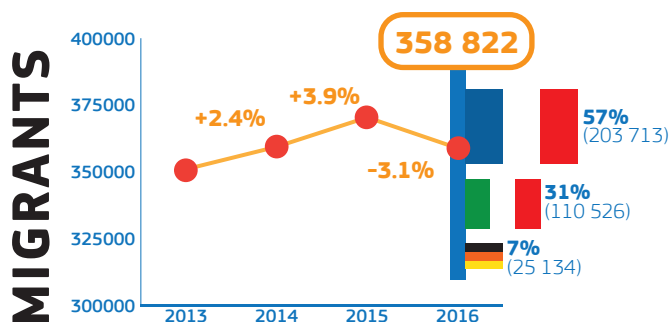
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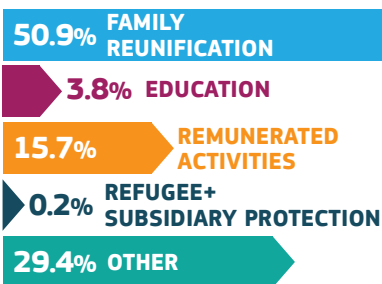
Only a small proportion of Tunisian emigrants are refugees (1 667 in 2016). The vast majority of migrants reside in the EU, in either Italy, France or Germany.

THE VIEW FROM EU

(stock valid residence permits - TCNs)



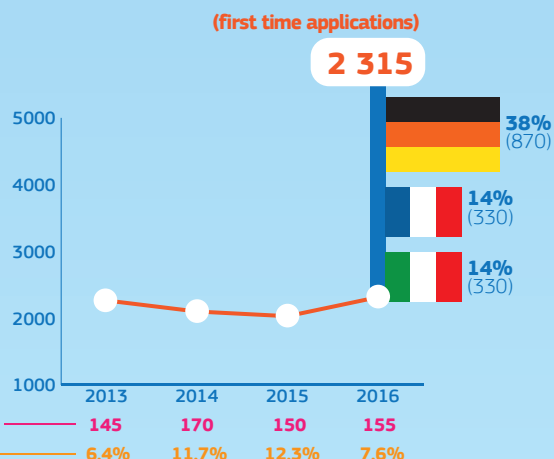
REASONS



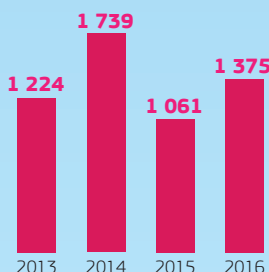
Half of all valid residence permits in 2016 were issued for family reunification reasons. The number of first time asylum applications and irregular crossings (by sea) remains relatively low.

ASYLUM SEEKERS

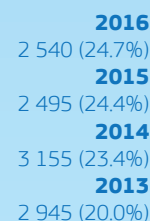
TOTAL RECOGNITION RATE POSITIVE DECISIONS



IRREGULAR CROSSINGS



RETURN RATE



AREAS

INDICATORS

EU INSTITUTIONS TOTAL
DISBURSED AID (€ MIL.)

POLITICAL

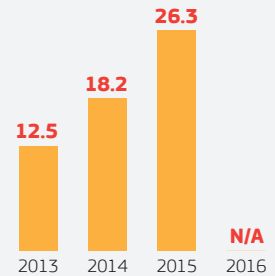


SECURITY

- ▲ Yearly conflict events = 825
- Political stability = -0.9 (2015)
- Global Peace Index = 65/163 rank

GOVERNANCE

- Government effectiveness = -0.1 (2015)
- Control of corruption = -0.1 (2015)

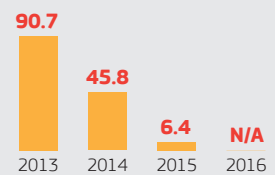


ENVIRONMENTAL



DEGRADATION

- Natural resources depletion (% GNI) = 0.02 (2015)
- INFORM risk on natural hazards = 4.5 /10 scale



ECONOMIC

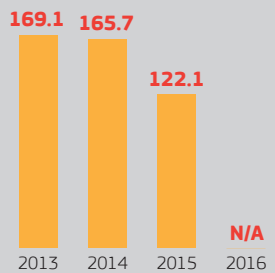


POVERTY

- Income held by lowest 20% = 6.7% (2010)
- Under poverty line \$1.90 p.day = 2% (2010)
- Prevalence of undernourishment = < 5% (2015)

UNEMPLOYMENT

- Total UNEMPL = 14.8%
- Male UNEMPL = 12.5%
- **Youth male UNEMPL = 34.6%**



EDUCATION

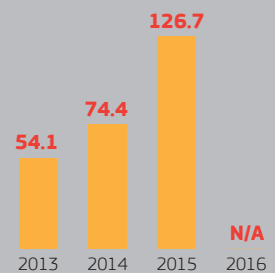
- Gross enrolment, primary = 114.2% (2015)
- Gross enrolment, tertiary = 34.6% (2015)
- Adult literacy rate = 81.1% (2015)

HEALTH

- Under-5 mortality rate (per 1000) = 14 (2015)
- Health expenditure per capita = ... \$ 305.31 (2014)
- General Government health expenditure (% total health exp) = 57% (2014)

URBANIZATION

- Urban pop under nat poverty line = N/A
- Living in slum out of urban pop = 0.1% (2014)
- Rural pop under nat poverty line = N/A



SOCIAL



One in three men between the ages of 18 and 30 are unemployed in Tunisia. Yearly conflicts events have steadily increased over the past 2 years (from 327 in 2014 to 825 in 2016).

