

Sea Arrivals Dashboard

Overview

In 2024, a total of 7,273 refugees and asylum-seekers arrived in Greece by sea. The majority are from Afghanistan (49%), Syria (14%), Egypt (13%), Eritrea (5%), and the State of Palestine (4%). Women account for 18%, children for 33% and men for 49%.

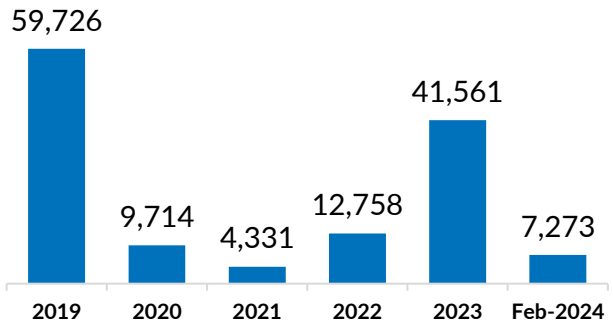
In February, there was an increase in arrivals on the islands with 3,906 people arriving, in contrast to January when 3,333 individuals had arrived. The number of arrivals in 2024 has increased by 245% compared to 2023.

During 2024, the majority of new arrivals were received by Lesbos, accounting for 45% of the total, followed by the Dodecanese islands at 18%, Samos at 13%, Chios at 12%, and other Islands at 12%.

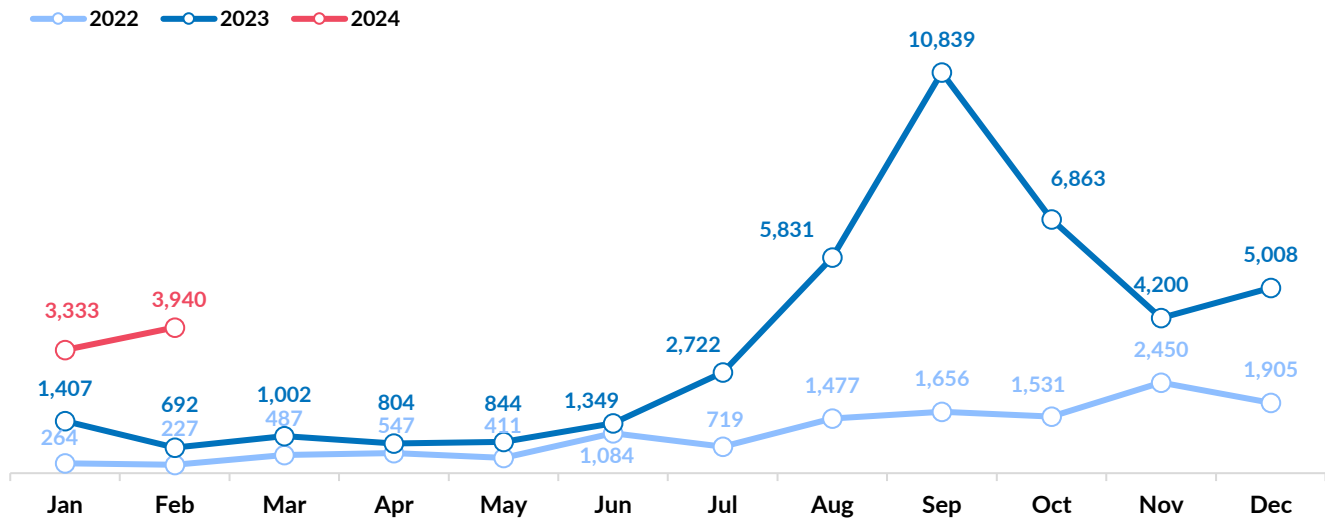
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sea arrivals January – February 2024 ¹

