



## Daily Report



### Arrivals and Departures

On the Greek island of Lesbos, those remaining at informal sites (Olive Grove and Tsamakia) were taken to Moria for registration by police forces. They had arrived prior to 20 March when the EU-Turkey agreement came into force. As of 15 April, of the 7,216 people present on the Greek islands, at least 5,380 expressed their intent to seek asylum. On the mainland, in Eidomeni, just across the border from the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, UNHCR estimates that between 25 March and 14 April approximately 2,000 people were transferred to reception facilities whilst more than 10,000 people remain in Eidomeni as of 17 April. At Piraeus port, 49 additional people were transported to a new site in Inofyta, Viotia on 15 April whilst more than 3,700 people remain present at the port.

Between 11-15 April, some 287 people were apprehended at Turkey's land borders and 130 were intercepted or rescued along the Turkey's sea borders, according to the Turkish Coast Guard.

During an operation led by the Greek Search and Rescue Coordination Centre, 41 people were rescued on 17 April southwest of Pylos, on the west coast of the Peloponnese. They were taken to Kalamata port where they were detained, as [reported](#) by media. UNHCR is following up with the Greek authorities on the matter.

### Deaths at Sea

The media reports that over 400 people drowned in the Mediterranean after several overcrowded boats capsized whilst crossing from Egypt to Italy or Greece in the past few days. UNHCR is currently trying to verify the concerning reports and trying to gather more information about the incidents through communities and authorities and cannot confirm these reports at the time of publication.

### Condition of People

UNHCR [welcomes](#) the Pope's demonstration of solidarity with the world's refugees during his visit to the Greek island of Lesbos and by offering a home to three Syrian families. Pope Francis travelled back to Rome from Lesbos with 12 Syrians, including three women, three men and six children aged between four and 14 years of age. The Vatican is sponsoring the group's move to Rome and ensuring a home for refugees who had arrived on Lesbos on 18 March and had been waiting for relocation to another European country. The Syrian families (two from Damascus and one from Dier ez-Zor) arrived just before the EU-Turkey agreement came into force on 20 March.



### Key Figures

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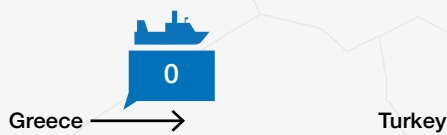
**Arrivals to Greek Islands**  
Yesterday

**34**

**Departures to Greece Mainland**  
Yesterday

**0**

**Departures to Turkey**  
on 18 April 2016



### Past and Upcoming Meetings and Events

#### 4 April

'Target date' for the start of the returns of people with inadmissible claims from Greece to Turkey under the EU-Turkey agreement.

#### 4 April

EU-Turkey deal: [Statement by Commissioner Avramopoulos following his visit to Ankara](#)

#### 12 April

Informal meeting of Ministers and State Secretaries for European Affairs, Amsterdam

#### Today 18 April

#### 18-19 April

Foreign Affairs Council, Luxembourg

#### 20-21 April

Secretary General of NATO, Jens Stoltenberg to visit Greece and Turkey

#### 21 April

Justice and Home Affairs Council, Luxembourg

#### 23 April

Donald Tusk to visit Gaziantep, Turkey with Angela Merkel and Frans Timmermans

#### 4 April

2 Syrian refugees land by plane in Hanover, Germany as part of EU-Turkey deal. [EU-Turkey deal begins as Syrian refugees arrive in Germany and Finland](#)



### Critical Developments

Angela Merkel, European Council President Donald Tusk, and European Commission vice-president Frans Timmermans, will travel to Turkey on 23 April "[as a follow-up to the EU-Turkey political agreement](#)" regarding the refugee crisis. A spokesperson of the German Chancellor stated that her agenda does not include the inauguration of reception facilities for refugees and migrants.

Turkey's Housing Development Administration is [building](#) three container facilities for Syrian refugees in south-eastern Hatay and Kahramanmaraş provinces, the head of the agency [RS1] [RB2] said on Sunday. He added that these are designed to house about 40,000 people and provide services such as health, education, rehabilitation, and recreation.

