

Sea Arrivals Dashboard

Overview

In 2021, a total of 2,047 refugees and migrants arrived in Greece by sea. The majority are from Afghanistan (30%), Somalia (17%) and the Democratic Republic of Congo (12%). More than half of the population are women (24%) and children (31%), while 46% are men.

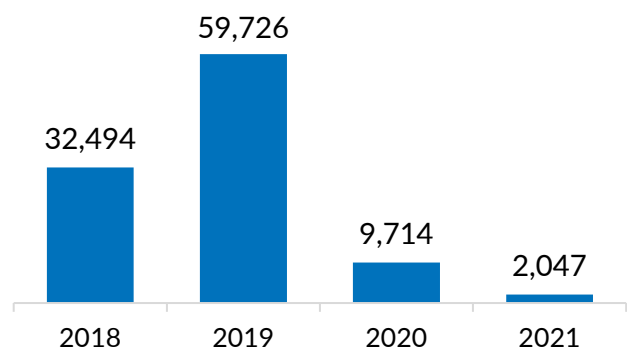
Arrivals in August, at 539 increased in comparison to July when 192 people had arrived on the islands. Arrivals during 2021 are 77% lower than those in 2020.

Lesvos received the majority (56%) of all new arrivals, during 2021, followed by Dodecanese islands (13%), Samos (9%) and Chios (7%).

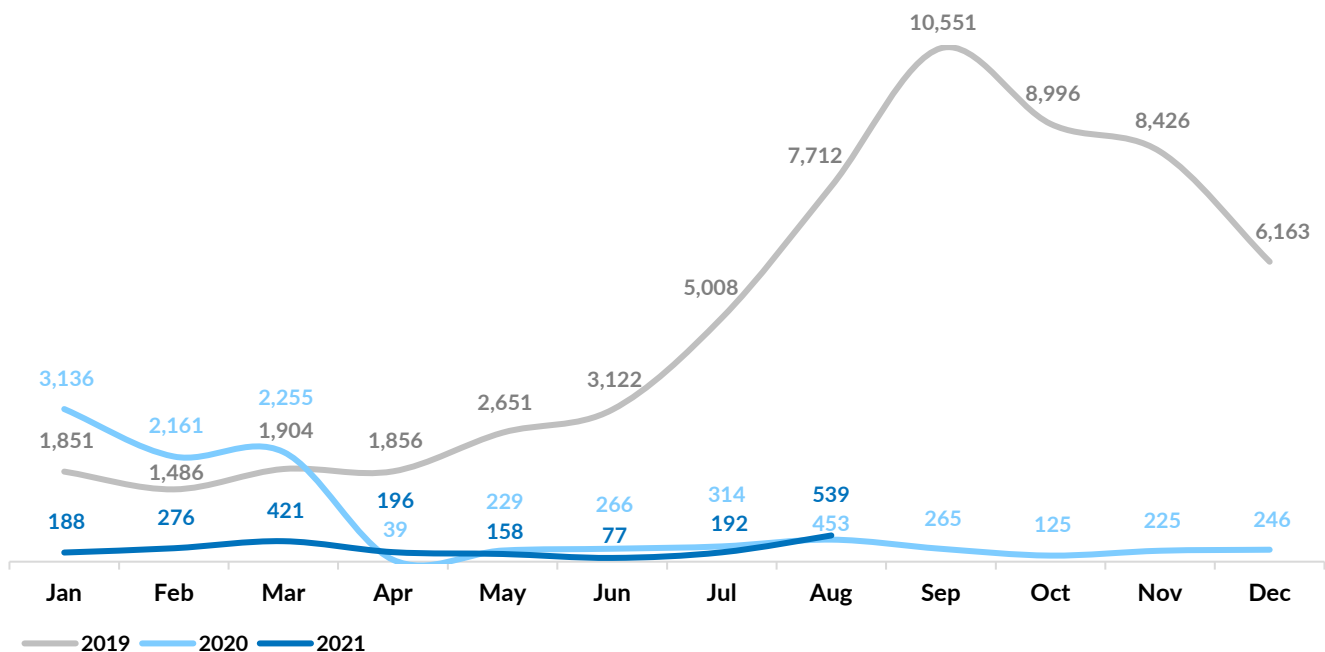
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sea arrivals January – August 2021 ¹

