

Transitional Policing Strategies in a Neo-European Context: Examining Challenges and Effective Practices

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Research Questions

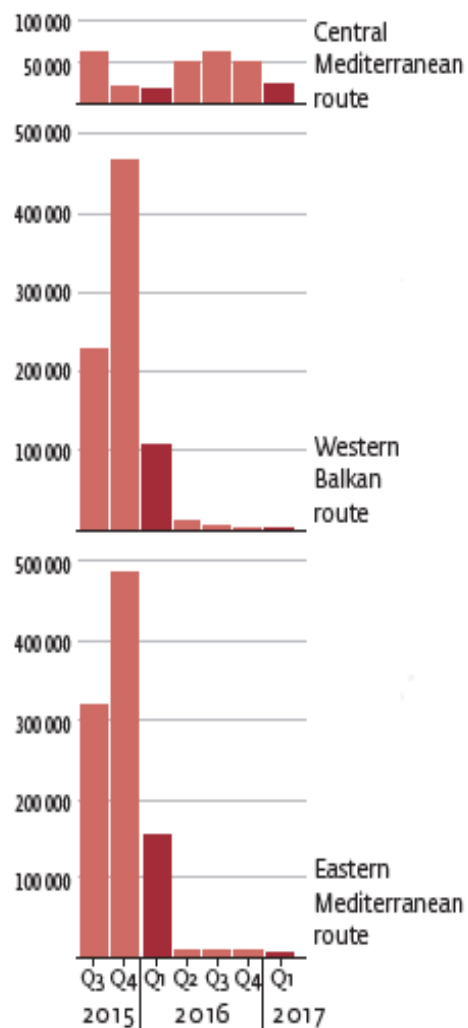
- What policing model is effective in culturally diverse transition communities?
- What crime etiological correlates should be the focus of police crime control efforts in transition communities?
- What police strategic adaptations are prompted by rapid community heterogeneity?
- What community engagement and crime control protocols are most efficacious in culturally diverse transition communities?

European Mass Migration 2015-2017

Trend

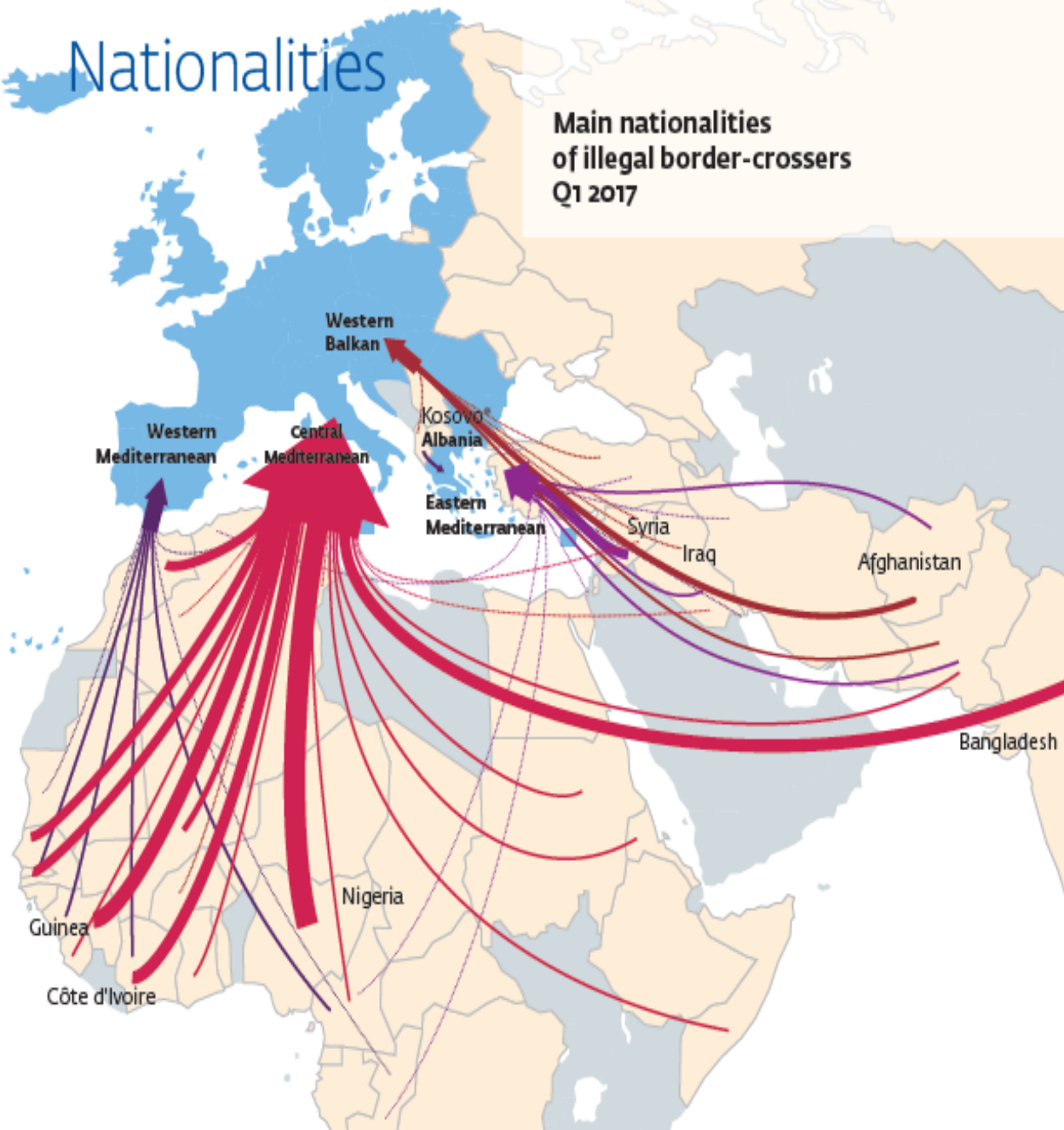
Quarterly detections of illegal border-crossing, 2015-2017

