



AEGEAN BOAT REPORT

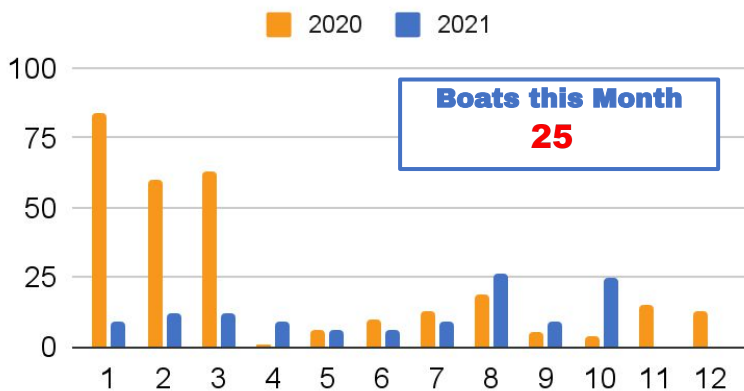
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People Arrived on Aegean islands

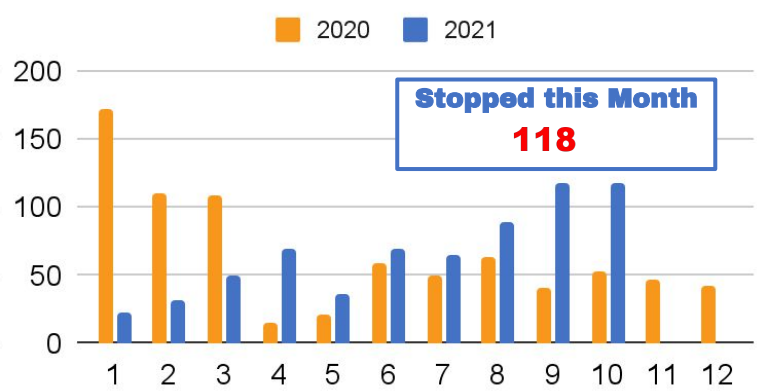


In 2021, people arriving is down 65.7%, compared to 2020. In September 25 boats was officially registered as arrived on the Greek islands, carrying a total of 797 people. Arrivals has increased 177.7% compared to September, boats arriving is up 177.8%. Demographics on the islands: Men 50%, Women 21% and Children 29%

Boats arrived on the islands



Boats stopped by TCG/Police



Total arrivals has increased 860% compared to same month in 2020. 143 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in October, carrying a total of 3570 people. 25 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 797 people, the rest, 118 boats, 2773 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 669 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 19.651 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 4532.



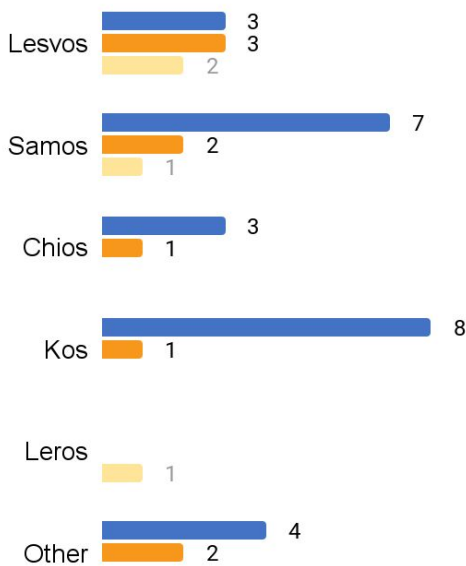
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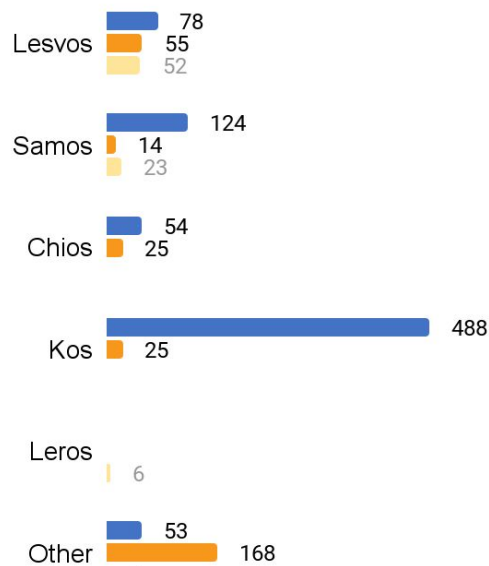
Arrivals and transfers by island

In October 745 people were transported to mainland, from the Greek islands. Transfers have increased 20.9% compared to September, when 616 people were transported. In the last 12 months population on the Aegean islands has decreased by 76%, from 18.872 to 4532 people. The Greek government have drastically reduced population on the Greek island, due to illegal pushbacks performed by the Greek authorities in the Aegean Sea.

