

## **Turkey: 22 migrants die in truck crash, 13 others injured**

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**Turkish police forensic experts examine the wreckage of a truck, carrying migrants, after it crashed in Izmir, Turkey October 14, 2018. (Mehmet Candan/Demiroren News Agency (DHA) via REUTERS)**

**Istanbul:** At least 22 migrants, including children, have been killed in a truck accident Sunday, Turkey's official news agency said.

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Thirteen people were injured in the crash and were being treated in nearby hospitals. Their nationalities were not given and authorities have launched an investigation.

**Rescue workers inspect an overturned truck after an accident that killed over a dozen migrants and injured numerous more in Izmir, Turkey, Sunday, Oct. 14, 2018. The Anadolu news agency says the migrants were traveling in a truck Sunday in the western province of Izmir when it rolled over. (DHA via AP)**

Turkish media reported the driver was among the injured and said in his initial statement to police that a car had swerved in front of him.

Hundreds of thousands of migrants have set out to sea from Turkey's coasts in the last few years to try to reach neighboring Greece, which is a member of the European Union. A deal with the EU in 2016 to send those migrants back to Turkey significantly curbed the number of border crossings but many desperate migrants still attempt the journey.

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