

Sea Arrivals Dashboard

Overview

In 2024, a total of 15,306 refugees and asylum-seekers arrived in Greece by sea. The majority are from Afghanistan (36%), Syria (24%), Egypt (13%), Eritrea (5%), and the State of Palestine (4%). Women account for 17%, children for 29% and men for 54%.

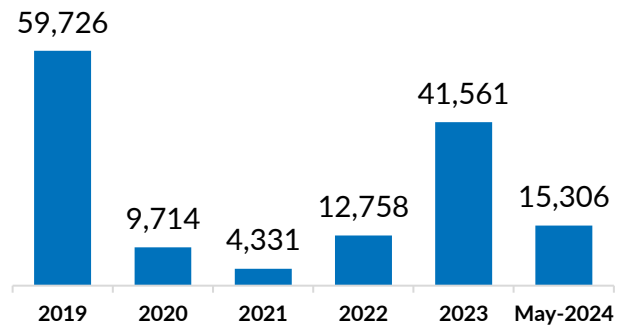
In May, there was an increase in arrivals on the islands with 3,772 people arriving, in contrast to April when 2,025 individuals had arrived. The number of arrivals in 2024 during the reporting period has increased by 184% compared to 2023.

During 2024, the Dodecanese islands and Lesvos received the majority of new arrivals, each accounting for 28%, followed by Samos at 16%, Chios at 11%, and other Islands at 16%.

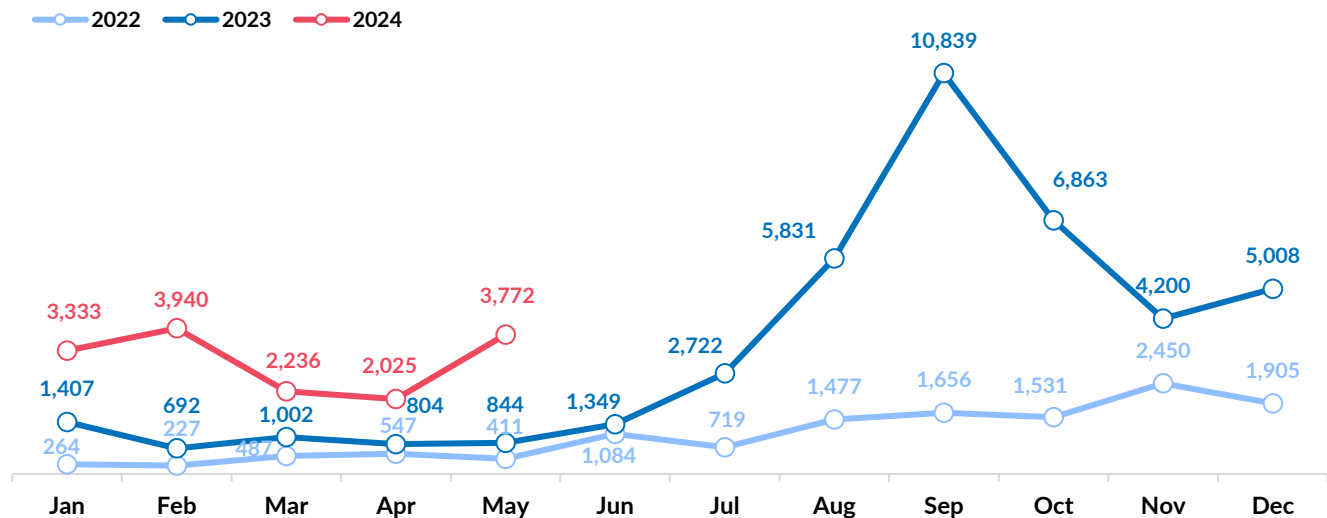
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sea arrivals January – May 2024 ¹