Number



Nationalities

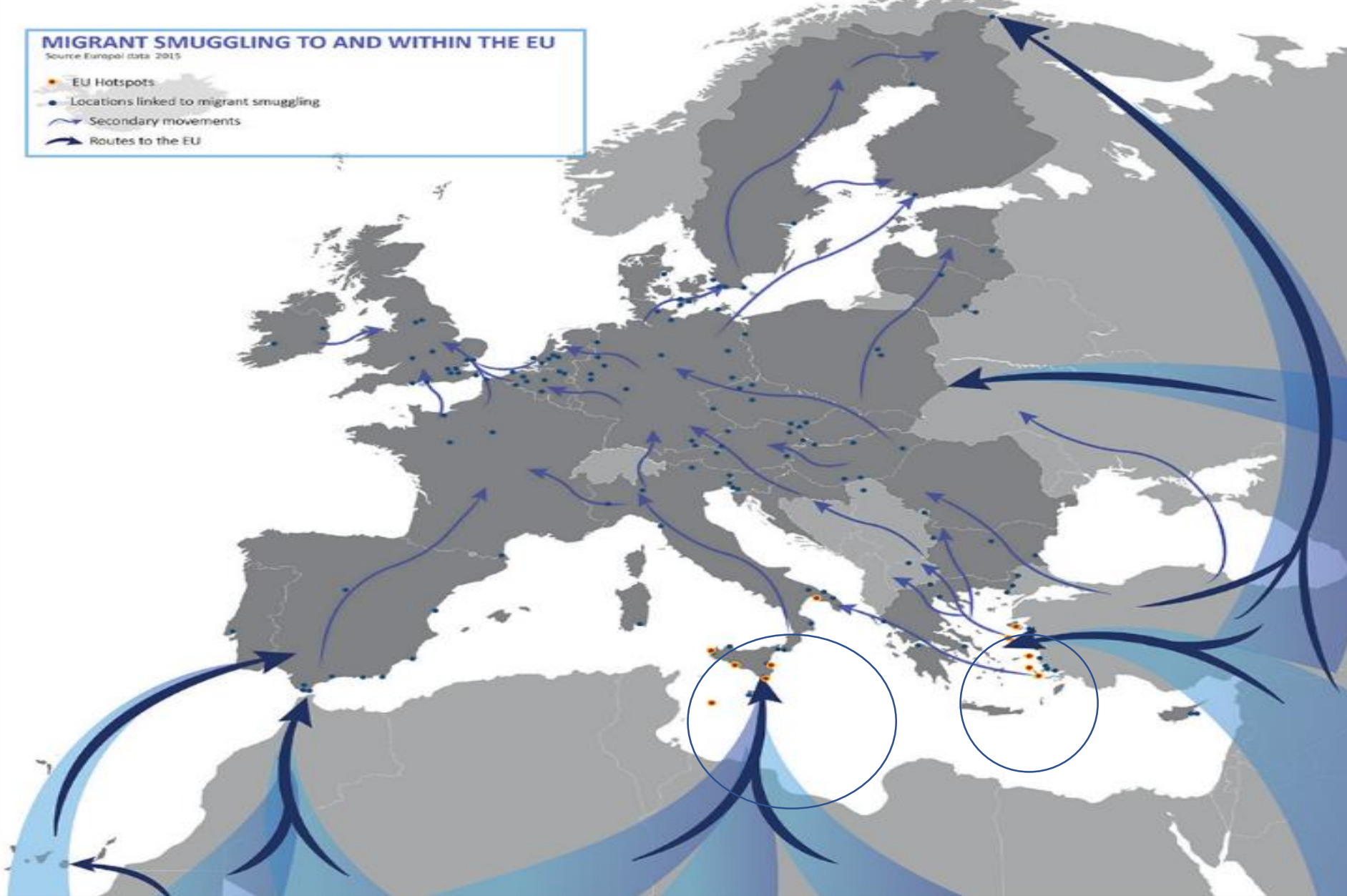
Main nationalities of illegal border-crossers Q1 2017



