



**NORTH AFRICA AND
THE MIDDLE EAST**

–Algeria–

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Algeria was introduced by Law n°09-01 of 25 February 2009 published in the official journal of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria n°15 of 8 March 2009. The law covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

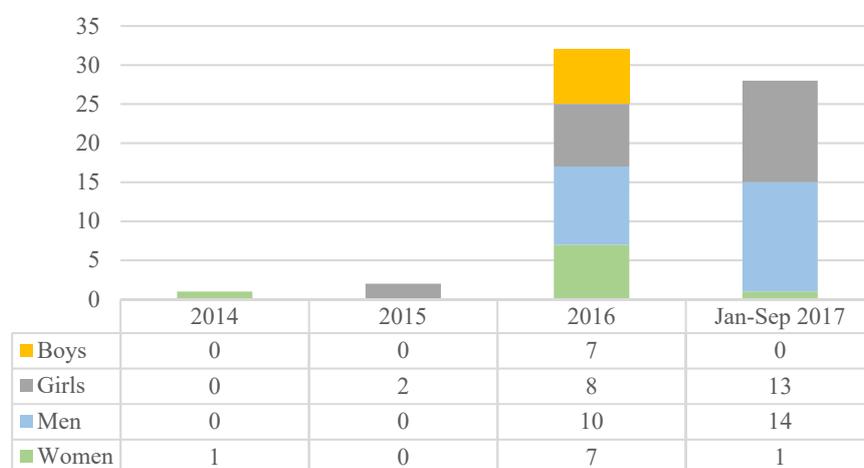
The Ministry of Justice reported seven offenses of trafficking in persons from the beginning of 2014 until the end of 2017. Between 2016 and 2017, a total of 20 people were brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they had been suspected of, arrested for, or cautioned for trafficking in persons.* While a total of 40 people were prosecuted for trafficking in persons, no person was convicted of the crime between 2015 and 2017. In 2014, one person was convicted of trafficking in persons.

Source: The Ministry of Justice and the National Gendarmerie.

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Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2014 – September 2017

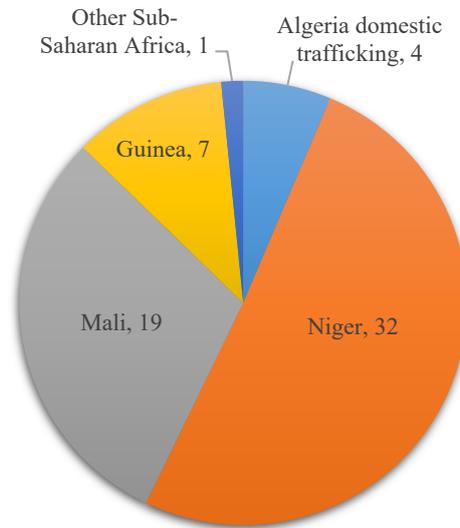


Source: Ministry of Justice.

Between 2014 and 2017, three victims for the purpose of sexual exploitation were detected, all female. In 2017, 14 adult men and 13 girls were trafficked for forced work. In 2016, a significant number of victims were detected who were trafficked for the purpose of forced begging. A total of 32 victims were detected, consisting of 10 adult men, seven adult women, seven girls, and eight boys.

Source: Ministry of Justice.

Citizenships of persons identified as victims of trafficking in persons by state authorities, 2014 – August 2017



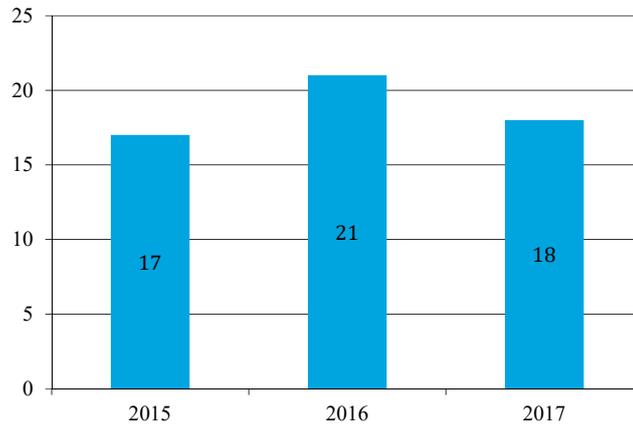
Source: Ministry of Justice.

–Bahrain–

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Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2015 –2017



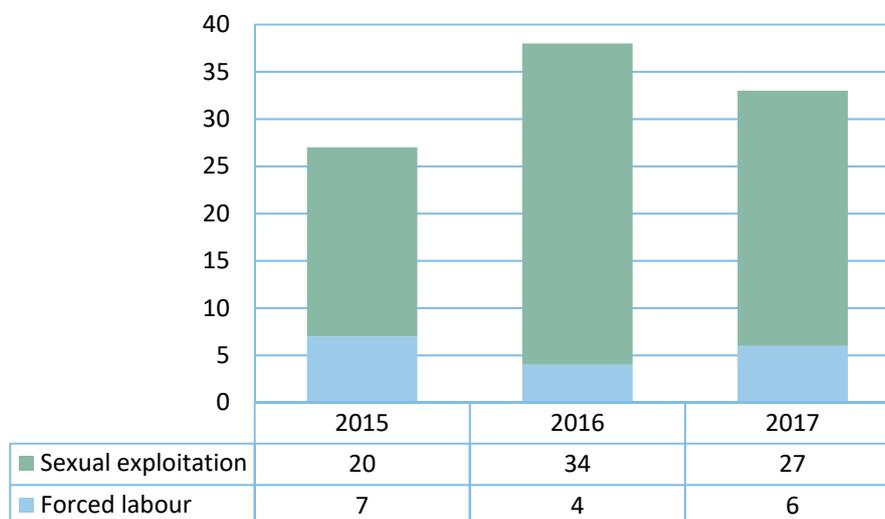
Source: Office of the Public Prosecutor.

In 2015, six people, all females, were convicted of trafficking in persons. In 2016, eight people, three males and five females were convicted. No persons were convicted in 2017. All convicted persons were citizens of Eastern European countries, citizens of East and South Asian countries, or citizens of Bahrain.

Source: Office of the Public Prosecutor.

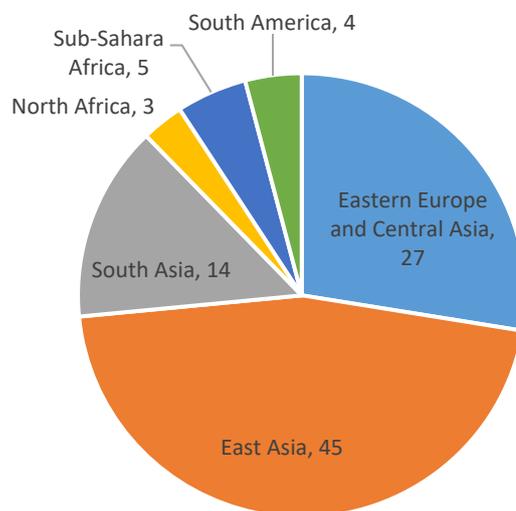
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by form of exploitation 2015 – 2017



Source: Office of the Public Prosecutor.