Arrivals from 2018 to 2021

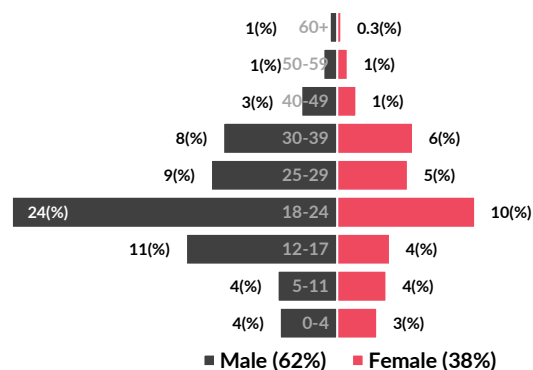


Monthly Arrivals 2019 to 2021



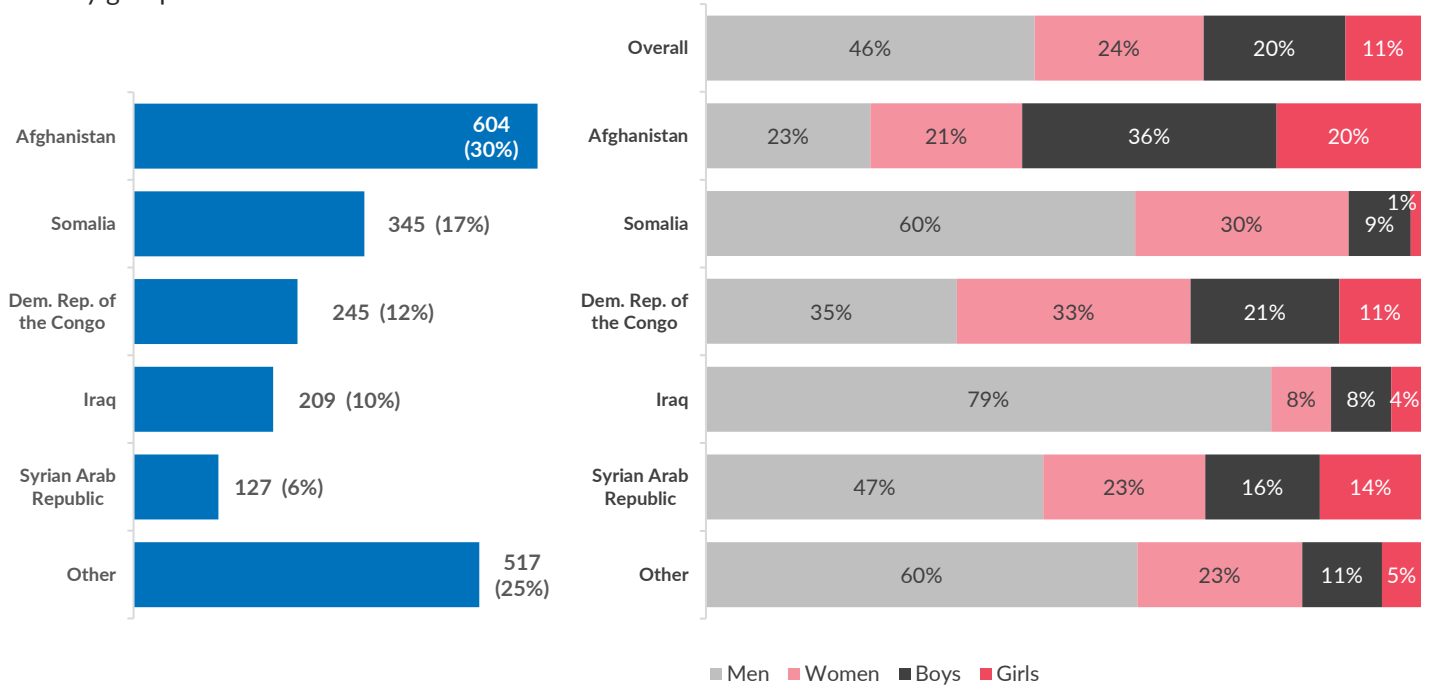
Demographics

Similar to last year, over one-third of arrivals in 2021 are children. Of those, less than 6 out of 10 are below the age of 12. Additionally, 28% of all children were registered upon arrival as unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan, DRC and Somalia. Some 41% of arrivals are men between 18 and 39 years old. Only 3% of arrivals are 50 years old or older.



Demographics (continued)

The majority of new arrivals in 2021 are from Afghanistan (604), Somalia (345) and the Democratic Republic of Congo (245). Similar to last year, the majority of arrivals from Afghanistan, Syria and the Democratic Republic of Congo arrived in family groups.



Entry points

During 2021, the majority of refugees and migrants in Greece arrived on Lesbos (1,154), Dodecanese islands (265) and Samos (183). In August, refugees and migrants arrived on eight islands. Lesbos received the highest number of people from Afghanistan comparing to the overall number of sea arrivals in Greece in 2021.