CRITICAL THRESHOLDS

CRITICAL VALUE
(COMPARED TO SAME
INCOME LEVEL GROUP
COUNTRIES)

TREND IN TIME
(4 YEAR PERIOD)



- ▲ INCREASE
- STABLE
- ▼ DECREASE



7.0%



1.7%



32.7%



34.1%



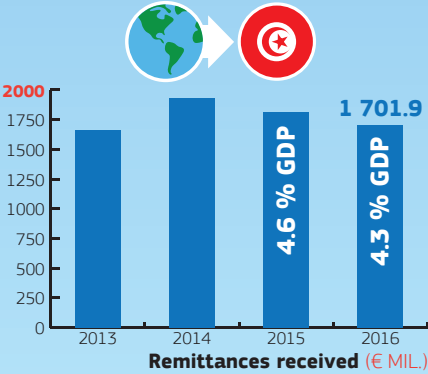
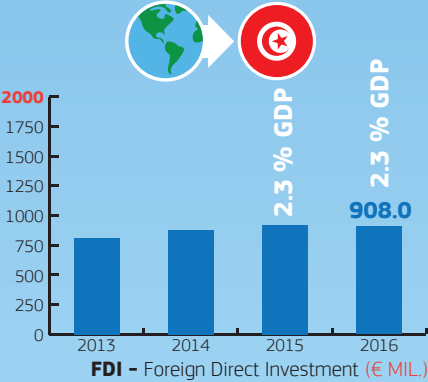
24.5% OTHER

TOTAL AID 2015

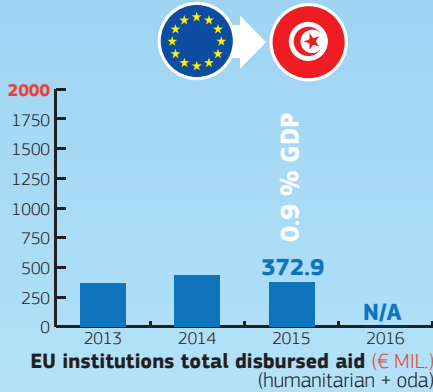
MIGRATION OUTLINE / TUNISIA

KEY DATA ON FINANCIAL INFLOWS FOR TUNISIA AND FOR THE EU

sources: OECD, OCHA, World Bank, UNCTAD



In 2016, remittances accounted for 4.3% of GDP, while net FDI accounted for 2.3%. In 2015, remittances were five times larger than EU institutions disbursed aid.



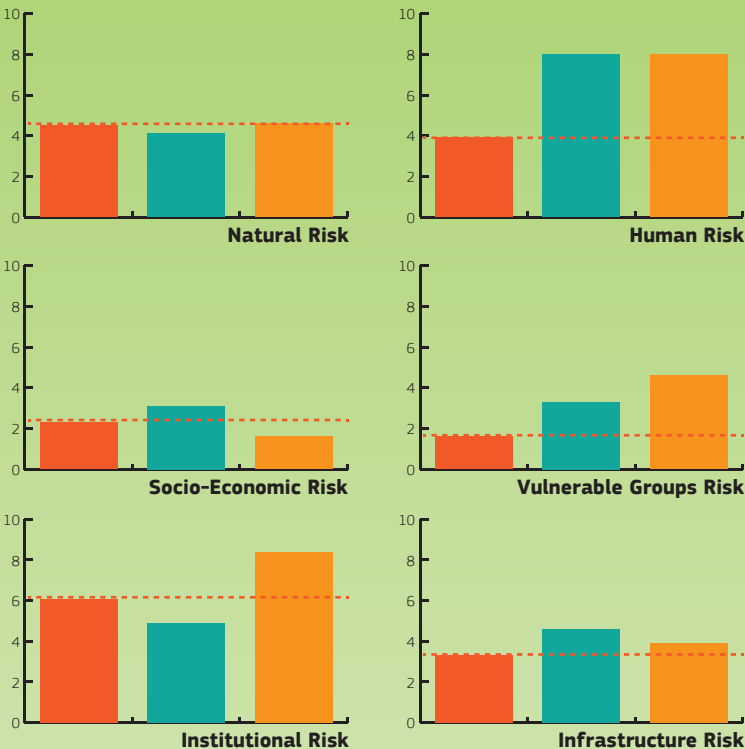
REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE / TUNISIA

INFORM HUMANITARIAN CRISES AND DISASTERS RISK INDEX

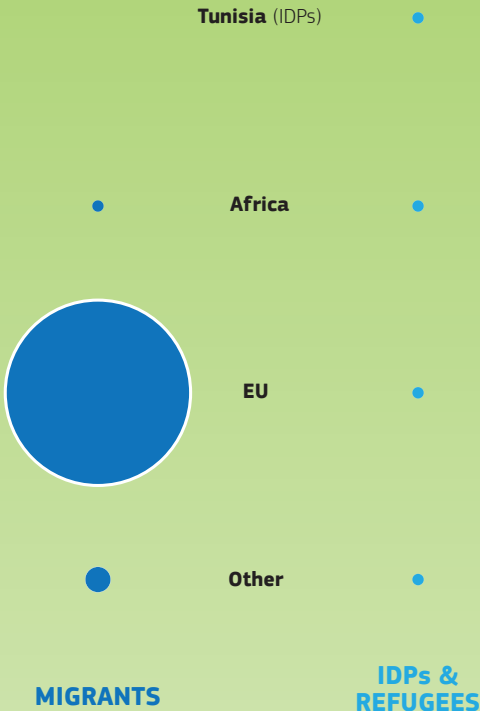
sources: JIRC, Et al.

● Tunisia ● Algeria ● Libya

TUNISIA VS. NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES



DESTINATIONS (% of total)



sources: UNDESA, UNHCR