Victims of trafficking victims detected, by area of origin, 2015 –2017



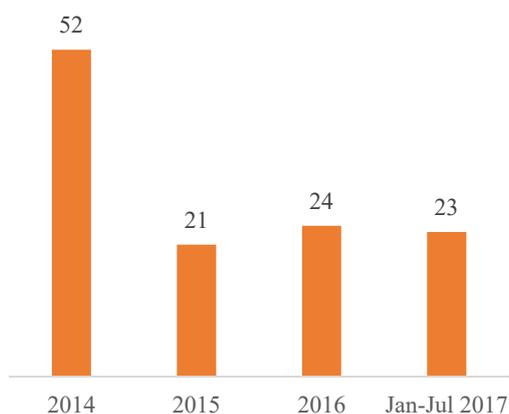
Source: Office of the Public Prosecutor.

– Egypt –

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Egypt was introduced in 2010 and covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

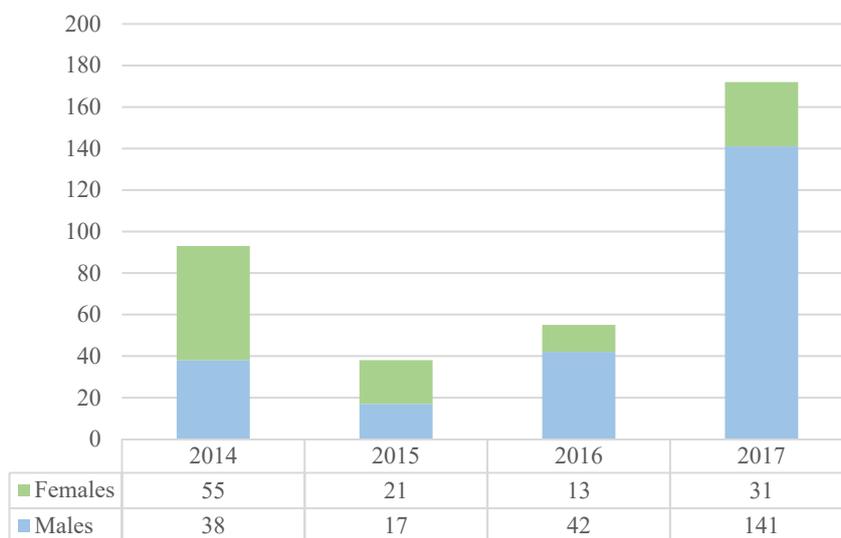
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 – July 2017



Source: The National Coordinating Committee for Combating and Preventing Illegal Migration and Trafficking in Persons

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017**



Source: The National Coordinating Committee for Combating and Preventing Illegal Migration and Trafficking in Persons

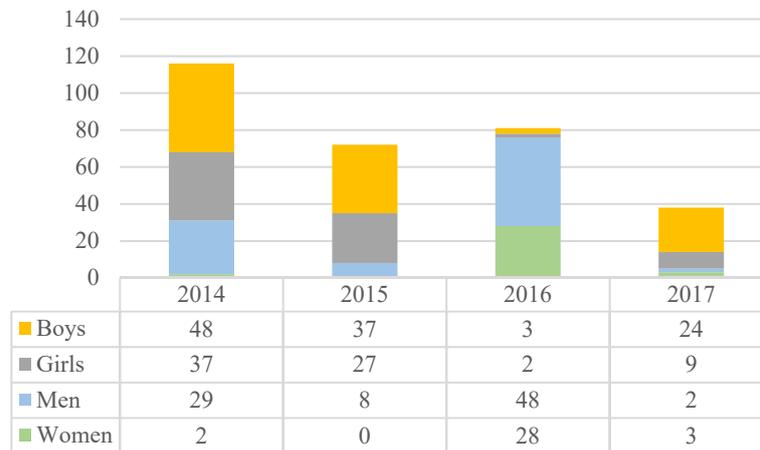
**Note: Formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system may include persons suspected, arrested, or cautioned at the national level.

In 2014, 21 males were convicted of trafficking in persons, while six females were convicted.

Source: Public Prosecution Office and International Cooperation and Human Rights Office.

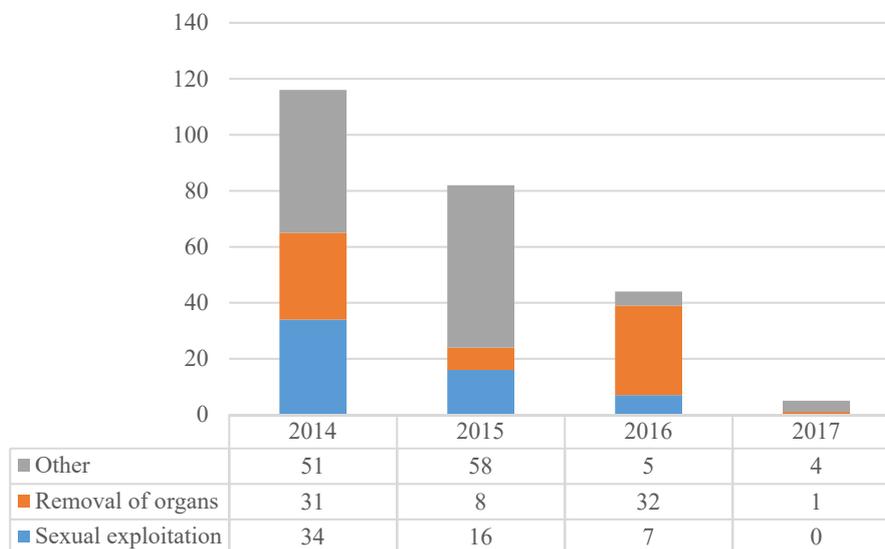
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2014 - 2017



Source: Public Prosecution Office and International Cooperation and Ministry of Interior.

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by form of exploitation when reported, 2014 – 2017



Source: Public Prosecution Office and International Cooperation and Ministry of Interior.

All persons identified as victims by state authorities in 2014 and 2015 were Egyptian nationals. All victims were domestically trafficked within Egypt.

Source: Public Prosecution Office and International Cooperation and Ministry of Interior.

–Israel–

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Israel covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

In 2014, 2015, and 2016 respectively, 17, 10, and nine cases of trafficking in persons were recorded. In the same years, a total of 29 persons were brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they were suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons. The majority of these persons were males.

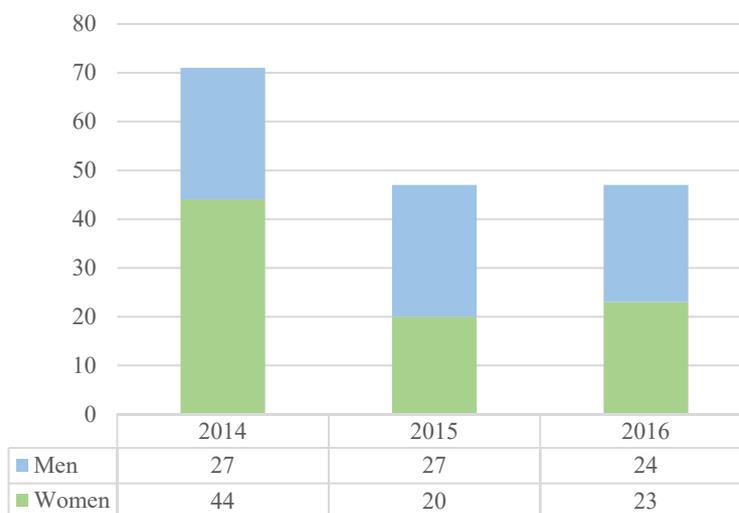
Source: Israel Police.