Arrivals from 2019 to Feb-2024

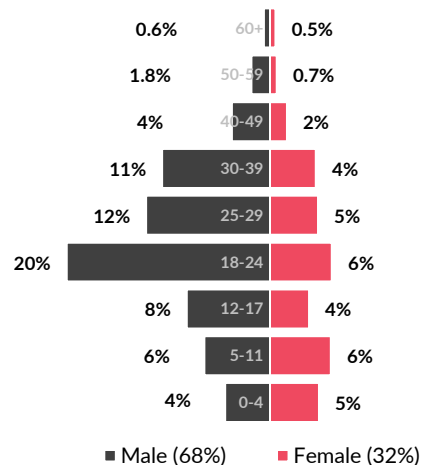


Monthly Arrivals 2022 to 2024



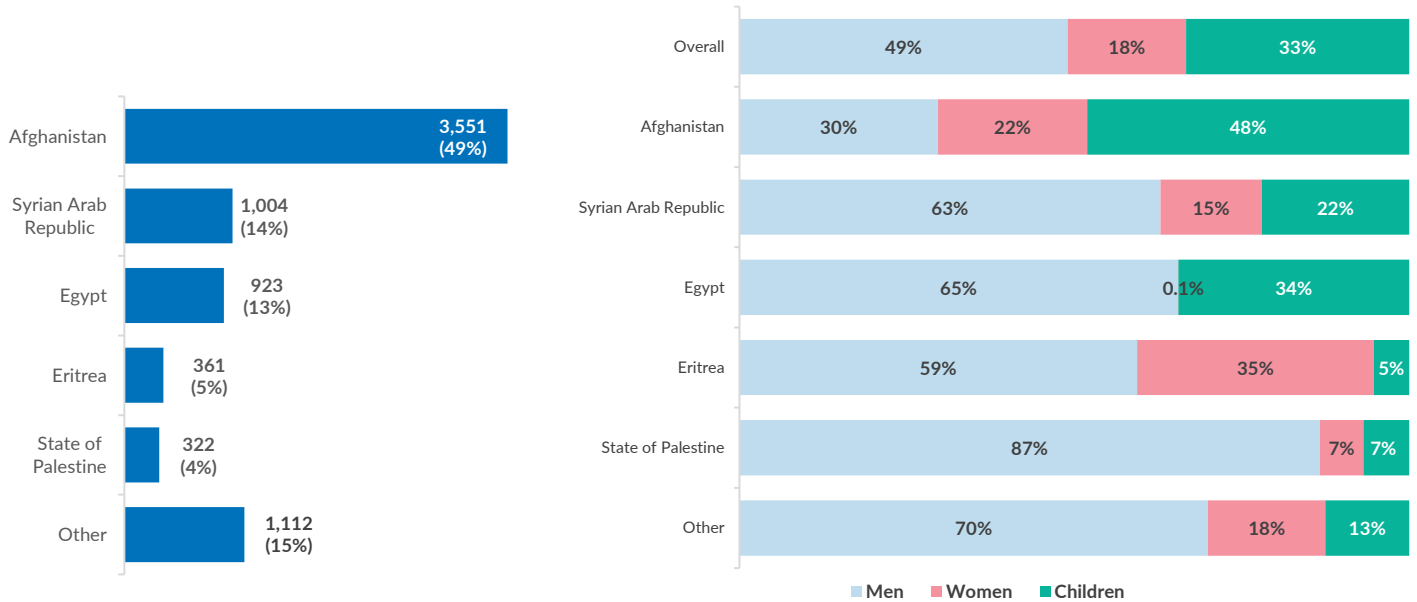
Demographics

In 2024, one-third of arrivals are children, whereas in 2023, the proportion was one-fifth. Of those, almost 6 out of 10 are below the age of 12. Moreover, 22% of all children were registered upon arrival as unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Egypt, Afghanistan, Somalia and Syria. Approximately 43% of the arrivals are men between the ages of 18 and 39, while only 4% are aged 50 years or older.



Demographics (continued)

Most of new arrivals in 2024 are from Afghanistan (3,521), Syria (1,004), and Egypt (923). As in the previous year, the majority of arrivals from Afghanistan come in family groups.



Entry points

During 2024, the majority of refugees and asylum-seekers in Greece arrived on Lesbos (44%), the Dodecanese Islands (18%), and Samos (13%).

