



Nationality Report

2021

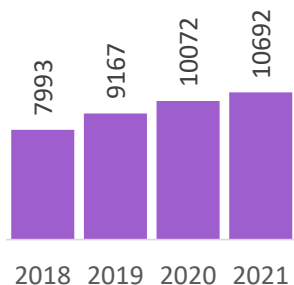
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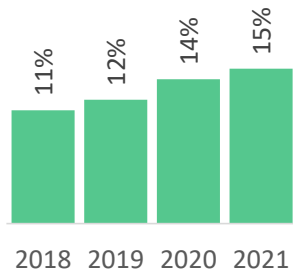
Agenda

- Why did we focus on nationality?
- Were there changes within the population of the Maltese Islands?
- Are other countries experiencing similar trends?
- What are the trends in non-Maltese populations accessing FSWS services?
- Are there differences between non-Maltese populations accessing FSWS services in Malta vs Gozo?
- What are the primary problems faced by non-Maltese service users accessing FSWS services?

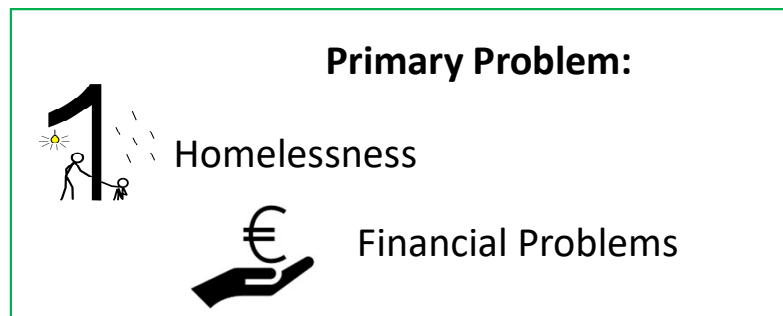
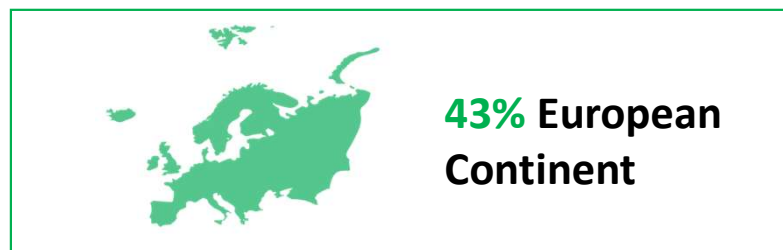
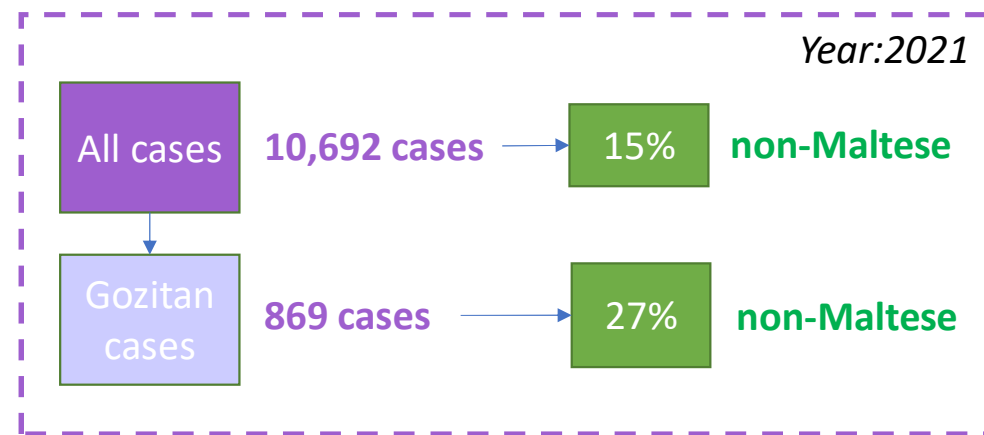
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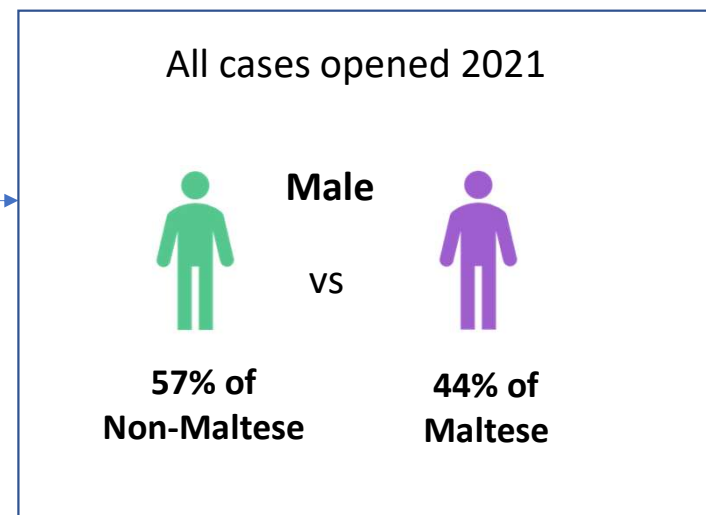
Cases opened



% of cases opened who are non-Maltese



1,562 cases opened 2021





Why focus on
nationality?



Why focus on nationality?

- FSWS services reported a perception that they were encountering more non-Maltese service users.
- Data analysis confirmed this and we began monitoring trends.
- It was a growing phenomenon that required further research: what nationalities are they? Are there demographic differences? Do different nationalities have different issues?
- We are able to identify specific needs and identify whether they differ from Maltese service users.



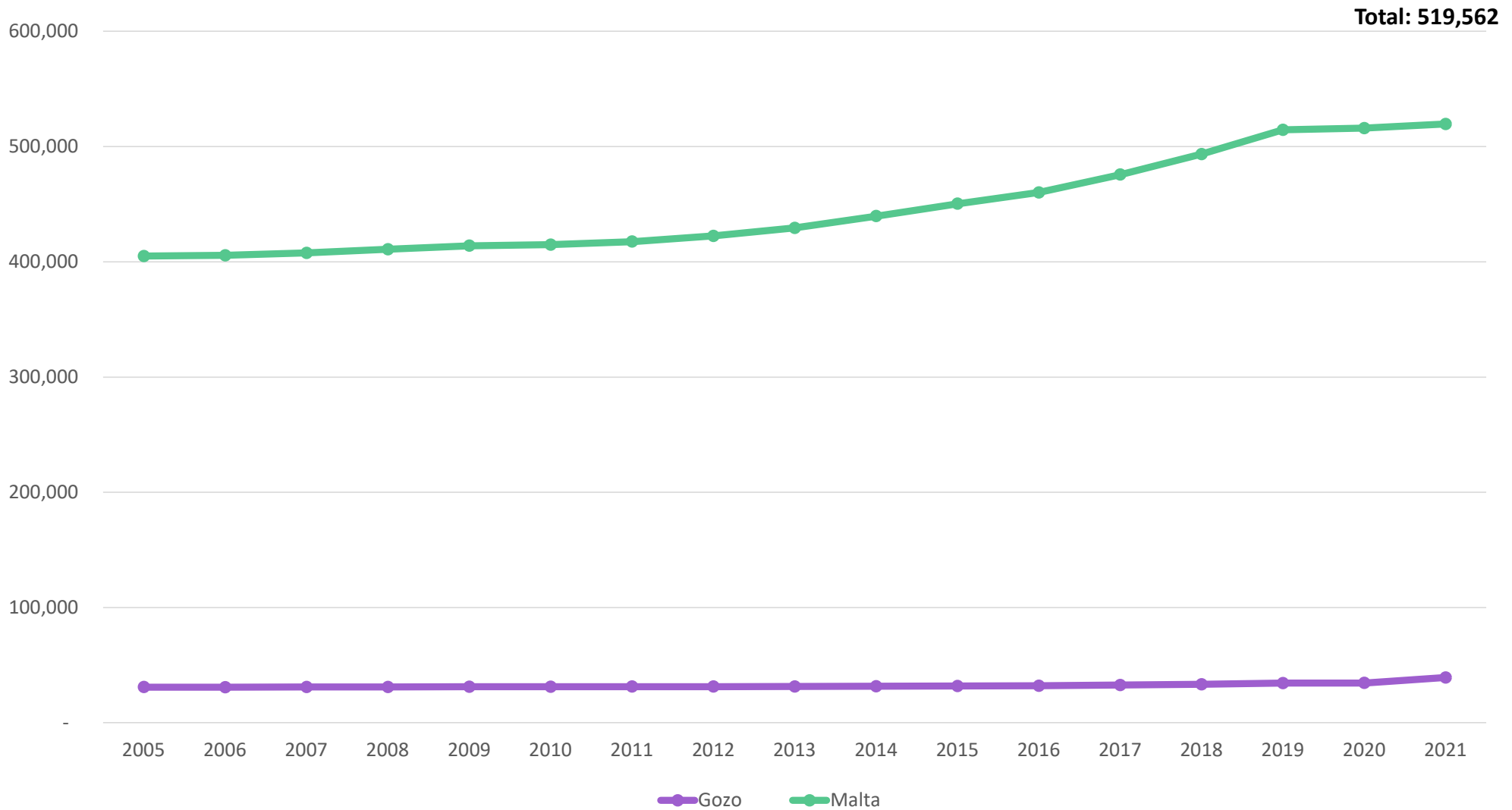
Why focus on nationality?

- Non-Maltese are less likely to have informal support networks to turn to when in need. Lack of social support is a key factor in becoming vulnerable or seeking help.
- Based on the findings the FSWS can allocate resources, improve operations, develop services and policies, & create more effective outreach.
- As active members within Maltese society, the FSWS wants to ensure that such people, who are entitled to assistance, will find the appropriate assistance they require.

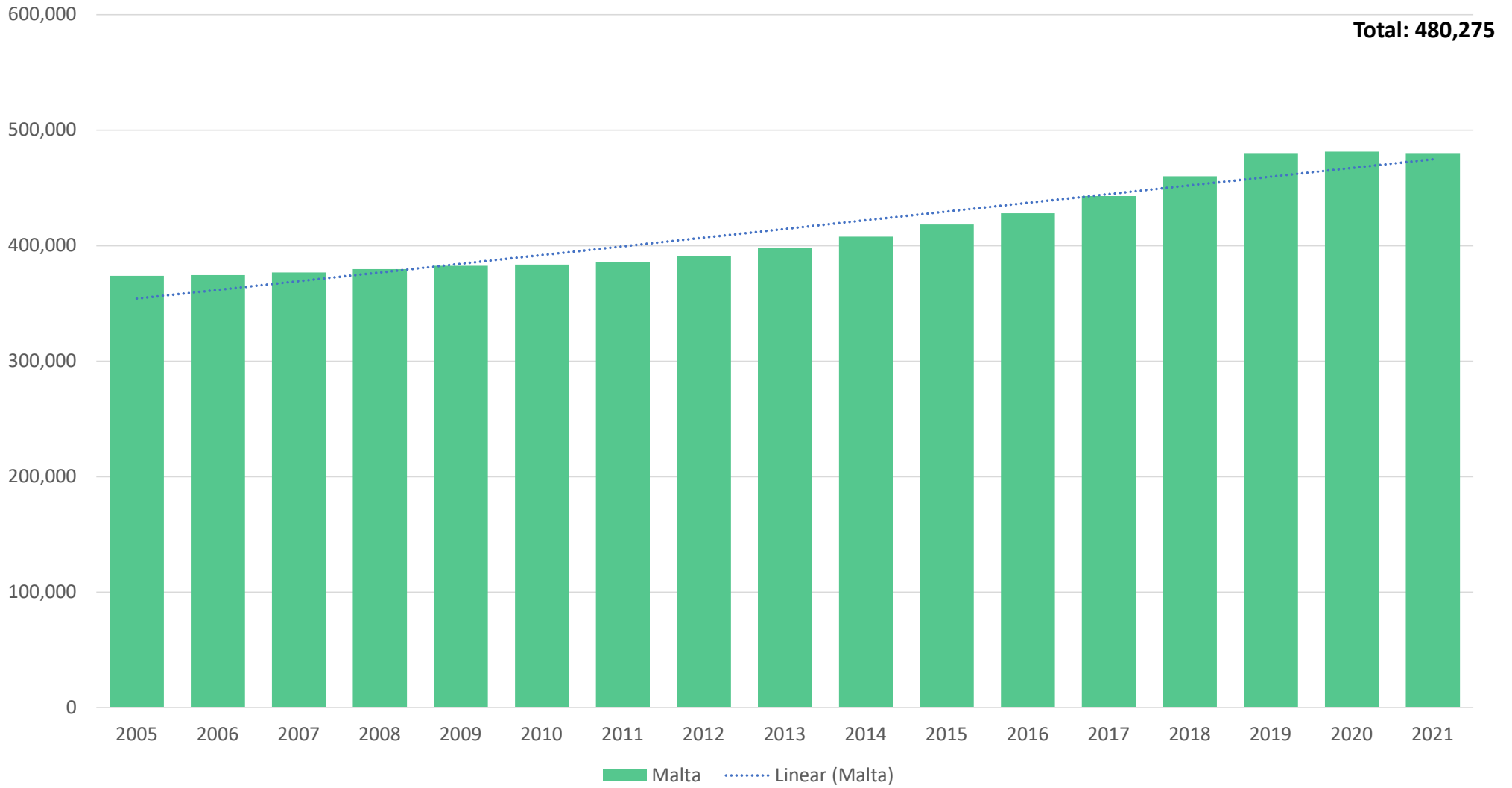


The Population
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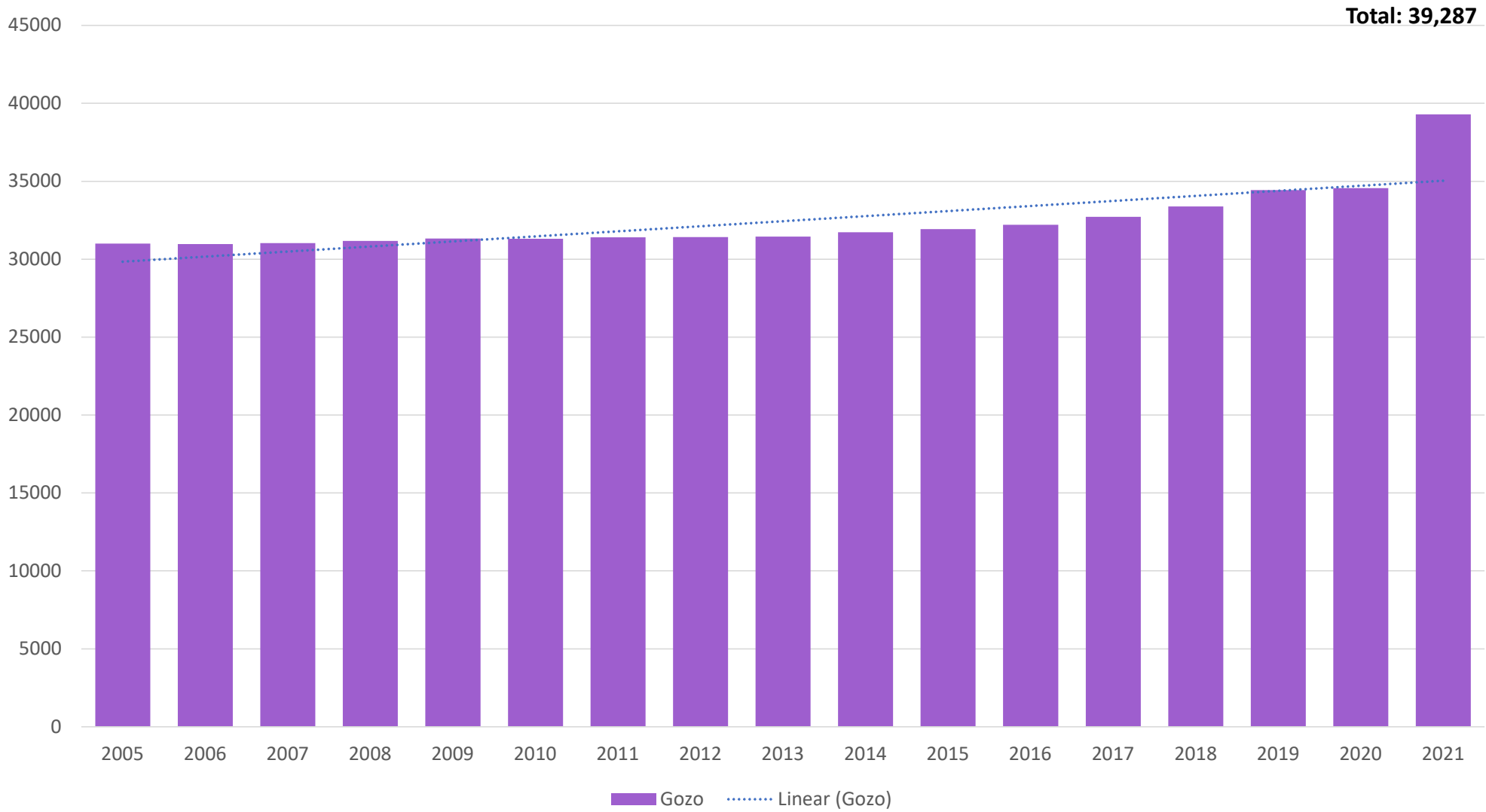
The population of the Maltese Islands by year



