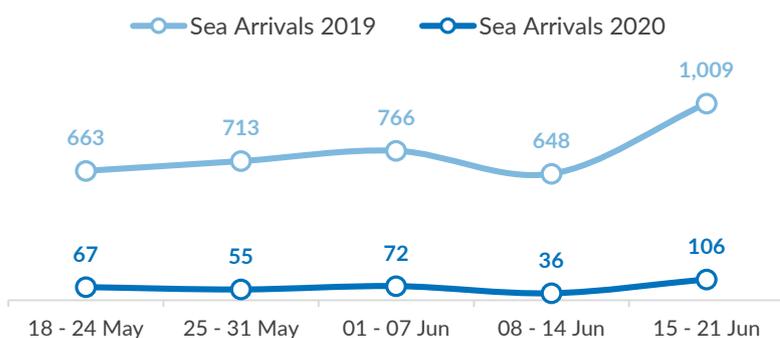


# Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

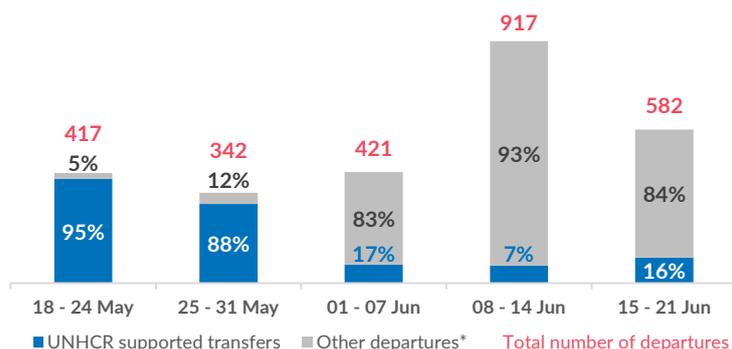
## Arrivals

This week, 106 people arrived on the Aegean islands, an increase from last week's 36 arrivals but a decrease from last year's 1,009 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 15, compared to 5 in the previous week.



## Departures to the mainland



## Present Population on the Islands

Some 36,000 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (49%), Syria (19%) and Somalia (6%).

Women account for 22% of the population, and children for 33% of whom more than 6 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

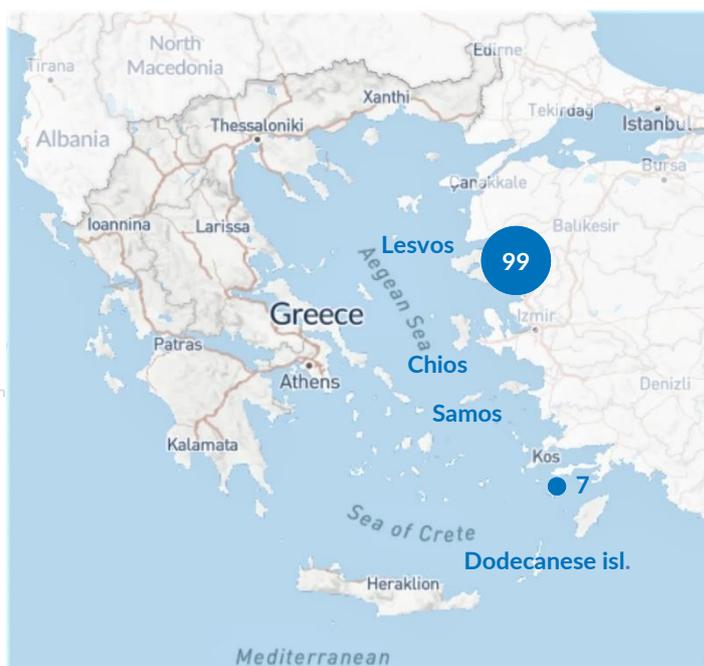
Approximately 13% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

## Shielding against Covid-19

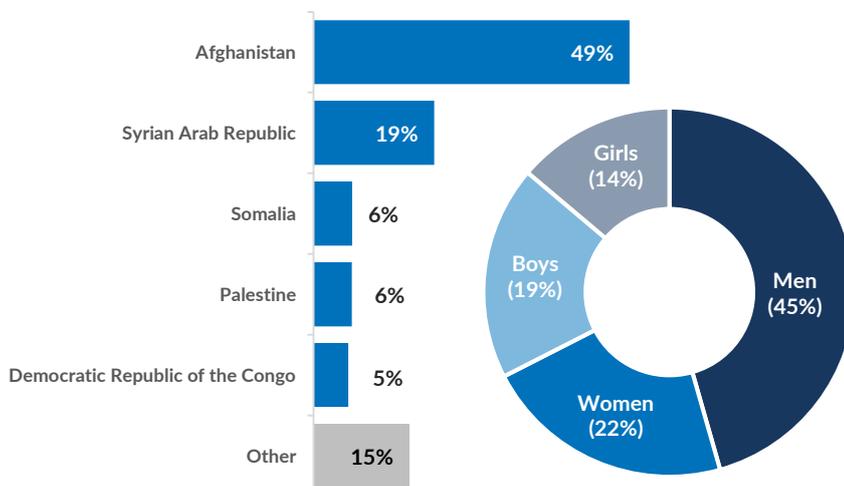
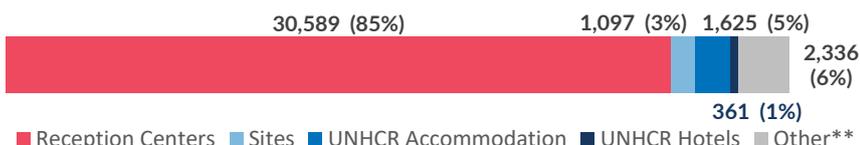
To 'shield' the older and immune-compromised asylum-seekers from the risk of COVID19, UNHCR is currently prioritizing their transfer out of the island RICs into ESTIA apartments on the islands or the mainland and hotels on the islands. This week, 106 people were moved, of whom 17 to ESTIA on the mainland, 42 to ESTIA on the island, 19 to hotels on the islands and 28 to Kara Tepe site and PIKPA camp in Lesbos.

## Entry Points by Sea

Lesbos received the highest number of arrivals (99) followed by the Dodecanese islands (7). Samos and Chios received no arrivals.



This week, 582 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 96 were transferred by the Government with the support of UNHCR to ESTIA apartments currently managed by UNHCR.



\*Other departures includes i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities, iii) transfers both to open reception facilities/sites and closed centres in the mainland organised and supported by the Government and iv) those who depart on their own means (following the lift of geographical restriction). \*\*Other includes other facilities and self-accommodated. 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.