In 2014, six persons were prosecuted for trafficking in persons. In 2015, five were prosecuted, while in 2016, two persons were prosecuted. In 2014 and 2016, six persons were convicted of trafficking in persons in both years. In 2015, three persons were convicted. The majority of these persons were males and Israeli citizens.

Source: Israel State Attorney's Office.

Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2014 – 2016



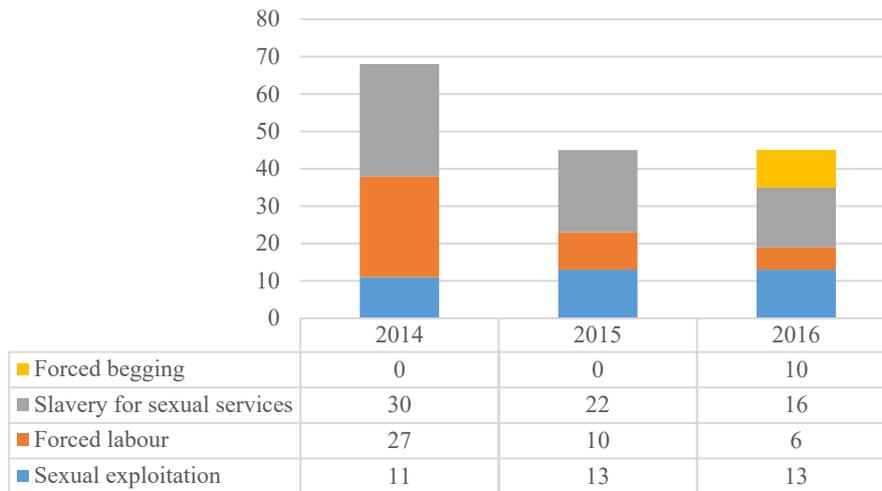
Source: Israel Police, Ma'agan, Atlas, and Tesfa Shelters.

Additional information

In 2014, eight children were residing with women in shelters who were identified as victims of trafficking, however were not necessarily recognized as victims of trafficking.

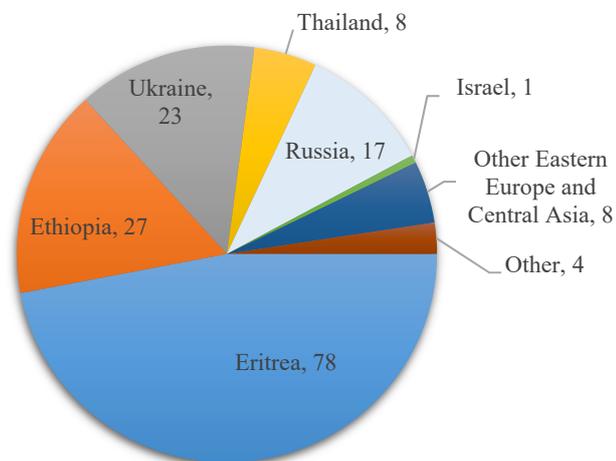
Source: Israel Police, Ma'agan, Atlas, and Tesfa Shelters.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by form of exploitation, 2014 – 2016



Source: Ma'agan, Atlas, and Tesfa Shelters.

Citizenships of persons identified as victims of trafficking in persons by state authorities, 2014 – 2016



Source: Ma'agan, Atlas, and Tesfa Shelters, Welfare Authority.

One citizen of Israel was repatriated from North America in 2016.

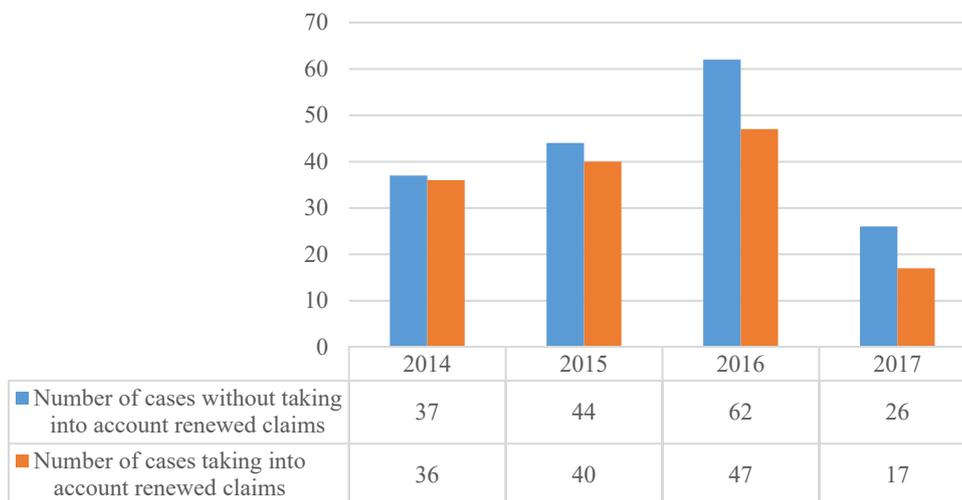
Source: Ma'agan, Atlas, and Tesfa Shelters, Welfare Authority, and the Courts Authority.

–Jordan–

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Jordan covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

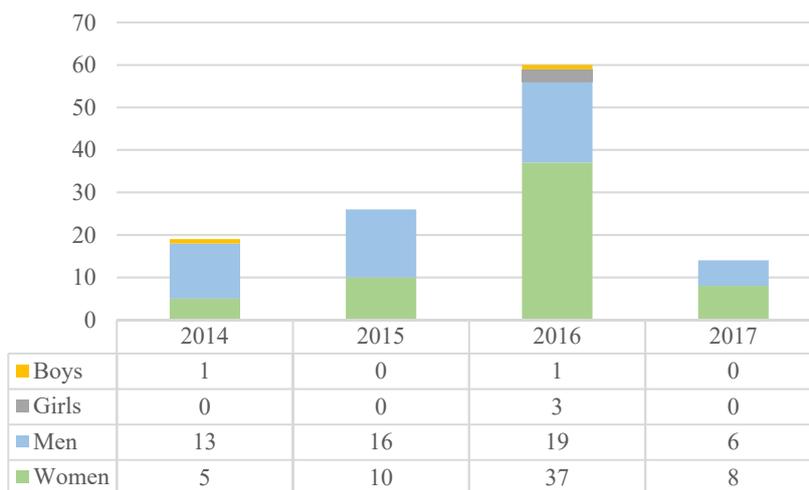
Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 – 2017



Source: Official information from Jordan authorities.

Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons registered in criminal courts, by age and sex, 2014 – 2017



Source: Official information from Jordan authorities.

–Morocco–

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Morocco was introduced in August 2016 and covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol. Before 2016, forced labour involving children and forced prostitution were used to prosecute trafficking related cases.

Investigations and suspects

In 2017, national authorities in Morocco reported 20 offences of trafficking in persons.

During the same year, a total of 47 persons, 27 males and 20 females, were brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they were suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons.

Source: Presidency of the Public Prosecutor's Office.

In 2017, eight cases were in the court of first instance, four cases were decided on appeal, four cases were under investigation, for two cases the court of first instance issued a judgement under appeal. Two cases the court dropped the charge of trafficking in persons.

