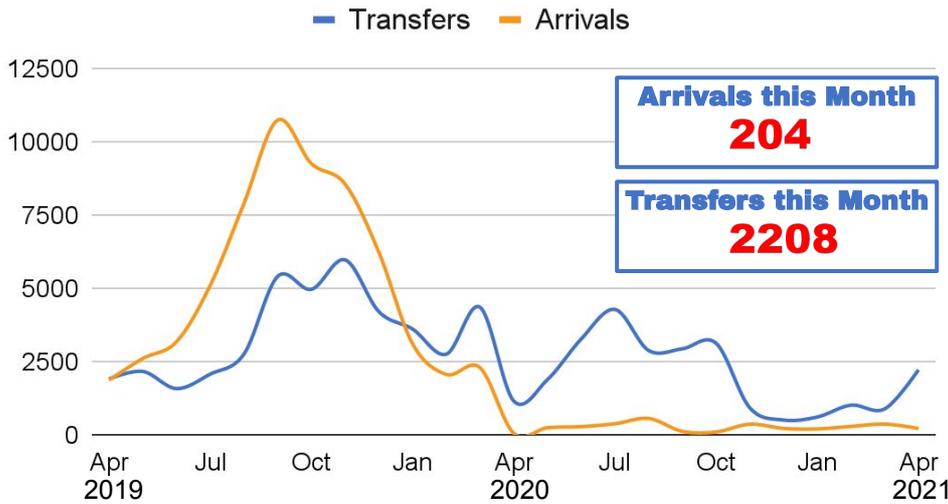




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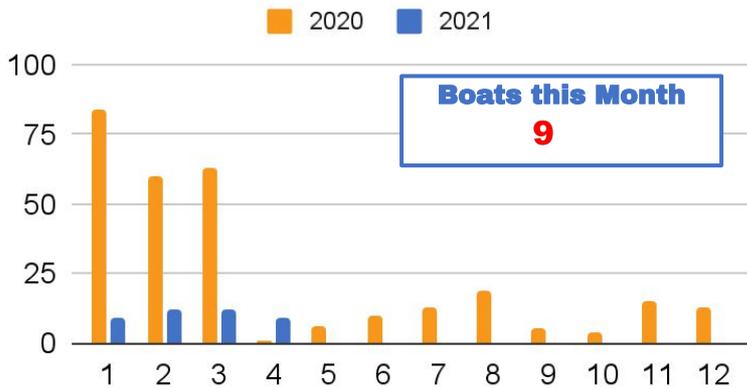
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People Arrived on Aegean islands

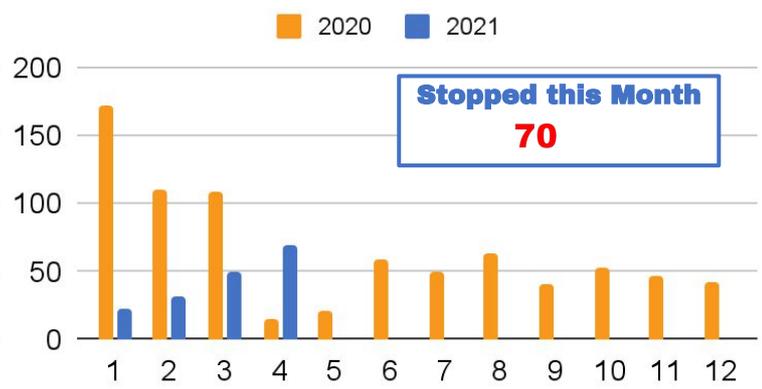


In 2021, people arriving is down 86.4%, compared to 2020. In April 9 boats was officially registered as arrived on the Greek islands, carrying a total of 204 people. Arrivals has decreased 42.2% compared to March, boats arriving is down 25%. Demographics on the islands: Men 53%, Women 21% and Children 26%

Boats arrived on the islands



Boats stopped by TCG/Police



Total arrivals has increased 423% compared to same month in 2020. 79 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in April, carrying a total of 2618 people. 9 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 204 people, the rest, 70 boats, 2414 people, were picked up by the Turkish Coast guard, most of these boats had been pushed back by the Greek Coast Guard.

