Situation Update: Unaccompanied Children (UAC) in Greece
31 July 2021

Key Facts

- 2054 children in long term or temporary accommodation
- 93* children in RICs
- 28* children in Protective custody
- 70* children in Open temporary accommodation facilities
- 580* children in Insecure housing conditions

*The above numbers include 76 separated children, and 181 pending transfer to long term or temporary accommodation

- 2825 children in total out of which:
  - 92% Boys
  - 8% Girls
  - 8.8% <14 years old

Number of UAC in Reception and Identification Centers/Protective Custody
31 March 2020 – 31 July 2021

- 1637 of which pending transfer
- 123 of which pending transfer
- 331 of which pending transfer

Number of UAC per accommodation type
31 March 2020 – 31 July 2021

- 2245 persons
- 20 of which pending transfer
- 1637 of which pending transfer
- 69 of which pending transfer

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Number and places of UAC shelters, safe zones, hotels and emergency accommodation sites, 31 July 2021

Key Facts
as of 31 July 2021

UAC shelters
- Current: 65 UAC shelters with total 1712 places

SIL (Supported Independent Living) apartments
- Current: 124 SIL apartments for UAC older than 16 years old with total 496 places

Safe zones*
- Current: 11 Safe Zones for UAC with total 332 places

Hotels**
- Current: 4 Hotels for UAC with total 242 places
  (1 acts as a transit hub for UAC relocation)

*Safe Zones are designated supervised spaces within accommodation sites which provide UAC with 24/7 emergency protection and care. They should be used as short term (maximum 3 months) measures to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Safe Zone priority is given to UAC in detention as well as other vulnerable children, in line with their best interests.

**Hotels are emergency accommodation spaces being used as a measure to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Priority is given to UAC in Reception and Identification Centers.

Available places by type and region

Current capacity compared to previous months

Peloponnesus: 1 SIL- 4 places
Epirus: 3 shelters - 120 places
10 SIL- 40 places
2 safe zone- 60 places
1 hotels- 60 places
Western Macedonia: 2 shelters- 76 places
4 SIL- 16 places
Central Macedonia: 6 shelters- 169 places
23 SIL- 92 places
4 safe zones- 121 places
1 hotels- 35 places
Attica: 38 shelters- 951 places
77 SIL- 308 places
2 safe zones- 61 places
2 hotels- 147 places
East Macedonia and Thrace: 3 shelters- 61 places
4 SIL- 16 places
2 safe zone- 60 places
Lesvos: 8 shelters- 183 places
5 SIL- 20 places
Western Greece: 2 shelters- 49 places
Central Greece: 1 safe zones- 30 places
Thessaly: 3 shelters- 100 places

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36435 Total number of UAC referrals received between January 2016 and July 2021.

Number of UAC Referrals to EKKA by month
(updated on a monthly basis)

Referrals processed* per month
(updated on a monthly basis)

34% 22% 32% 12% 25%

Estimates UAC population disaggregated by nationality
2825 UAC

Syria  Afghanistan  Pakistan  Other

*Placement issued or referral cancelled upon verification

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