The Italian government [transmitted](#) a four-page memorandum to the European Commission and the European Council, in

which Italy urged the establishment of a comprehensive response aimed at limiting and managing the flow of people arriving to Italy and the resulting humanitarian needs. The non-official memorandum calls for an agreement framework with countries of origin and of transit while requesting financial commitments from the EU.



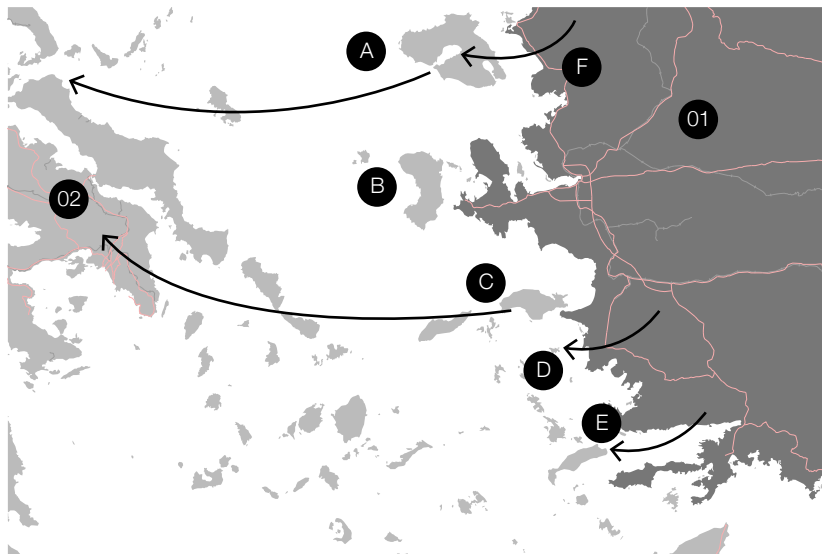
### Estimated Arrivals and People Present\* per Country Yesterday

	Arrivals	Present*
01 Turkey		
02 Greek Island	107	7,353
Greece Mainland	34	46,471
03 fYRoM**	0	974
04 Serbia	34	1,000
05 Croatia	0	0
06 Hungary	79	
07 Slovenia	0	35
08 Austria	148	

\* Number of people present in Greece and estimated number of people currently present in countries along the previous route not applying for asylum  
\*\* The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (please note that the fYRoM abbreviation is used for design purposes)



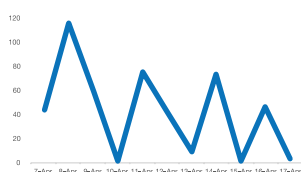
## Greek Islands and Turkey: Estimated Arrivals and Transfers



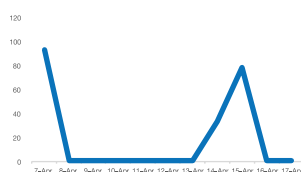
	Arrivals	Departures to Mainland
01 Turkey		
02 Greece	107	34
<b>Breakdown</b>		
A Lesvos	2	28
B Chios		
C Samos		6
D Leros	18	
E Kos	14	
F Dikili		
Other	73	

