**Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot**

**Arrivals**

This week, 601 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week’s 754 arrivals but an increase from last year’s 373 arrivals during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equalled 86, compared to 108 in the previous week.

**Departures to the mainland**

Lesvos received the highest number of arrivals (376), followed by the Dodecanese Islands (144) and Samos with (81) people.

This week, 677 asylum-seekers departed, once authorised by the authorities, from the Aegean islands to the mainland. Of those, 319 were transferred by the Government with the support of UNHCR to open reception facilities/sites and to ESTIA apartments currently managed by UNHCR.

**Present Population on the Islands**

Some 41,100 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (48%), Syria (19%) and Somalia (6%).

Women account for 22% of the population, and children for 34% of whom almost 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 14% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.

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*Other departures includes i) transfers within IOM AVRR, ii) transfers of UASCs to State-run facilities, iii) transfers to open reception facilities/sites organised and supported solely 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.*