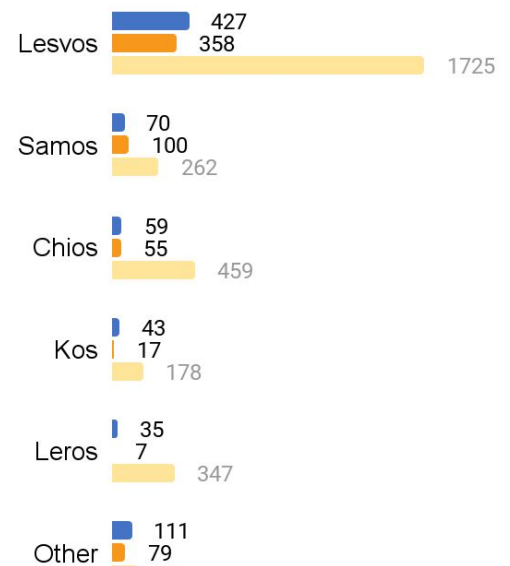
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Arrivals

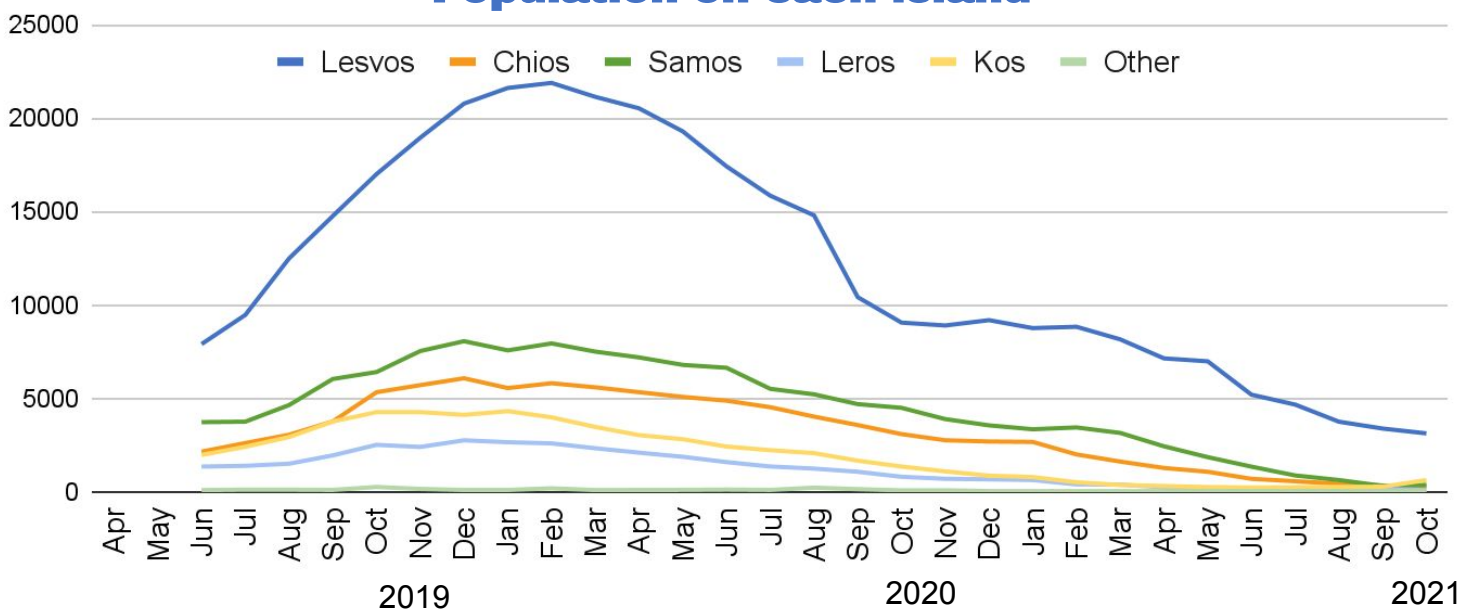


Transfers



■ Oct-2021 ■ Sep-2021 ■ Oct-2020

Population on each island



Official capacity on the islands is 13.232 people. Today's population is 8700 people under max total capacity. In the end of October 2020 total population was 18.872, one year later its 4532, population has decreased by 14.340 people in 12 months on the Greek Islands, living conditions in the camps remains the same, or even worse, inhuman.