## Arrivals to Greek Islands 7 April - 17 April

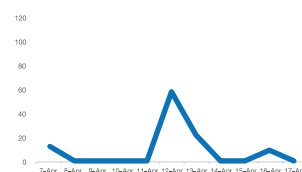
Lesvos arrivals



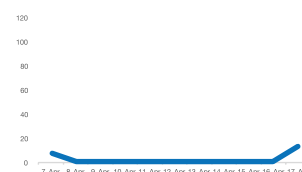
Chios arrivals



Samos arrivals

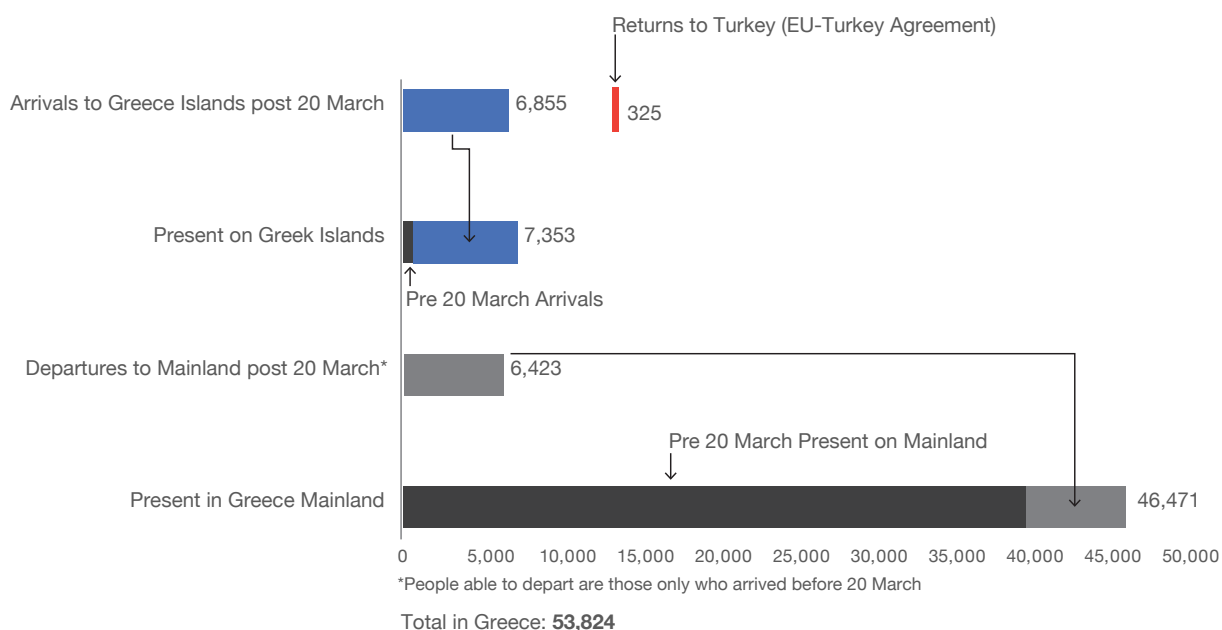


Kos arrivals



## Population Overview

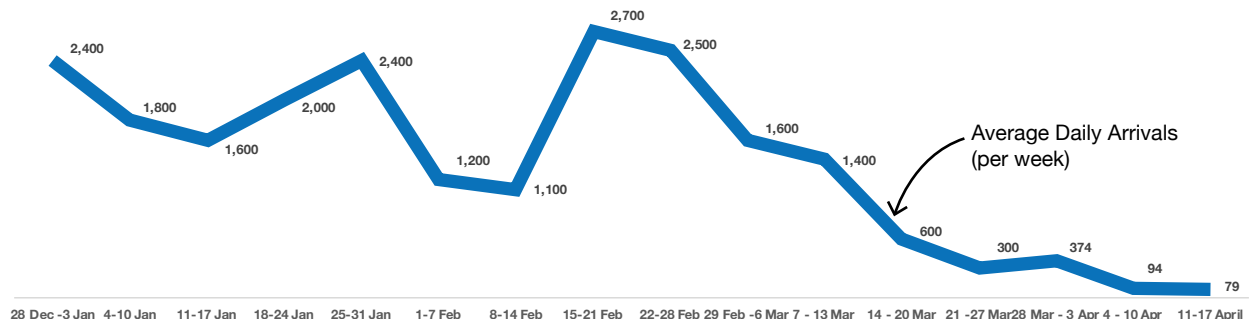
Arrived, present and transferred to Greece Mainland and returned to Turkey since 20 March



Reporting period 20 March - 17 April



## Average Daily Arrivals and Arrival Trends Greece



**79**

Average Daily Arrivals  
11-17 April  
-16% from previous week

**133**

Average Daily Arrivals  
As of 17 April  
-85% from previous month



## Social Media

Sputnik International reported on members of a Swedish nationalist group who patrol the strait of Oresund, a sea border between Sweden and Denmark, in search of illegal migrants. The group from Nationell Framtid (National Future) believe that coastguards and national authorities are not doing enough to prevent illegal migration. The full article, along with a video, can also be found on RT's [website](#).

