

UNACCOMPANIED FOREIGN MINORS IN ITALY

Semiannual Report
data as of December 31, 2024



The Directorate General for Migration Policies of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies publishes a monitoring report on unaccompanied foreign minors every six months, it is the main and the most up-to-date source of information on this issue in Italy. In addition to the data on the presence of the unaccompanied foreign minors and the data on the new arrivals, the report presents the latest updates on national and international legislation on this issue. The report also presents the pathways of social and work integration, including some stories of the protagonists. This report is enriched by contributions from other international institutions and organizations, which investigate various aspects of the phenomenon.

All the semiannual reports on unaccompanied foreign minors and the monthly statistical reports with the main data in Italy are available on the website of the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies (<https://www.lavoro.gov.it/temi-e-priorita/immigrazione/focus-on/minori-stranieri/Pagine/Dati-minori-stranieri-non-accompagnati.aspx>).

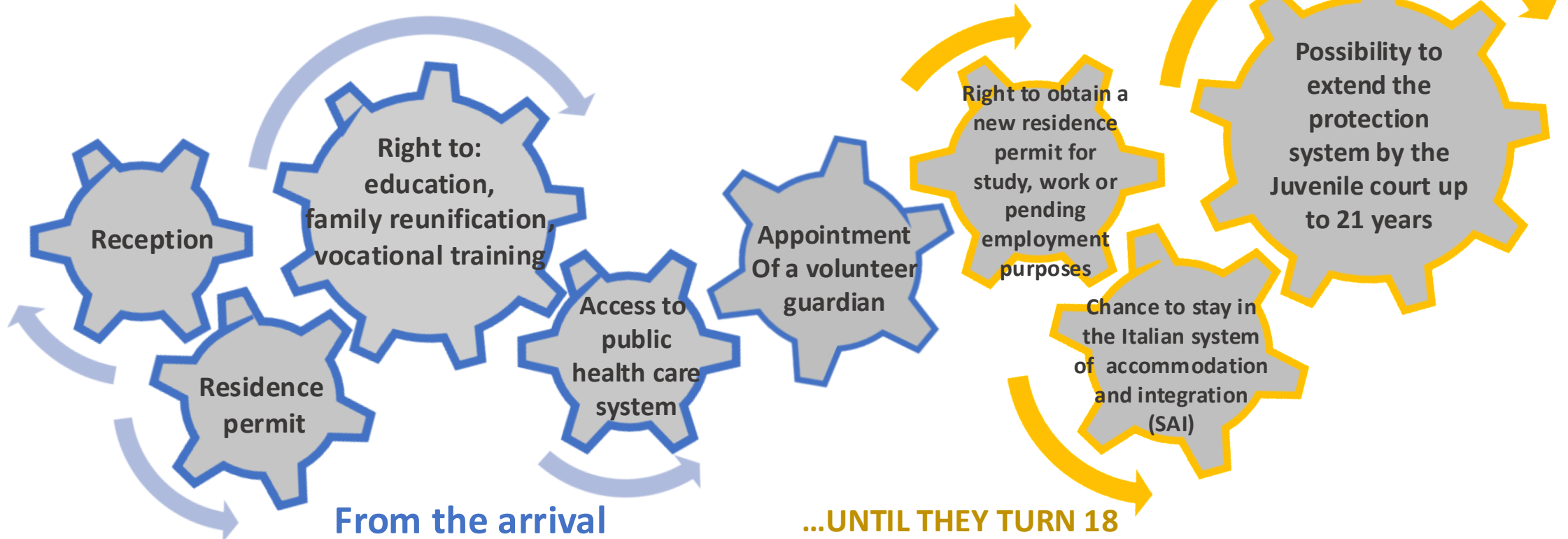


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THE SPECIAL CARE AND PROTECTION OF UNACCOMPANIED MINORS IN ITALY

"(...) is a minor who has neither Italian nor EU citizenship, who is, for any reason, in the territory of the State or who is otherwise subject to the Italian jurisdiction, without any assistance and representation by his parents or other adults legally responsible for him according to the Italian laws in force".