Lesvos	3127	Kos	627
Samos	369	Leros	95
Chios	282	Other	32

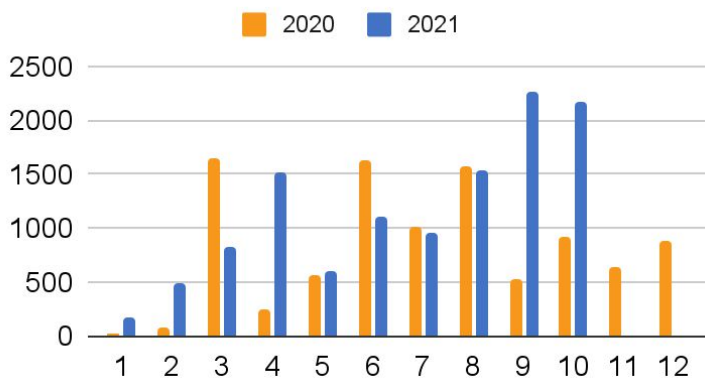


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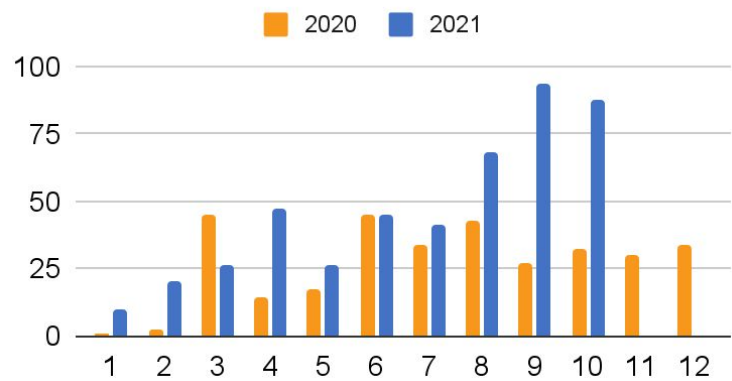
It is the legal right of men, women or children to enter a country with or without paperwork, if they intend to apply for asylum. Pushbacks are the illegal practice of a state preventing them from doing so by stopping them entering its territory, or forcing them back across a border or into the waters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

Pushbacks - people



Total people 2021: 11637

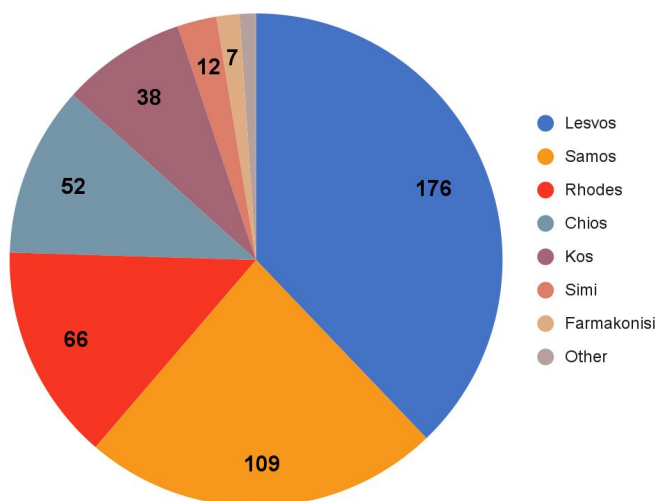
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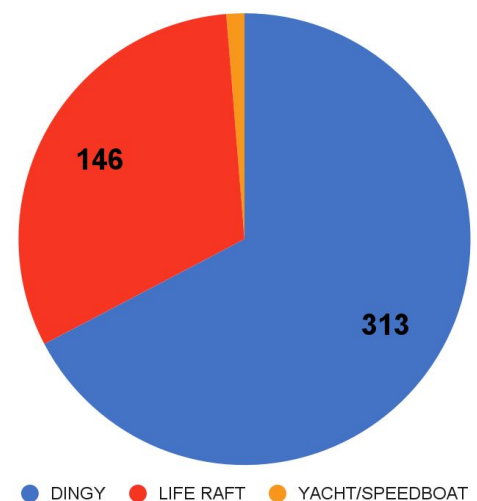
Total pushbacks 2021: 465

In October Aegean Boat Report have registered 88 pushback cases in the Aegean Sea, involving 2172 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 88 registered pushback cases in October, 24 of these cases was performed by using rescue equipment/life rafts, 650 people, children, women and men was placed in a total of 37 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 2773 people floating in the Aegean Sea and on Turkish beaches, in 118 cases in October, 74.6% of these cases people had been pushed back by the Hellenic coast guard.