

GREECE Sea Arrivals Dashboard

Overview

So far in 2018, a total of 5,330 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece by sea. The majority are from Syria (38%), Iraq (27%) and Afghanistan (12%). More than half of the population are women (22%) and children (38%), while 40% are men.

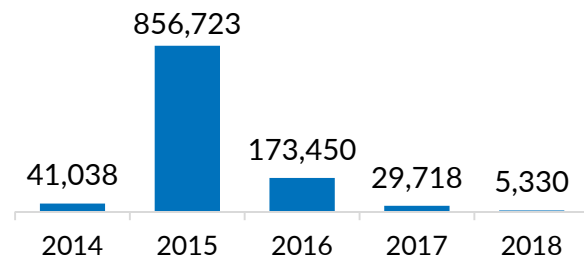
Arrivals in March 2018, at 2,441 increased in comparison to February, when 1,256 people arrived on the islands. Arrivals during the first 3 months of 2018 are 33% higher than those of 2017.

Lesvos, Samos and the Dodecanese islands received 94% of all new arrivals, during the first 3 months of 2018, followed by Chios (6%).

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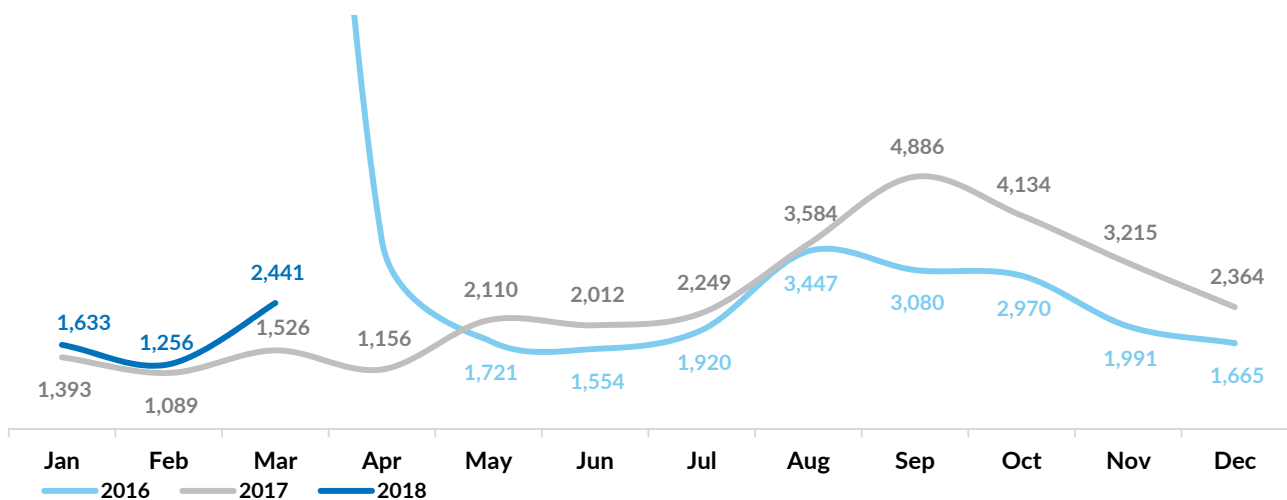
sea arrivals January to March 2018 ¹

Arrivals from 2014 to 2018



Monthly Arrivals 2016 to 2018

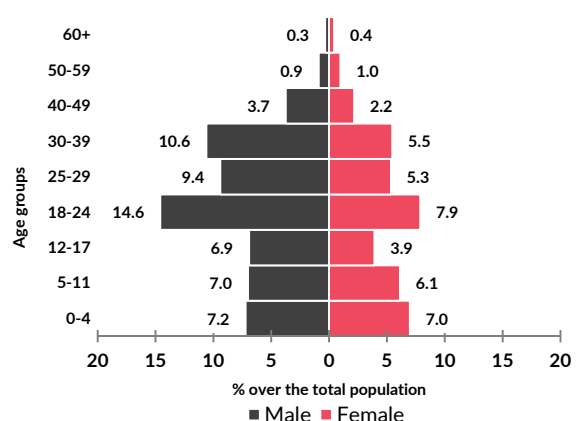
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Note – arrivals during the first months of 2016 exceeded 100,000. To better enable comparison between 2016, 2017 & 2018, the monthly arrivals chart has been truncated at 8,000.