(Article 2 (1) Law No. 47 of April 7, 2017)



THE RESPONSABILITIES OF THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR MIGRATION POLICIES



MANDATORY OPINION ON THE
TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD
PROCEDURE



FAMILY TRACING



INTEGRATION POLICIES

MAIN ACTIVITY



Monitoring the presence of the
minors and tracking their
movements on the
Italian territory

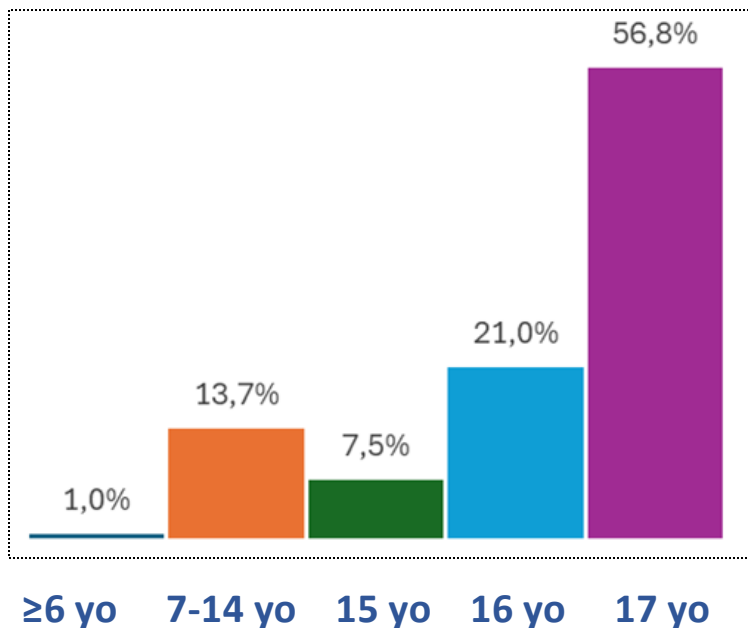


National Database on UAMs



Handling personal
data of minors and information about their
status and placement on the territory

UNACCOMPANIED MINORS IN ITALY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024



88.4%



11.6%

Most represented citizenships

Egypt



20.4%

Ucraina



18.8%

Gambia



11.7%

Tunisia



9.6%

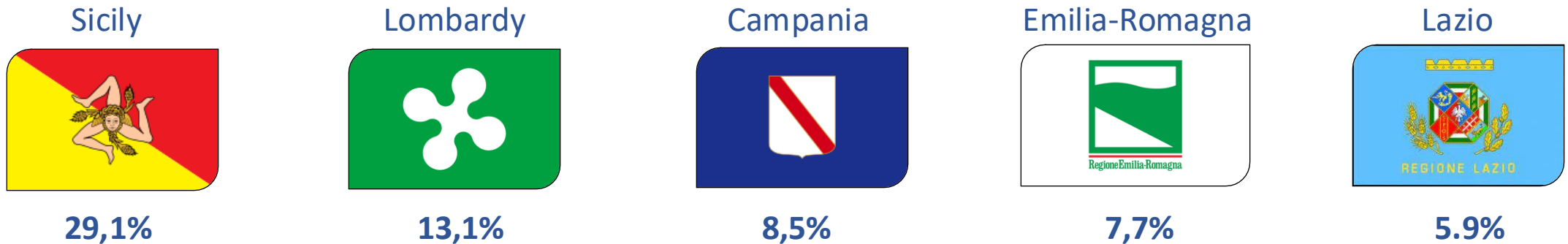
Guinea



8.1%

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Regions hosting the largest number of minors



