

# Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

#### **Arrivals**

This week, 2,239 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 1,924 arrivals and from last year's 1,028 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals this week equalled 320, compared to 275 in the previous week.

## Population on the Islands

Some 25,700 refugees and migrants reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (40%), Syria (13%) and the Democratic Republic of Congo (10%).

Women account for 22% of the population and children for 35%, of whom nearly 6 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 19% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

Some 38% are men between 18 and 39 years old.

### Entry Points by Sea

This week 2,239 people reached the Aegean islands, the majority of whom arrived to Lesvos. The average daily arrivals on all islands was 320.





#### Demographics



Reception Centers Sites UNHCR Accommodation Other\*

#### Departures to the mainland

This week, 1,800 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. The Reception and Identification Service transferred 1,416 asylum-seekers to open reception facilities/sites. With the support of UNHCR, an additional 63 people were moved to UNHCR's apartments on the mainland.



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more information: UNHCR Operation Portal - Greece \*Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated: \*\*For the period 05 Aug – 01 Sep 2019. UNHCR supported transfers also include transfers to ORFs. jointly conducted by RIS and UNHCR (provision of Ferry Tickets); \*\*\*Other departures may include i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities iii) transfers supported by the Ministry of Migration Policy and iv) 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.