Source: Presidency of the Public Prosecutor's Office.

Victims

National authorities detected 27 victims in 2017. Of these, 9 were male children, 8 were female children, and 10 were adult females. All victims were trafficked within the domestic borders of the country.

During the same year, 22 were trafficked for the purpose of sexual exploitation, and five were trafficked for forced labour.

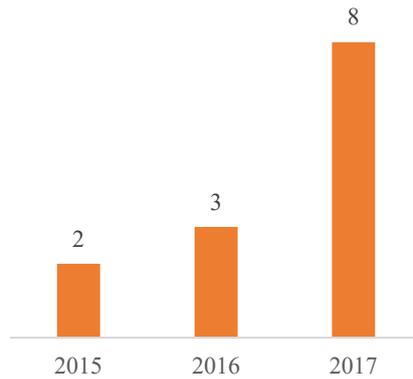
Source: Presidency of the Public Prosecutor's Office.

–Kuwait–

The current legislation in Kuwait, “Law no. 9 of 2013 on Combatting Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants”, covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

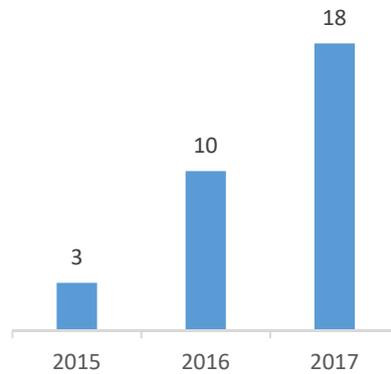
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2015 – 2017



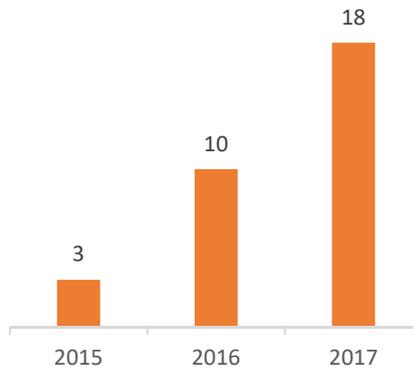
Source: Ministry of Interior.

Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, 2015 –2017



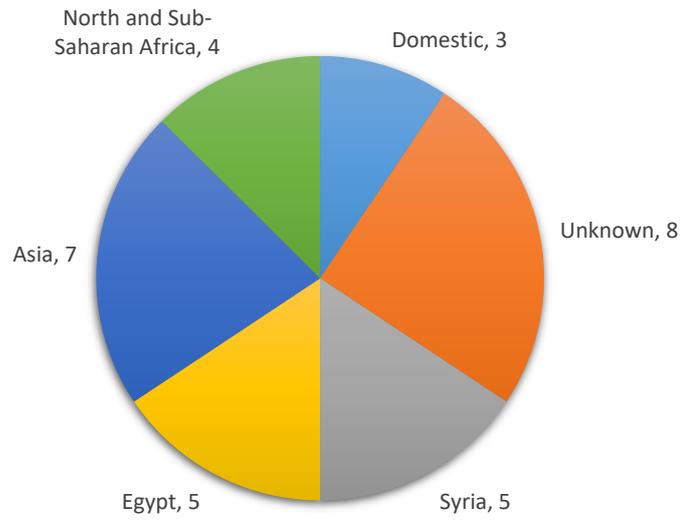
Source: Ministry of Interior.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2015 – 2017



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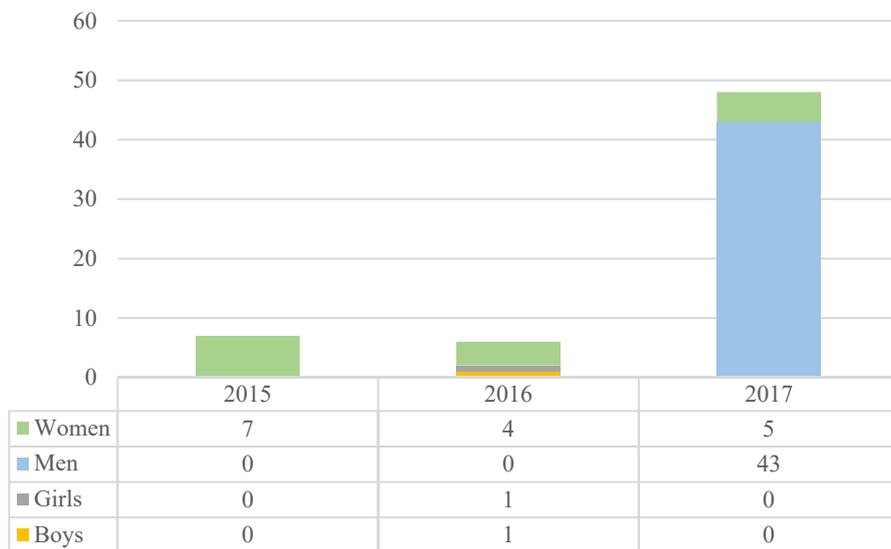
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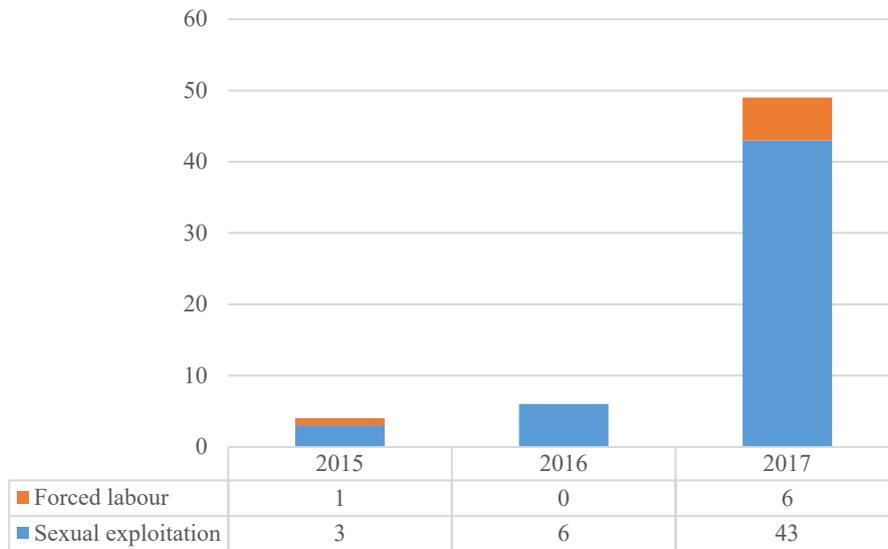
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2015 - 2017



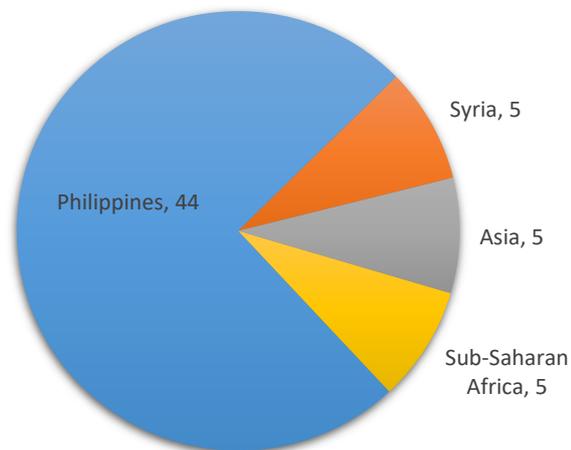
Source: Ministry of Interior.