### Twitter Activity

[Erik E. Mueller](#) posted: "Hundreds of #refugees gathered at terminal E2 of #Piraeus port in hopes of going to Skaramagas. #refugeesgr #refugeecrisis". Erik's Twitter account in general kept a minute-by-minute account of the situation at the port of Piraeus as refugees and migrants boarded buses to go to Skaramagas in the morning. The first bus departed at 10:30am (UTC+1).

Amnesty International continues to warn against the dire conditions in which refugees and migrants are living with reference to camps in Greece, namely Eidomeni. According to an [article](#) on their website, "the decision to close the Western Balkans route has left more than 46,000 refugees and migrants in appalling conditions and in a state of constant fear and uncertainty". In a bid to highlight the situation on a broader scale, Amnesty International prepared a [report](#) (PDF) which extensively covers the situations at both Eidomeni camp and the port of Piraeus.

Russian news channel RT posted about Russian assistance to a cargo plane which delivered aid to the besieged Syrian town of Deir ez-Zor as part of an operation by World Food Program (WFP). In a statement made in the [article](#), the military provided assistance with Russian Su-30 fighter jets and claim

"the delivery of the UN humanitarian goods under the cover of Russian fighters was successful".

### Snapchat

The Daily Mail on Snapchat, along with many other media and social media platforms, also reported on Pope Francis' visit to the Greek island of Lesbos. According to the Daily Mail, Pope Francis wanted to 'make a gesture of welcome' and confirmed that the Vatican will take responsibility for supporting the families he brought back with him.

### 15-17 April - Summary of actual activity for #refugeecrisis (figures less than 100 are not counted)

- Total no. of tweets: 2,200
- Total no. of retweets: 5,500
- Total no. of impressions: 141,600