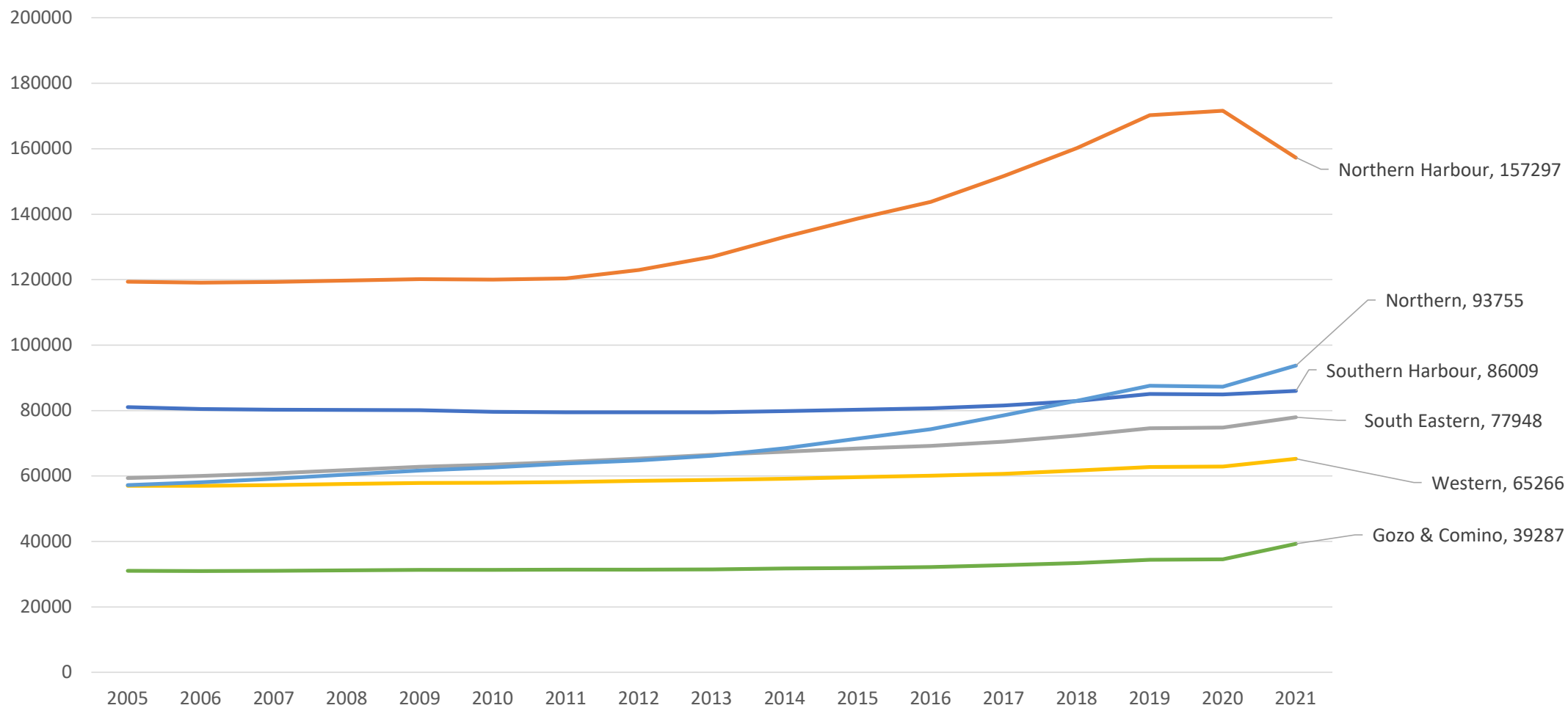
The population of Malta by year



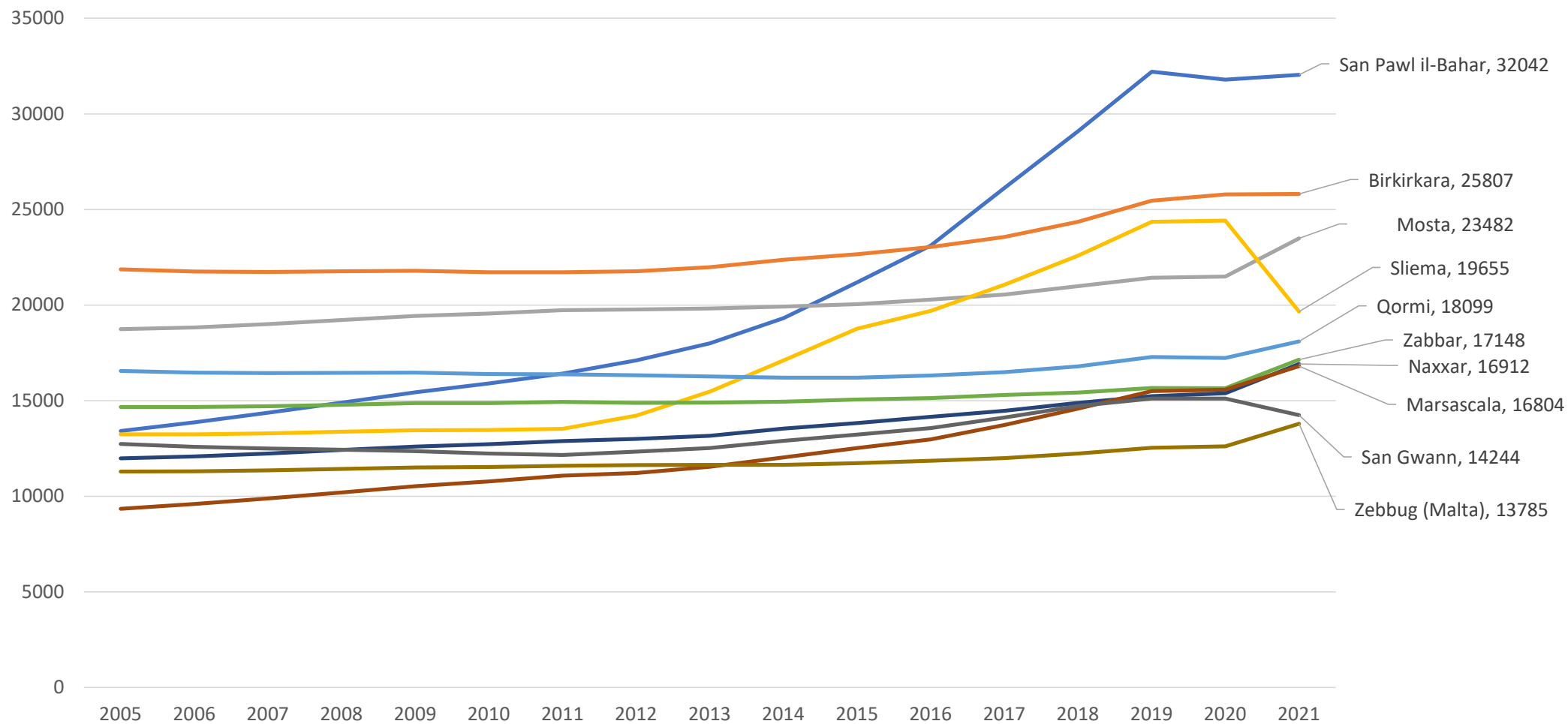
The population of Gozo by year



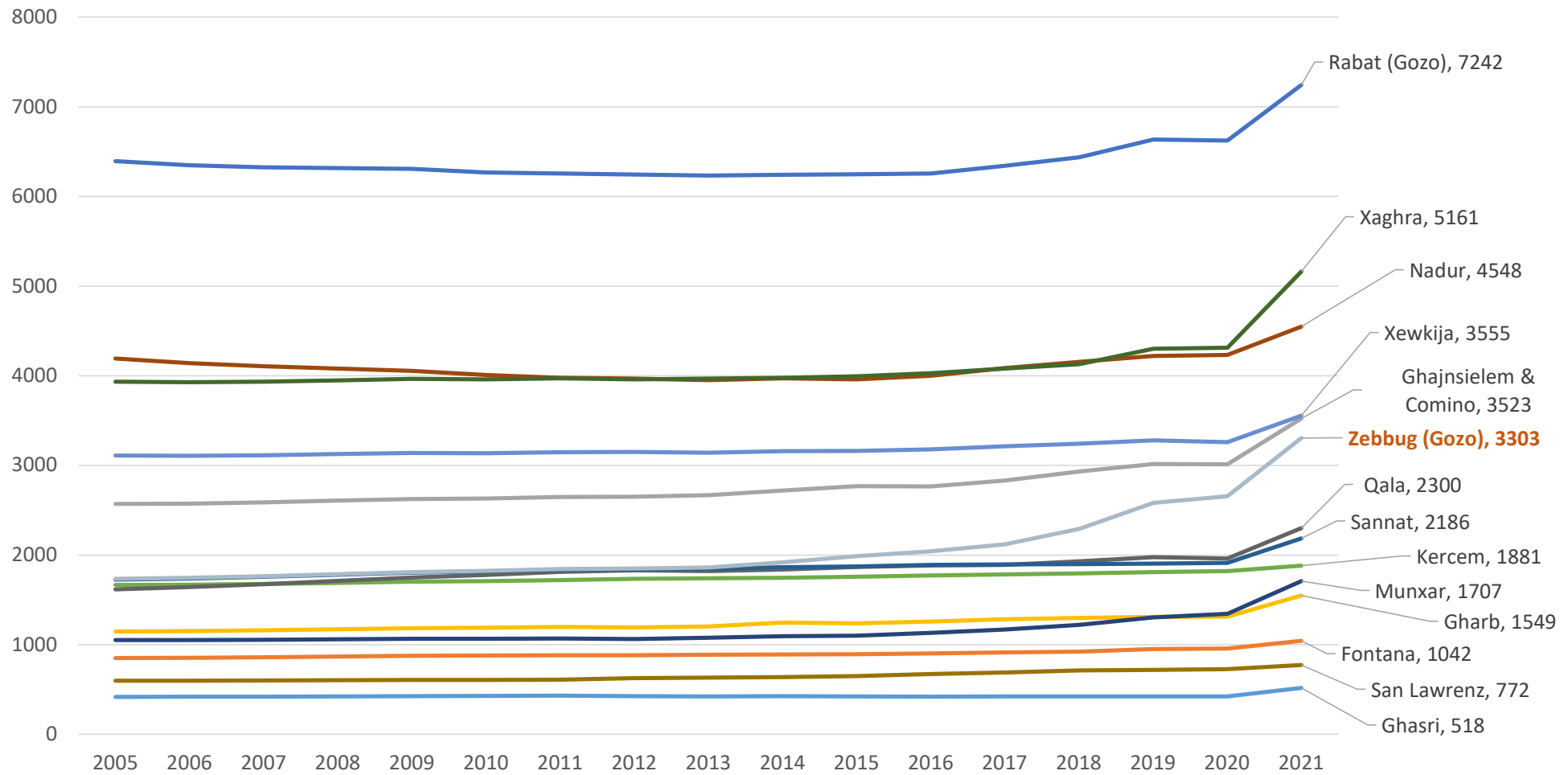
The population of the Maltese Islands by district and year



The 10 towns in Malta with the largest population in 2021 by population each year



The population of Gozo by town and year





The Non-Maltese
population
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NSO Census: population in 2011 and 2021 by citizenship and Maltese Island

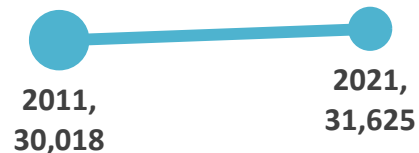
Malta

Maltese



2% increase

Gozo



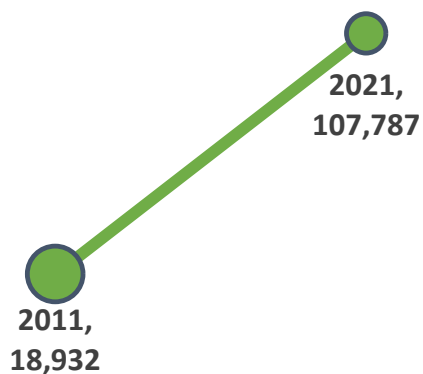
5% increase

TOTAL

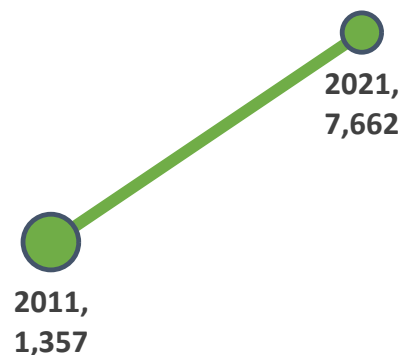


2% increase

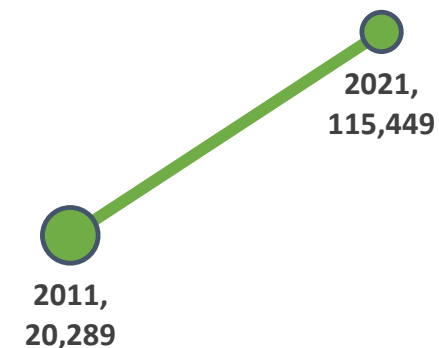
Non-Maltese



469% increase

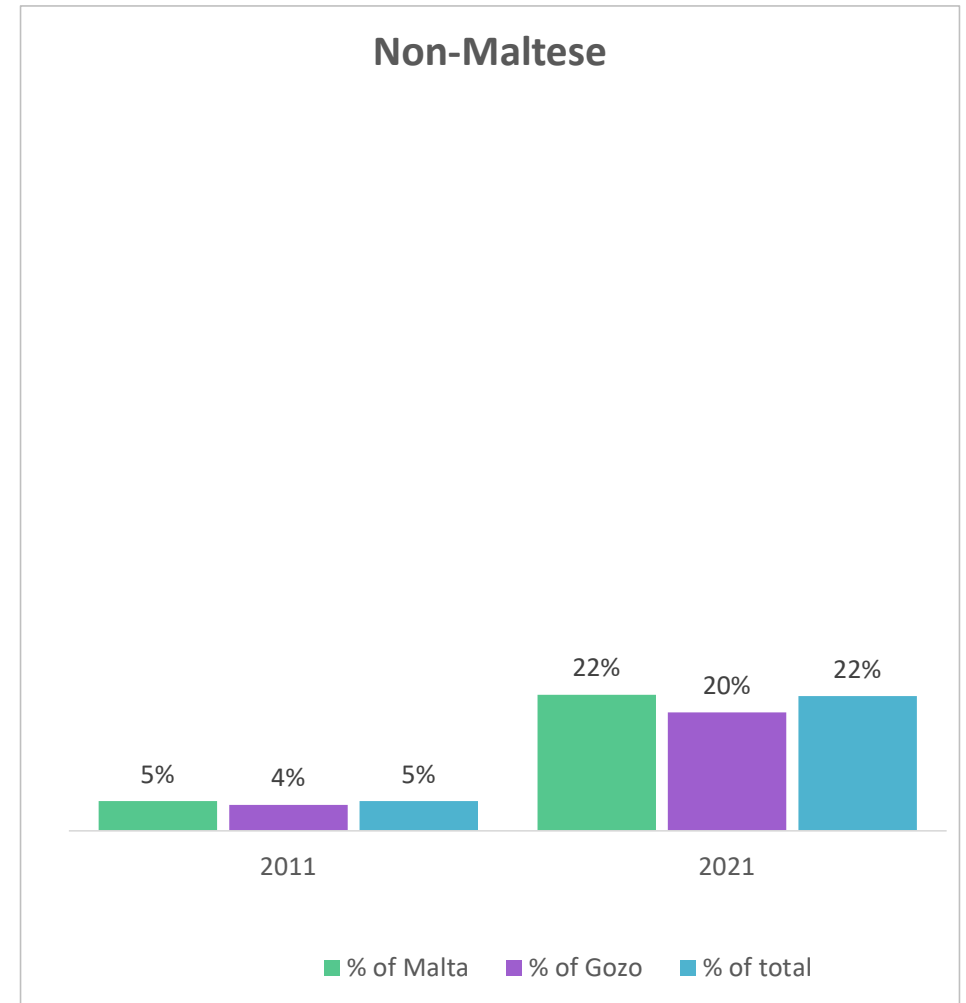
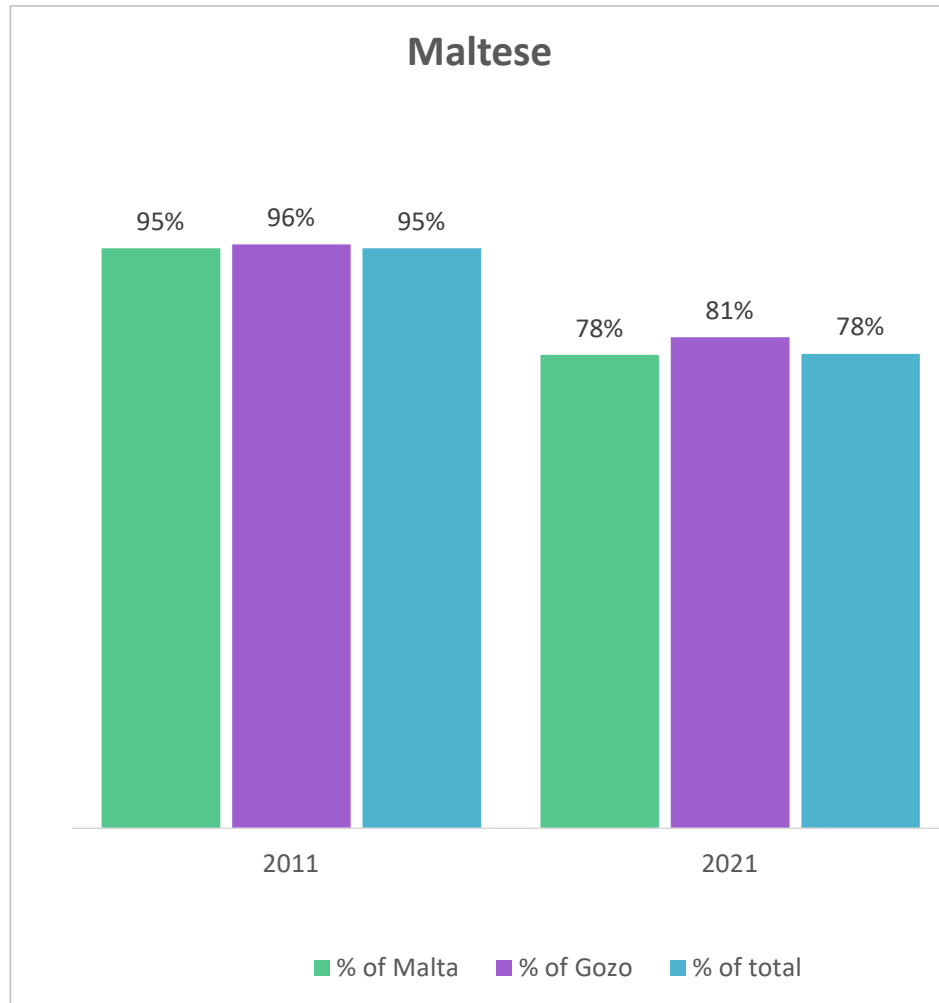


465% increase

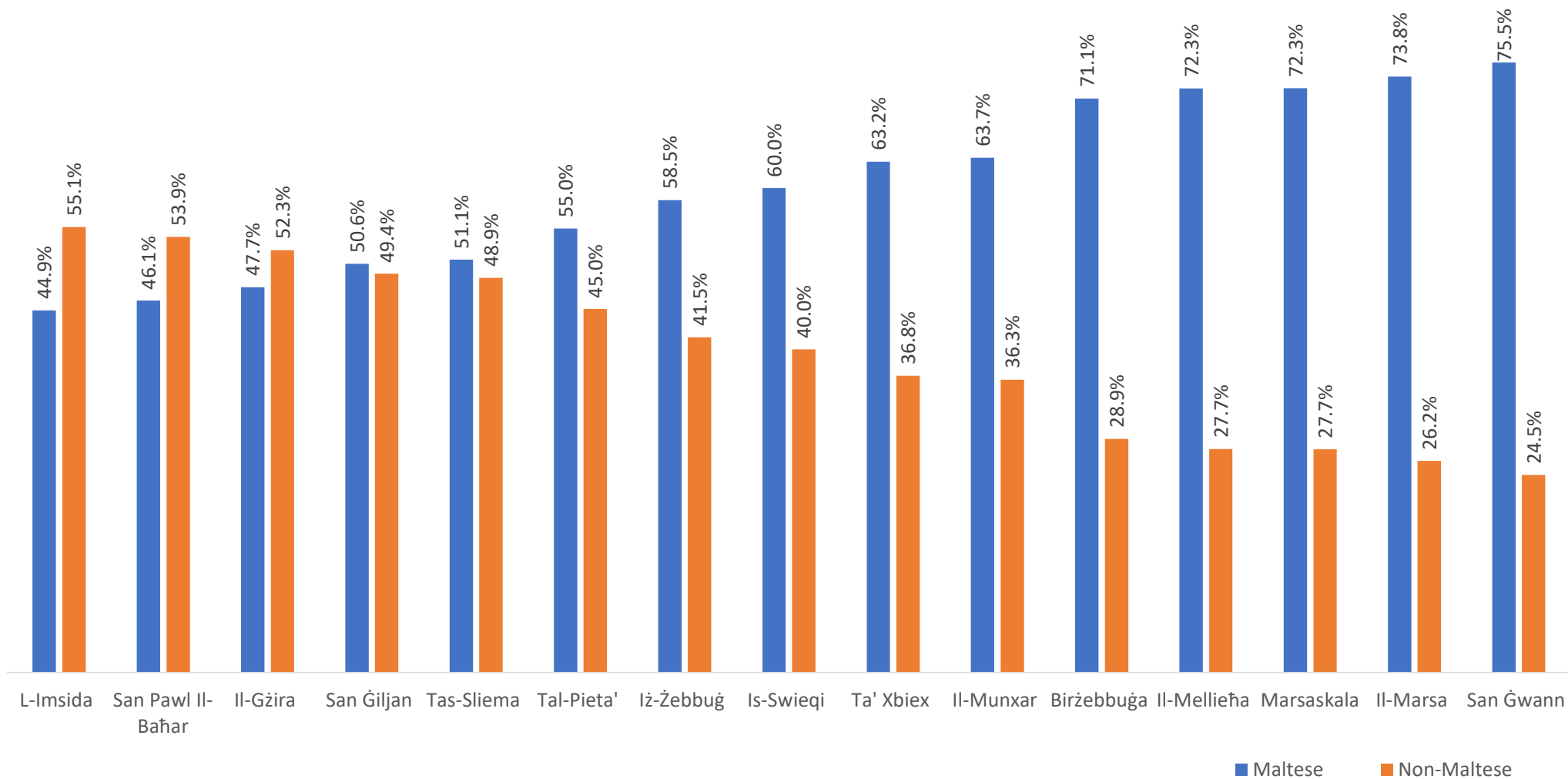


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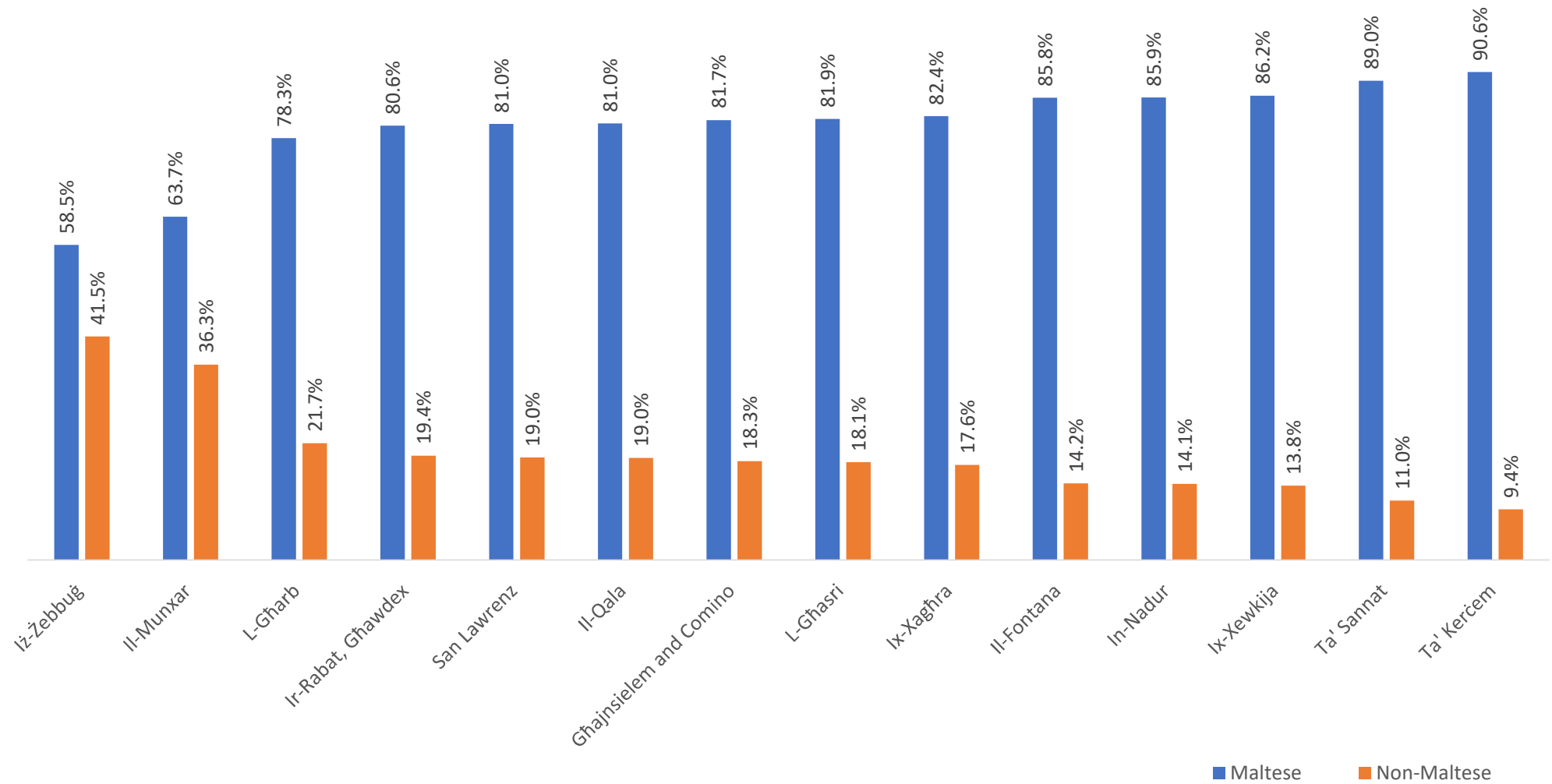
NSO Census: percentage of population in 2011 and 2021 by citizenship



NSO Census: percentage of the population of towns in Malta in 2021 by citizenship (Top 15 Towns with highest percentage of non-Maltese population)



