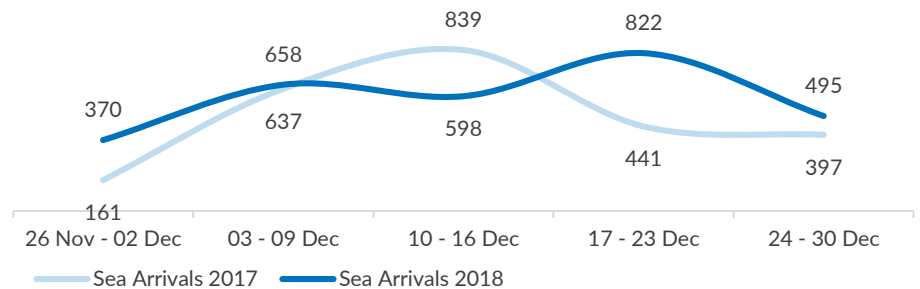


Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, 495 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week's 822 arrivals but an increase from last year's 397 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals this week equalled 71, compared to 117 in the previous week.



Population on the Islands

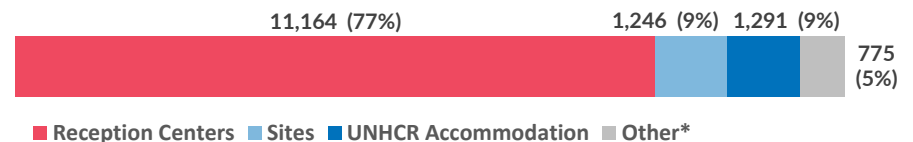
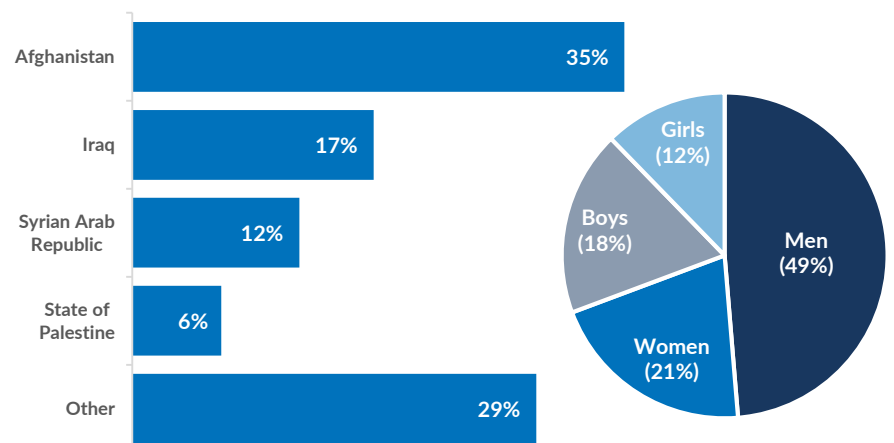
Over 14,500 refugees and migrants reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (35%), Iraq (17%) and Syria (12%).

Women account for 21% of the population and children for 30% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 20% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly Afghan and Syrian.

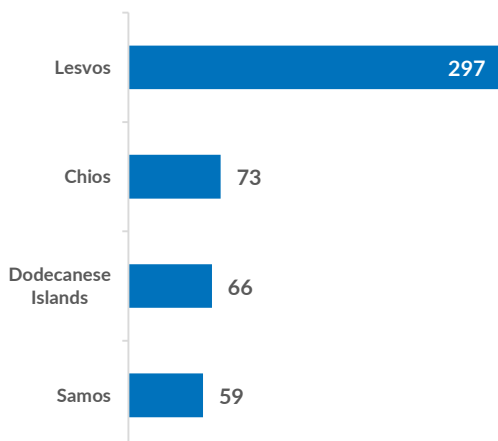
Some 43% are men between 18 and 39 years old.

Demographics



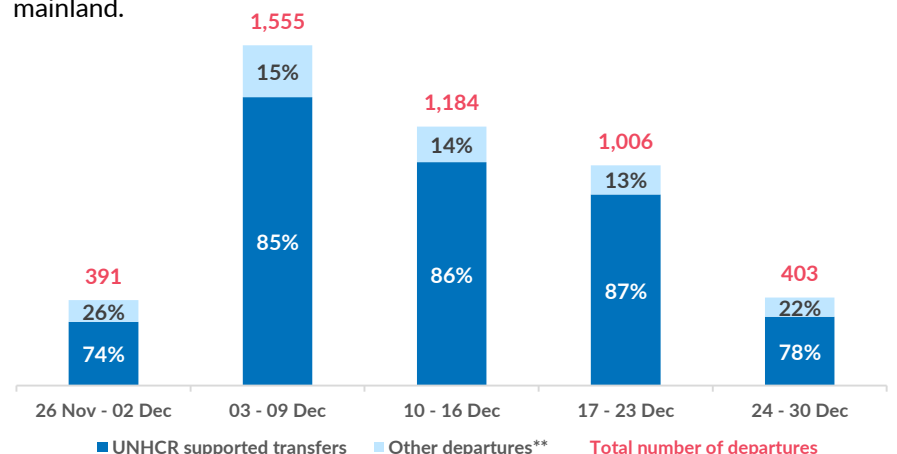
Entry Points by Sea

This week, 495 people reached the Aegean islands, the majority of whom arrived to Lesbos. The average daily arrivals on all islands was 71.



Departures to the mainland

This week, 403 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 315 (78%) were transferred – with the support of UNHCR – to open reception facilities/sites and UNHCR's accommodation in apartments on the mainland.



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*Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated; **Other departures includes i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities and iii) 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.