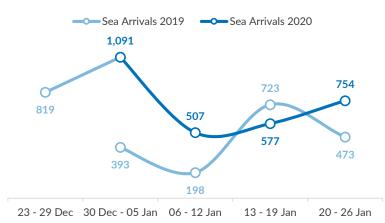


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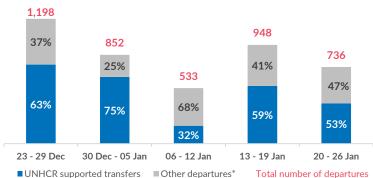
Arrivals

This week, 754 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 577 arrivals and from last year's 473 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equalled 108, compared to 82 in the previous week.



Departures to the mainland



Present Population on the Islands

Some 41,500 refugees and asylumseekers reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (49%), Syria (19%) and Somalia (6%).

Women account for 22% of the population, and children for 33% of whom more than 6 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 14% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

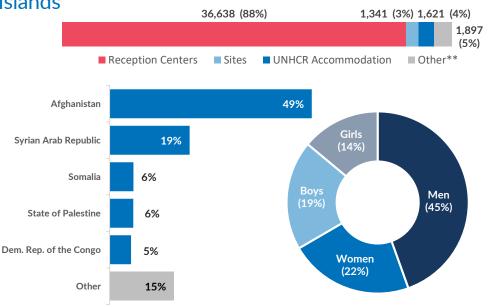
Entry Points by Sea

Lesvos received the highest number of arrivals (423), followed by Samos (208), the Dodecanese Islands (75) and Chios with (48) people.



This week, 736 asylum-seekers departed, once authorised by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 387 were transferred by the Government with the support of UNHCR to open reception facilities/sites and to ESTIA apartments currently managed by UNHCR that are to be handed over to the Government.

more information: UNHCR Operation Portal - Greece



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*Other departures includes i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities, iii) transfers to open reception facilities/sites organised and supported solely by the Government and iv) those who depart on their own means (following the lift of geographical restriction). **Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated. Statistics regarding Returns in the framework of the EU-Turkey Statement, can be found in UNHCR's data portal.

Data Sources: Population data – UNHCR estimates based on enrolment; Arrivals/Departures – Hellenic Police, Hellenic Coast Guard.

Figures are subject to future adjustment based on consolidated figures provided by authorities. Percentages may not total 100 due to rounding.