NSO Census: percentage of the population of towns in Gozo in 2021 by citizenship

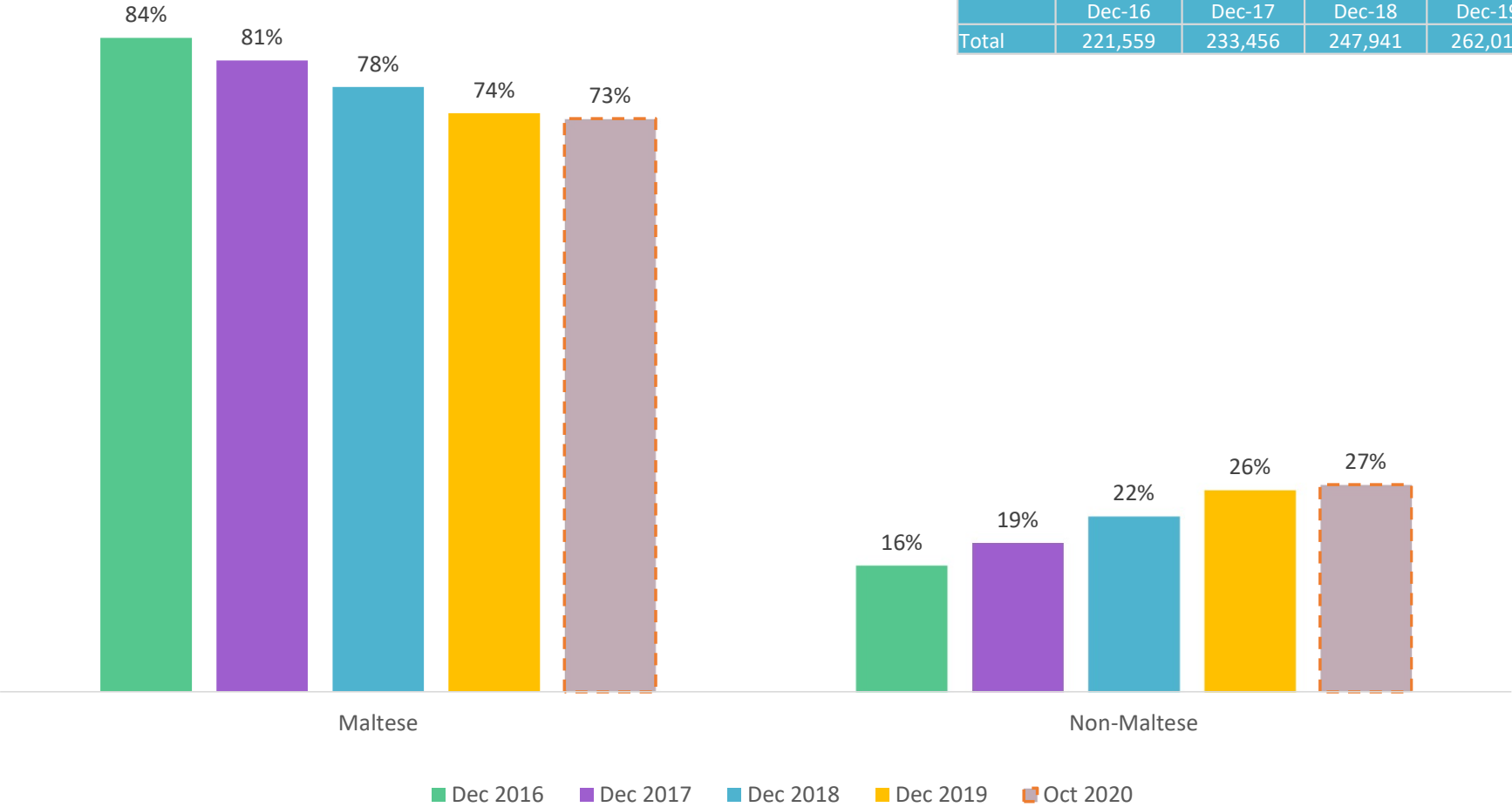




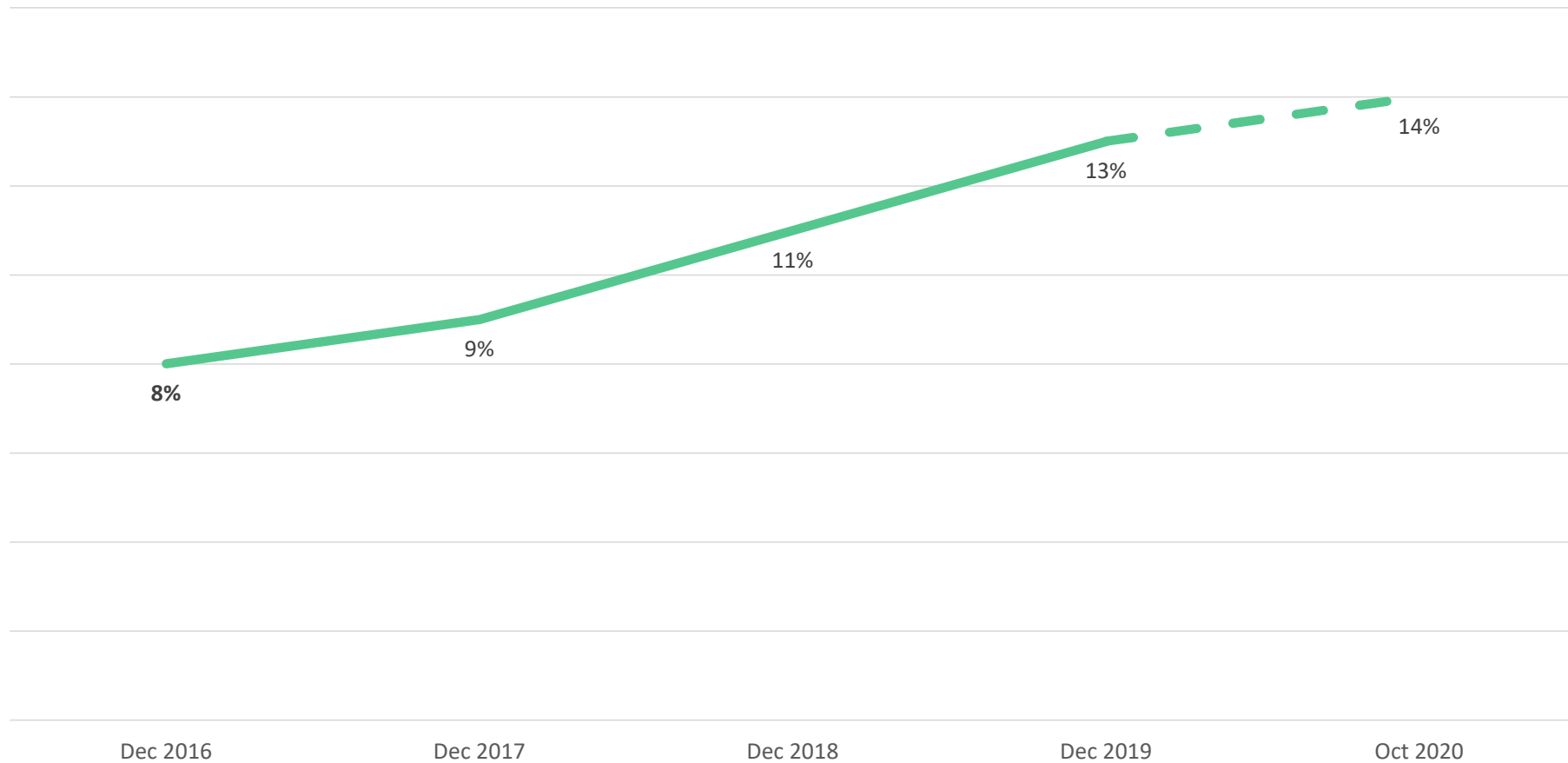
The Non-Maltese
population
Jobsplus

Percentage of persons registered with Jobsplus by nationality

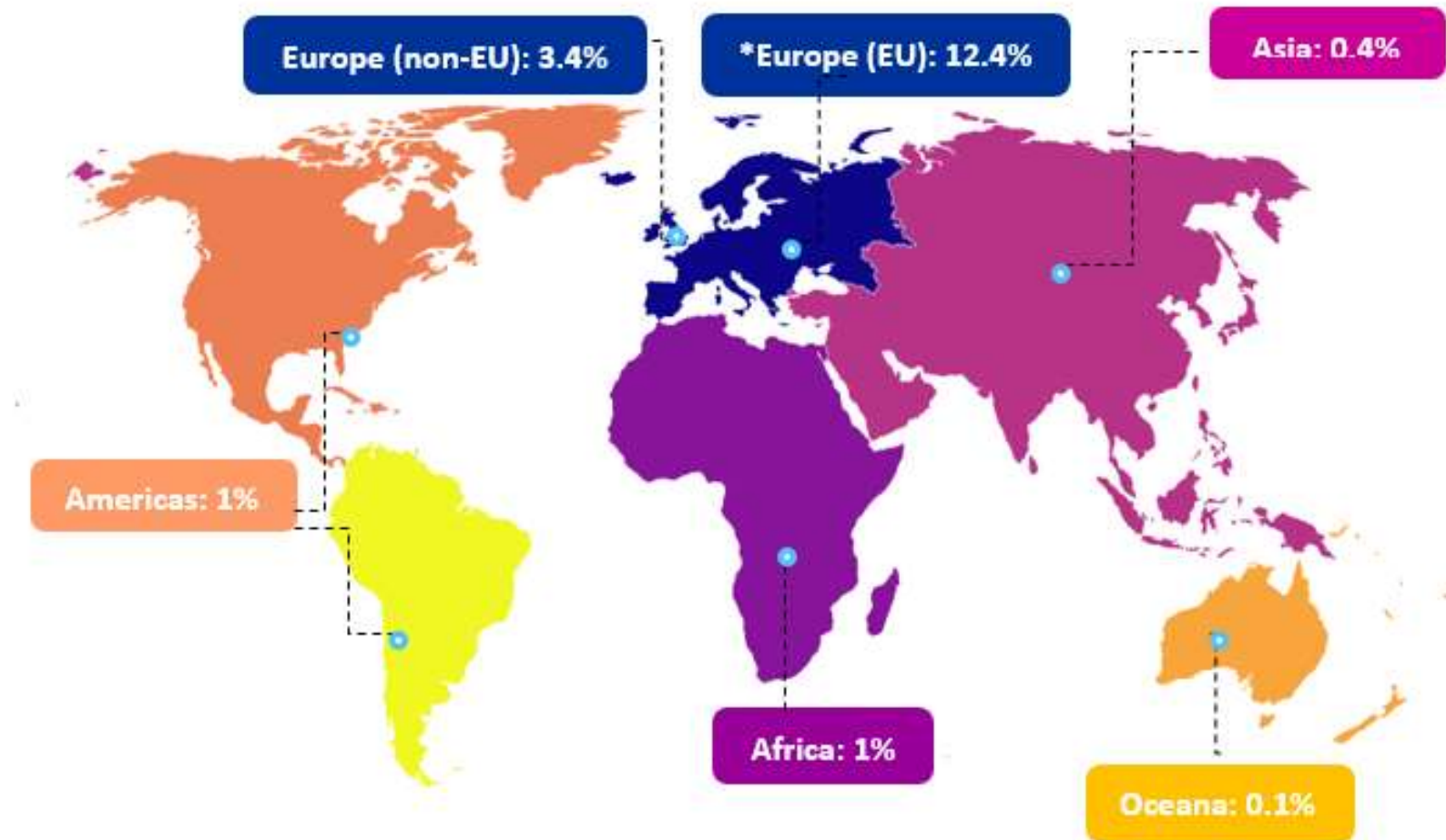
	Dec-16	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Oct-20
Total	221,559	233,456	247,941	262,014	265,841



Percentage of the population of the Maltese Islands (*NSO Census*) who were non-Maltese registered with Jobsplus.



Percentage of non-Maltese nationals registered as unemployed with Jobsplus by continent of nationality (2021)



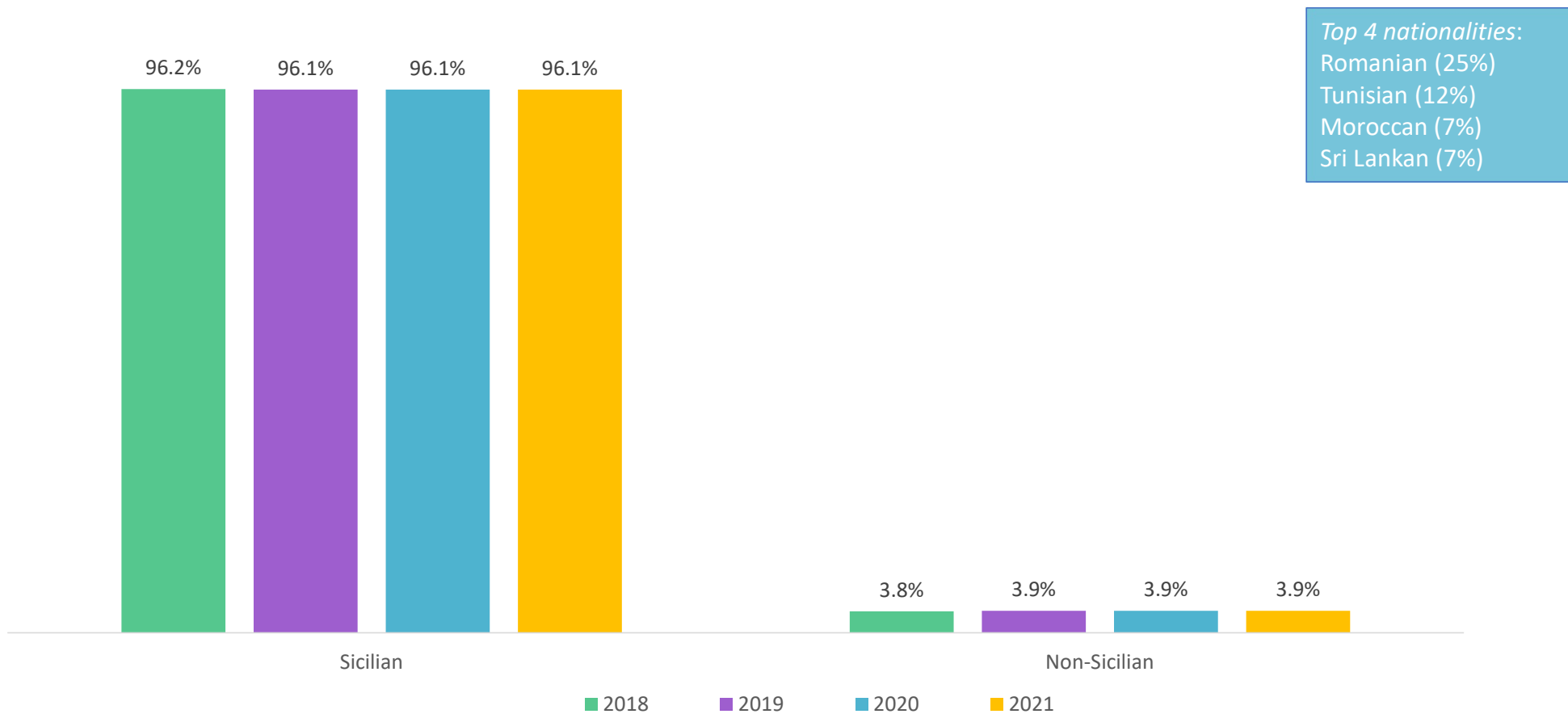
**Europe (EU) in the figure above excludes Maltese nationals living in Malta.*



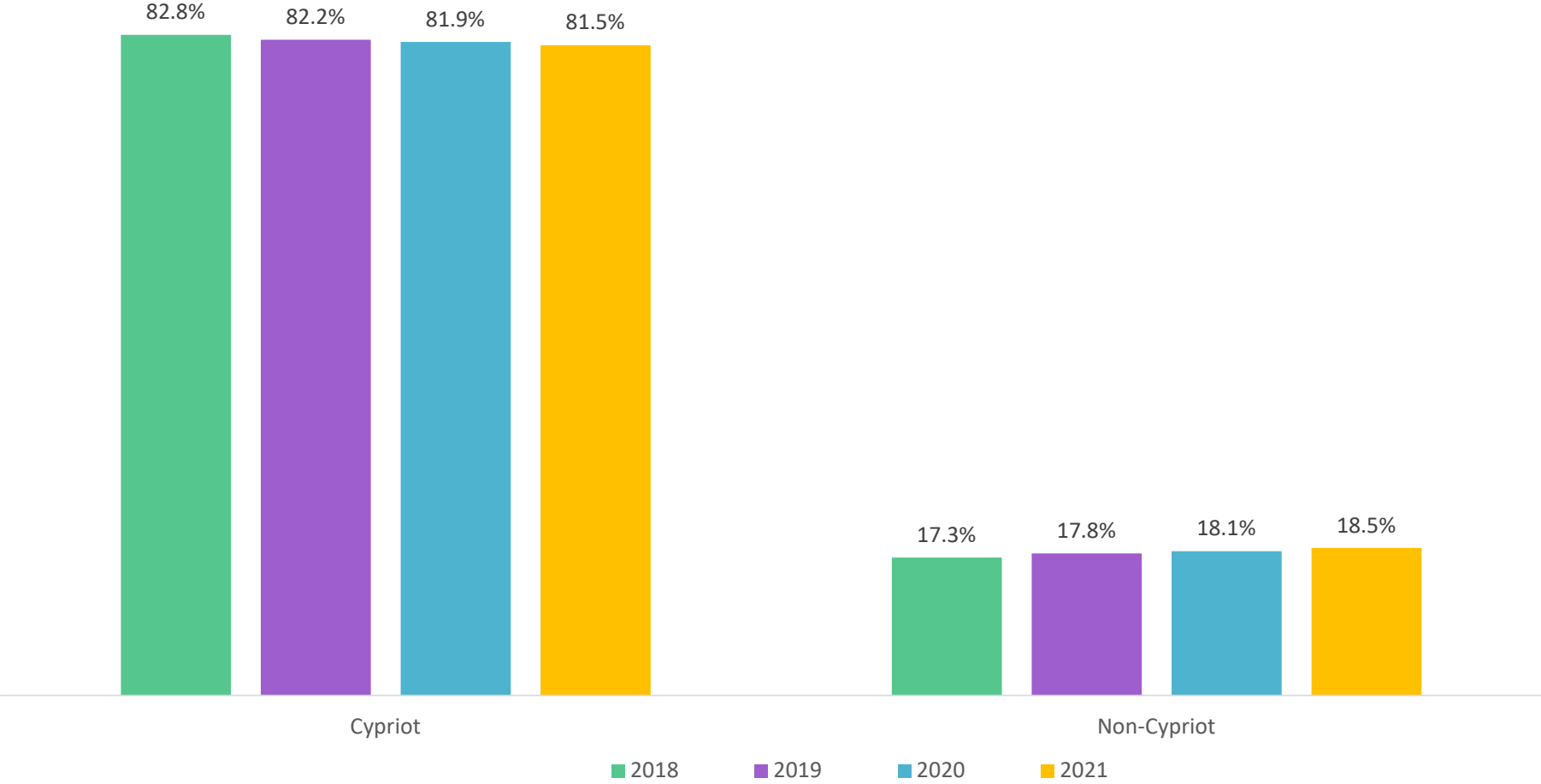
Similar trends in some other countries?

Are other small islands in the Mediterranean experiencing large increases in foreign populations? Sicily is the closest island state.