### #refugeesgr Over the Last Month

**900**

Highest no. of tweets on 20 March

**7,100**

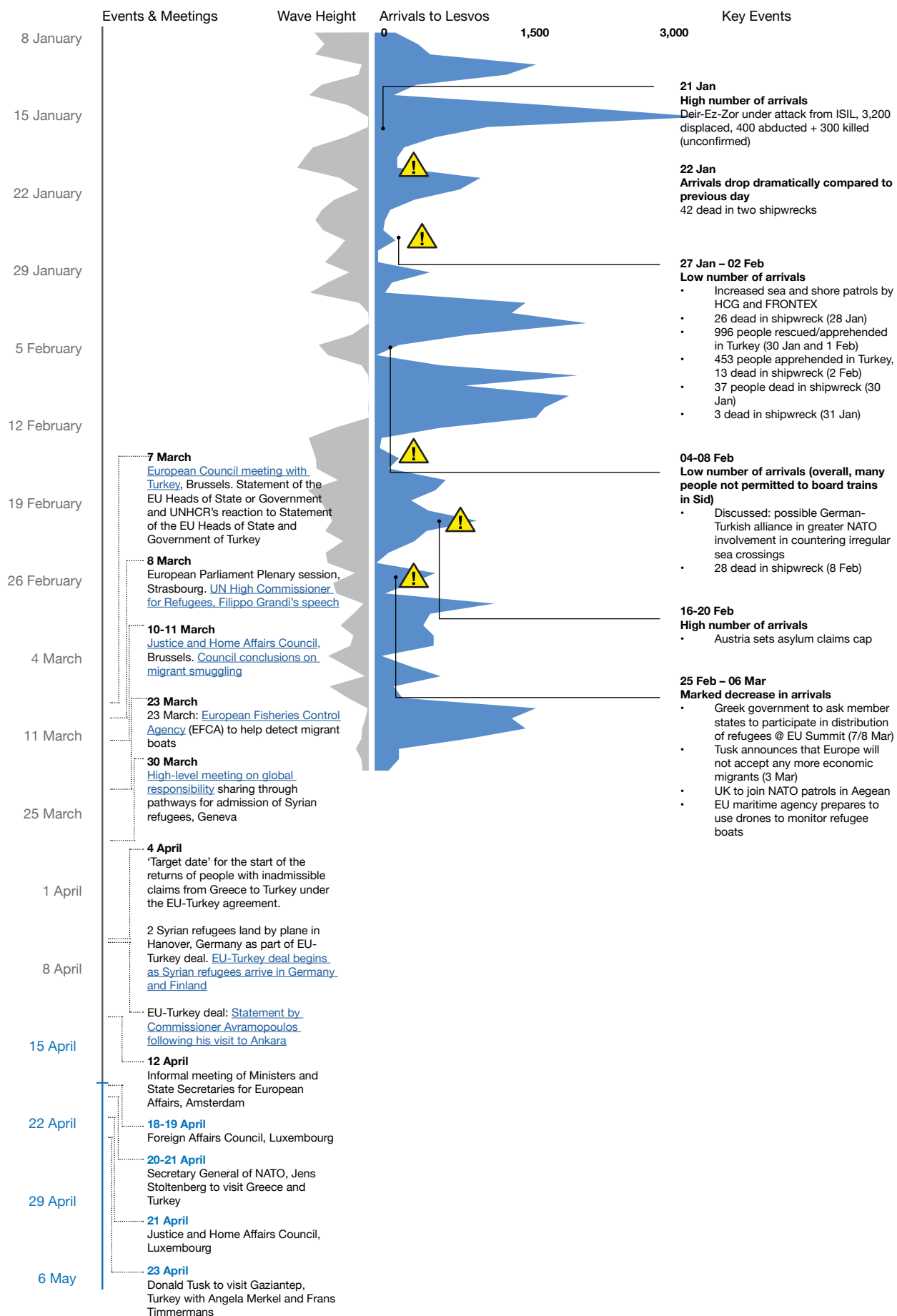
Highest no. of retweets on 10 March

**98,600**

Highest no. impressions on 6 March



## Timeline Overview





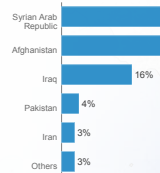


## Annex 1 Key Figures from the Portal

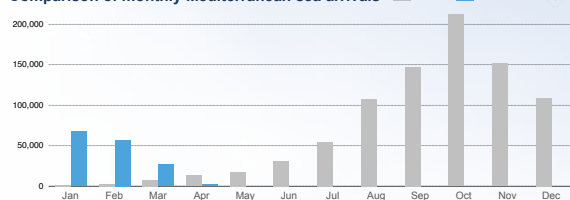
Increasing numbers of refugees and migrants take their chances aboard unseaworthy boats and dinghies in a desperate bid to reach Europe. The vast majority of those attempting this dangerous crossing are in need of international protection, fleeing war, violence and persecution in their country of origin. Every year these movements continue to exact a devastating toll on human life.

### Top-10 nationalities of Mediterranean sea arrivals

Top-10 nationalities represent 100% of the sea arrivals based on arrivals since 1 Jan 2016



### Comparison of monthly Mediterranean sea arrivals



153,468 arrivals by sea in 2016

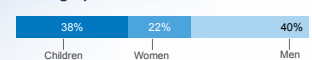
856,723 arrivals by sea in 2015

90% of arrivals come from the world's top 10 refugee-producing countries

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Sea arrivals in 2016  
Main routes through the Mediterranean

### Demographics based on arrivals since 1 Jan 2016



\*Serbia (AND KOSOVO: S/RES/1244 (1999))  
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## Europe Refugee Emergency

Daily map indicating capacity and occupancy (Governmental figures)  
As of 15 April 2016 08:00 a.m. EET