Number of victims of trafficking detected, by form of exploitation, 2015 – 2017



Source: Ministry of Interior.

Citizenships of persons identified as victims of trafficking in persons by state authorities, 2015 –2017



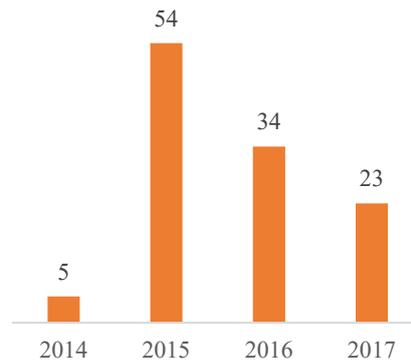
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–Lebanon–

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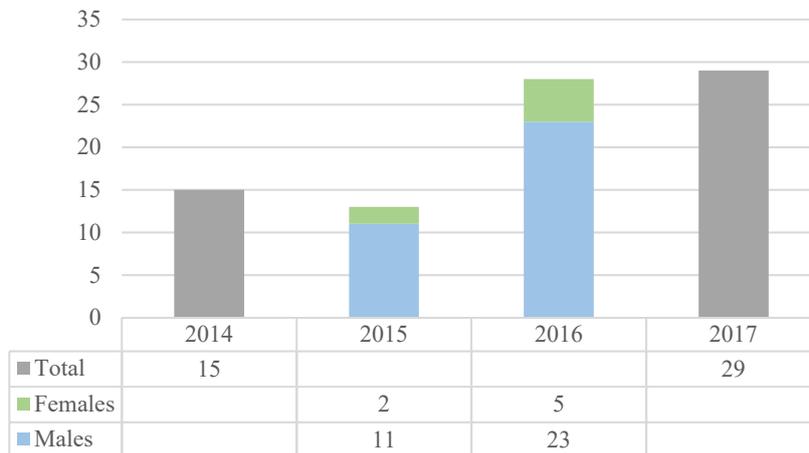
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 –2017



Source: Directorate General of Internal Security Forces.

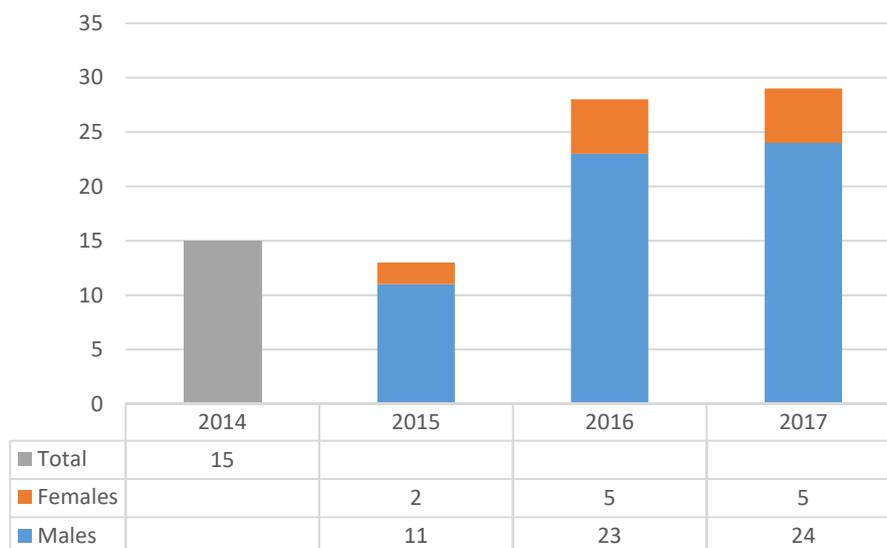
Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017**



Source: Directorate General of Internal Security Forces

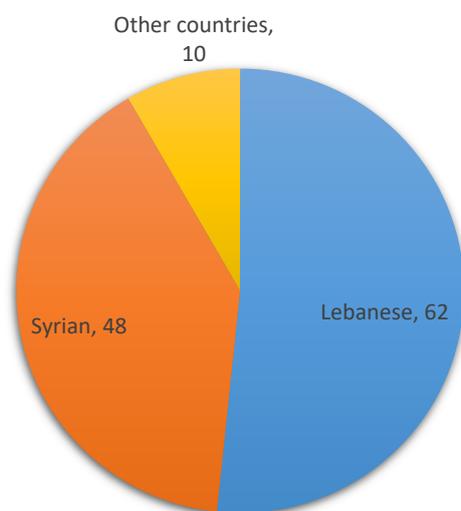
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Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2015 –2017



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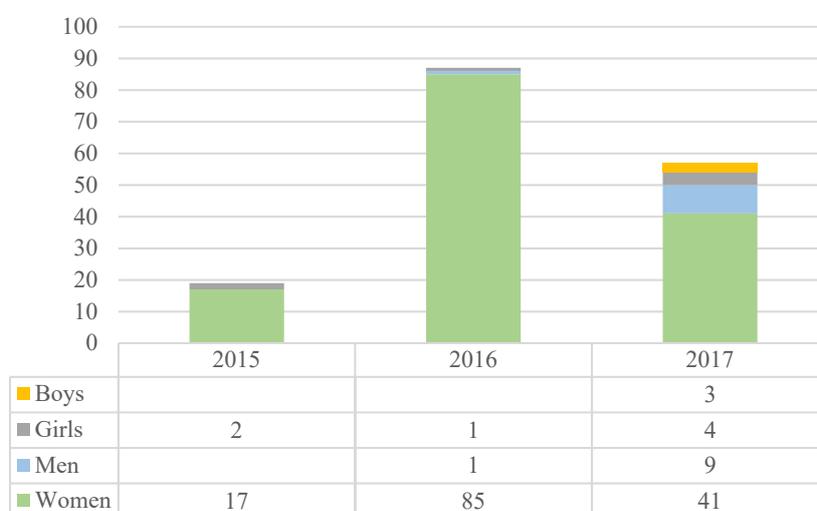
Citizenships of persons investigated for trafficking in persons, 2014 –2017