Total numbers so far this year



In 2021 174 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 5716 people have been arrested. Boats arriving on the Greek island has been reduced due to the Greek governments pushback tactics, boats picked up by TCG has increased for the same reason. Also the COVID-19 pandemic have had a huge impact. Population on the islands is 11.434.

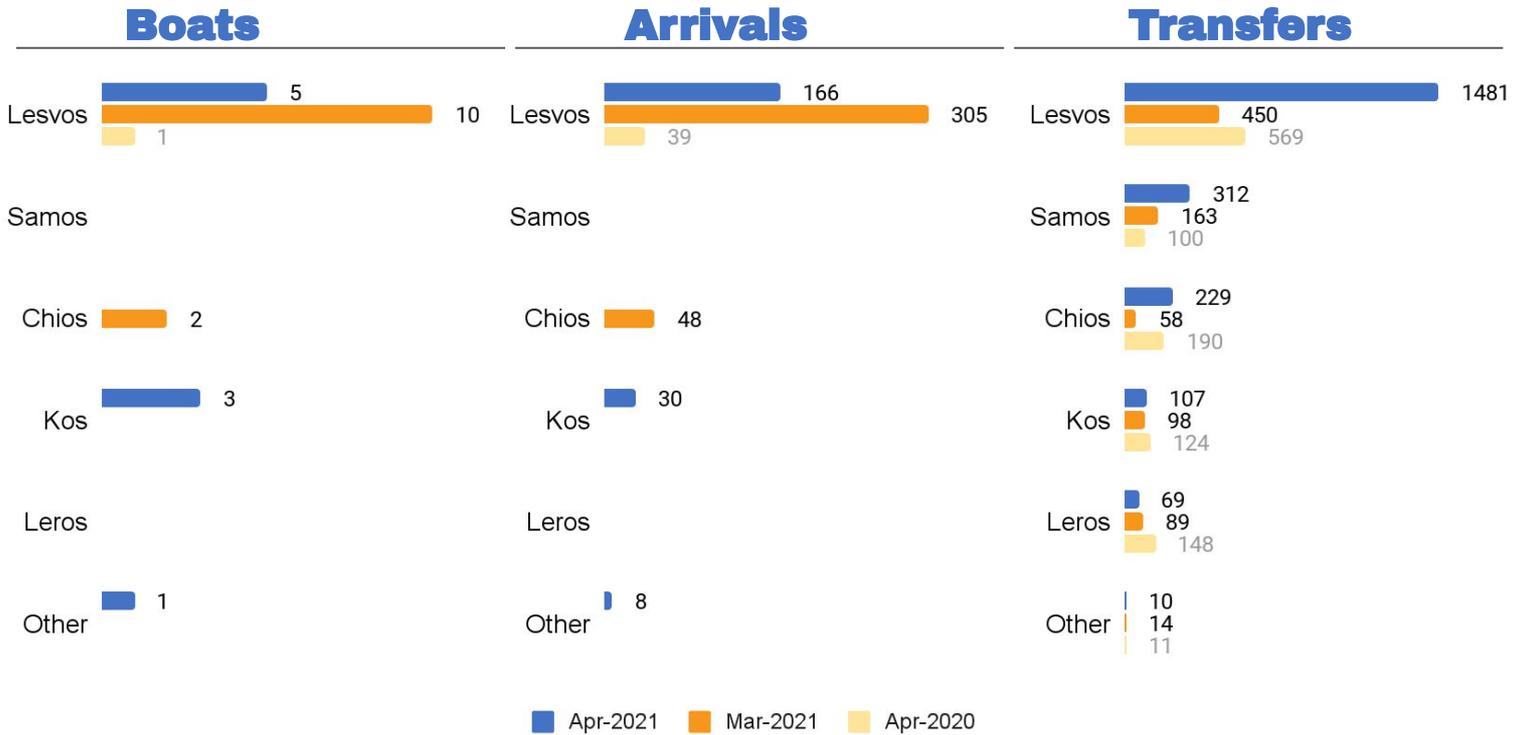


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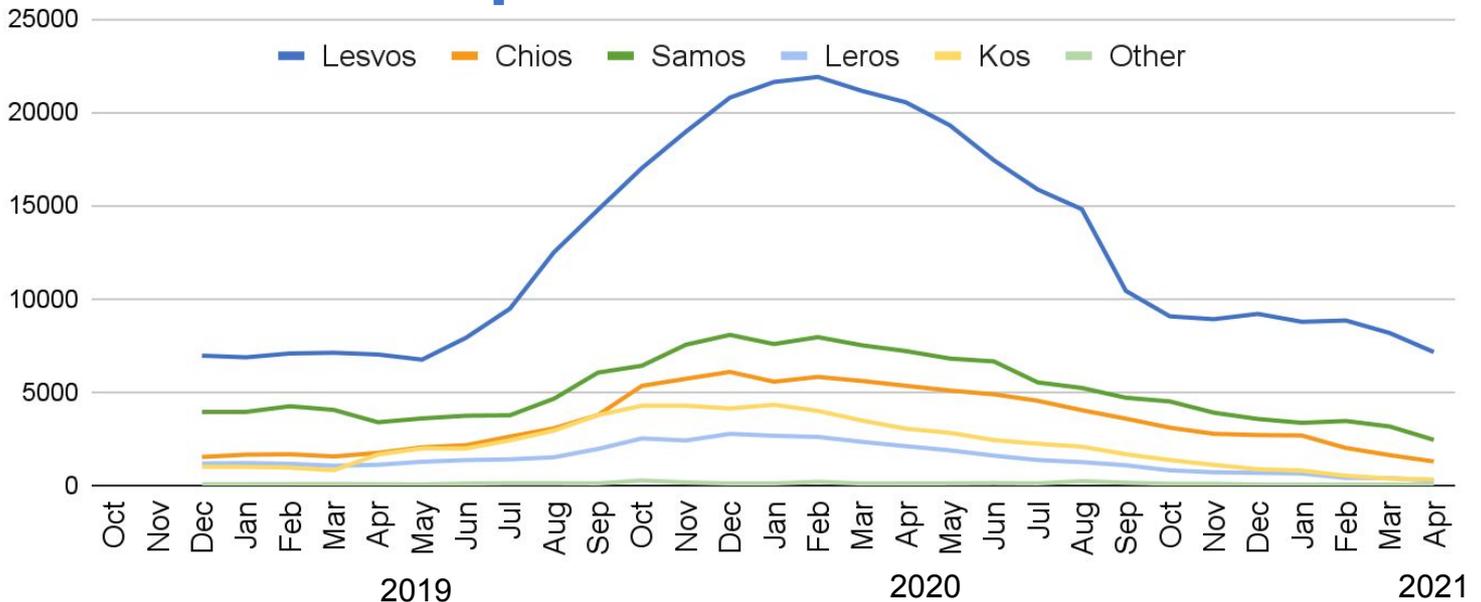
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Arrivals and transfers by island

In April 2208 people were transported to mainland, from the Greek islands. Transfers have increased 153.2% compared to March, when 872 people were transported. In the last 12 months population on the Aegean islands has decreased by 70.1%, from 38.284 to 11.434 people. The Greek government have drastically reduced population on the Greek island, population is now the lowest registered since ABR started registration in December 2017.



Population on each island



Official capacity on the islands is 13.464 people. Today's population is 2030 people under max total capacity. In the end of April 2020 total population was 38.284, one year later its 11.434, population has decreased by 26.850 people in 12 months on the Greek Islands, living conditions in the camps remains the same, or even worse, inhuman.