Percentage of population in Sicily by nationality and year

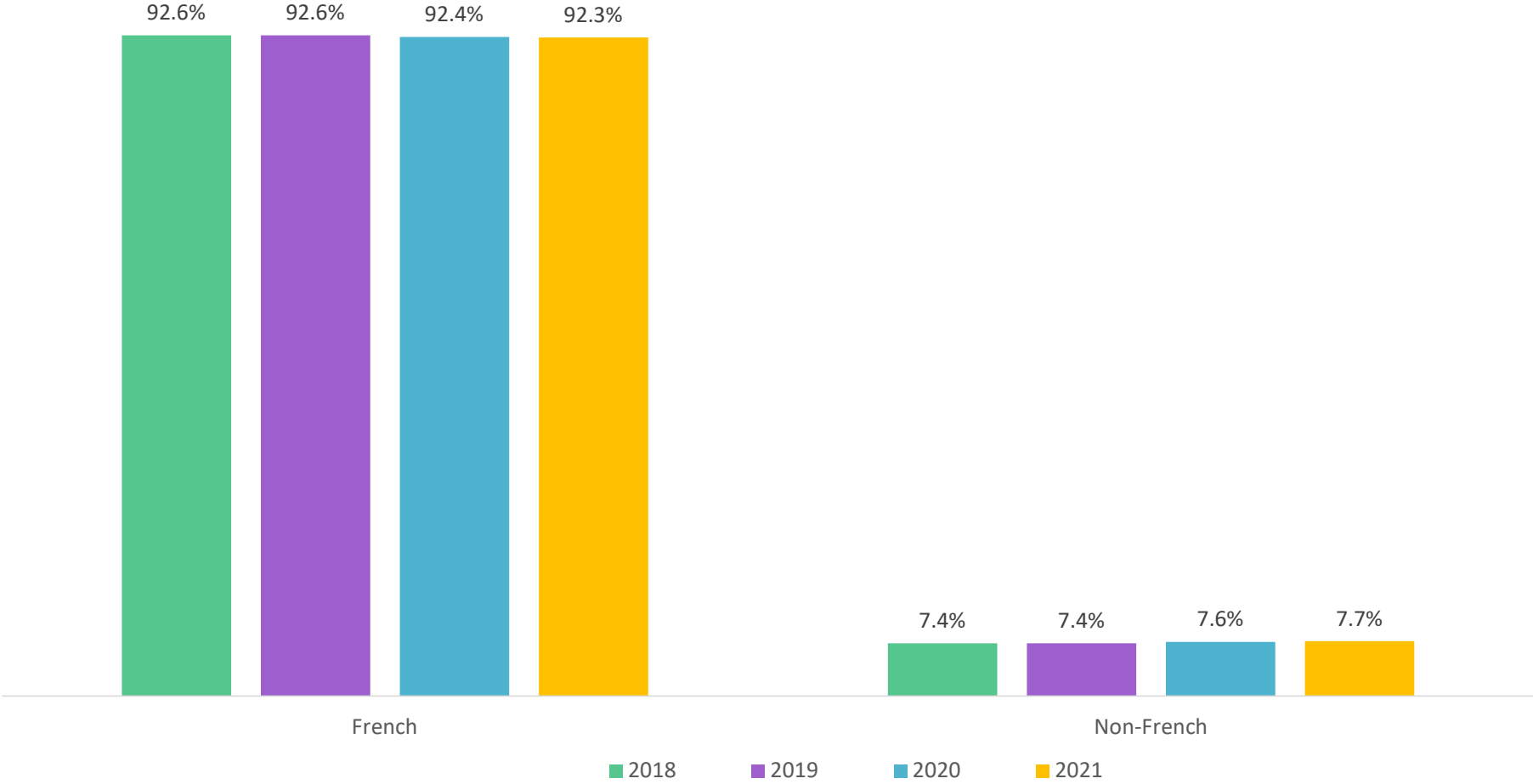


Percentage of population in Cyprus by nationality and year



Eurostat

Percentage of population in France by nationality and year



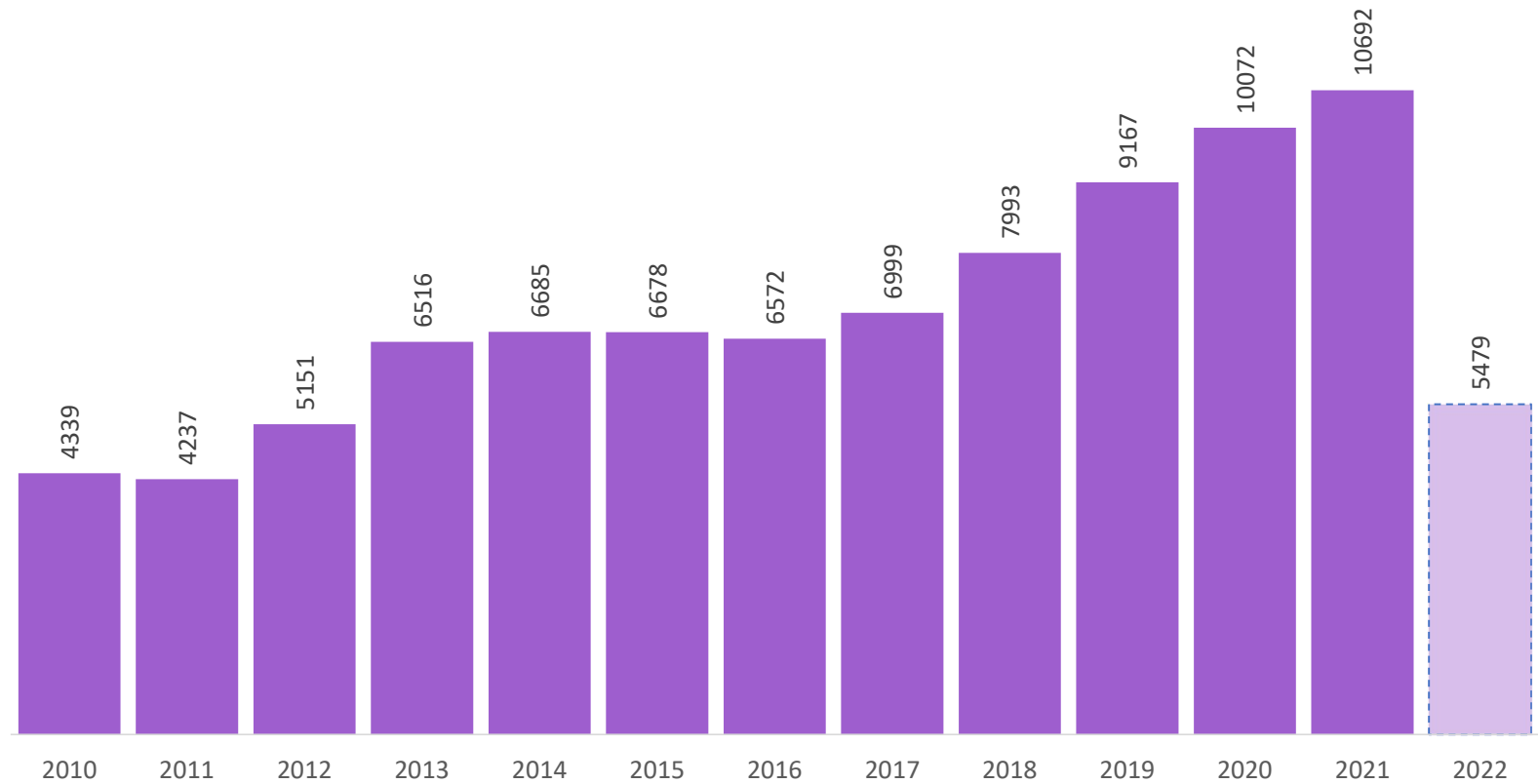
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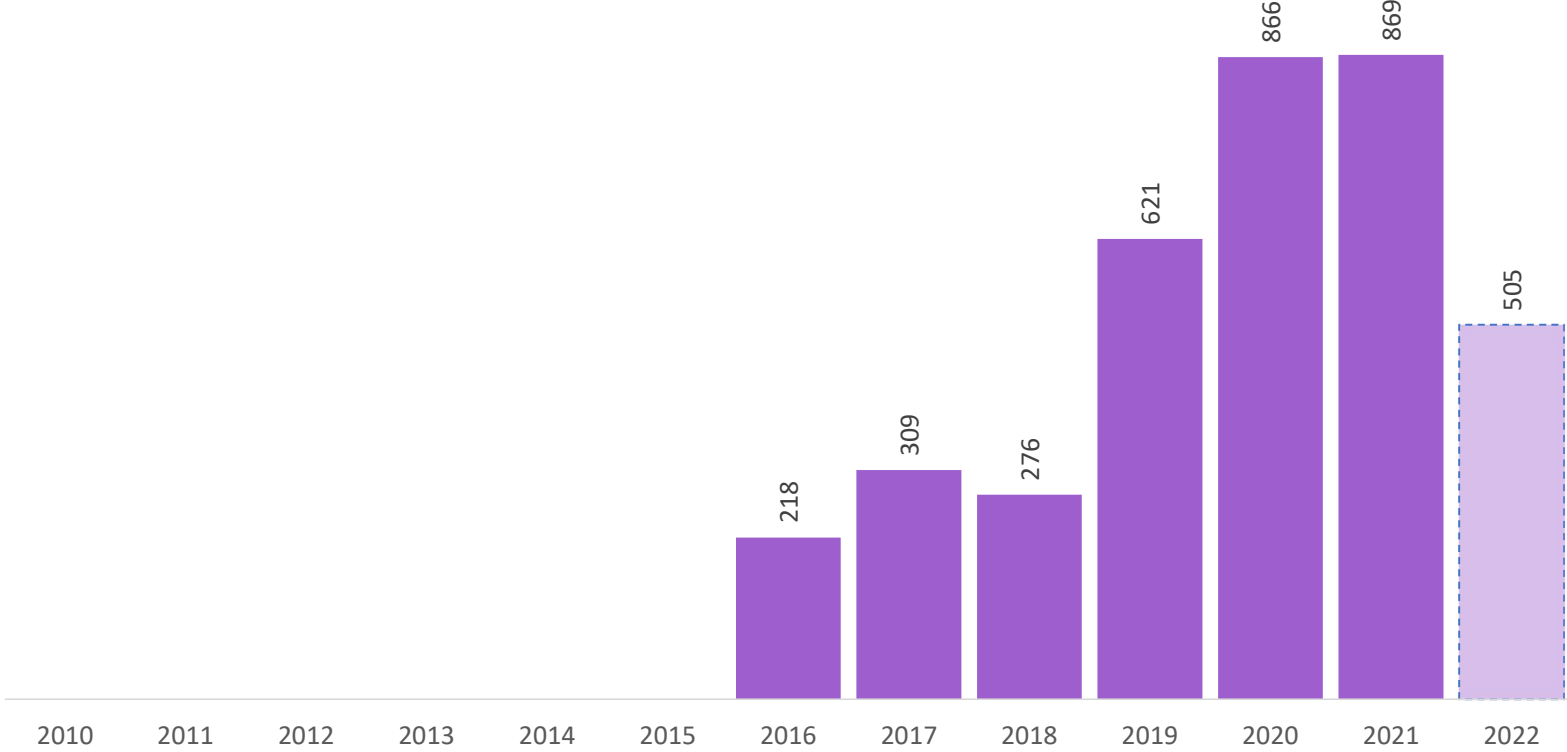
The Non-Maltese
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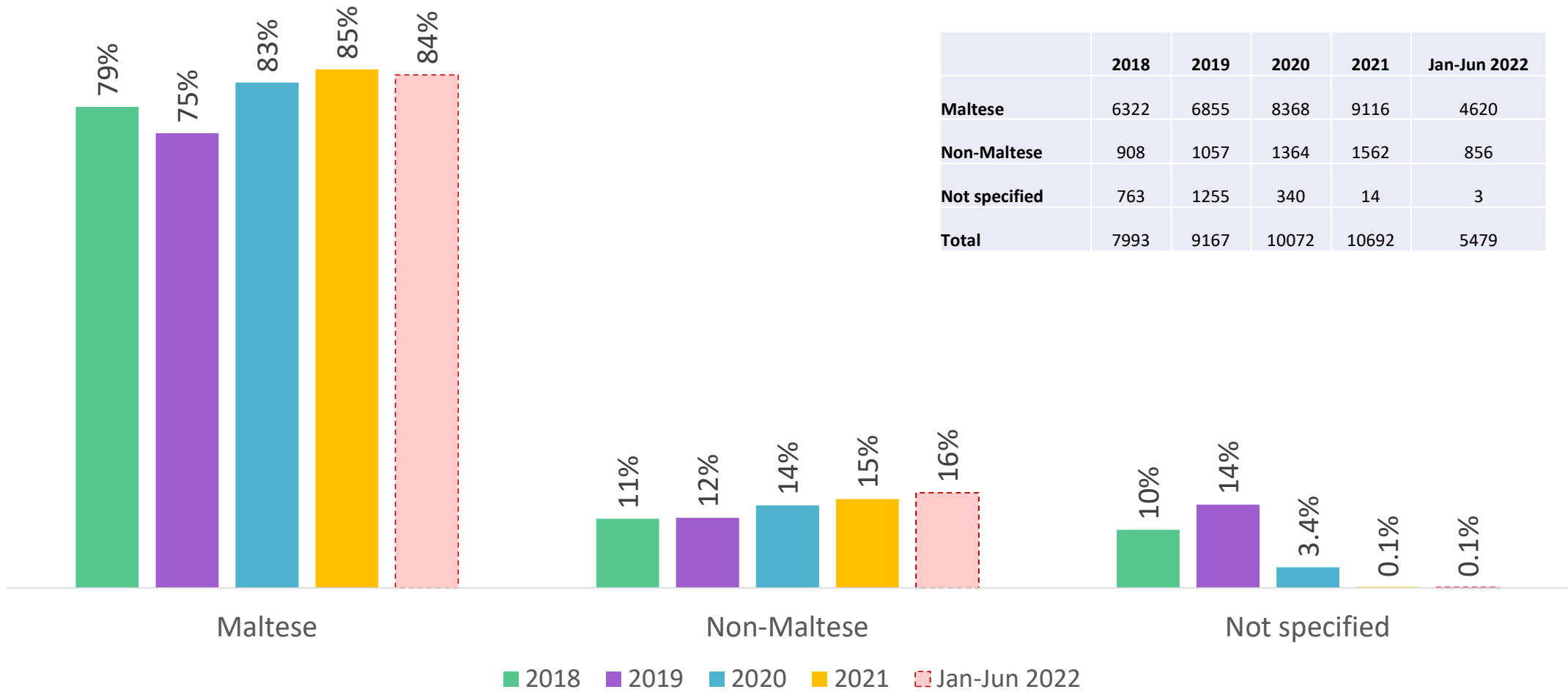
ALL FSWS: Number of cases opened by year opened



FSWS GOZO: Number of cases opened by year opened

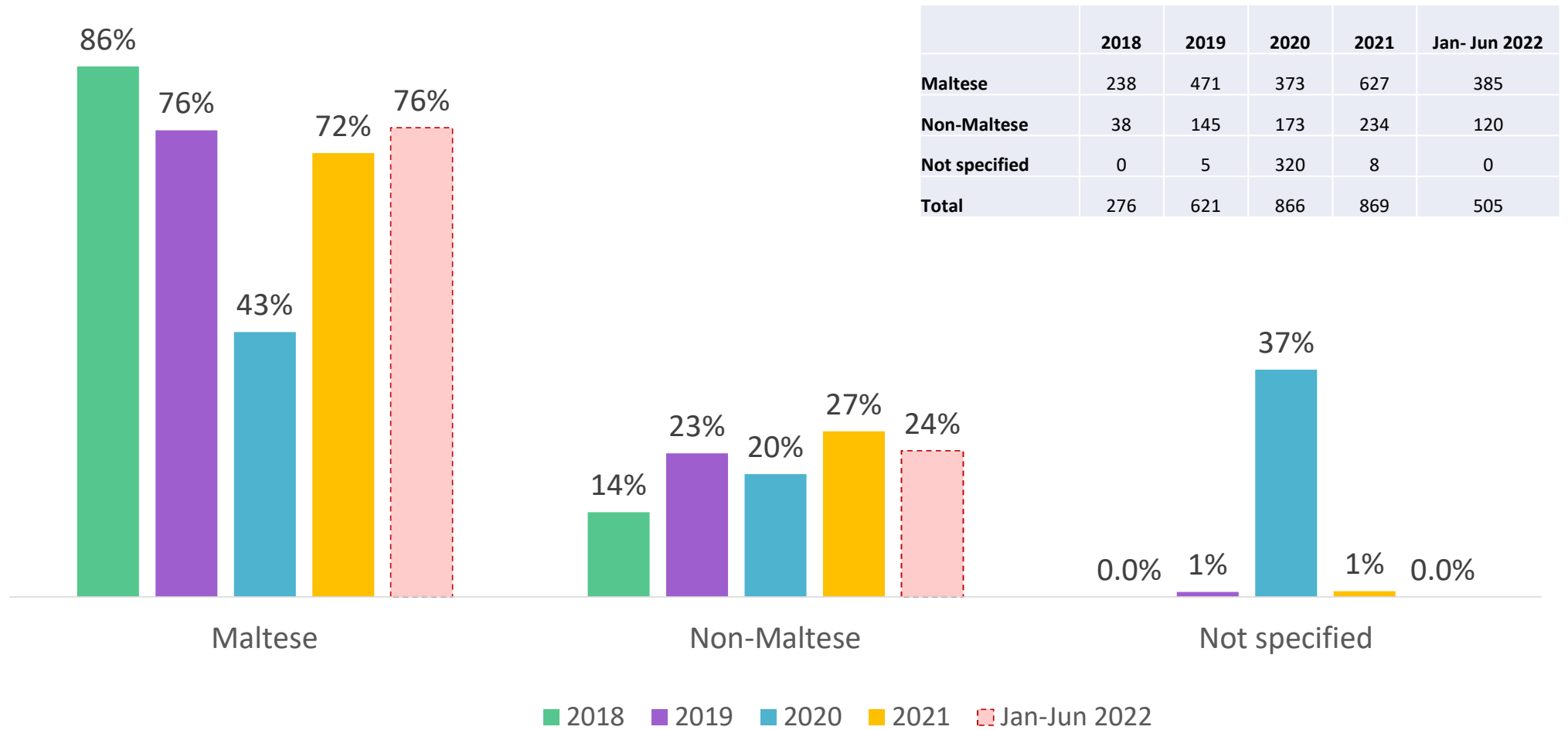


ALL FSWS: Percentage of cases opened at FSWS by nationality and year



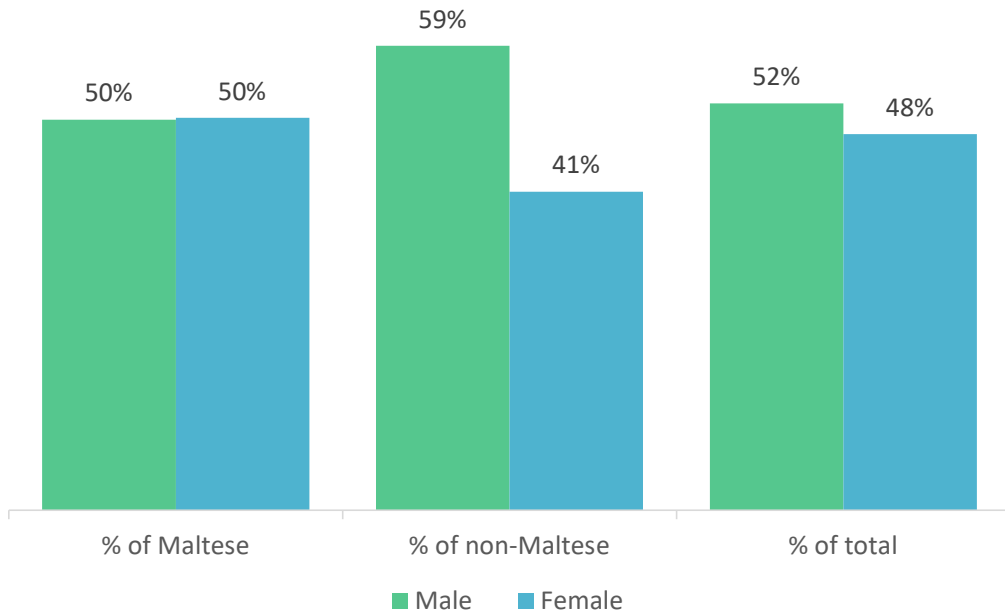
	2018	2019	2020	2021	Jan-Jun 2022
Maltese	6322	6855	8368	9116	4620
Non-Maltese	908	1057	1364	1562	856
Not specified	763	1255	340	14	3
Total	7993	9167	10072	10692	5479

FSWS Gozo: Percentage of cases opened at FSWS by nationality and year



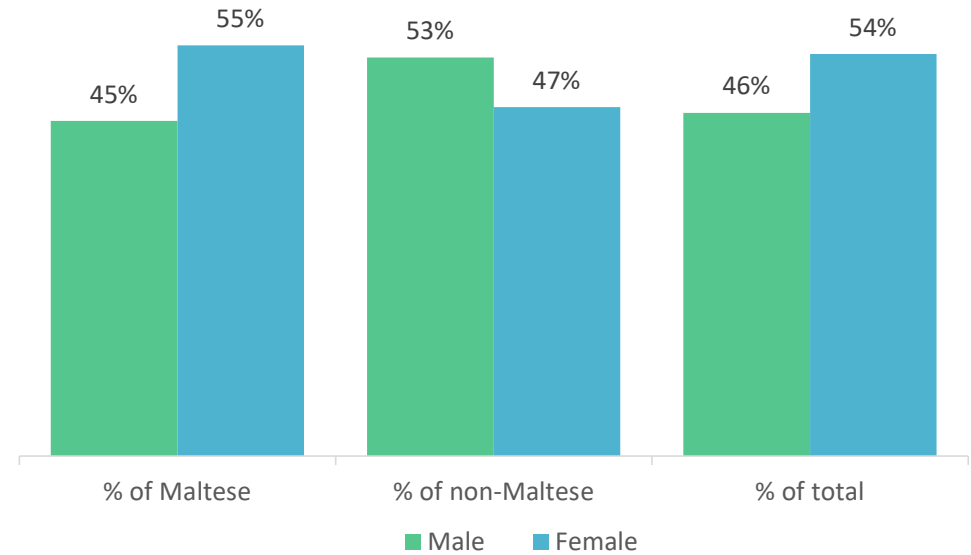
NSO Census & FSWS: percentage of Maltese vs percentage of Non-Maltese in 2021 by gender

Census (NSO): % of total population



Population: 519,562

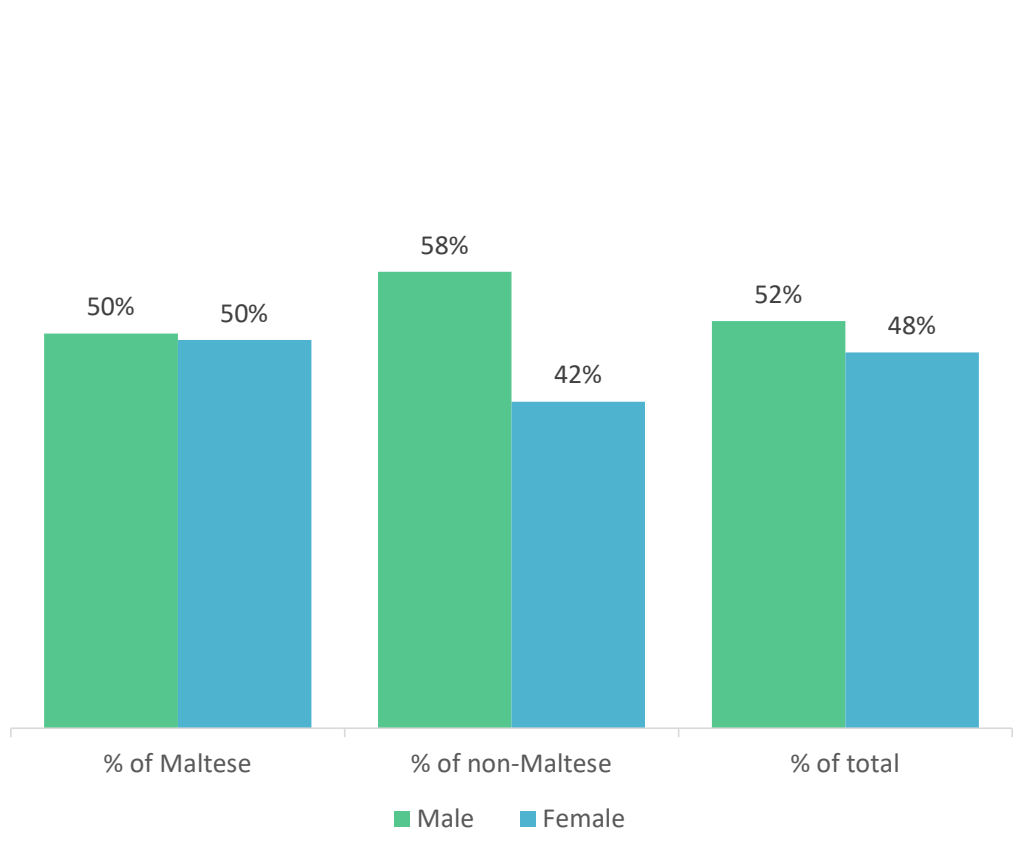
FSWS cases: % of cases worked with



Cases : 22,451

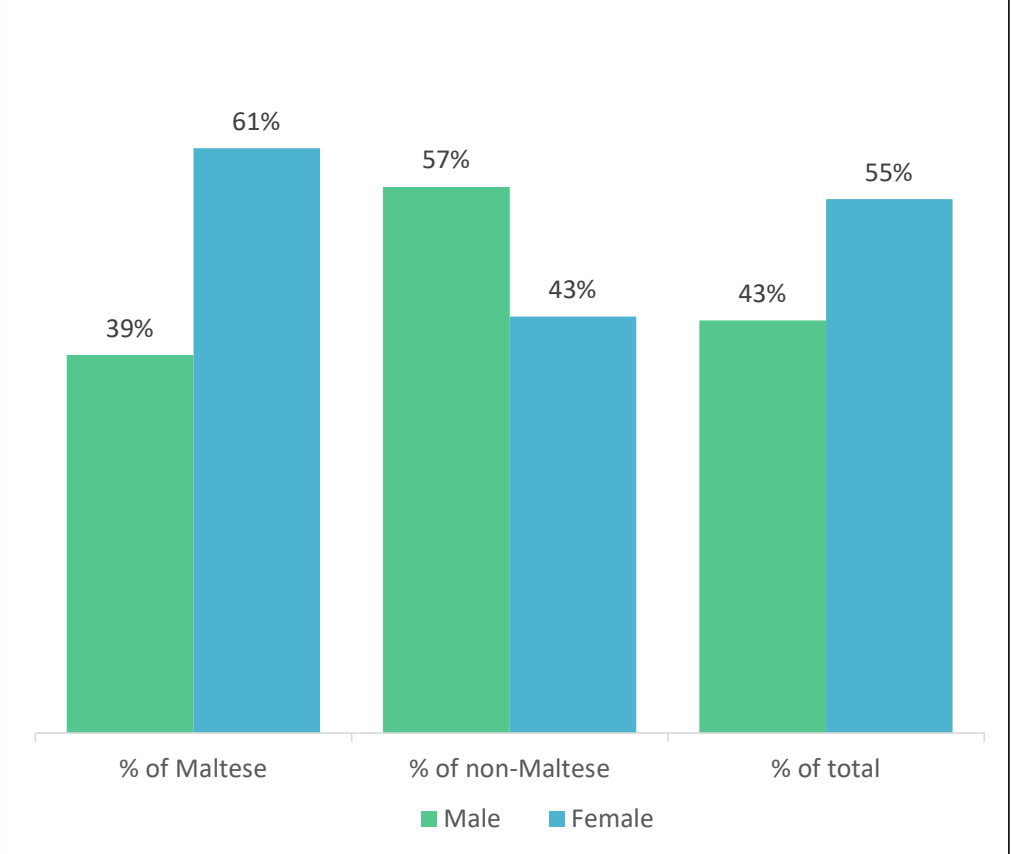
NSO Census & FSWS Gozo: percentage of Maltese vs percentage of Non-Maltese in 2021 by gender

Census (NSO): % of total population in Gozo



Population: 39,287

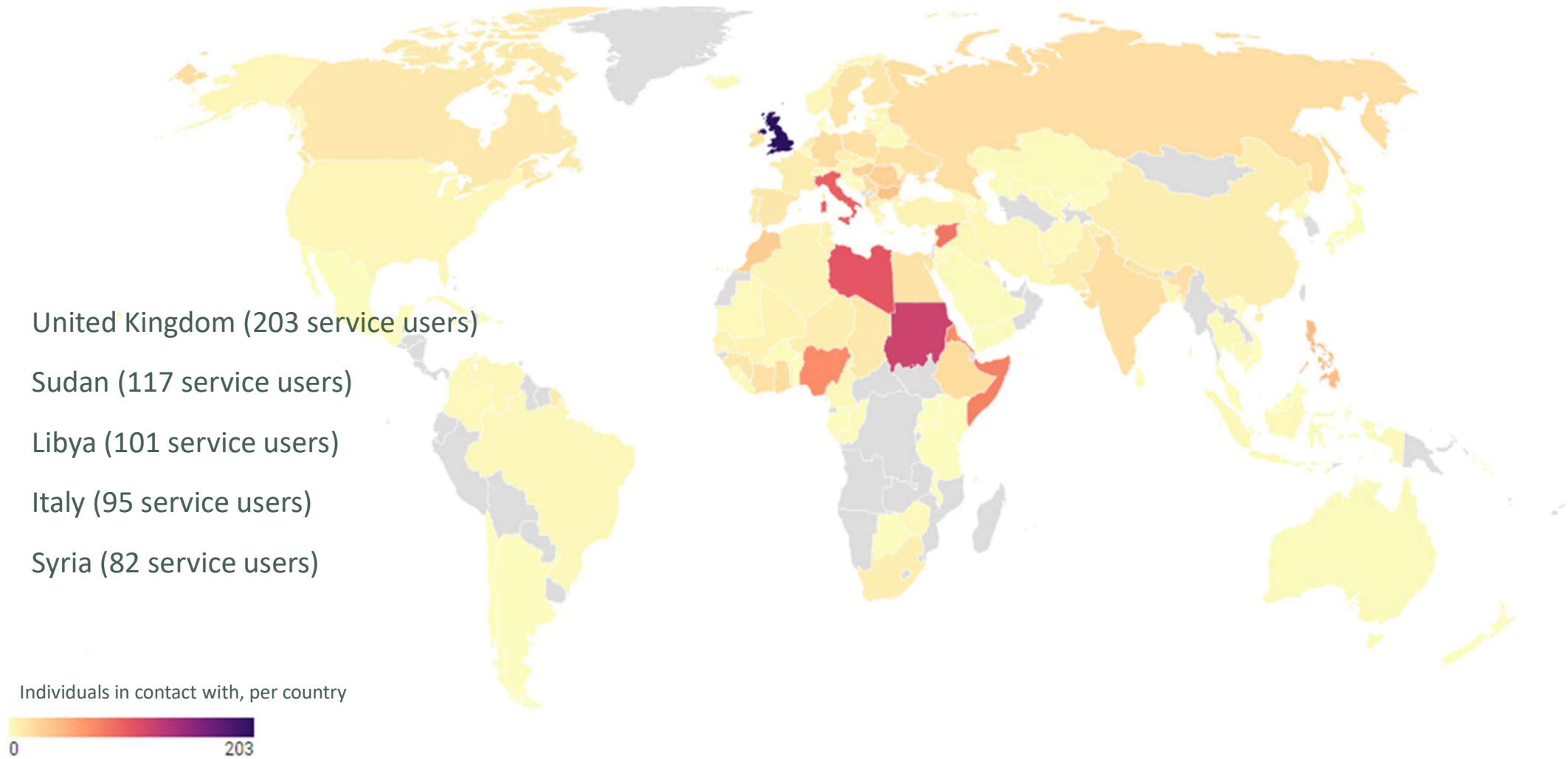
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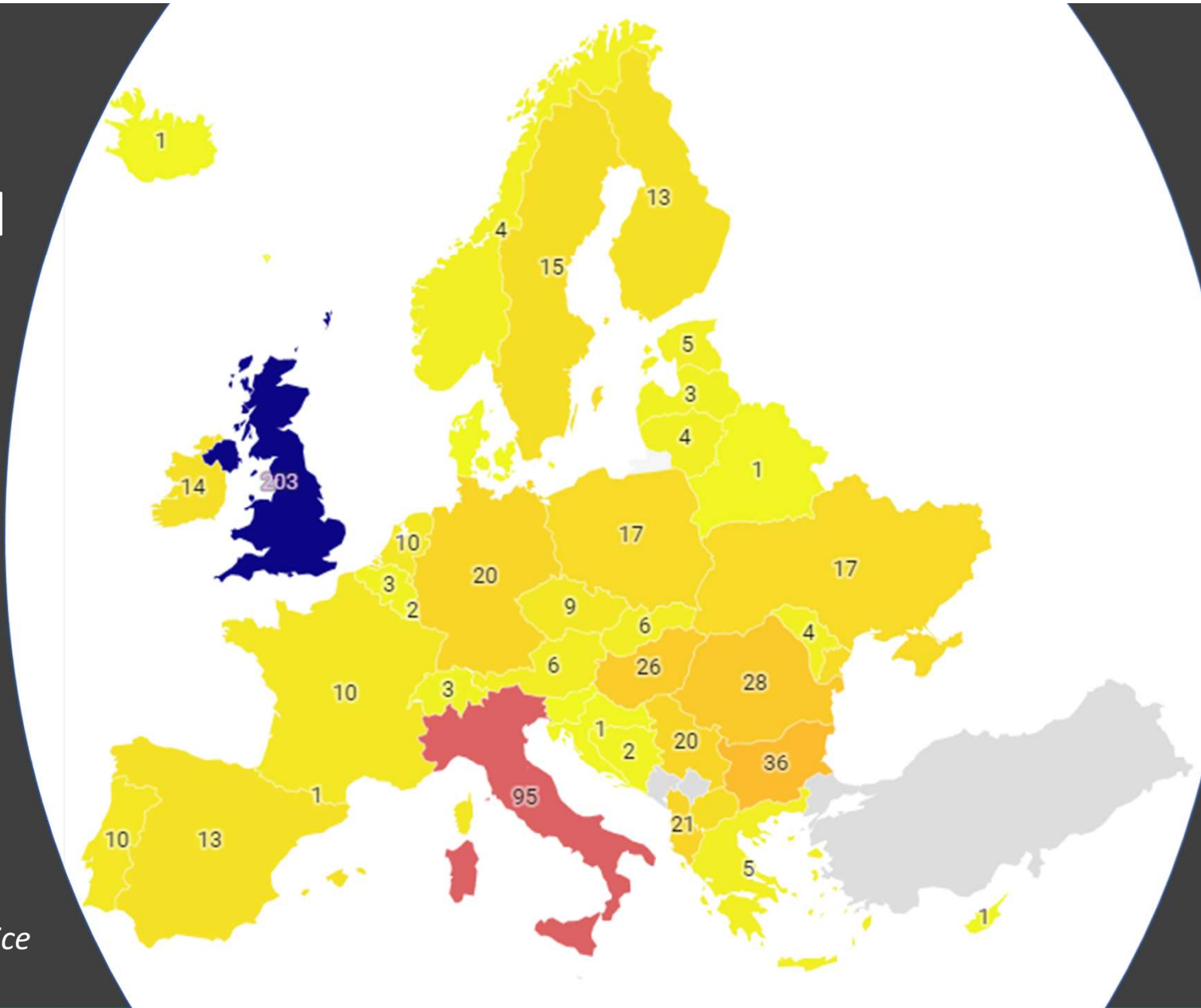
Cases : 1,435