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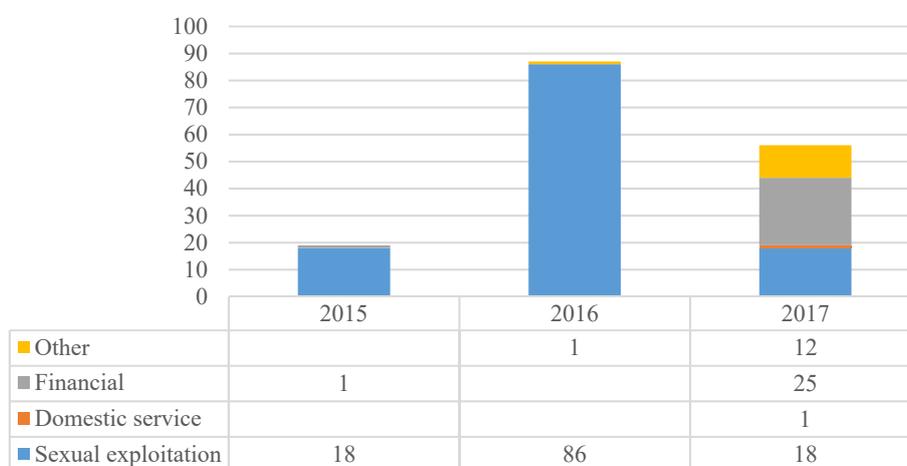
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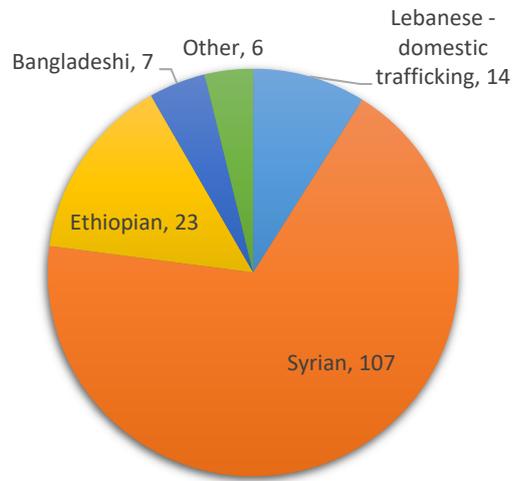
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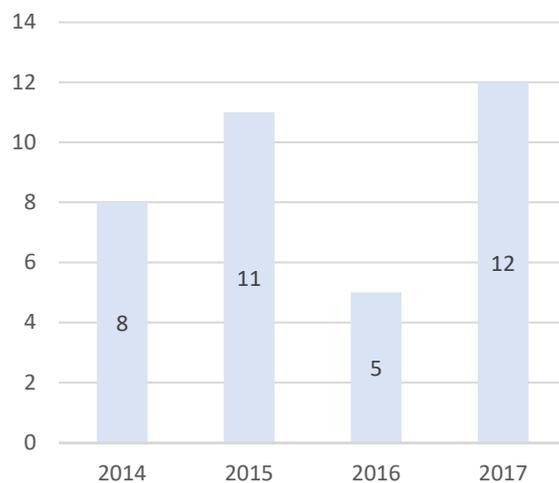
Source: Directorate General of Internal Security Forces.

–Oman–

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Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 –2017



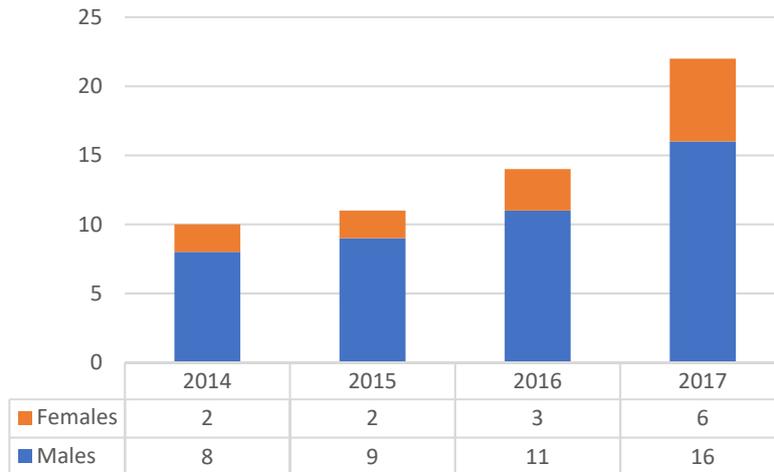
Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017**



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Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017

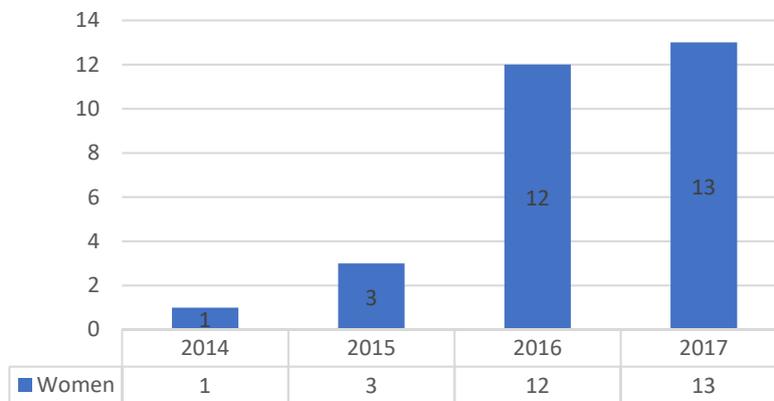


Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Between 2014 and 2016, 10 people were convicted for trafficking in persons, two citizens of Oman and eight citizens from South Asian countries.

Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2015 –2017



Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Between 2014 and 2016, 19 victims were trafficked for sexual exploitation and nine forced to work as dancer. Most victims were citizens from South Asia (23) and five from South East Asia.

Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

–Sudan–

The current legislation on trafficking in persons, introduced in March 2014, covers all forms of trafficking, indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

Between 2017 and 2018, a total of 110 cases of trafficking in persons was reported. 244 persons were brought before the police on suspicion of the crime (231 men, 11 women, and two children). In the reporting period, 124 persons were prosecuted, all but one offender male. 210 convictions were recorded, with 204 men and six women convicted. Of these, 106 were Sudanese nationals and 70 were citizens of Eritrea.

Source: Office of Public Prosecution.

Victims

During the reporting period between 2017 and 2018, a total of 421 victims was reported. The government reported that the following number of victims were transferred to secure homes and provided psychological and medical assistance: 256 men, 128 women, 20 girls, and 17 boys. Of these, 195 were citizens of Eritrea.

Source: Office of Public Prosecution.

–Syrian Arab Republic–

The current legislation in the Syrian Arab Republic, Legislative Decree 3 of 2010, covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol.

Investigations and suspects

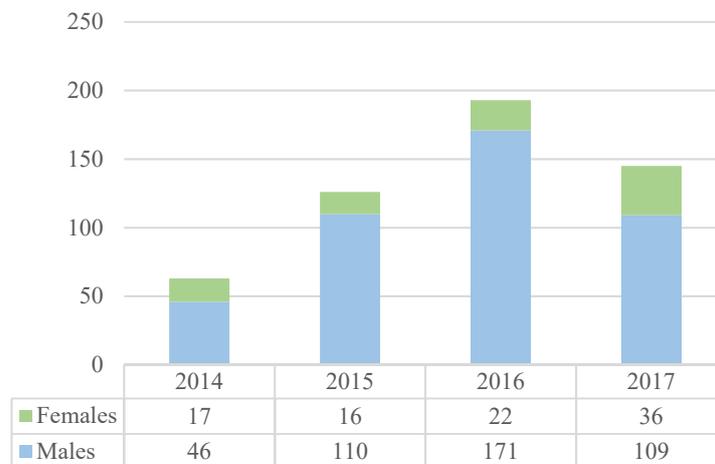
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Source: Records of the Directorate for Combating Trafficking in Persons.