Hospitality



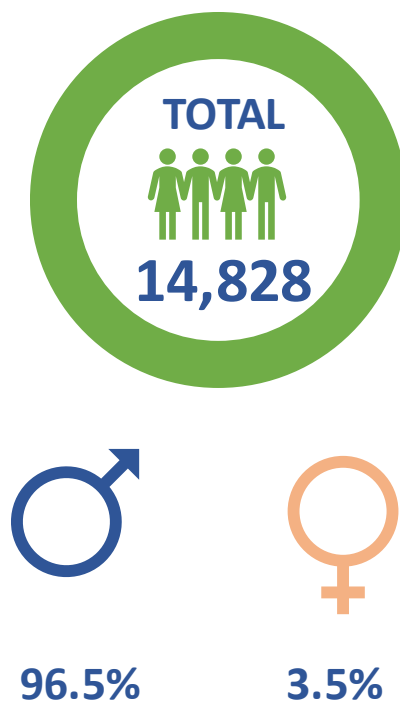
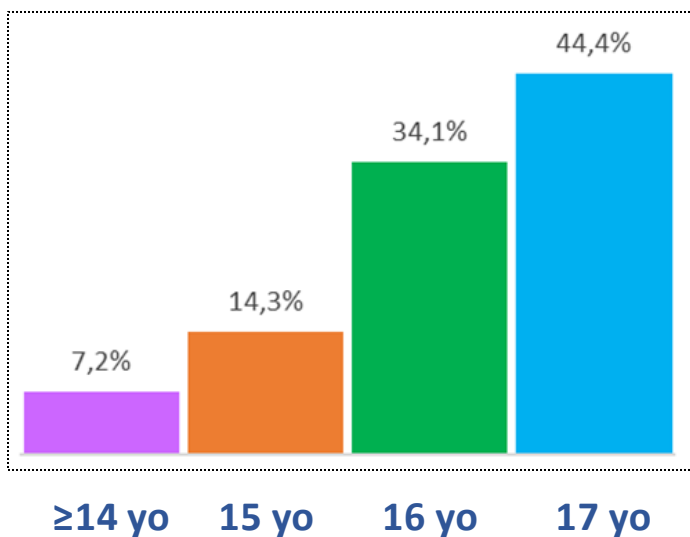
Reception facilities **79,8%**