MIGRANT SMUGGLING TO AND WITHIN THE EU

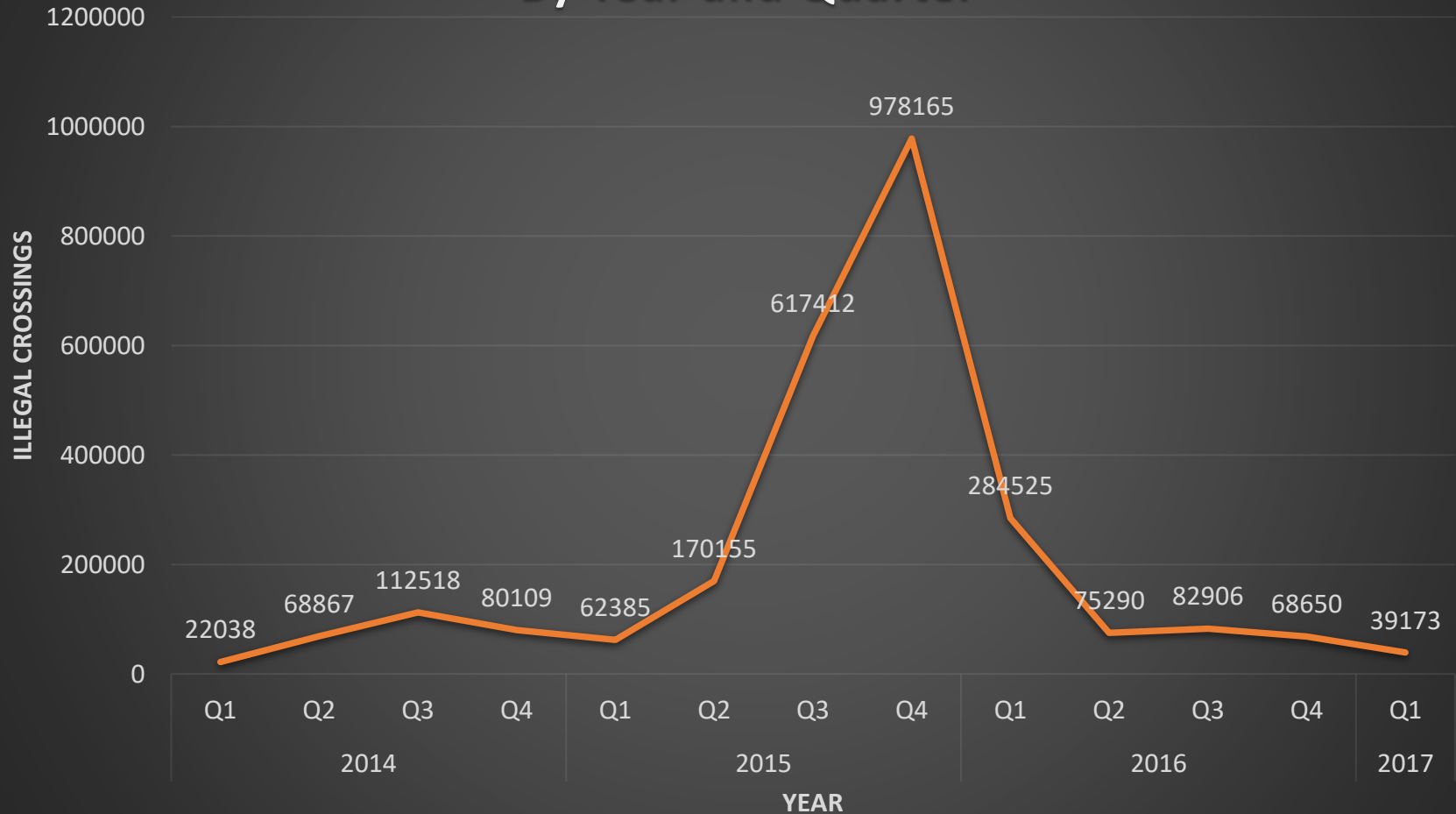
Source: Europol data, 2015

- EU Hotspots
- Locations linked to migrant smuggling
- Secondary movements
- Routes to the EU