All FSWS: Most reported non-Maltese nationalities in 2021

- United Kingdom (203 service users)
- Sudan (117 service users)
- Libya (101 service users)
- Italy (95 service users)
- Syria (82 service users)

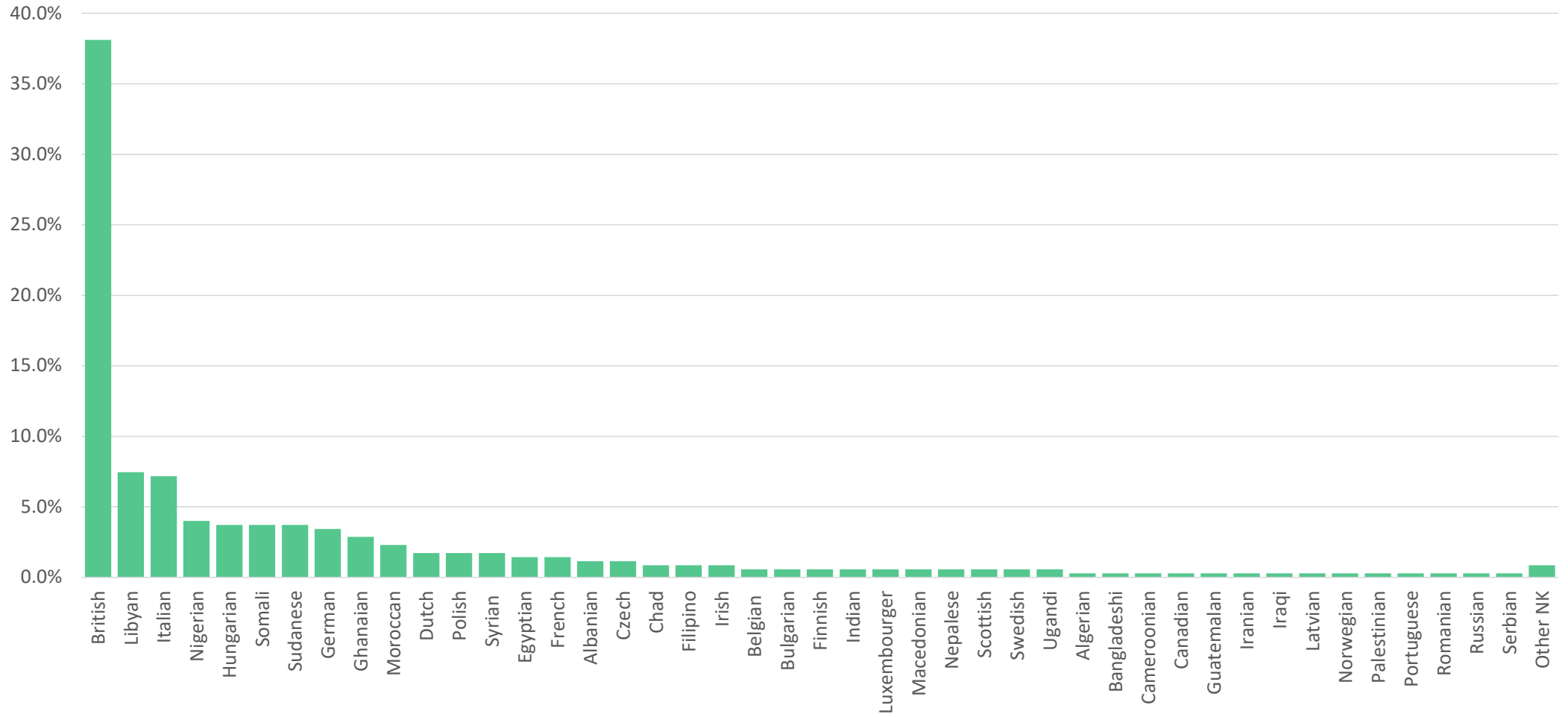


Number of non-Maltese cases opened at FSWS among European nationals in 2021

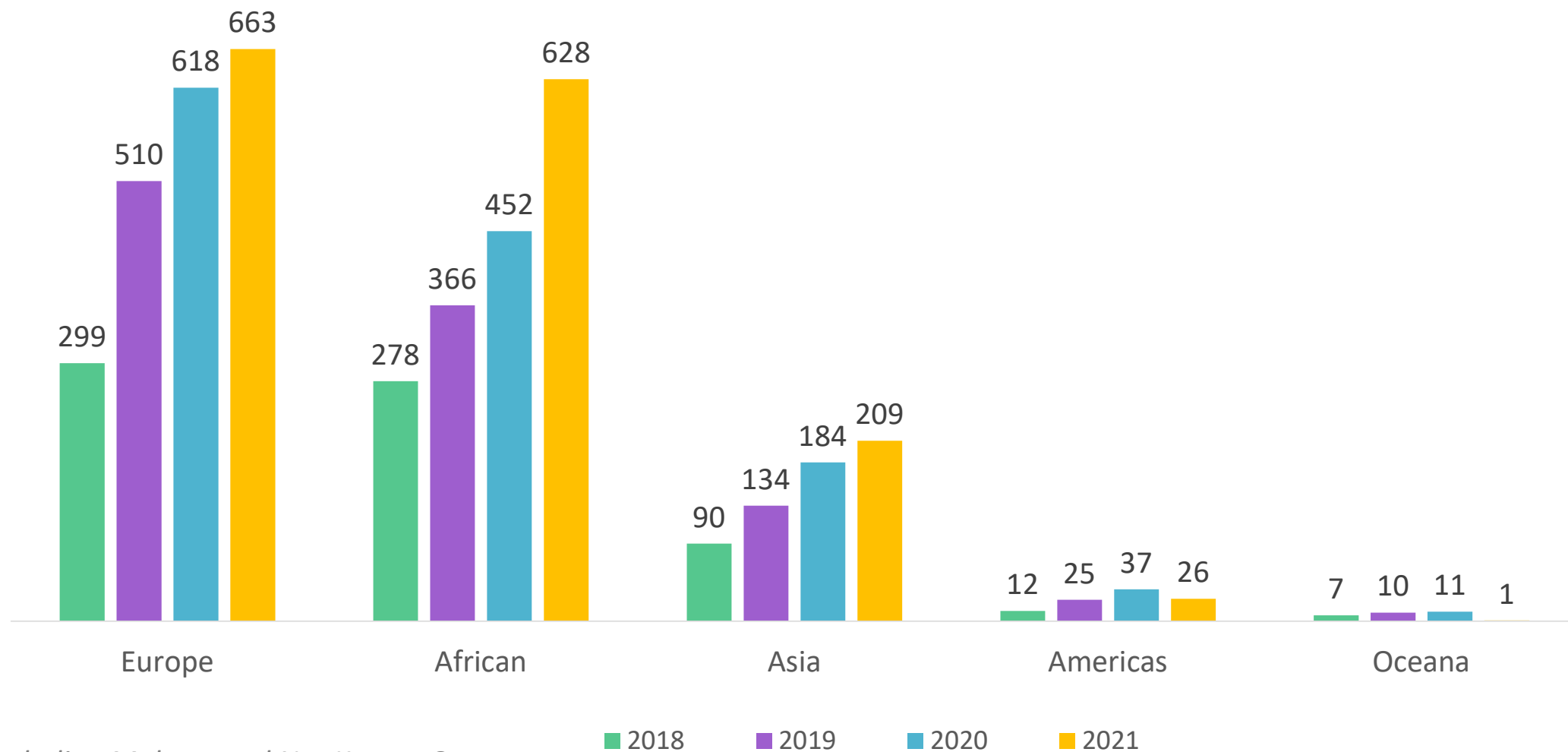


Note: This map does not include 19 service users from Russia.

FSWS Gozo: percentage of non-Maltese cases worked with in 2021 by specified nationality

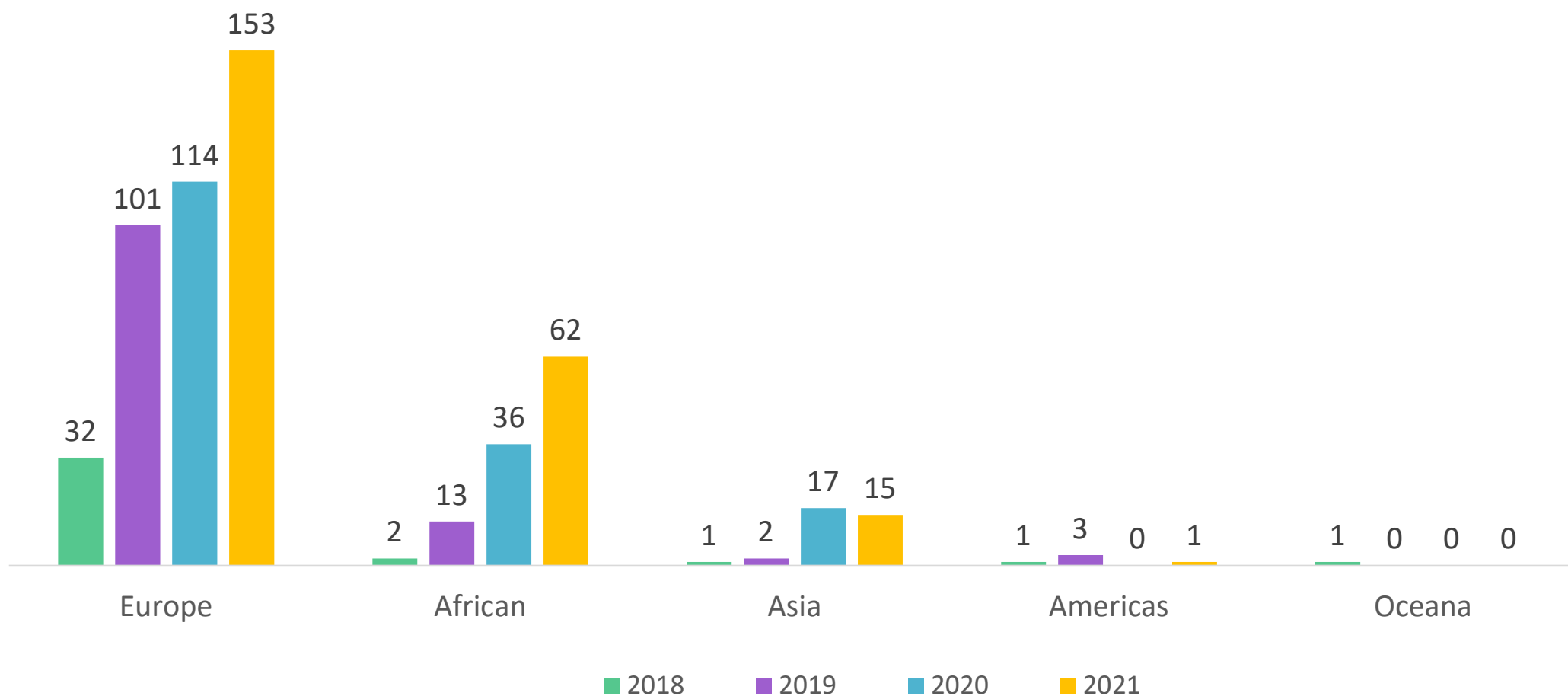


All FSWS: Number of non-Maltese cases opened at FSWS by continent of nationality and year

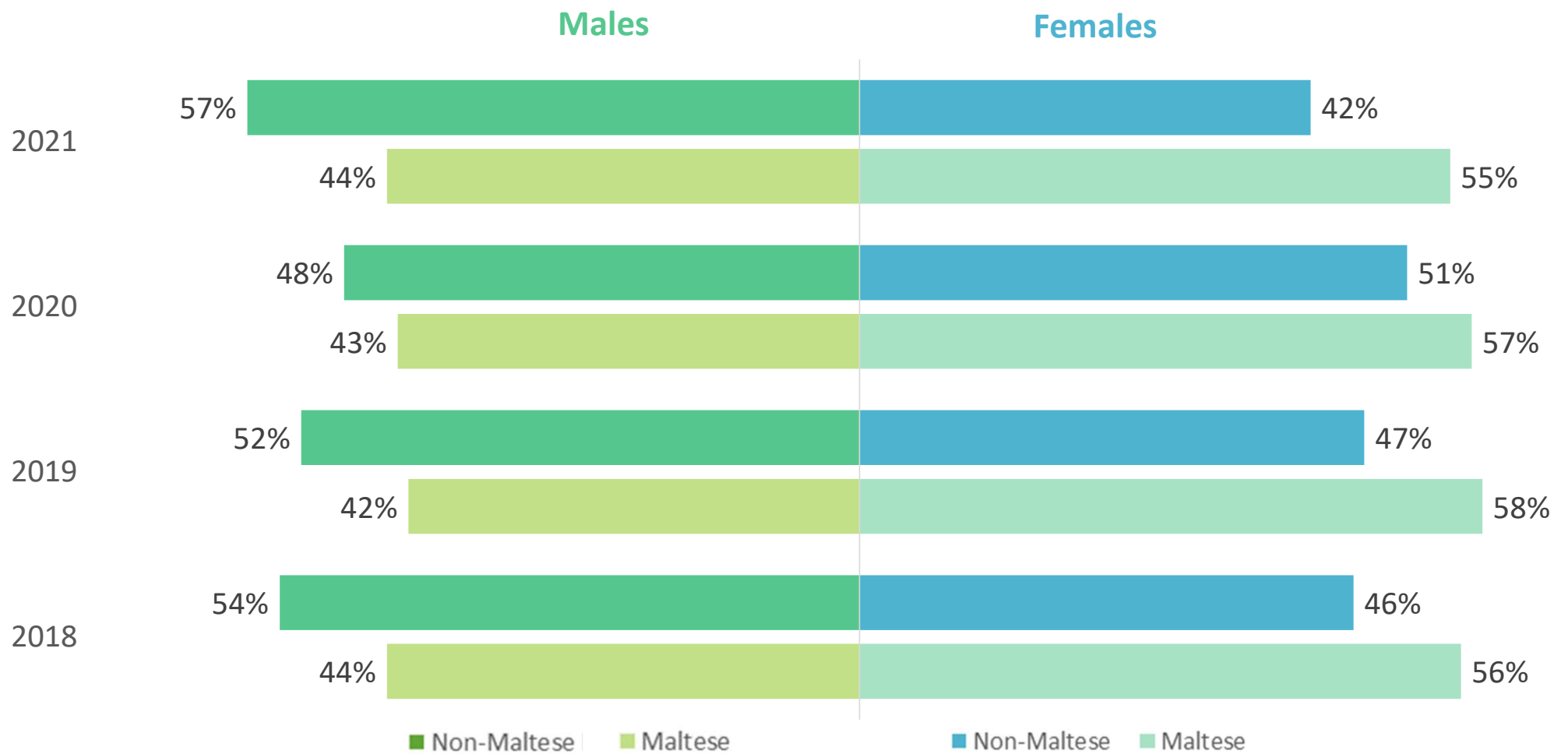


Excluding Maltese and Not Known Cases

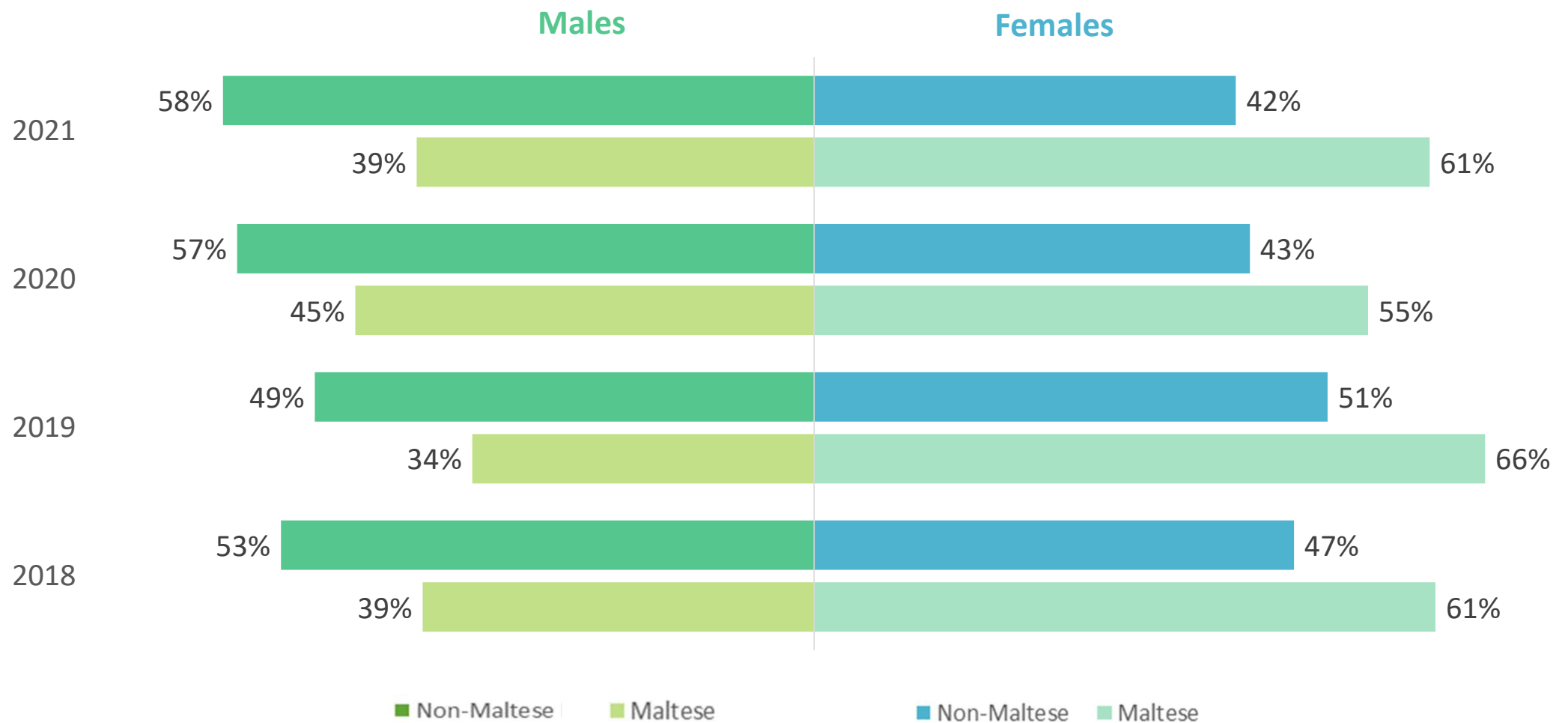
FSWS Gozo: Number of non-Maltese cases opened at FSWS by continent of nationality and year



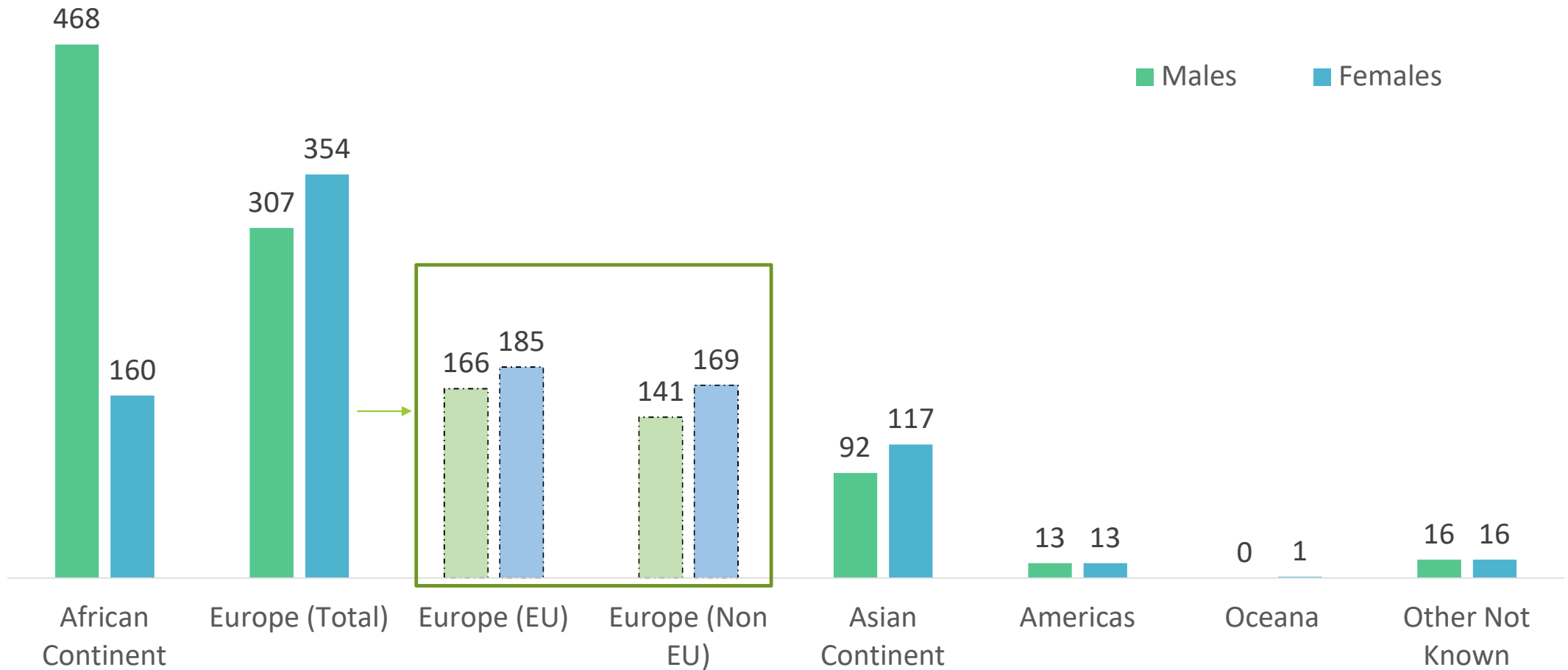
All FSWS: Number of cases opened at FSWS by nationality and sex from 2018 to 2021