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Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017



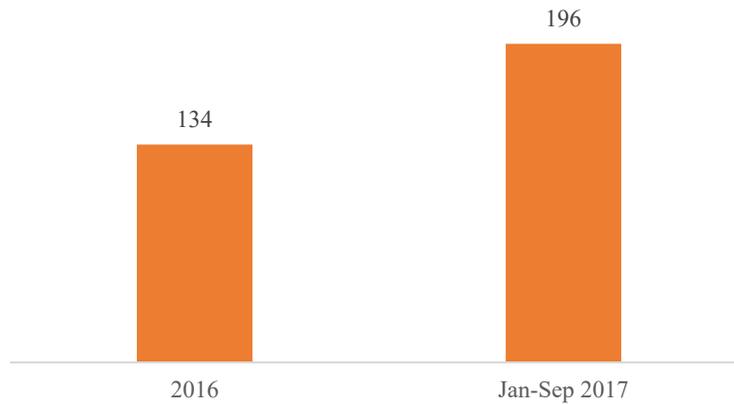
Source: Records of the Directorate for Combating Trafficking in Persons.

-Tunisia-

The current legislation on trafficking in persons in Tunisia covers all forms of trafficking indicated in the UN Trafficking in Persons Protocol. Prior to 2016, there was no specific law criminalizing trafficking in persons in Tunisia.

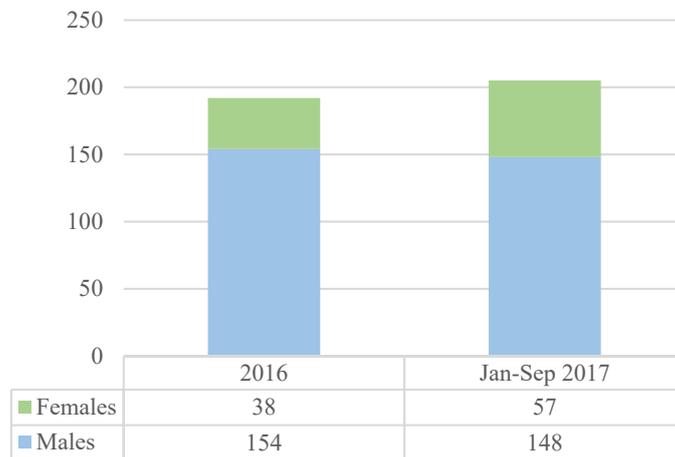
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2016 – September 2017



Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

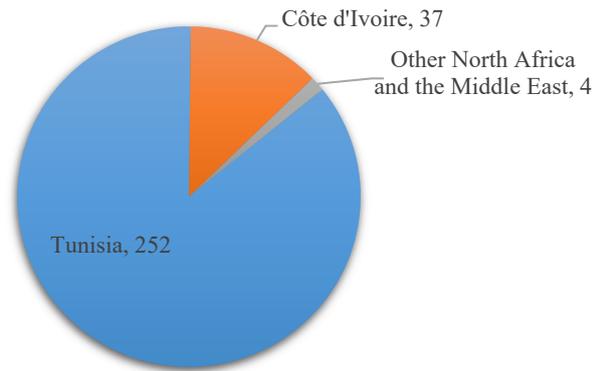
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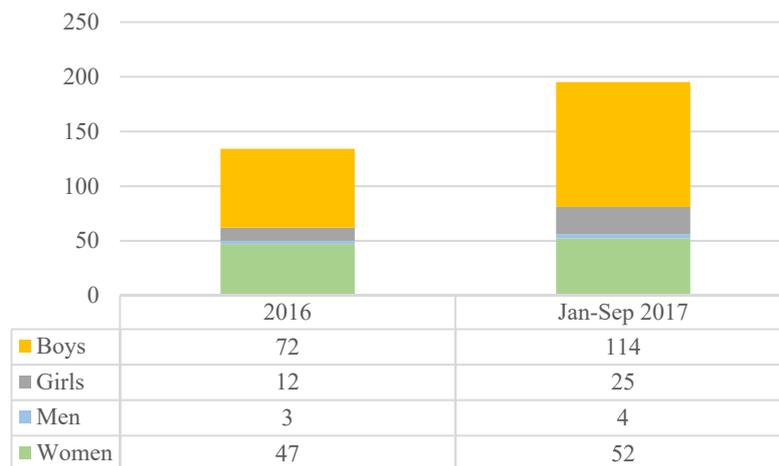
Citizenships of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, 2016 – September 2017



Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

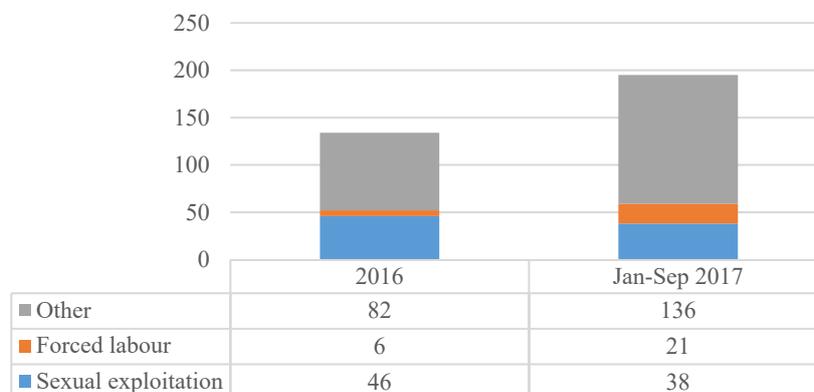
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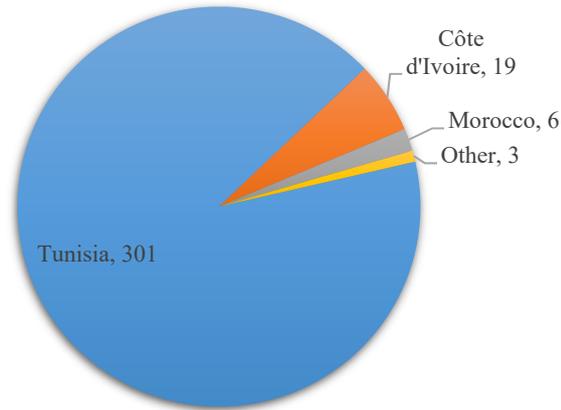
Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by form of exploitation, 2016 – September 2017



Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

Citizenships of persons identified as victims of trafficking in persons by state authorities, 2016 – September 2017**

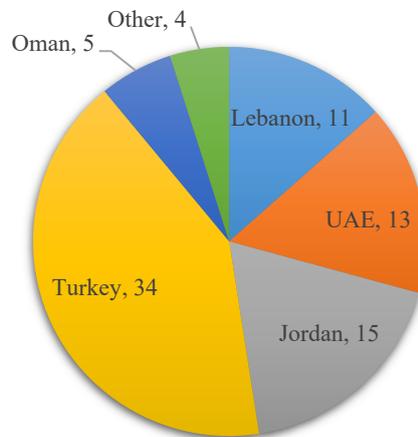


Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

In 2016, 84 Tunisian citizens were trafficked domestically, while 46 were repatriated from other countries. In the first nine months of 2017, 139 Tunisian citizens were trafficked domestically and 38 were repatriated from other countries.

Source: Judicial Police Department, Public Security General Directorate.

