COVID-19 MOVEMENT RESTRICTIONS

LIBYA MOBILITY RESTRICTION DASHBOARD #7 (1 - 31 AUGUST 2020)



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Reported Covid-19 Cases in Libya

Source: National Center for Disease Control (NCDC), 31 August 2020

14,624 12,706 1,676 242

Confirmed Active Recovered Deaths

COVID-19 outbreak

During the reporting period, the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases increased rapidly, from 3,621 at the end of July to 14,624 by the end of August (+11,003). Most confirmed COVID-19 cases in Libya were identified in Tripoli, Misrata, Zliten as well as Sebha and surrounding areas.

Mobility Restrictions

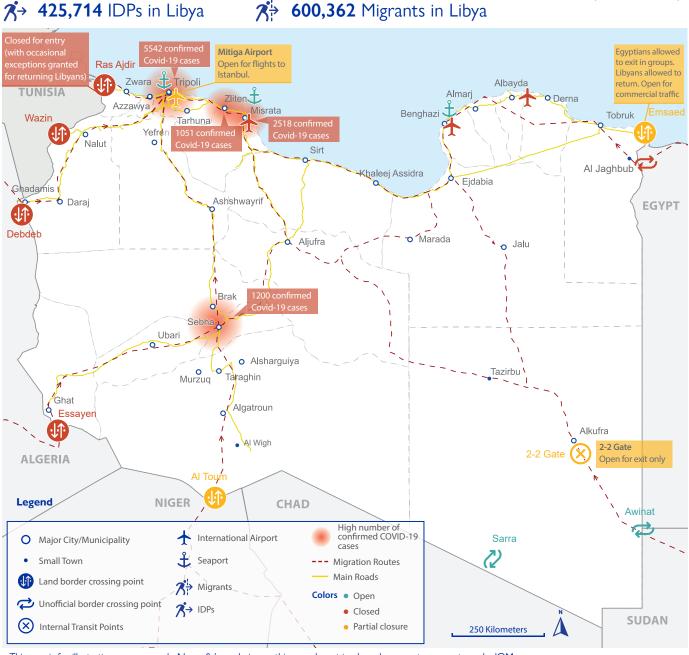
In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Libyan authorities initiated public health measures in March 2020 aimed at curbing the spread of COVID-19. These measures include travel and mobility restrictions due to partial closure of airports, points of entry (POE) along land borders. On 05 May 2020, Libyan authorities started the repatriation of Libyans stranded abroad through Misrata, Benghazi Benina and Al Abraq airports, as well as Emsaed and Ras Ajdir land border crossing points.

In August, around 217 Libyans reportedly returned from Egypt through Emsaed, while almost 200 Libyans returned from Tunisia through Ras Ajdir land border crossing point.

Due to a fire at Misrata airport on 03 August the airport was closed and all flights were moved to Tripoli Mitiga airport.

Subsequently, Tripoli Mitiga was open for daily flights to/from Istanbul, with an an average of 3 flights per day. Additionally, on 21 August, 118 Ghanaian migrants stranded in Libya boarded a charter flight to their country of origin through IOM's Voluntary Humanitarian Return (VHR) Programme.

Reportedly, Benina Airport in Benghazi remained closed for commercial flights in August 2020.



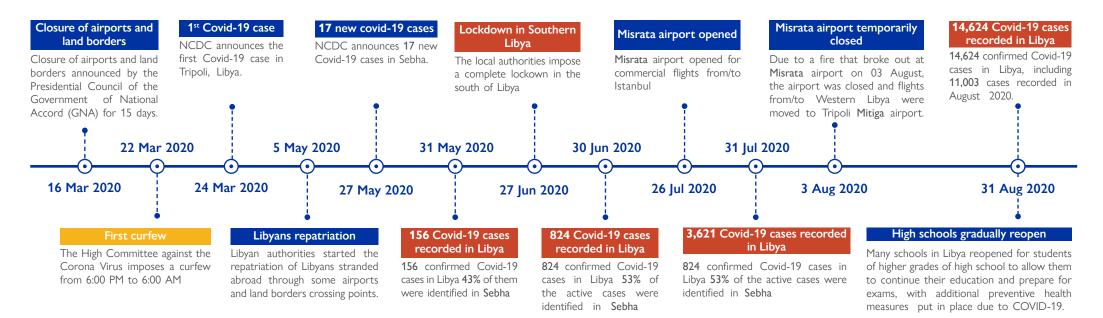
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COVID-19 TIMELINE

UNTIL 31 AUGUST 2020





CURFEW HOURS

Location	Curfew
East	From 15:00 to 7:00
West	From 21:00 to 6:00 and 24 hours curfew in Fridays and Saturdays
South	From 7PM to 7AM

High school students of higher grades resumed studying on 31 August 2020, while primary and middle schools remain closed.

IMPACT OF MOBILITY RESTRICTIONS IN LIBYA*

IMPACT ON LOCAL RESIDENTS

of assessed locations, residents were reported to be unable to move freely within the municipality (due to the mobility restrictions/curfew)

17%

In

of assessed locations, residents were reported to be unable to leave the municipality or return (due to the mobility restrictions/curfew)

IMPACT ON MIGRANTS

17%

of the assessed locations. Migrants were reported to be unable to move freely within the municipality (due to the mobility restrictions/curfew)

In

In

92%

of the locations, migrants who rely on daily labour were reported to have been negatively affected due to Covid-19 induced slowdown in economic activities.

^{*} Data obtained through DTM Rapid Mobility Tracking carried out in 53 municipalities across Libya between 01 and 31 August 2020 through 165 Key Informant Interviews (KIIs). Please see http://dtm.iom.int/libya for more details.