FSWS Gozo: Number of cases opened at FSWS by nationality and sex from 2018 to 2021

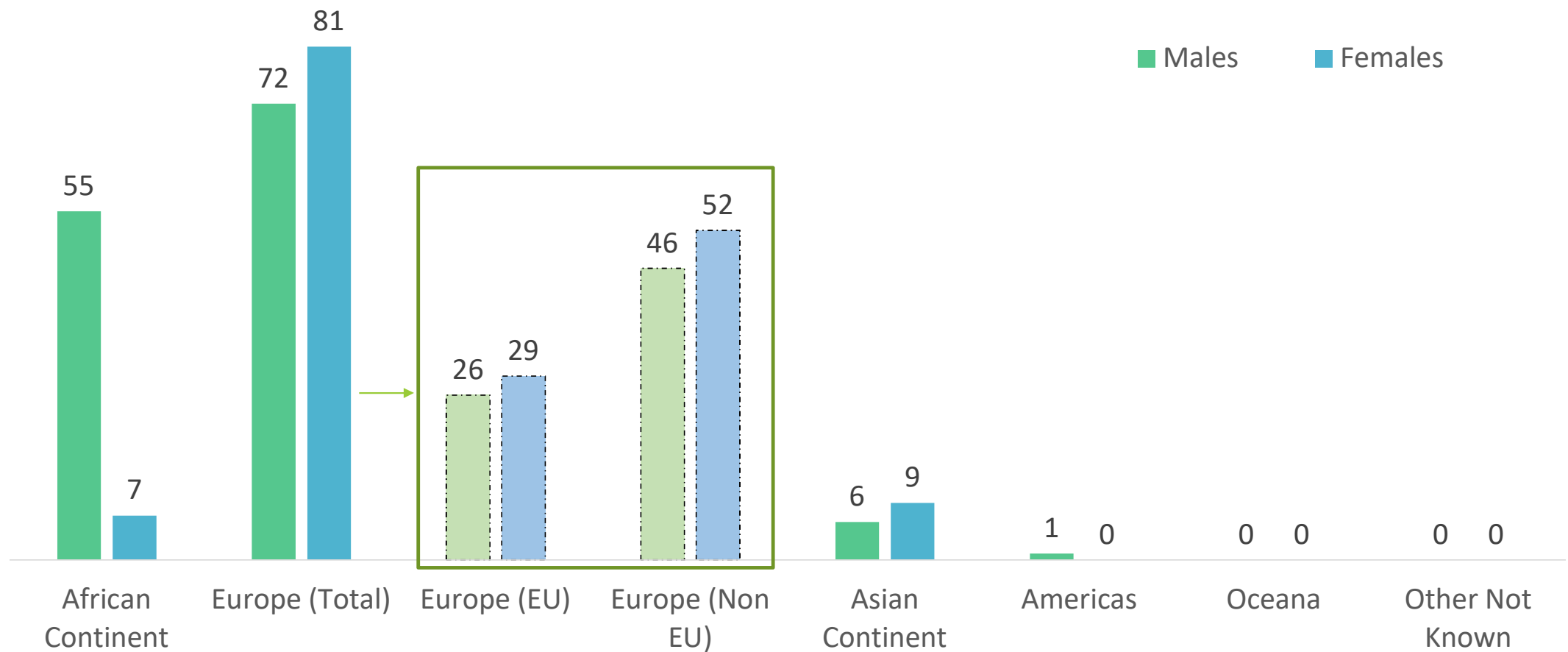


All FSWS: Number of cases opened at FSWS by sex and continent of nationality in 2021



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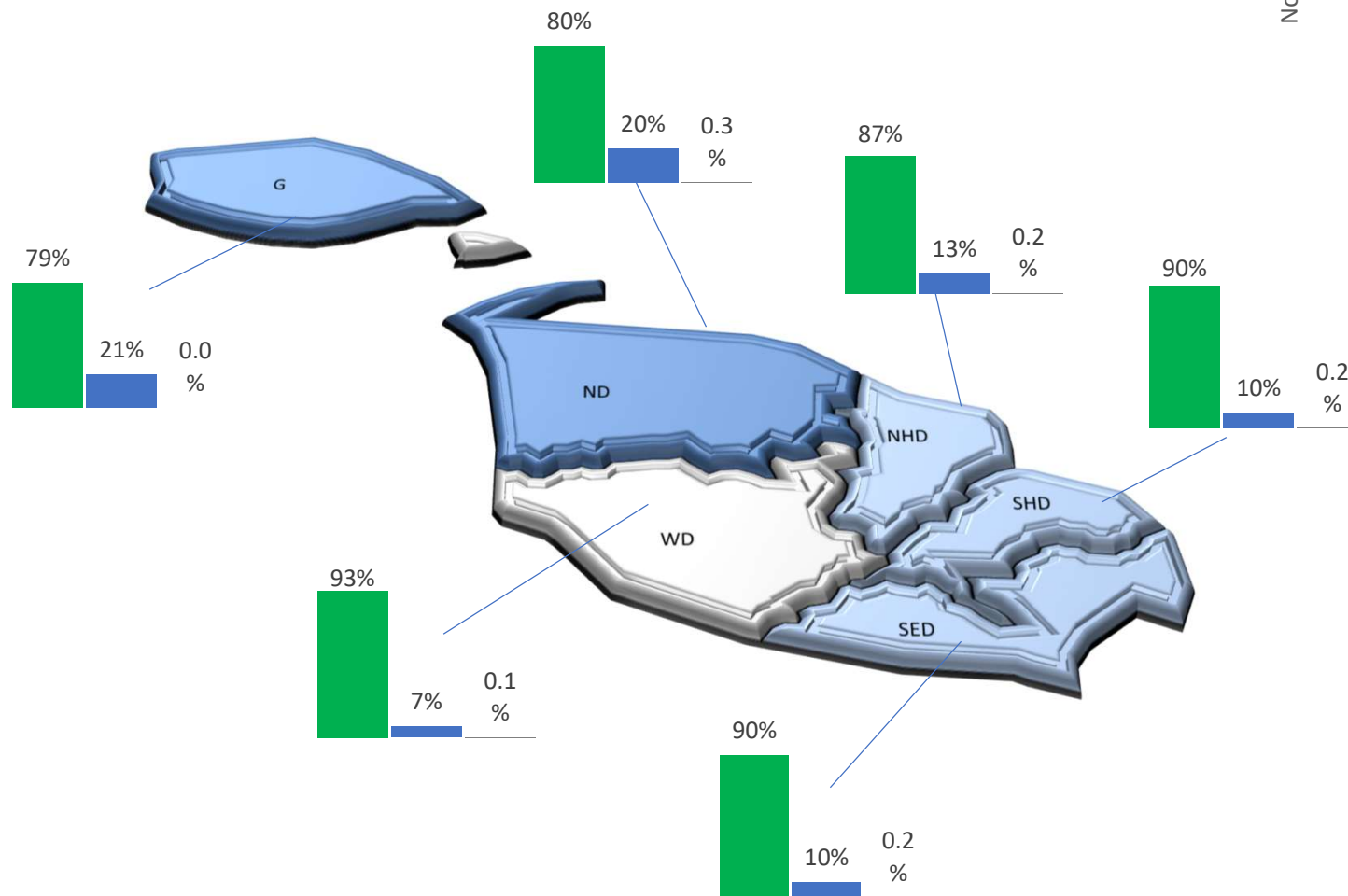
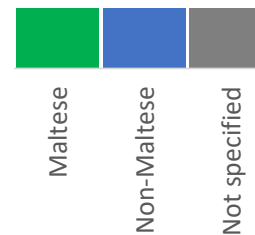


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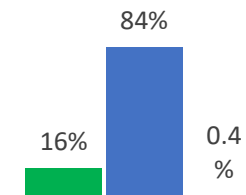
ALL FSWS: percentage of cases opened at FSWS by nationality and district of residence in 2021

	Maltese	Non-Maltese	Not specified	TOTAL
Total	19419	2973	59	22451

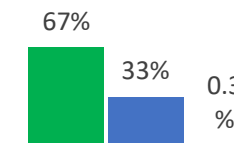
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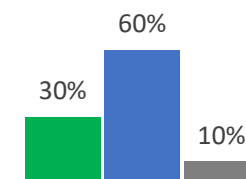
Homeless



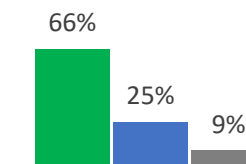
Other residence



Foreign residence



District not specified



NSO Census for Gozo compared to FSWS Gozo cases worked with in 2021: percentage of town in Gozo who were non-Maltese

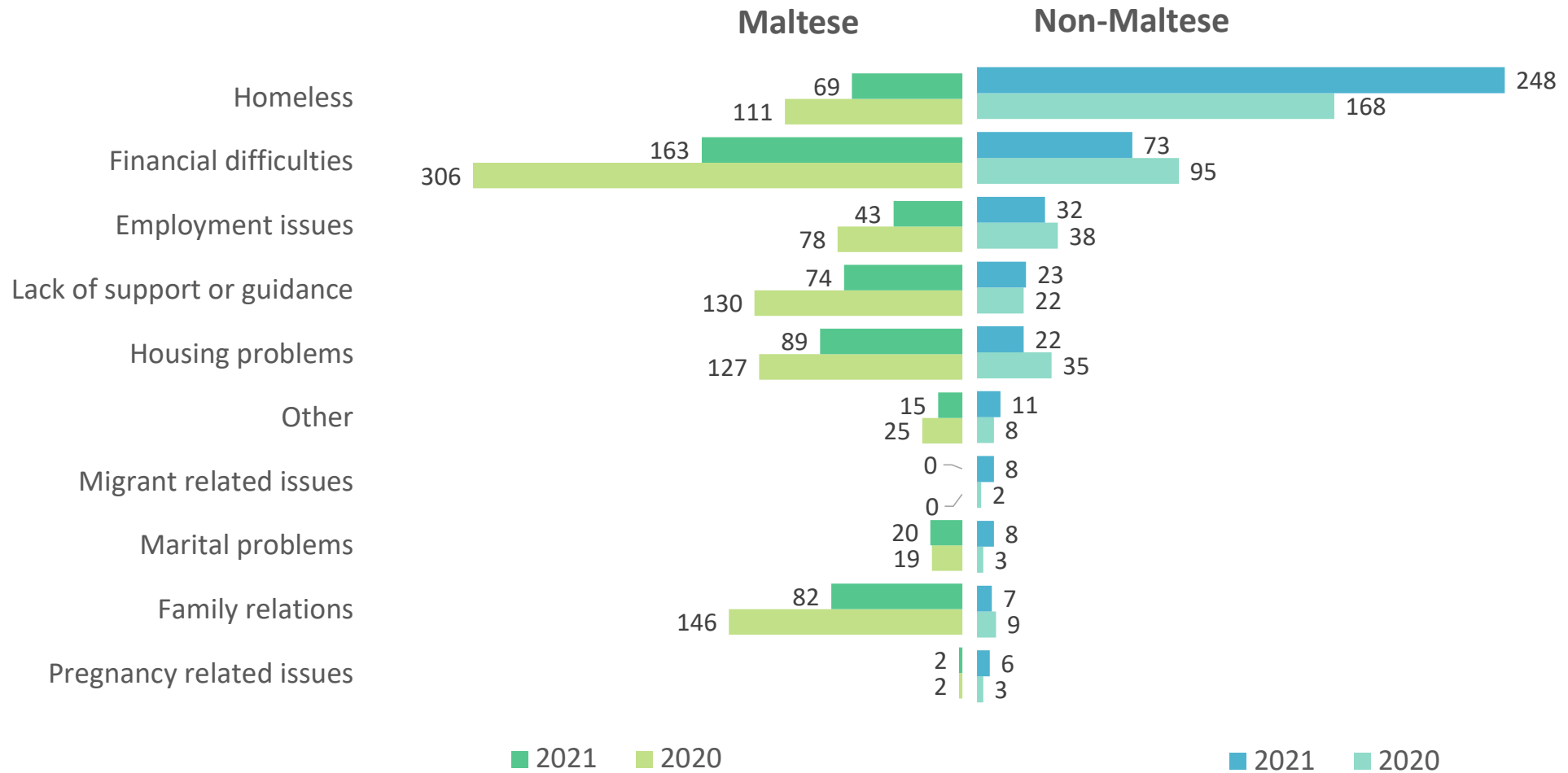


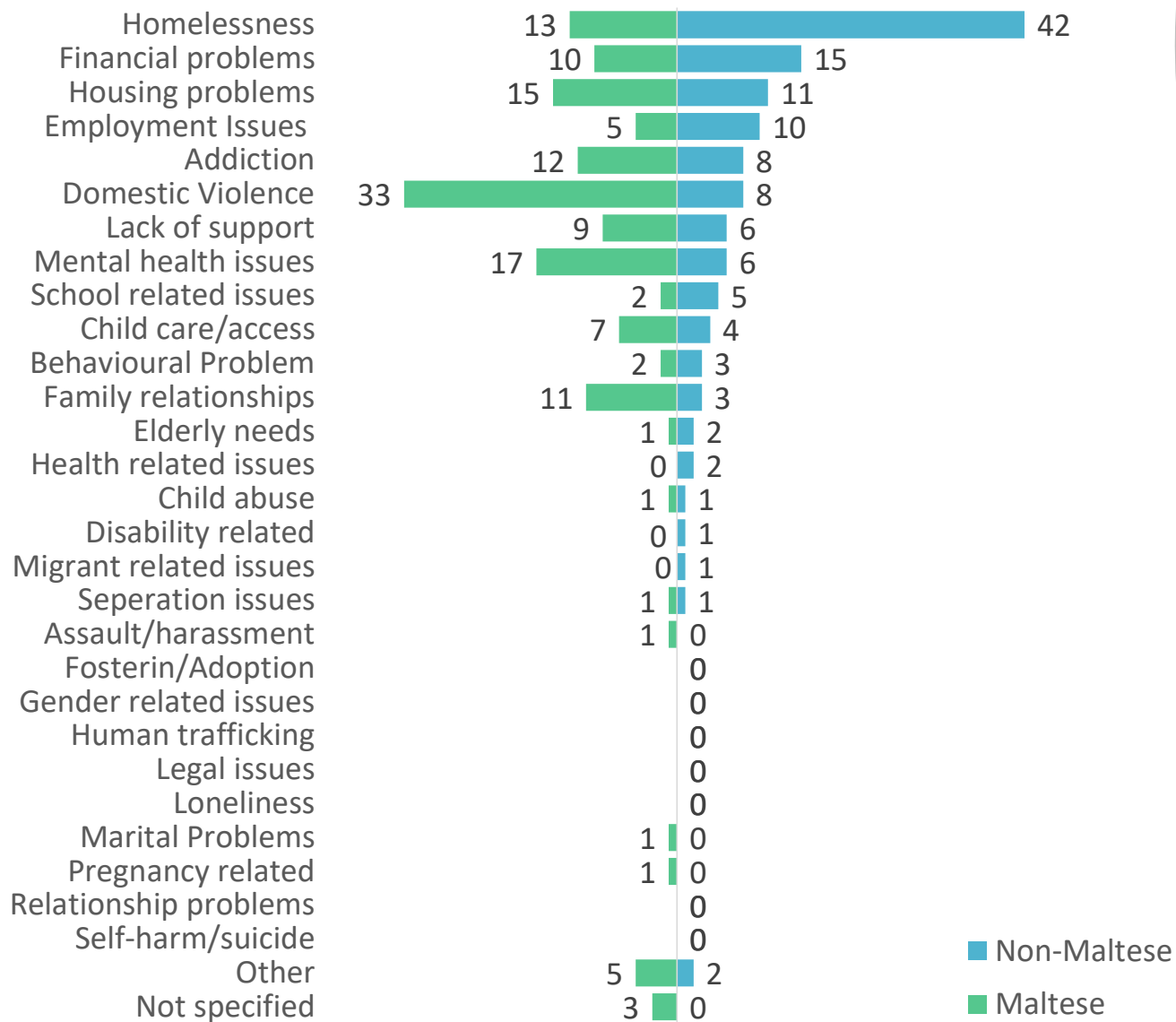


Primary problems
faced by non-
Maltese service
users

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Top 10 primary problems reported for cases opened in 2020 and 2021

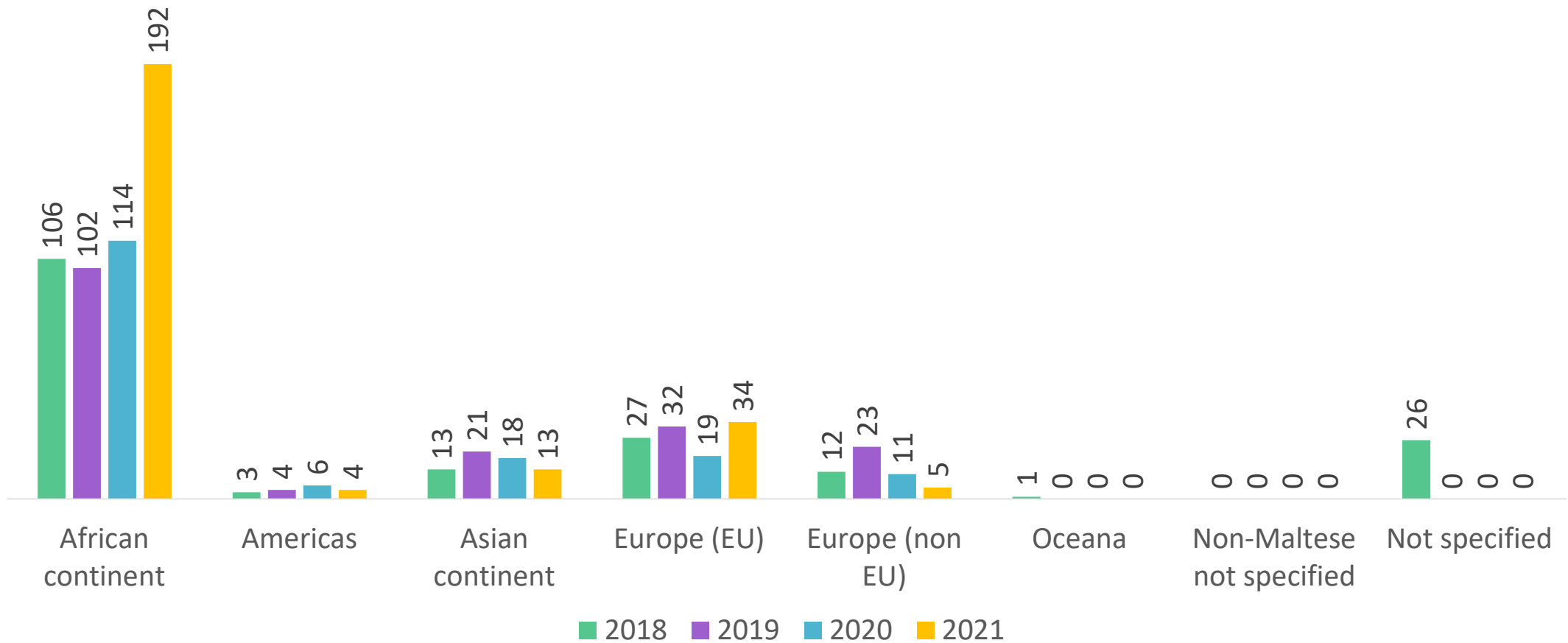




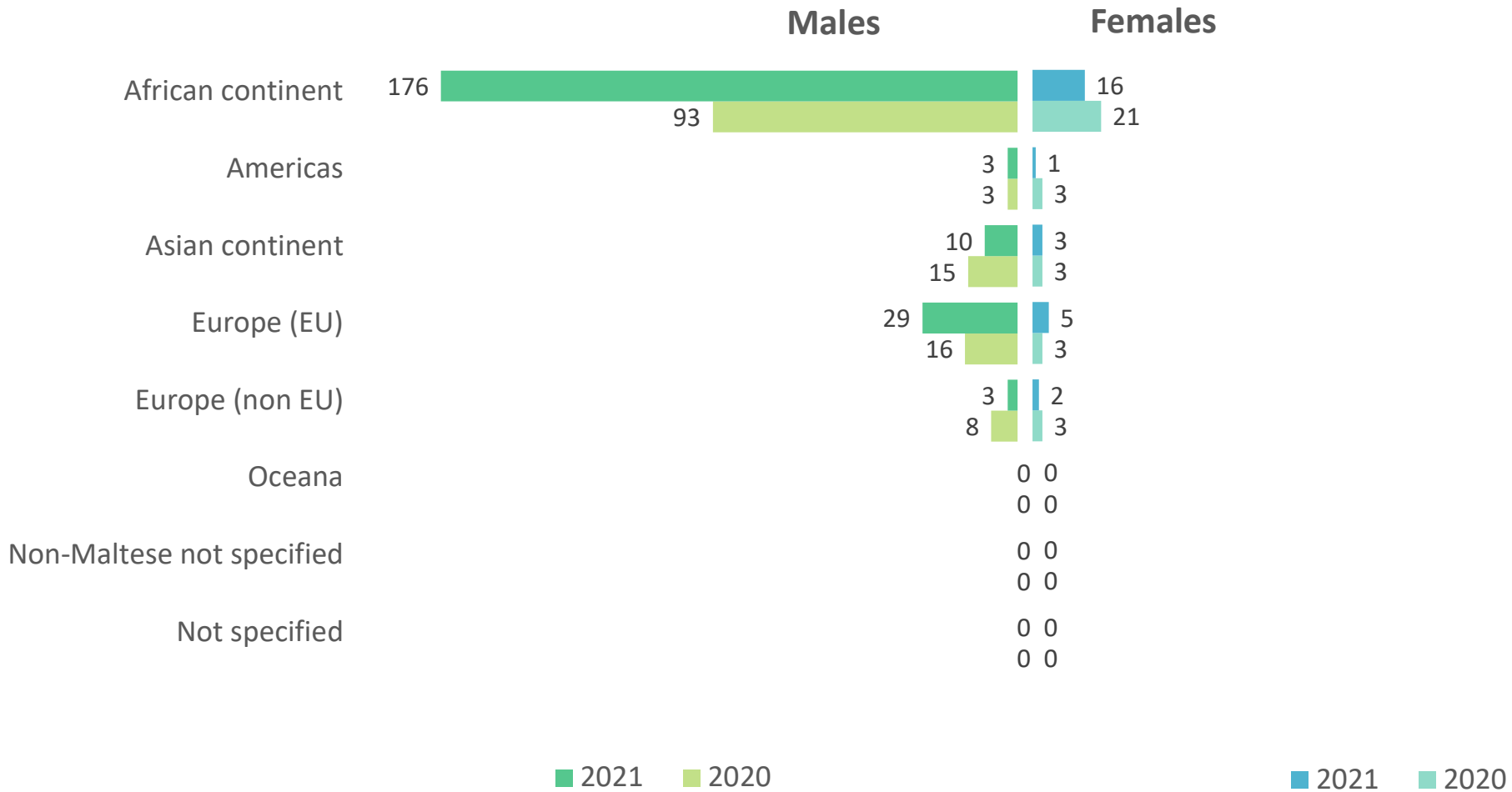
Number of cases referred to FSWS Gozo in 2021 by primary problem and nationality