Lesvos	7143	Kos	309
Samos	2435	Leros	238
Chios	1275	Other	34

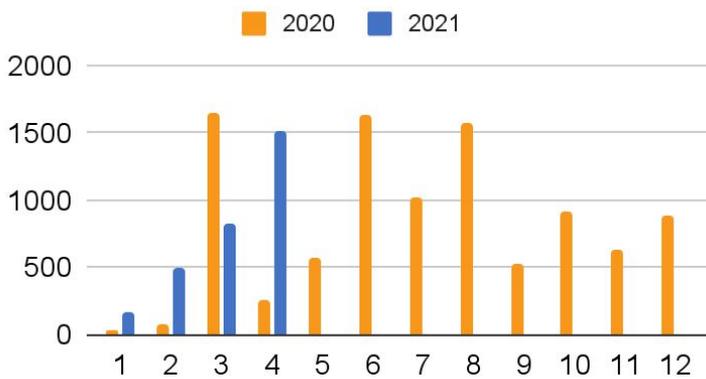


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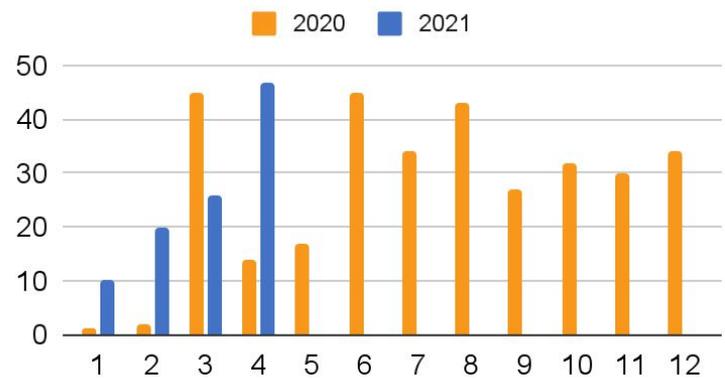
It is the legal right of men, women or children to enter a country with or without paperwork, if they intend to apply for asylum. Pushbacks are the illegal practice of a state preventing them from doing so by stopping them entering its territory, or forcing them back across a border or into the waters of another state. The Greek government has hugely increased illegal pushbacks of refugees since March 2020, with some victims stating they have been beaten by Greek officials before being forced back across borders, or into the sea.

Pushbacks - people



Total people 2021: 3000

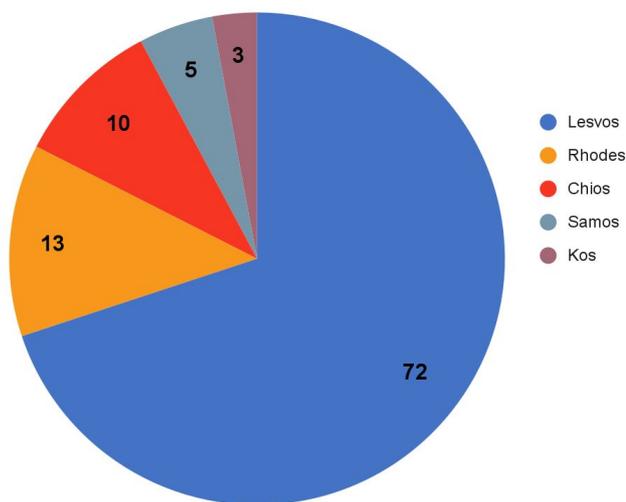
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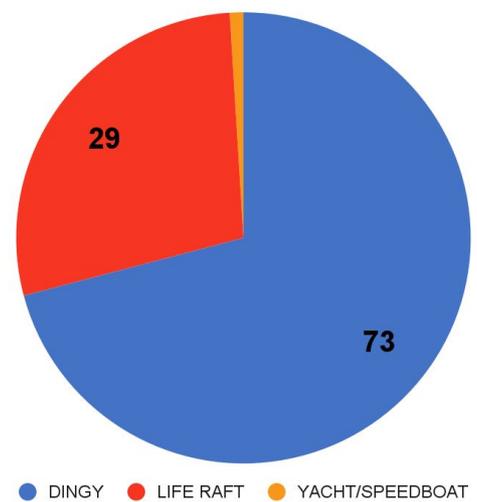
Total pushbacks 2021: 103

In April Aegean Boat Report have registered 47 pushback cases in the Aegean Sea, involving 1515 children, women and men who tried to reach safety in Europe. Many of them had already arrived on the Greek Aegean islands, arrested by police, forced back to sea and left drifting in life rafts, illegally deported by the Hellenic Coast Guard (HCG), on orders from the Greek government, so far there has been no reaction from the EU on these illegal atrocities.

Pushbacks by island



Pushbacks by craft type



Of 47 registered pushback cases in April, 7 of these cases was performed by using rescue equipment/life rafts, 217 people, children, women and men was placed in a total of 8 life rafts, and left helplessly drifting at sea by the Hellenic Coast Guard, a systematic use of rescue equipment as a deportation tool. The Turkish coast guard and police picked up 2414 people floating in the Aegean Sea and on Turkish beaches, in 70 cases in April, 67.1% of these cases people had been pushed back by the Hellenic coast guard.