Private **20,2%**

→ First reception facilities **16,4%**

→ Second reception facilities **63,4%**

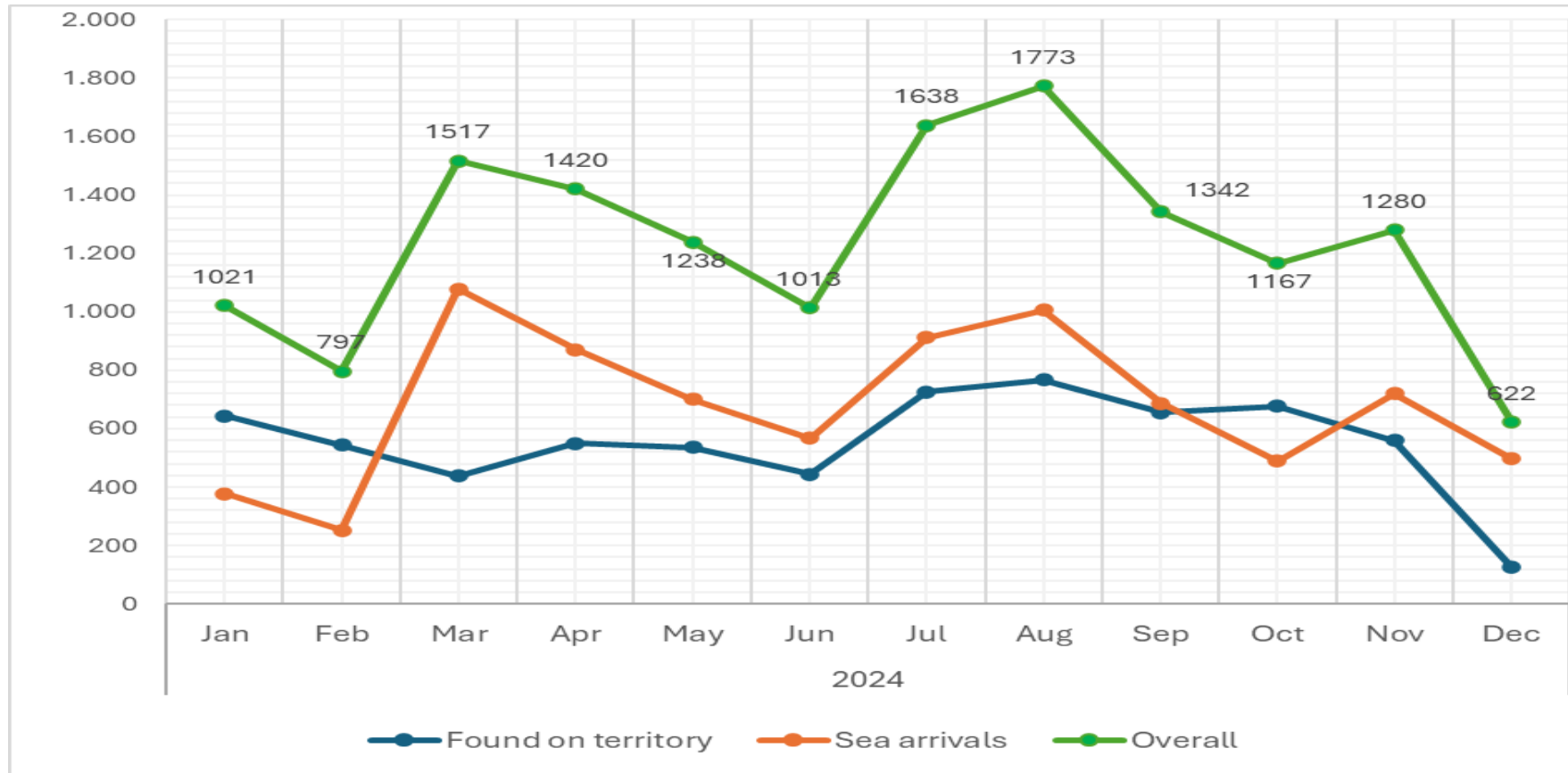
ENTRY FLOW OF UNACCOMPANIED MINORS INTO THE ITALIAN TERRITORY DURING 2024



Most represented citizenships



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3,455 in 2024

Most represented citizenships
Egypt (42.2%), Albania (13.3%),
Tunisia (12.2%),
Bangladesh (8.9%)

Most involved Regions
Lombardy (22%),
Lazio (14.2%),
Emilia-Romagna (15%)
Friuli-Venezia Giulia (7%),



FAMILY TRACING



64 in 2024

The information obtained through family tracing is used to better calibrate the reception and integration process in Italy, and to evaluate the opportunity for assisted voluntary repatriation or family reunification pursuant to the Dublin Regulation.



INTEGRATION POLICIES



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STORIES OF INTEGRATION PATHWAYS

Lah Dounamou



Lah left **Guinea** at 12, crossed the desert and Libya, and landed in Sicily in 2021. After several relocations, he arrived near **Venice**, where he began building his future. He attended school, learned Italian, and completed two internships: first in a kitchen, then as an upholsterer, discovering a new passion. Today, he has been working for three years with an apprenticeship contract, honing his skills, but he dreams of growing further professionally.

Agim Kurti



Agim arrived in **Bologna** from **Albania** at 15, determined to build a future. After learning Italian, he enrolled in a vocational school to become a plumber. Thanks to four internships in three companies, he discovered his passion and was hired by the last company that hosted him as an intern. Now he works, looks for a home, and dreams of starting his own business in Italy while cultivating his passion for Thai boxing.

STORIES OF INTEGRATION PATHWAYS

Sourav Ahmed



Sourav arrived in Italy from **Bangladesh** in 2020 at the age of 17. After studying Italian in Vallo della Lucania and earning his middle school diploma, he started working as a waiter and cultural mediator in a hospital in Salerno. His multilingual skills led him to fully commit to this role, helping other migrants. Now he lives in **Salerno**, where he feels welcomed and dreams of opening a clothing store in the future.

Mamadou Bobo Balde



Mamadou Bobo arrived from **Guinea** in 2021 at just 15 years old after a long and challenging trip. He began his new life in Agrigento before moving to **Bologna**, where he studied and discovered his passion for mechanics. After completing two internships in workshops, he secured an apprenticeship and now repairs buses. He shares an apartment in Bologna, trains in running, and hopes to keep improving his skills and advancing in his career.

STORIES OF INTEGRATION PATHWAYS

Zaki Abdelrahman



Zaki arrived in Italy in 2022 at 17 after a long journey from **Egypt** through Libya. In **Torino**, he learned Italian, earned his middle school diploma, and gained work experience. He completed an internship as a warehouse worker and another in the fruit and vegetable department of a major food company, which led to a three-year apprenticeship. He enjoys his job and dreams of opening his own shop in Italy. In his free time, he plays soccer and goes to the gym, feeling at home in Torino.



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