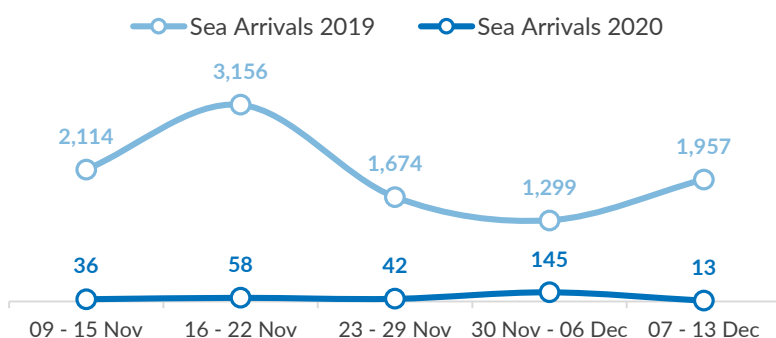


Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

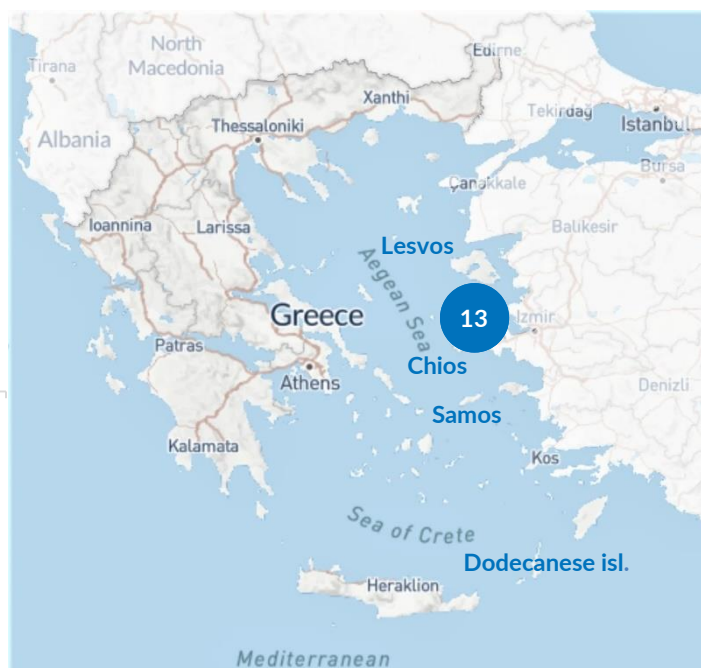
This week, 13 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week's 145 arrivals and from last year's 1,957 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 2, compared to 21 in the previous week.

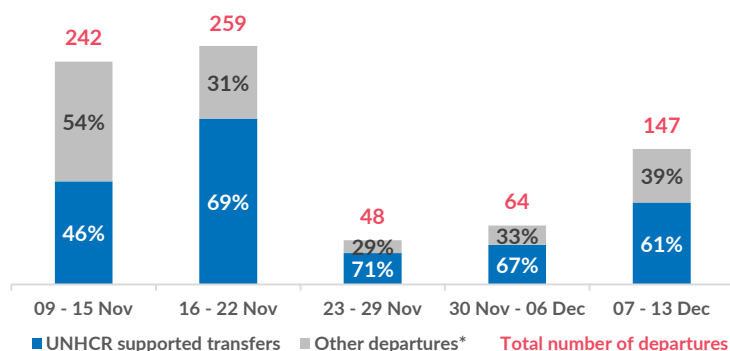


Entry Points by Sea

Chios received the highest number of arrivals (13). The Dodecanese islands, Lesvos and Samos received no arrivals.



Departures to the mainland



This week, 147 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 89 were transferred by the Government with the support of UNHCR.

Present Population on the Islands

Some 19,500 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (46%), Syria (18%) and DRC (7%).

Women account for 21% of the population, and children for 27% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 6% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

Shielding against Covid-19

To 'shield' the older and immune-compromised asylum-seekers from the risk of COVID19, UNHCR is currently prioritizing their transfer out of the island RICs into ESTIA apartments on the islands or the mainland. This week, 8 people were moved, all of whom to ESTIA on the islands.

