

# Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

## Arrivals

This week, 1,471 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 957 arrivals and from last year's 757 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals this week equalled 210, compared to 137 in the previous week.



## Population on the Islands

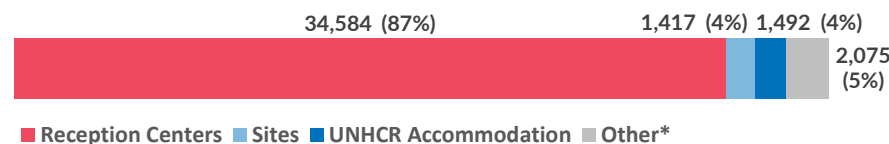
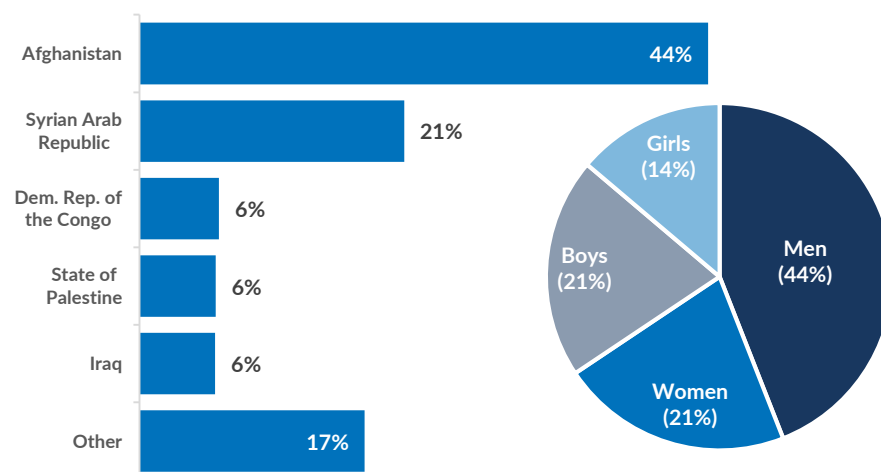
Some 39,600 refugees and migrants reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (44%), Syria (21%) and the Democratic Republic of Congo (6%).

Women account for 21% of the population and children for 35%, of whom more than 6 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 15% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

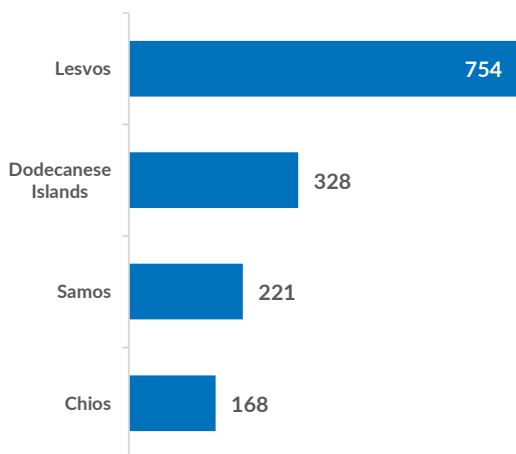
Some 39% are men between 18 and 39 years old.

## Demographics



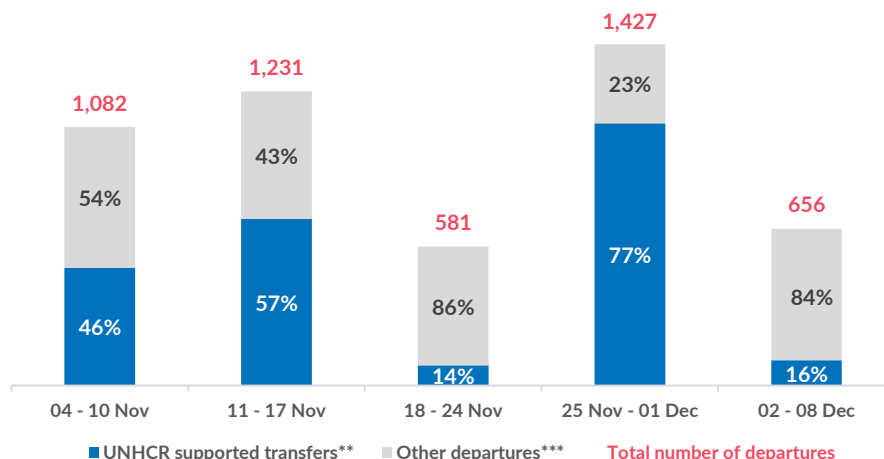
## Entry Points by Sea

This week 1,471 people reached the Aegean islands, the majority of whom arrived to Lesbos. The average daily arrivals on all islands was 210.



## Departures to the mainland

This week, 656 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the islands to the mainland. UNHCR supported the transfer of 106 people, all of whom were moved to UNHCR's apartments on the mainland.



\*Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated; \*\*For the period 04 Nov – 08 Dec 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 AVR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities iii) transfers supported solely by the Reception and Identification Service (32 individuals from Kastelorizo, 162 individuals from Kalymnos, 155 individuals from Symi and 99 individuals from Rhodes) 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.