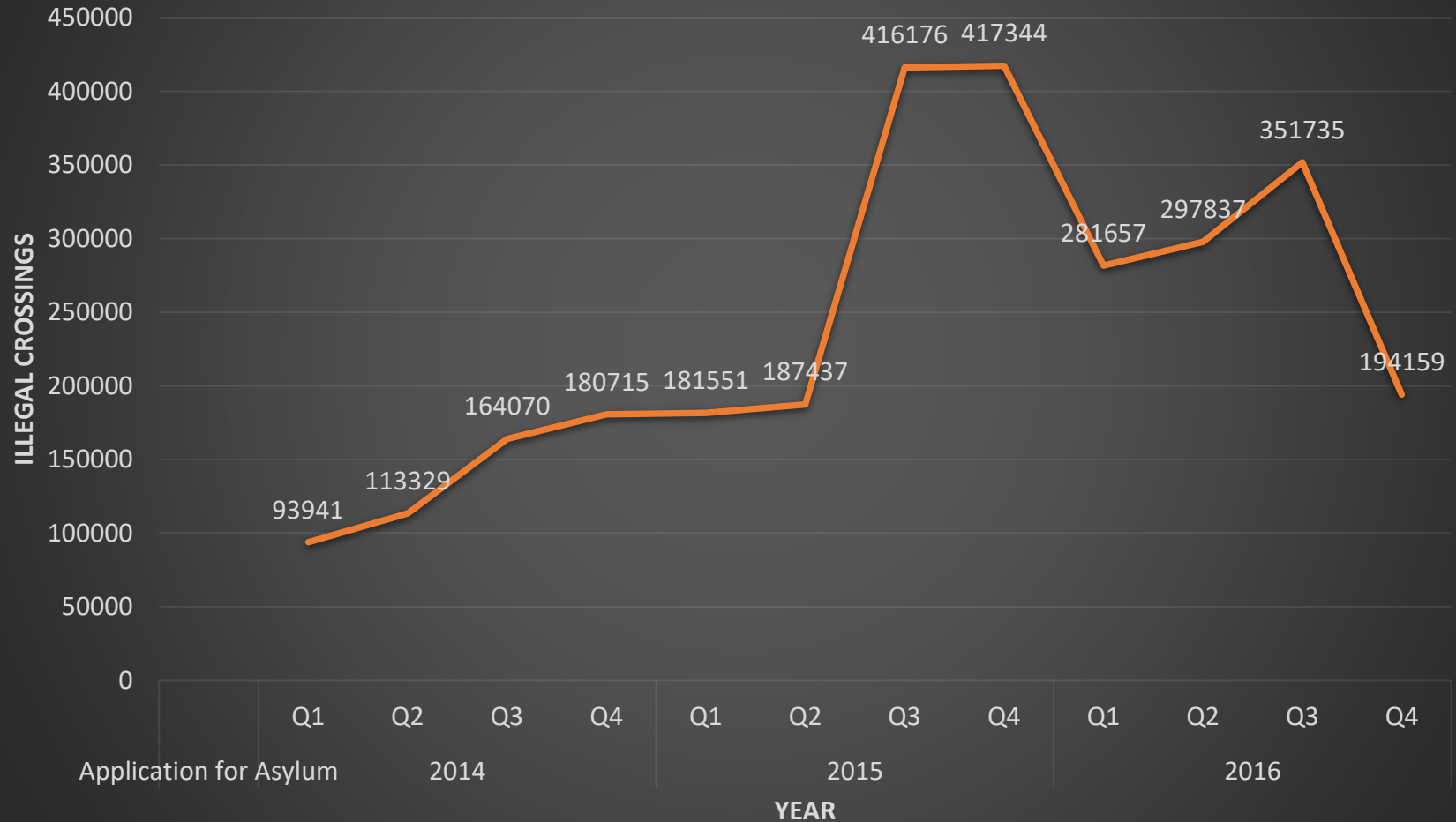


Source: FRONTEX, 2017

Detections of Illegal Border Crossings from Border Control Points By Year and Quarter



Application For Asylum By Year and Quarter



European Migrants 2015-2017

Migration Type	Number of Persons
• Asylum seeker applicants	• 2.6 million
• Detected illegal border crossings	• 2.4 million
• European Resettlement	• 17,179
• Undetected illicit migration	• Unknown
• TOTAL	• <u>5,017,179</u>

European Mass Migration Effects

- Rapid population growth and transformation in urban areas
- Intense cultural diversification of communities
- Formulation or expansion of diaspora enclaves
- Increased migrant marginalization/victimization risk
- Assimilation with native population and culture
- Cultural barriers to effective delivery of governmental services
- Impact on public safety landscape

Security Risks

- Organized crime actors embedded in diaspora communities
- Increase in transnational crime activity
- Youth violent extremism radicalization
- Rapid urbanization expansion shrinking social distance
- Socio-economic marginalization of migrant population
- Victimization of migrant/diaspora population

Crime etiological correlates in transition communities

- Migrant socio-economic marginalization
- Adverse effects of urbanization and population density
- Cultural norms that oppose native laws and customs
- Cultural barriers to victim protection
- Diaspora connection and vulnerability to country of origin criminal actors
- Influence of transnational crime elements

Policing Models

- Crime control
 - Detection and apprehension
- Order Maintenance
 - Peace keeping
- Community-oriented
 - Community engagement
- Problem-oriented
 - Crime origin and etiology
- Intelligence-led
 - Data driven decision making/operations

Policing strategic adaptation in transition communities

- Emphasis on securitization
- Transition to intelligence-led policing model
- Intensify interdiction efforts to counter organized crime and youth radicalization influences
- Improve proactive community engagement and outreach
- Demystify police services in migrant communities
- Coordinate governmental services to reduce crime ecological, social, and economic correlates

Police Transition Strategies: Recommendations

- Enhance the cultural IQ of police organization and personnel
- Shift focus to changing crime and criminal landscape
- Improve intelligence gathering mechanism
- Establish/enhance community partnerships to reduce public suspicion and improve police legitimacy

Conclusions

- Concentrated migration surge changed population demographics presenting new challenges to European police efforts
- Policing services must adapt by using integrated practices that utilize intelligence-driven applications
- Targeted intervention methods are necessary to address a transformation in organized crime, terrorism, and youth violent extremism radicalization

Conclusions

- Problem-oriented approaches are necessary to address community socio-economic and environmental conditions that adversely affect public safety
- Community outreach efforts must be expanded to improve public trust and police legitimacy.