281 referrals:
150 Maltese & 131 non-Maltese

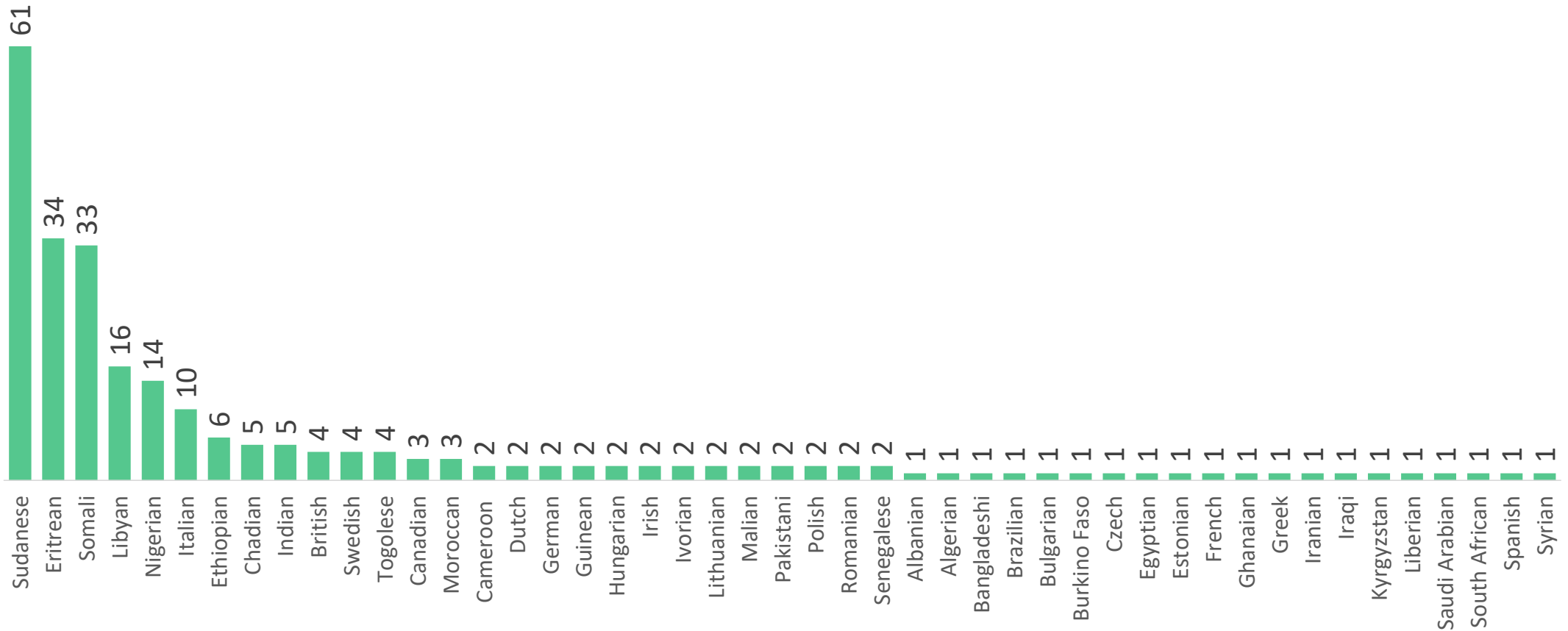
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 1: Homelessness



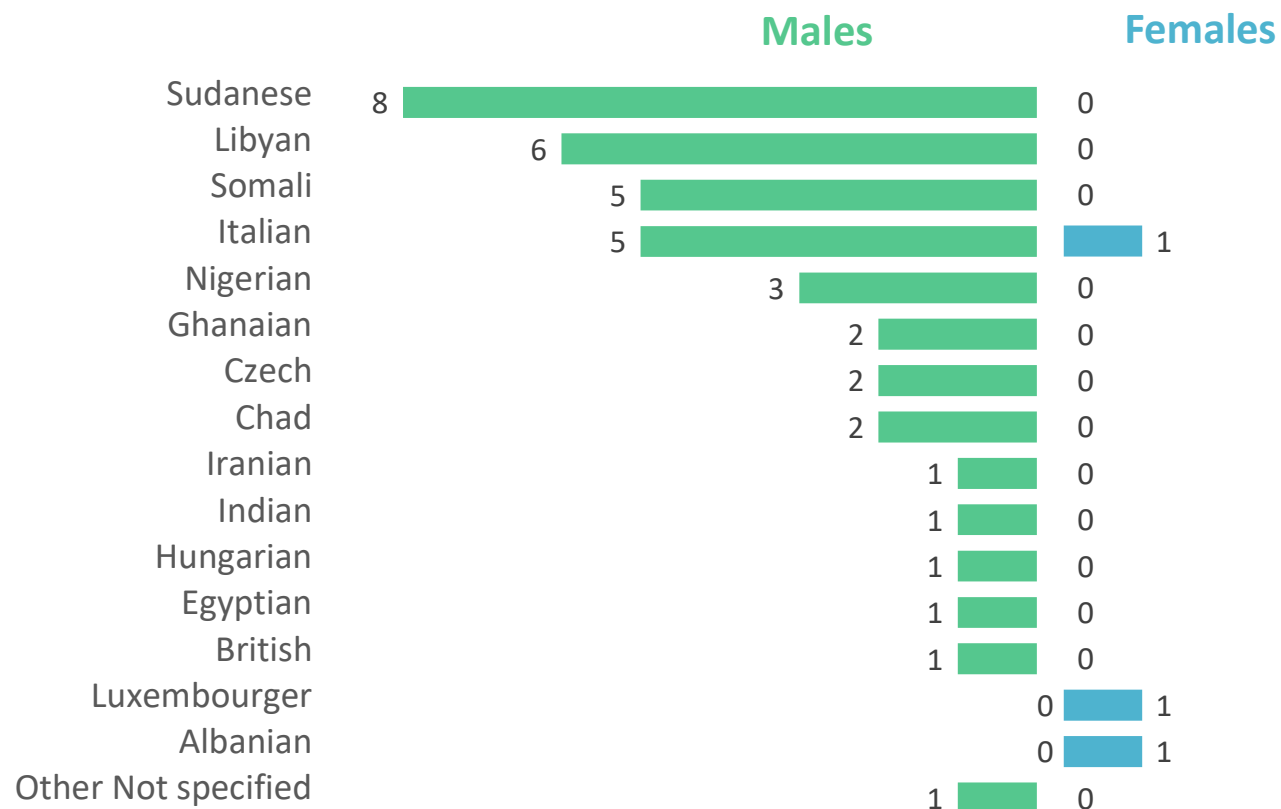
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 1 by gender: Homelessness



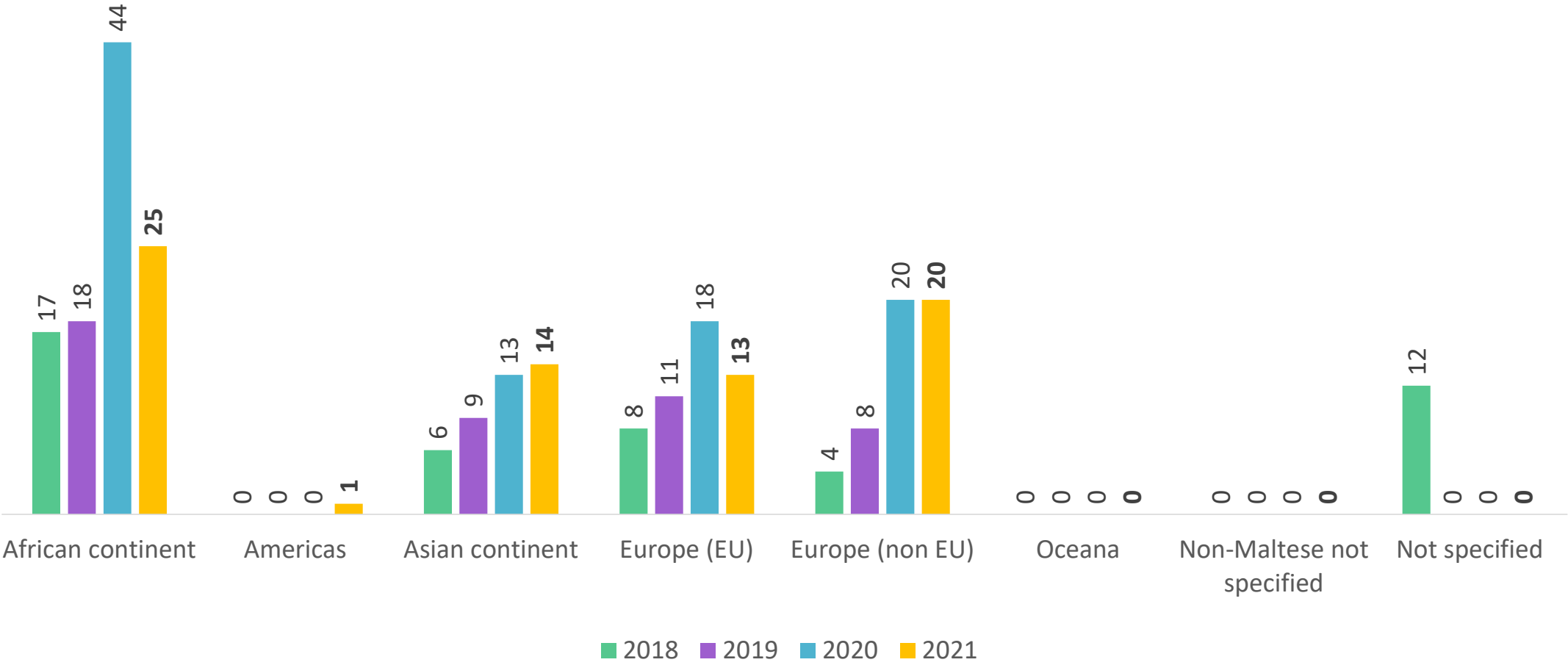
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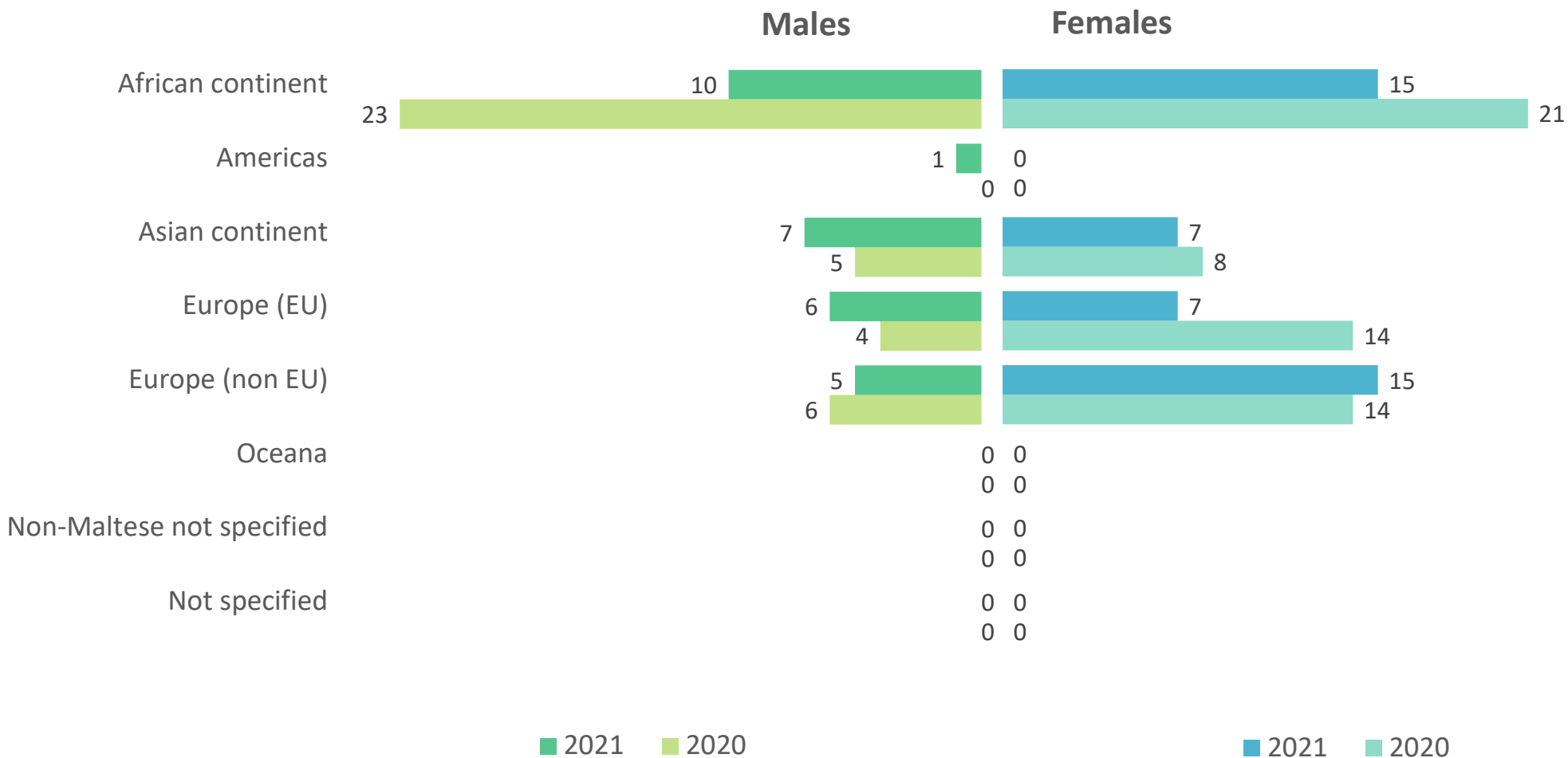
FSWS Gozo: number of cases referred in 2021 concerning non-Maltese who reported homelessness as a primary problem by specific nationality and sex



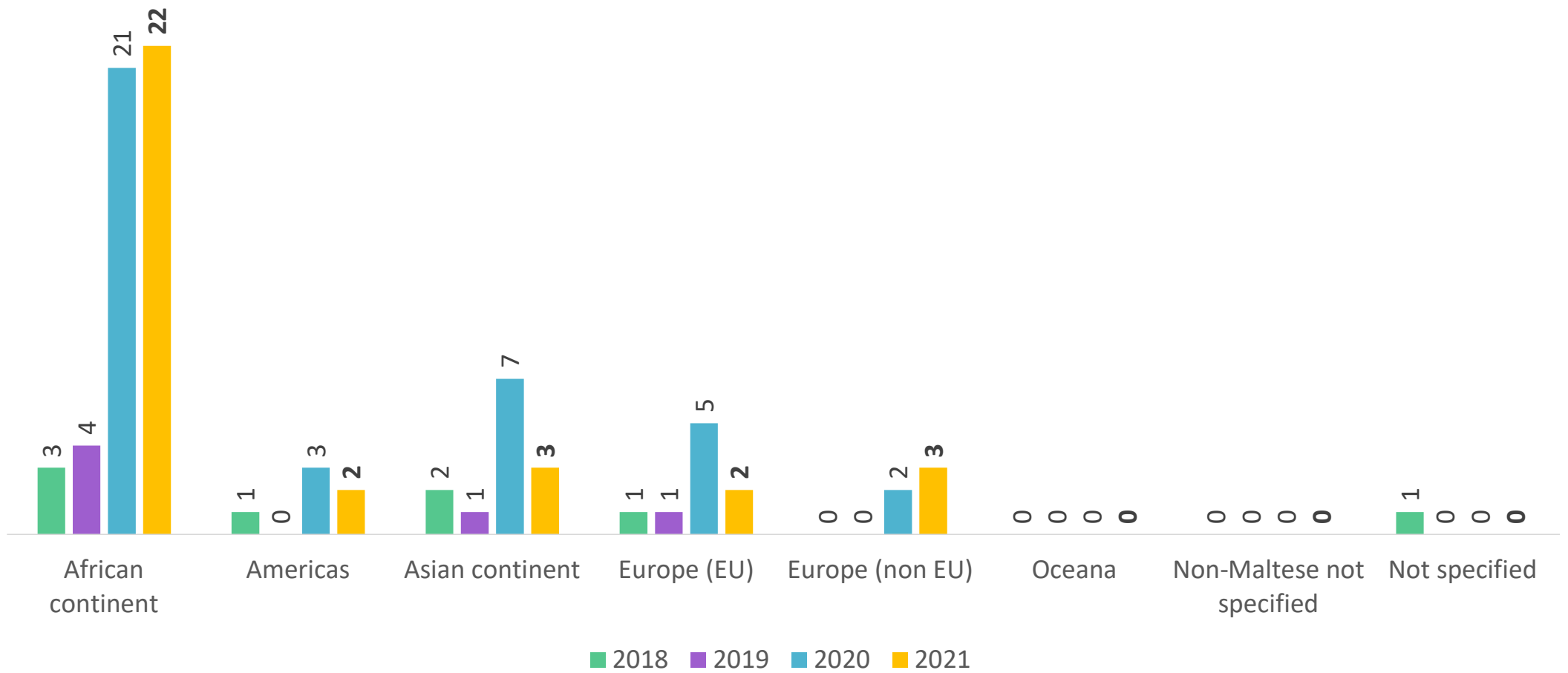
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 2: Financial difficulties



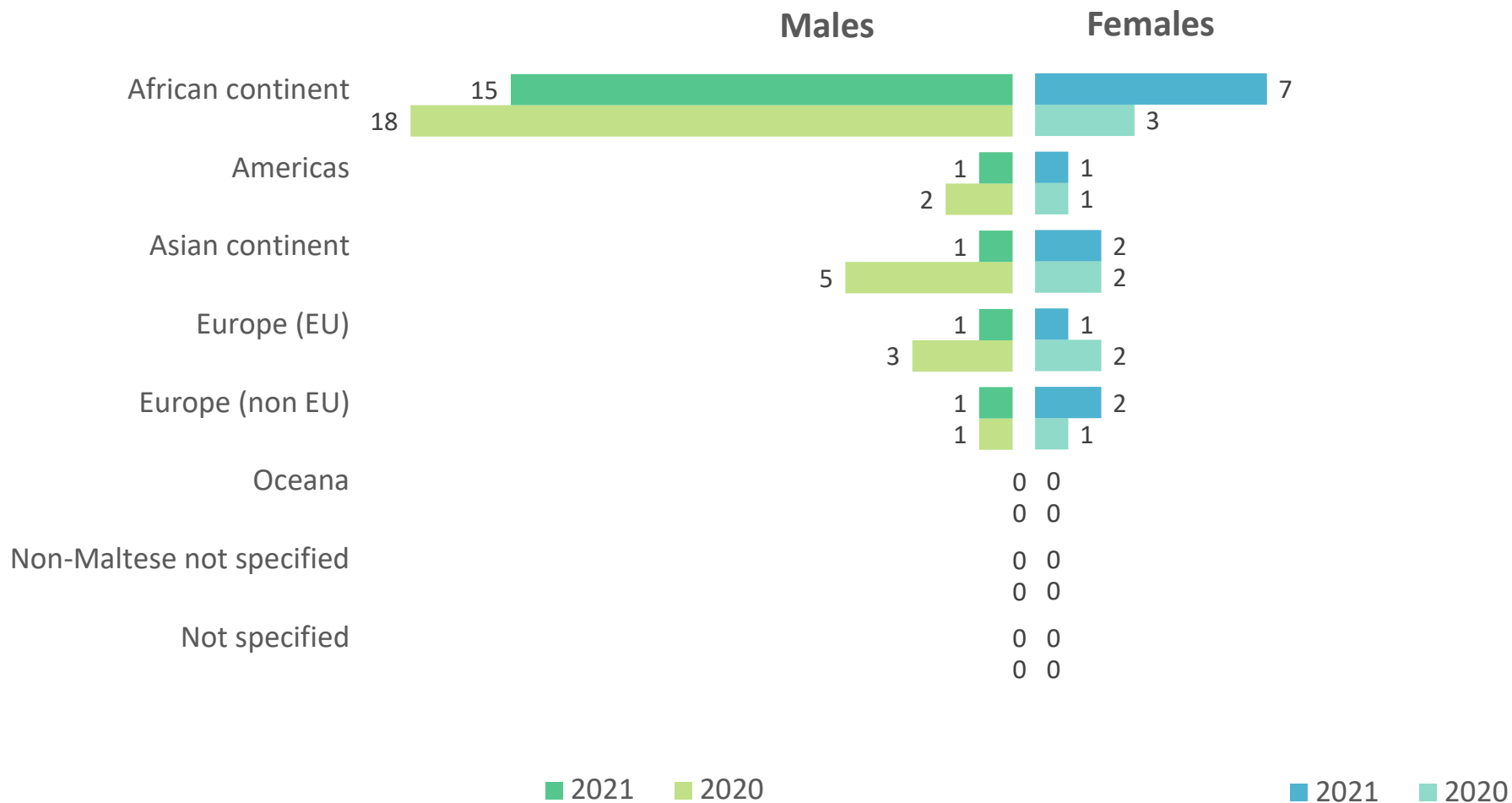
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 2 by gender: Financial problems



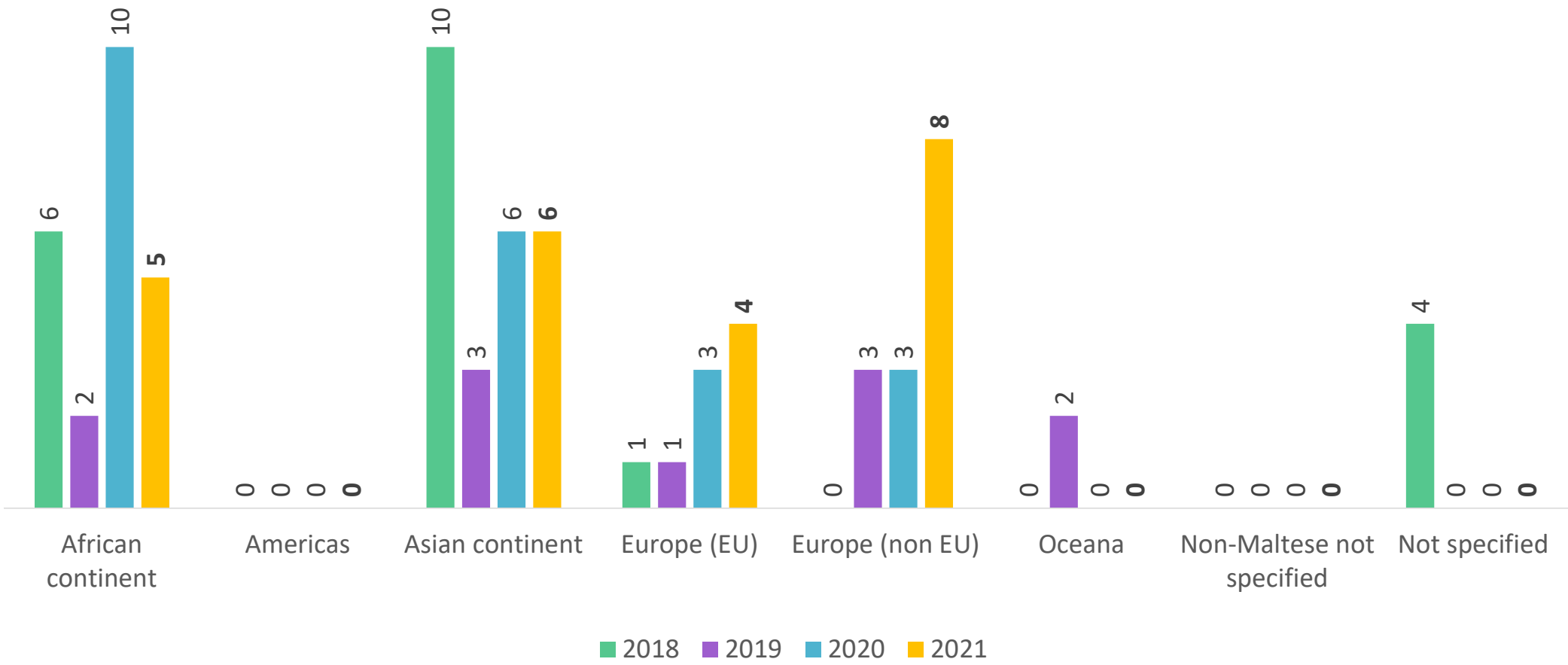
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 3: Employment issues



