

Sea Arrivals Dashboard

Overview

So far in 2019, a total of 5,241 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece by sea. The majority are from Afghanistan (47%), Iraq (14%) and Syria (12%). More than half of the population are women (23%) and children (40%), while 38% are men.

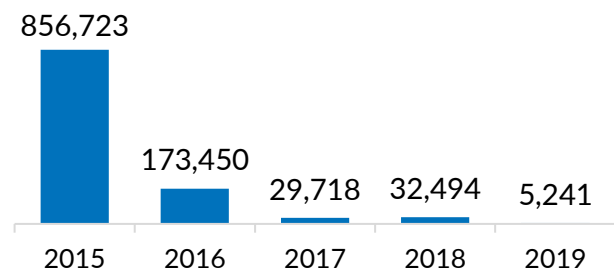
Arrivals in March 2019, at 1,904 increased in comparison to February, when 1,486 people had arrived on the islands. Arrivals during 2019 are 2% lower than those in 2018.

Lesvos received the majority (45%) of all new arrivals, during the first two months of 2019, followed by Samos (28%), the Dodecanese islands (17%) and Chios (11%).

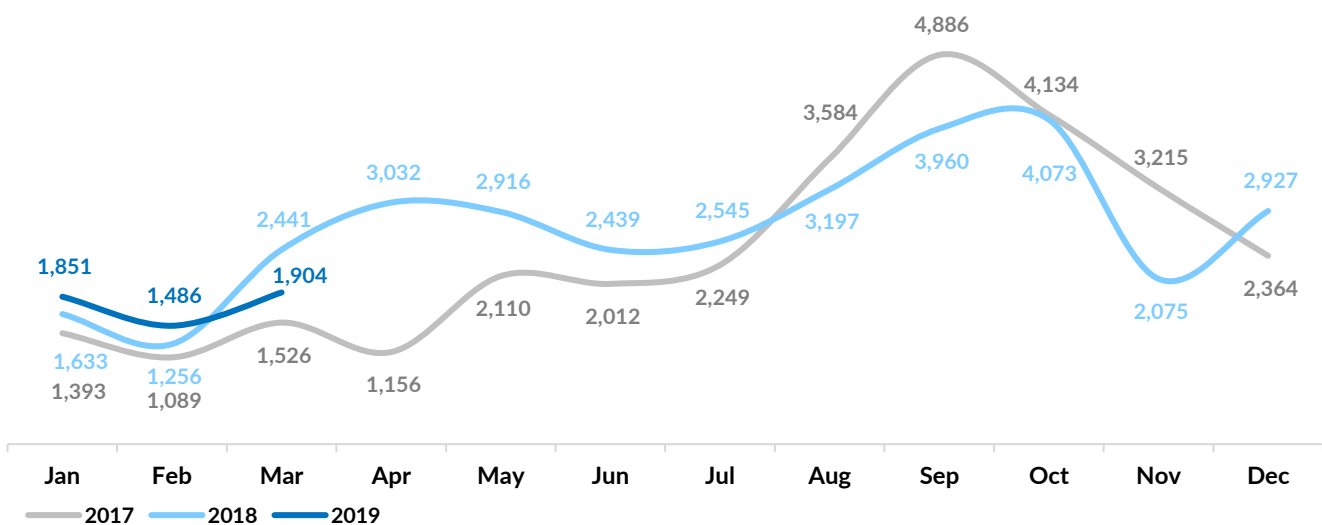
5,241

sea arrivals January – March 2019 ¹

Arrivals from 2015 to 2019

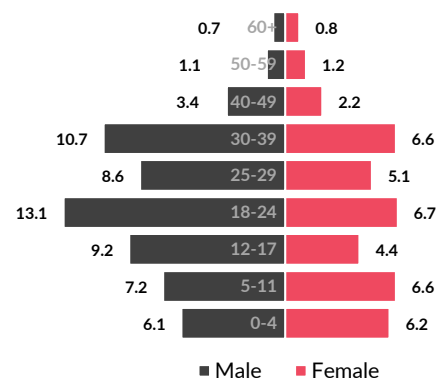


Monthly Arrivals 2017 to 2019



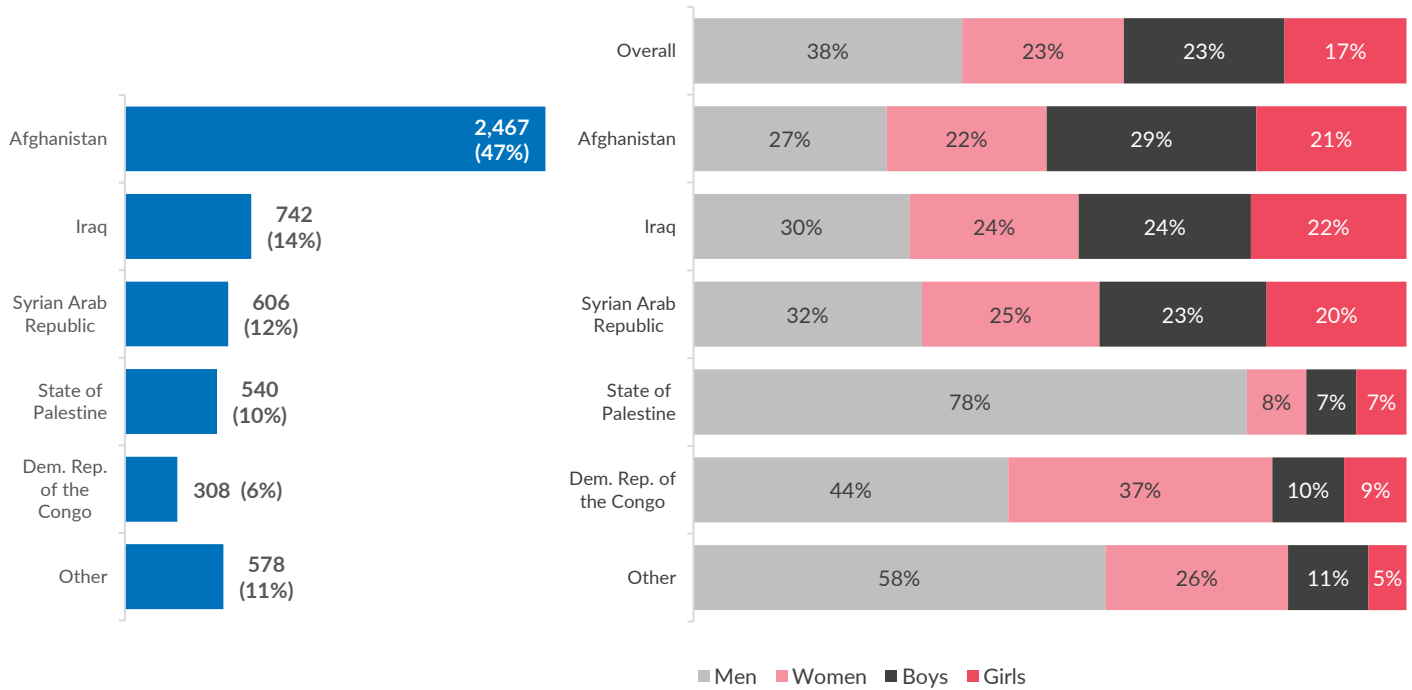
Demographics

Similar to last year, over one-third of arrivals in 2019 are children. Of those, nearly 7 out of 10 are below the age of 12. Additionally, 14% of all children were registered upon arrival as unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan, Egypt and Iraq. Some 32% of arrivals are men between 18 and 39 years old. Only 4% of arrivals are 50 years old or older.



Demographics (continued)

The majority of new arrivals in 2019 are from Afghanistan (2,467), Iraq (742) and Syria (606). Similar to last year, the majority of arrivals from Afghanistan, Syria and Iraq arrived in family groups.



Entry points

During 2019, the majority of refugees and migrants in Greece arrived on Lesbos (2,342), Samos (1,444) and the Dodecanese islands (896). In March, refugees and migrants arrived on eight islands. Lesbos received the highest number of people from Afghanistan comparing to the overall number of sea arrivals in Greece in 2019, whilst the Dodecanese islands received the majority of people originating from the State of Palestine.

