Aegean Islands Weekly Snapshot

Arrivals

This week, 5 people arrived on the Aegean islands, a decrease from last week’s 35 arrivals and from last year’s 72 arrivals, during the same period.

The average daily arrivals on all islands this week equaled 1, compared to 5 in the previous week.

Departures to the mainland

The Dodecanese islands received the highest number of arrivals (5). Lesvos, Chios and Samos received no arrivals.

This week, 893 refugees and asylum-seekers, once authorized by the authorities, departed from the Aegean islands to the mainland.

Present Population on the Islands

Some 10,500 refugees and asylum-seekers reside on the Aegean islands. Of those, 7,900 (75%) 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 (14%) and Somalia (9%).

Women account for 20% of the population, and children for 24% of whom nearly 7 out of 10 are younger than 12 years old.

Approximately 8% of the children are unaccompanied or separated, mainly from Afghanistan.