Countries from which identified victims were repatriated, 2016 - September 2017



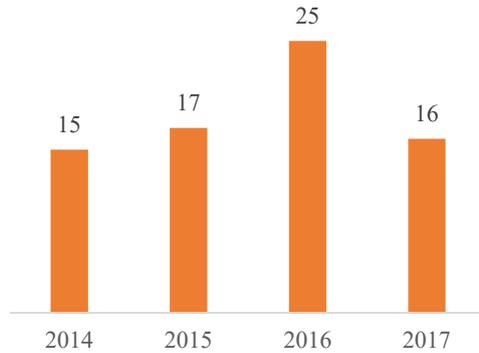
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–United Arab Emirates–

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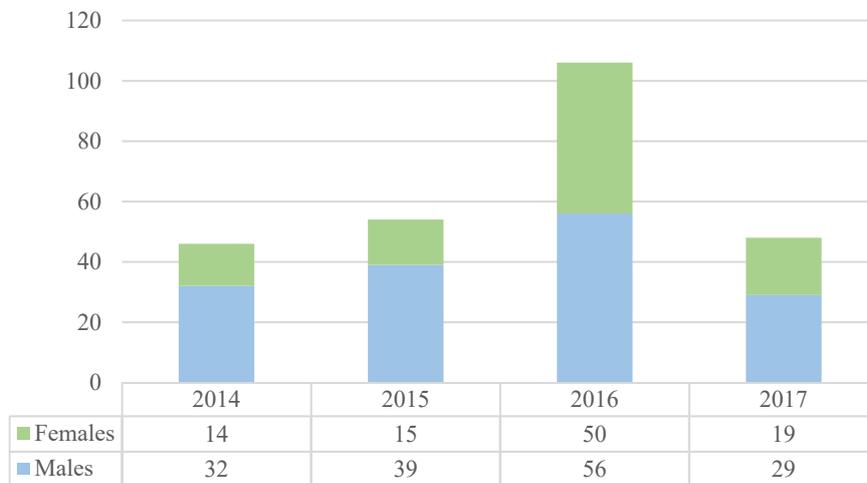
Investigations and suspects

Number of cases of trafficking in persons recorded, 2014 –2017



Source: Federal and local prosecution offices.

Number of persons brought into formal contact with the police and/or criminal justice system because they have been suspected of, arrested for or cautioned for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017**



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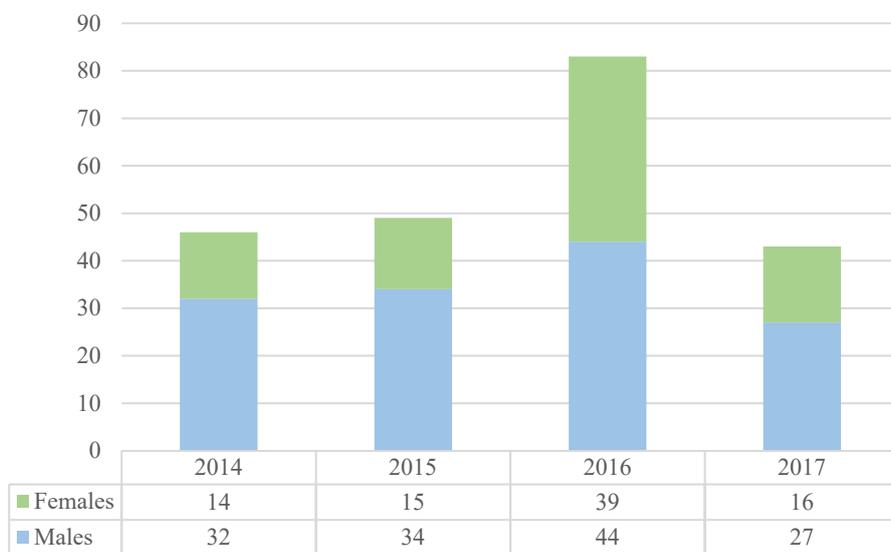
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Number of persons prosecuted for trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 –2017



Source: Federal and local prosecution offices.

Number of persons convicted of trafficking in persons, by sex, 2014 – September 2017



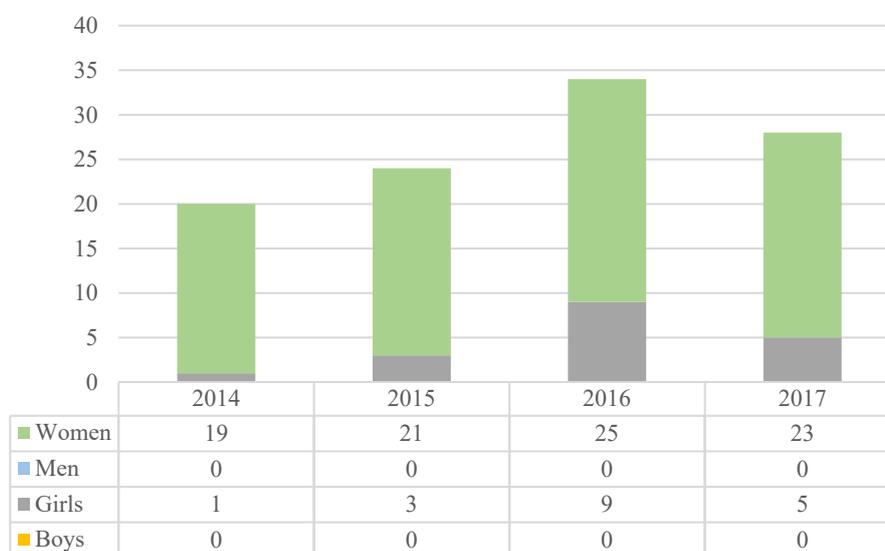
Source: Federal and local prosecution offices.

During the reporting period, 208 persons convicted of trafficking in persons were citizens of Asian countries and 13 were citizens of African countries.

Source: Federal and local prosecution offices.

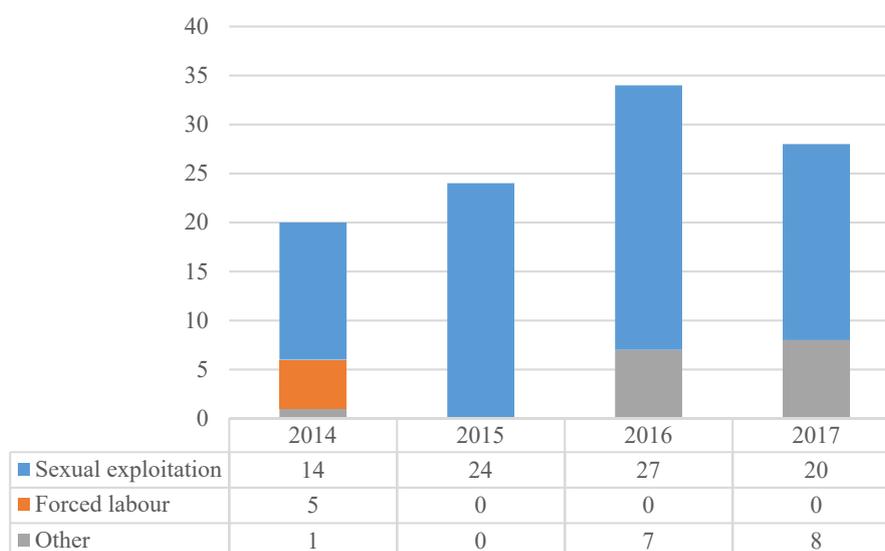
Victims

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by age and sex, 2014 –2017



Source: Federal and local prosecution offices.

Number of victims of trafficking in persons detected, by form of exploitation, 2014 –2017



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