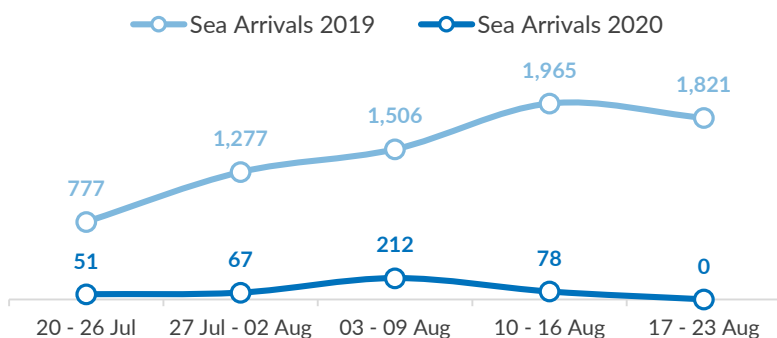


Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, no people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week's 78 arrivals and from last year's 1,821 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 0, compared to 11 in the previous week.

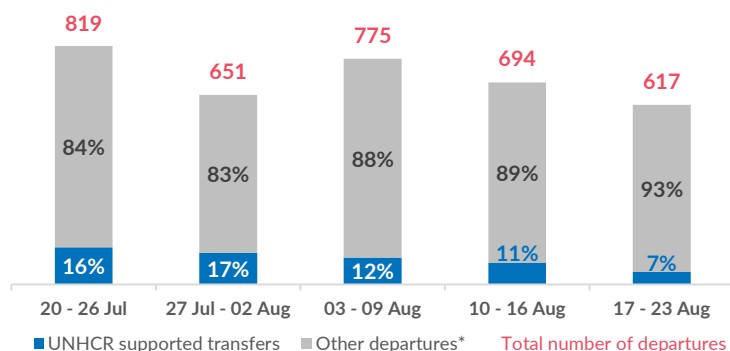


Entry Points by Sea

There were no arrivals on the Aegean Islands this week.



Departures to the mainland



This week, 617 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 43 were transferred by the Government with the support of UNHCR to ESTIA apartments currently managed by UNHCR.

Present Population on the Islands

Some 27,900 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (47%), Syria (19%) and DRC (6%).

Women account for 22% of the population, and children for 31% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 12% 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, 21 people were moved, of whom 8 to ESTIA on the mainland and 13 to ESTIA on the island.