Arrivals from 2019 to May-2024

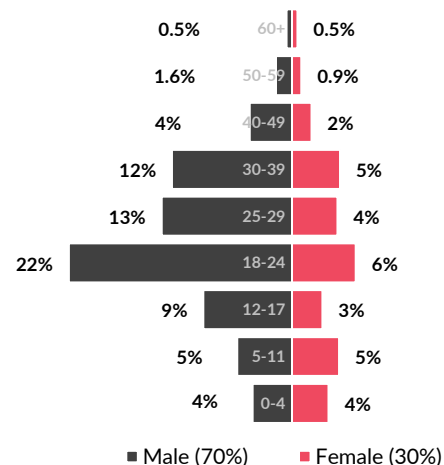


Monthly Arrivals 2022 to 2024



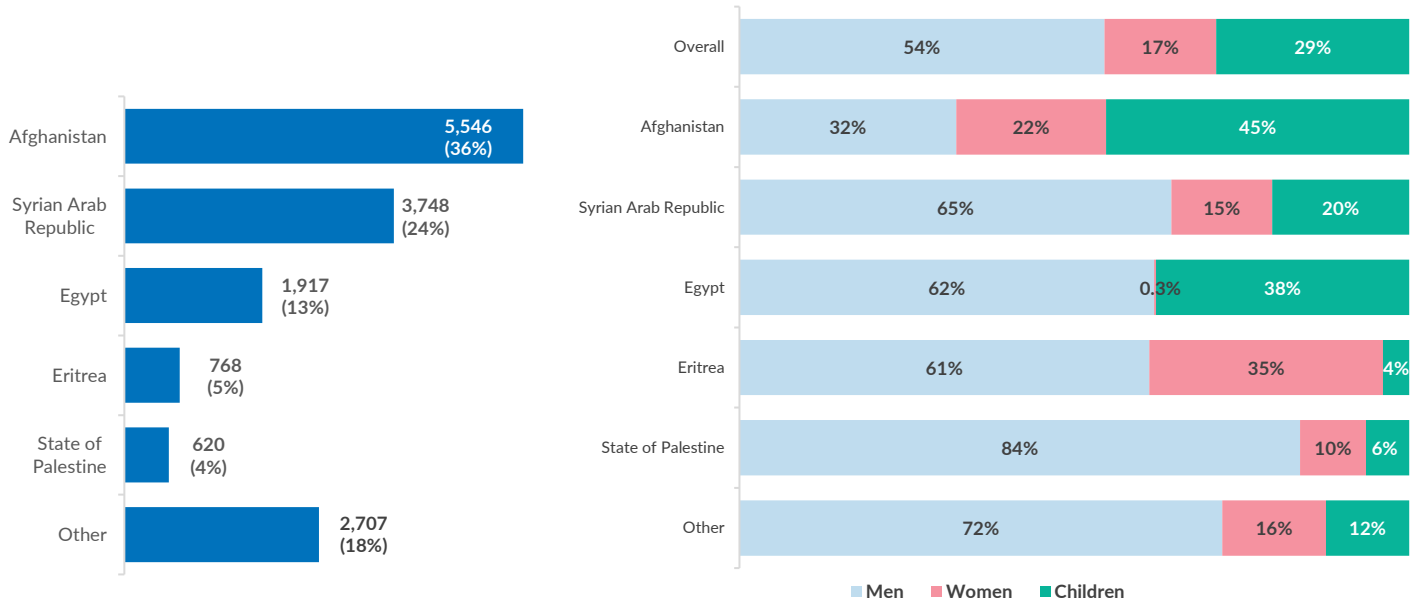
Demographics

In 2024, one-third of arrivals are children, whereas in 2023, the proportion was one-fifth. Of those, almost 6 out of 10 are below the age of 12. Moreover, 22% of all children were registered upon arrival as unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Egypt, Afghanistan, Syria, and Somalia. Approximately 46% of the arrivals are men between the ages of 18 and 39, while only 4% are aged 50 years or older.



Demographics (continued)

Most of new arrivals in 2024 are from Afghanistan (5,546), Syria (3,748), and Egypt (1,917). Similar to last year, the majority of people coming from Afghanistan arrive in families.



Entry points

During 2024, the majority of refugees and asylum-seekers in Greece arrived on the Dodecanese Islands and Lesbos (28% each), and Samos (16%).

