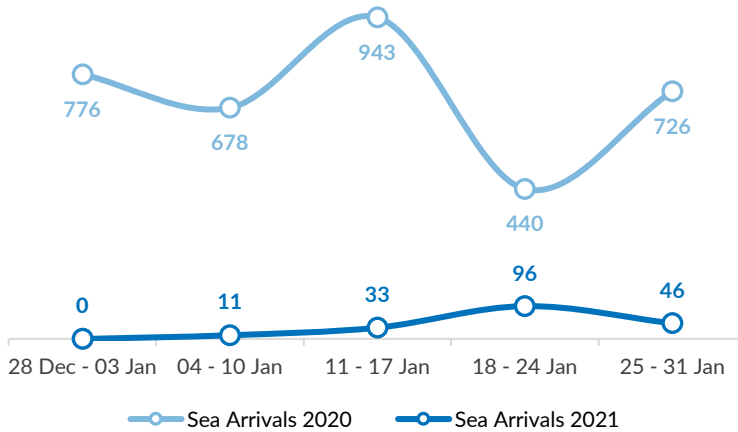


Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, 46 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week's 96 arrivals and from last year's 726 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 7, compared to 14 in the previous week.

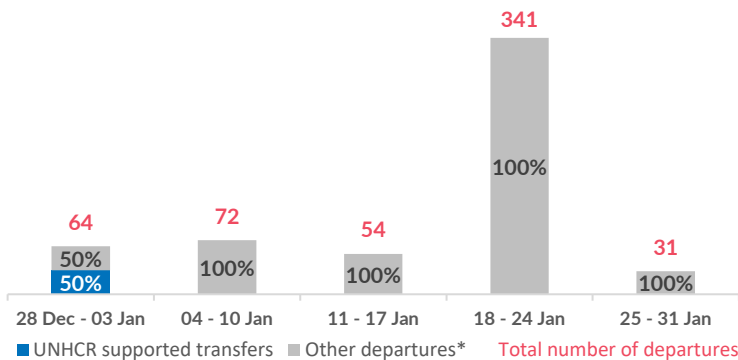


Entry Points by Sea

Lesvos received the highest number of arrivals (23), followed by the Dodecanese islands (22) and Chios (1). Samos received no arrivals.



Departures to the mainland



This week, 31 asylum-seekers departed, once authorized by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Since 1 January 2021, the management of transfers from islands to ESTIA II apartments in the mainland, has been transitioned to the Greek Government.

Present Population on the Islands

Some 18,100 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. Of those, 14,000 (77%) reside in the permanent and temporary Reception and Identification Centers (RICs).

The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (48%), Syria (17%) and Somalia (8%).

Women account for 21% of the population, and children for 27% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 6% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