Non-Maltese Primary Problem 3 by gender: Employment issues



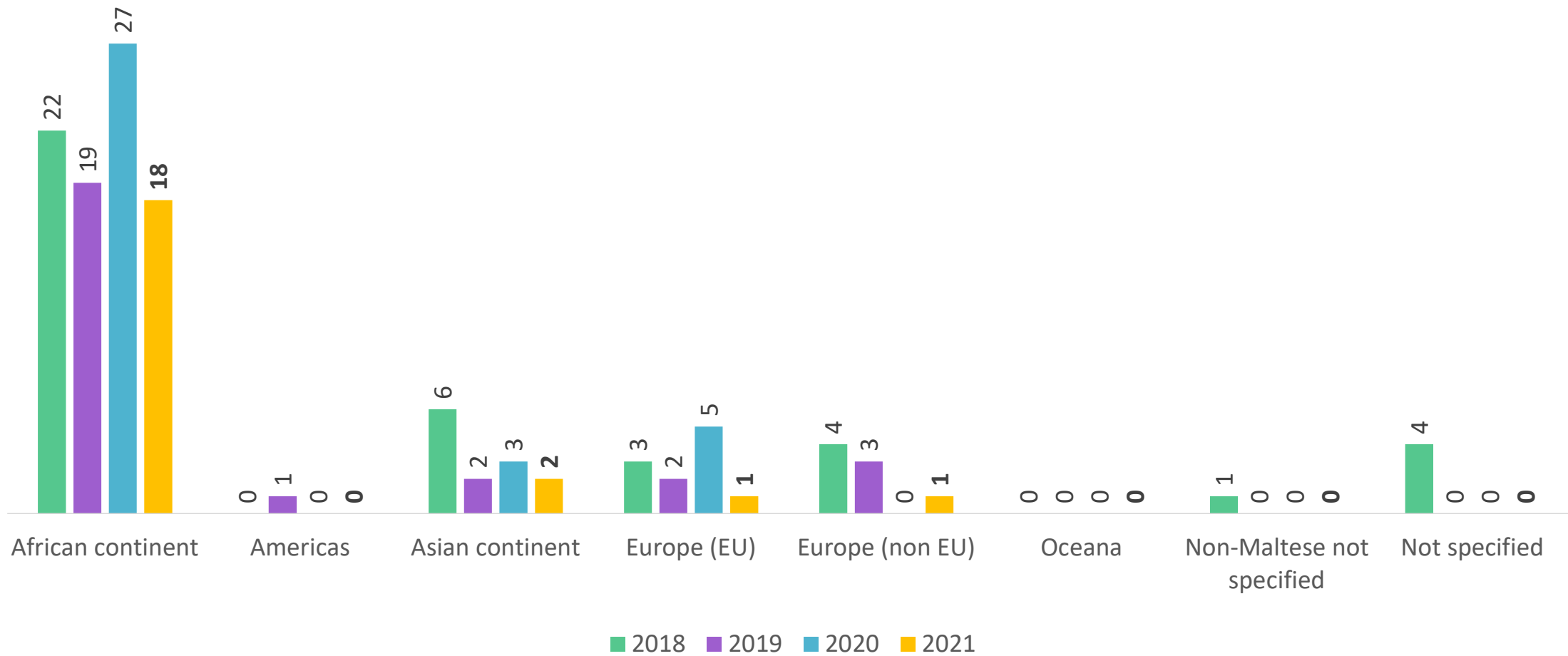
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 4: Lack of support or guidance



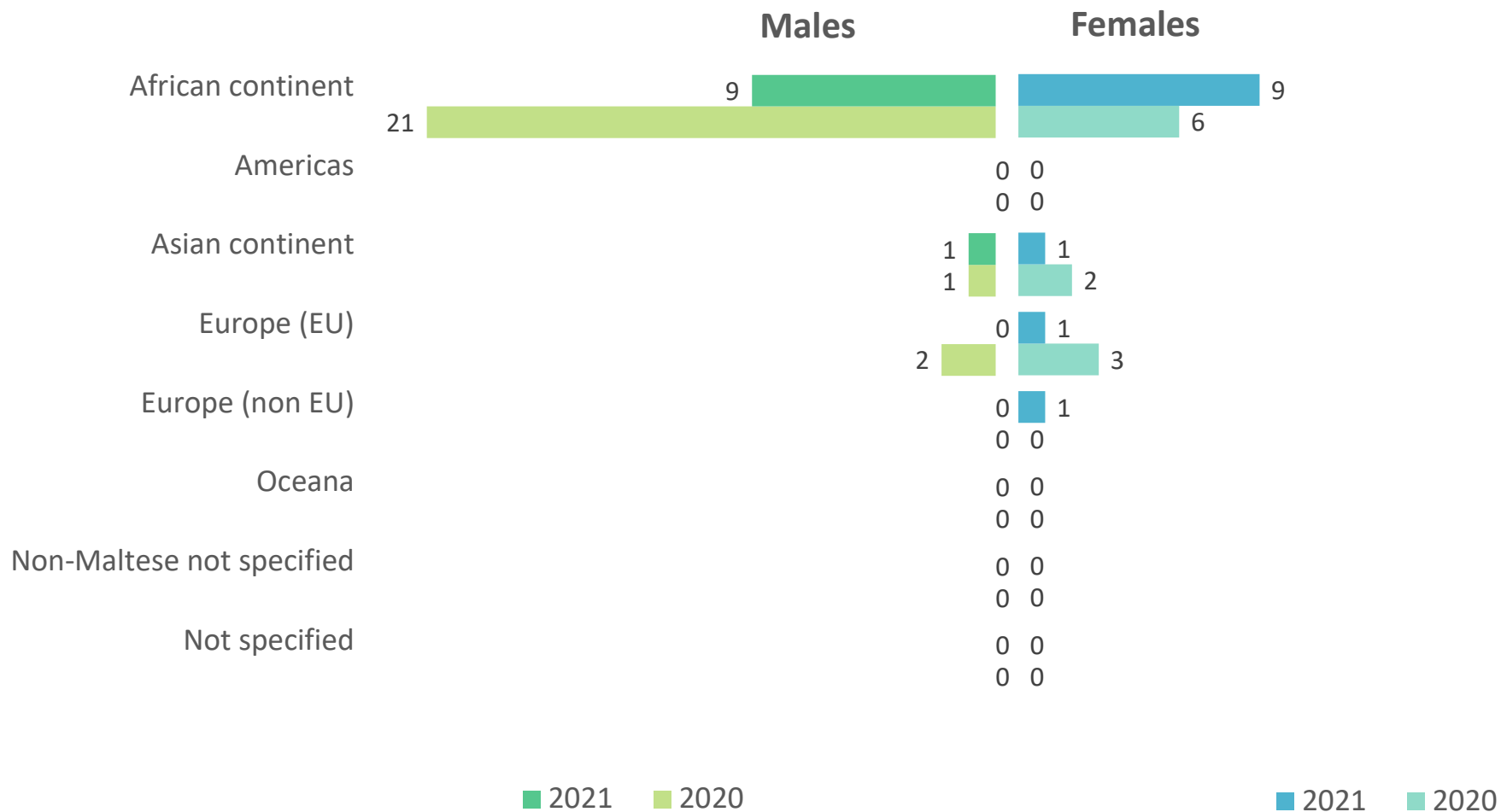
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 4 by gender: Lack of support or guidance



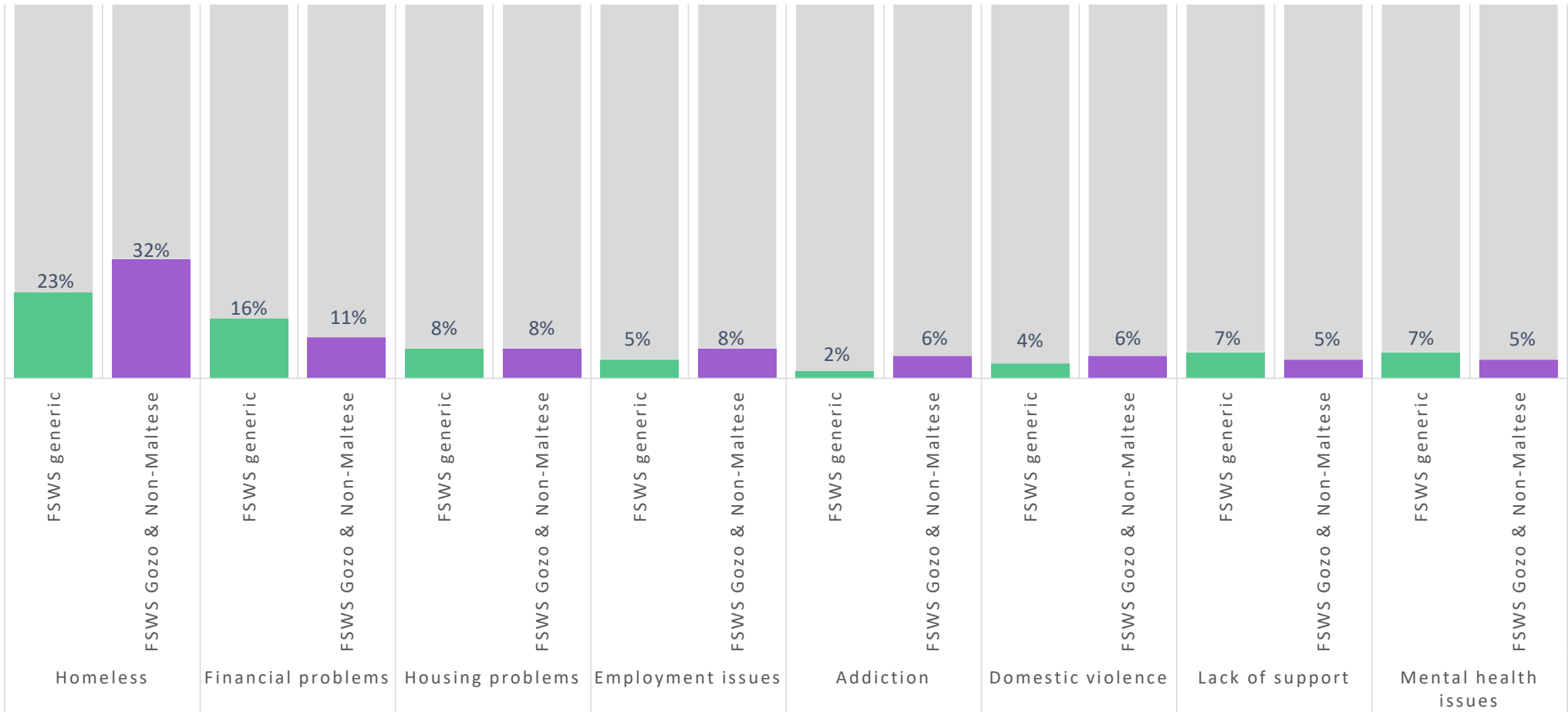
Non-Maltese Primary Problem 5: Housing problems



Non-Maltese Primary Problem 5 by gender: Housing problems



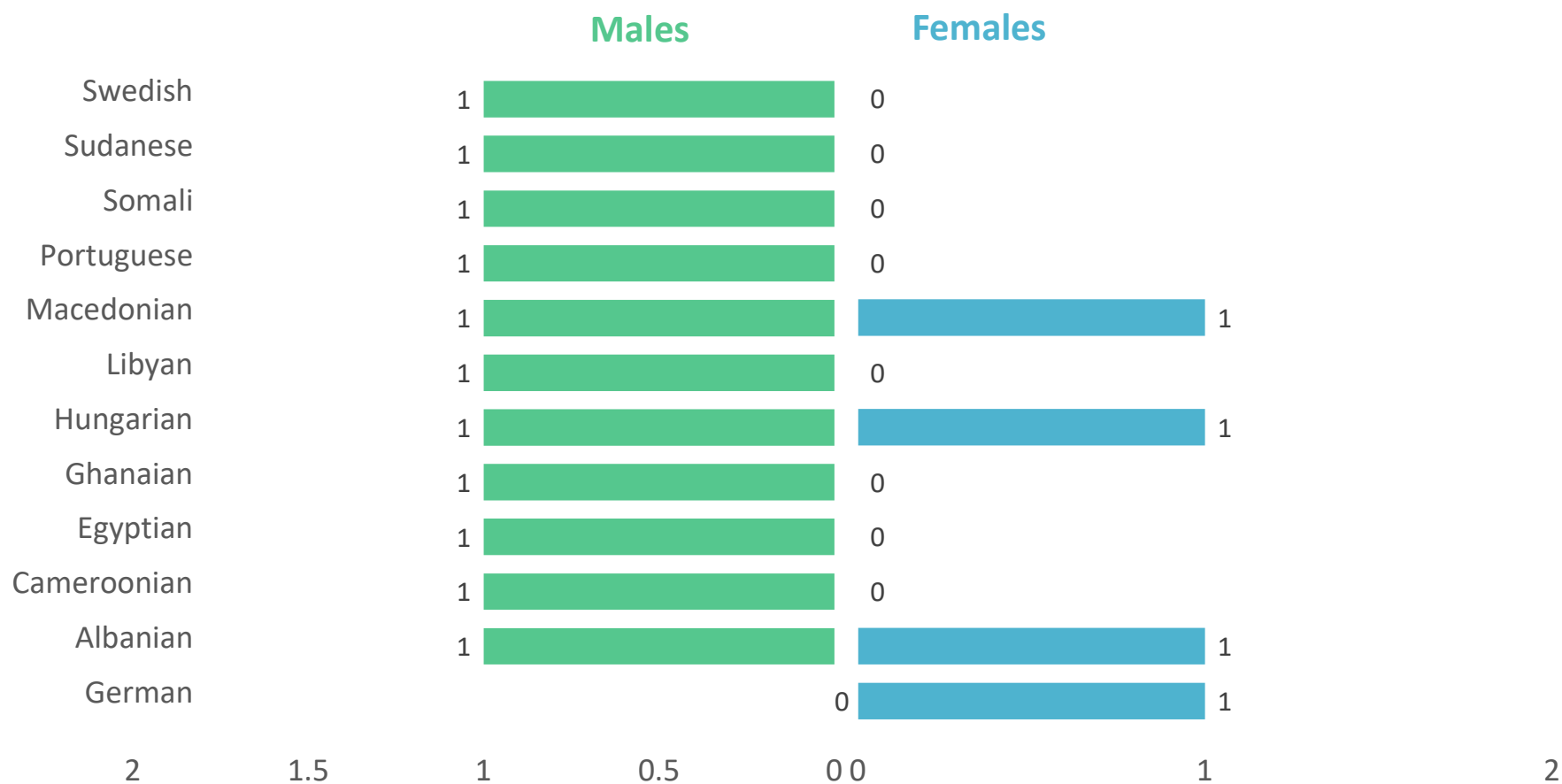
The top 8 primary issues identified by non-Maltese service users for cases referred to **FSWS Gozo** in 2021 (131 cases) compared to all FSWS generic* service users' cases referred in 2021 (1628 cases)



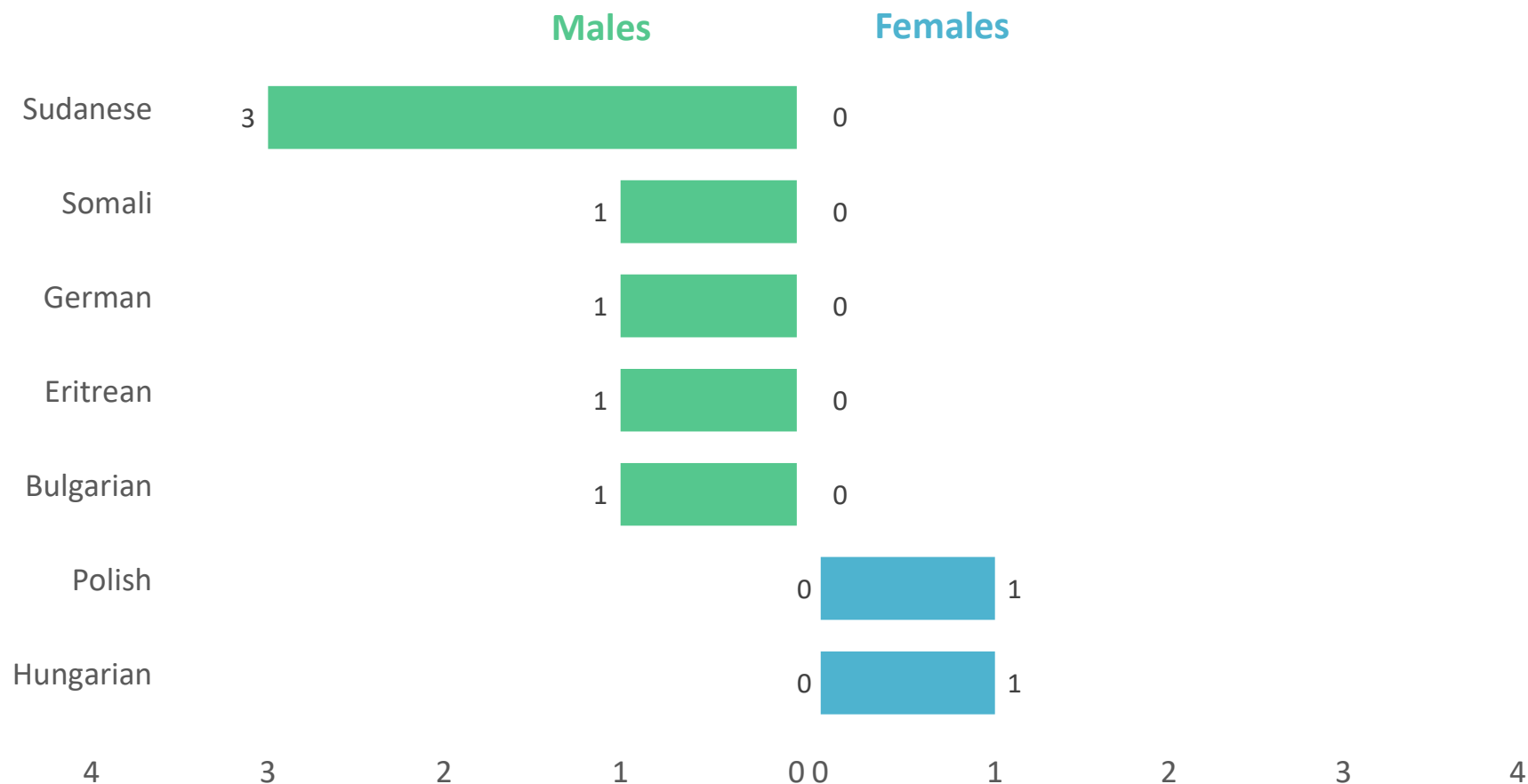
■ Yes
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*IFSS, ACTS communities & FSWS Gozo communities

FSWS Gozo: number of cases referred in 2021 concerning non-Maltese who reported **financial issues** as a primary problem by specific nationality and sex



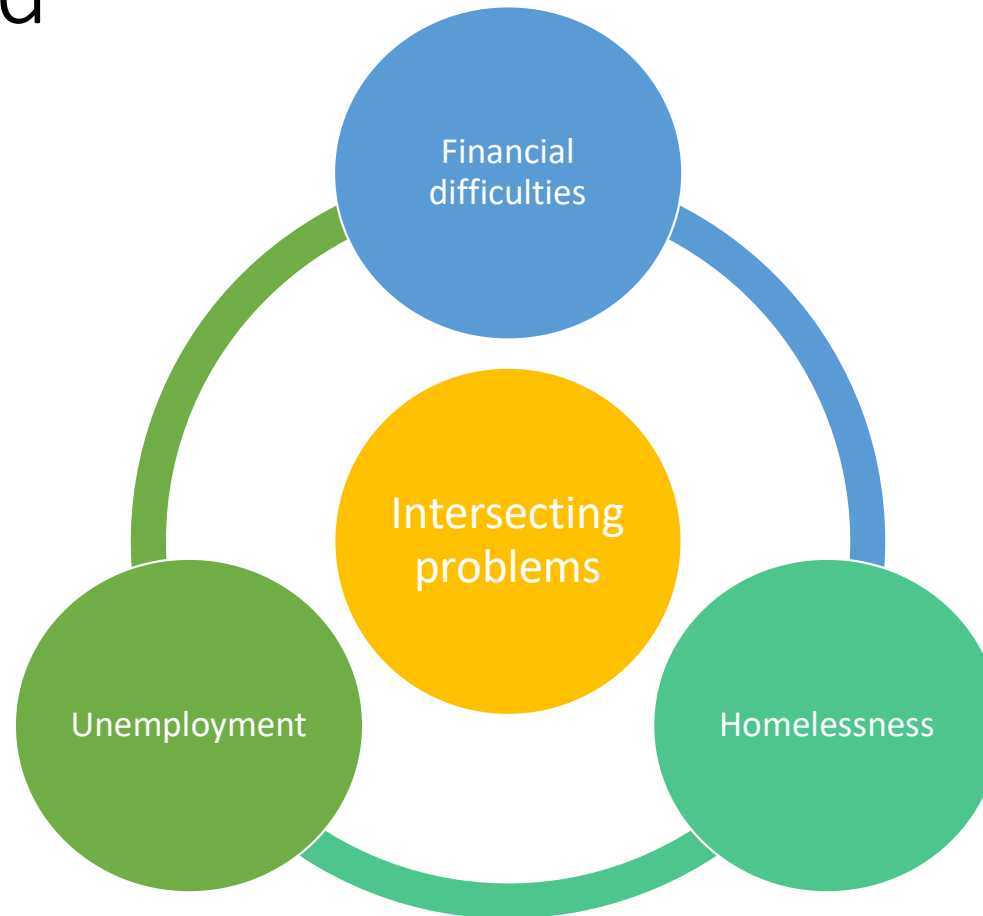
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Way Forward

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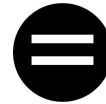
- Large cohort of TCN service users who often need support in acquiring legal documentation.
- More vulnerable to experiencing structural barriers to integration
- More vulnerable to racism and discrimination.



Way forward

Positives on inclusion:

Social
Integration



positive benefits to labour
markets

Can economically contribute through
taxes

We can have an upsurge of a
younger workforce



Way forward

- Social prescribing/community referrals can address social alienation, loneliness and isolation experienced by migrants through support to join community groups.
- It also improves migrant's chances to integrate into the society they are living in while improving their overall well-being.

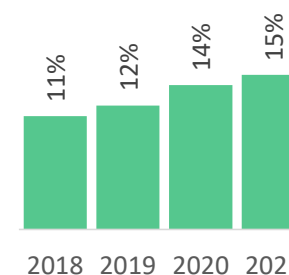
Summary

Increases in non-Maltese within the general population (20% Non-Maltese)

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Increases in non-Maltese within FSWS Service users

FSWS sees similar % as the general population



% of cases opened who are **non-Maltese**

The majority of FSWS non-Maltese cases opened are:



Male

57% of non-Maltese cases opened in 2021

European Continent



43% of cases opened in 2021

Primary Problem:



Homelessness



Financial Problems



FSWS Research

Vision Statement

Research that educates, inspires, and informs quality responses to improve the wellbeing of children, families, and communities.

Mission Statement

To contribute to a knowledge base that informs responses to social needs through high quality research