

# Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

## Arrivals

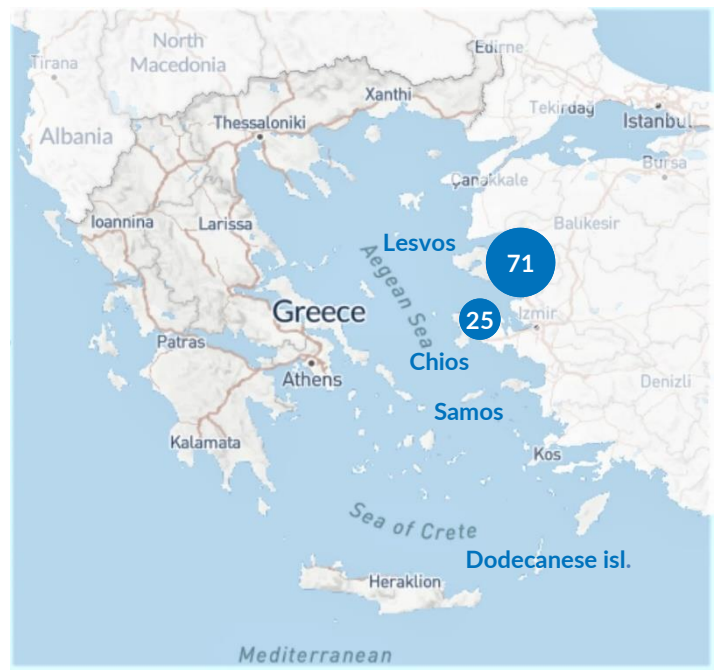
This week, 96 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 33 arrivals but a decrease from last year's 440 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 14, compared to 5 in the previous week.

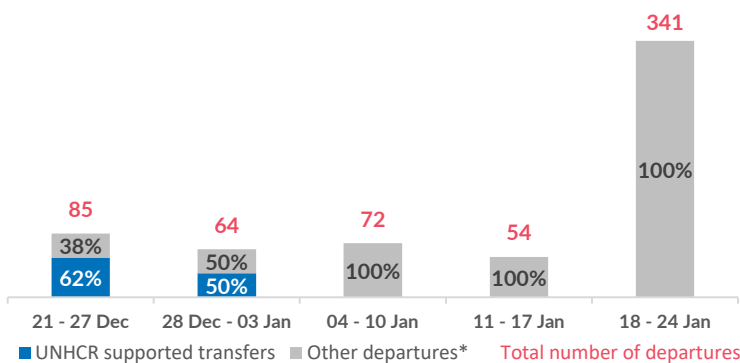


## Entry Points by Sea

Lesvos received the highest number of arrivals (71), followed by Chios (25). Samos and the Dodecanese islands received no arrivals.



## Departures to the mainland



This week, 341 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Since 1 January 2021, the management of transfers from islands to ESTIA II apartments in the mainland, has been transitioned to the Greek Government.

## Present Population on the Islands

Some 18,300 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. Of those, 14,200 (78%) reside in the permanent and temporary Reception and Identification Centers (RICs).

The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (47%), Syria (17%) and Somalia (8%).

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.