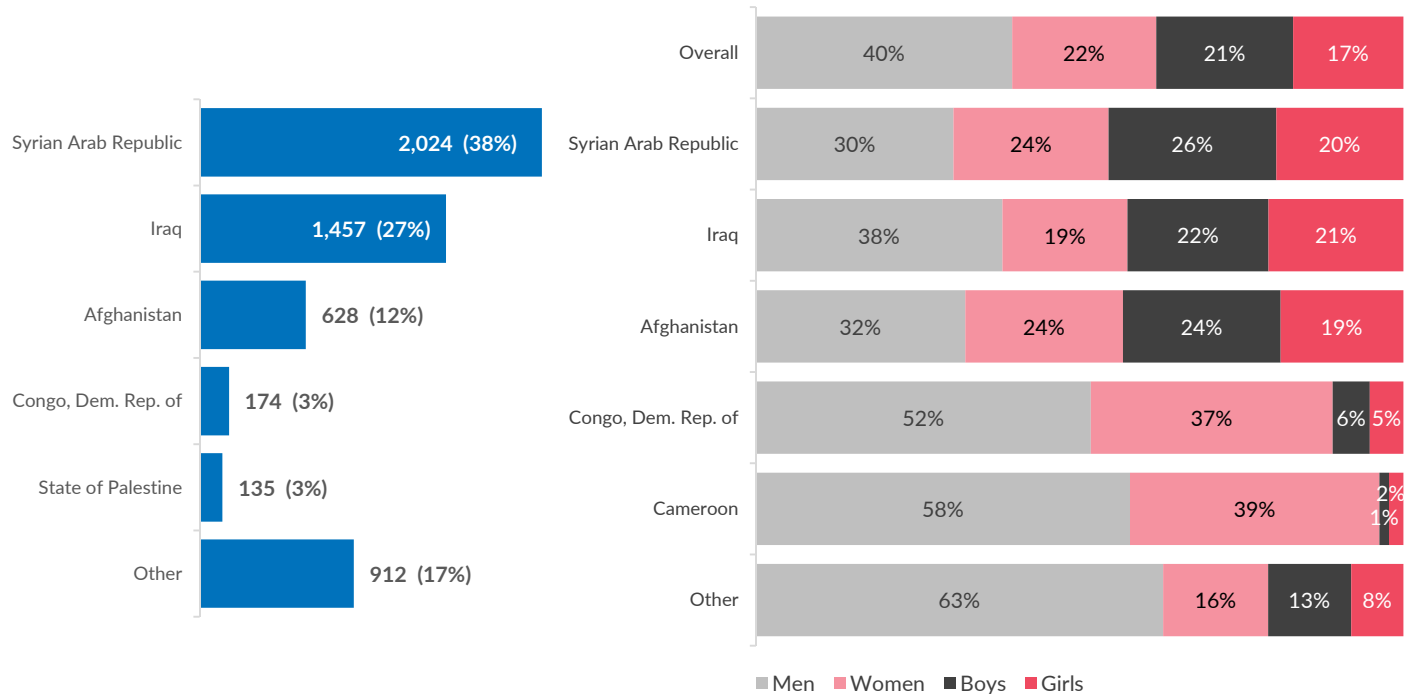
Demographics

Similar to last year, over one-third of arrivals in 2018 are children. Of those, 7 out of 10 are below the age of 12. Additionally, 10% of all children were registered upon arrival as unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Syria and Afghanistan. Some 35% of arrivals are men between 18 and 39 years old. Only 3% of arrivals are 50 years old or older.



Demographics (continued)

The majority of new arrivals in 2018 are from Syria (2,024), Iraq (1,457) and Afghanistan (628), thus following the trend of arrivals of the last two years. Typically, these three nationalities arrive in family groups.



Entry points

During the first two months of 2018, the majority of refugees and migrants in Greece arrive on Lesbos (2,856), Samos (1,374) and the Dodecanese islands (771). In March, refugees and migrants arrived on six islands. Lesbos receives the highest numbers of people from Syria and Afghanistan over the overall number of sea arrivals in Greece in 2018, whilst Chios mainly receives family groups from Syria and Iraq.

