

Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, 803 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 182 arrivals and from last year's 529 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals this week equalled 115, compared to 26 in the previous week.

Population on the Islands

Some 15,200 refugees and migrants reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (43%), Iraq (12%) and Syria (9%).

Women account for 20% of the population and children for 32% of whom more than 6 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 18% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

Some 42% are men between 18 and 39 years old.

Entry Points by Sea

This week 803 people reached the Aegean islands, the majority of whom arrived to Samos. The average daily arrivals on all islands was 115.





— Sea Arrivals 2018 —— Sea Arrivals 2019

Demographics



■ Reception Centers ■ Sites ■ UNHCR Accommodation ■ Other*

Departures to the mainland

This week, 341 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 171 (50%) were transferred – with the support of UNHCR – to open reception facilities/sites and UNHCR's accommodation in apartments on the mainland.



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*Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated; **Other departures includes i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities and iii) those who depart on their own means (following the lift of geographical restriction). 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.