Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, 5 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week’s 21 arrivals but an increase from last year’s 0 arrivals, during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 1, compared to 3 in the previous week.

Departures to the mainland

Samos received the highest number of arrivals (4), followed by the Dodecanese islands (1). Lesvos and Chios received no arrivals.

Present Population on the Islands

Some 13,100 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. Of those, 10,100 (77%) reside in the permanent and temporary Reception and Identification Centers (RICs).

The majority of the population on the Aegean islands are from Afghanistan (50%), Syria (15%) and Somalia (8%).

Women account for 21% of the population, and children for 26% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 7% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.