



AEGEAN BOAT REPORT

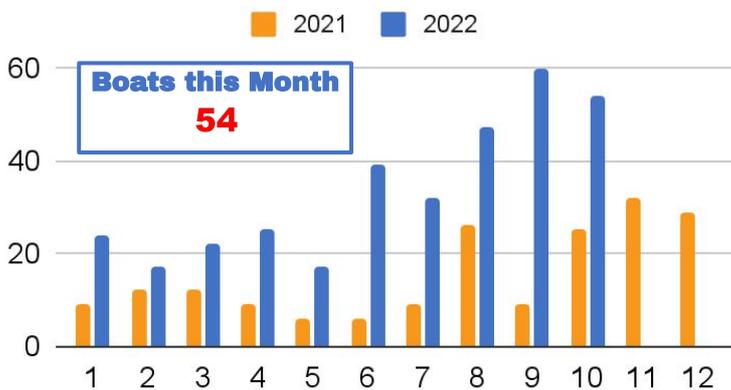
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People Registered on Aegean islands

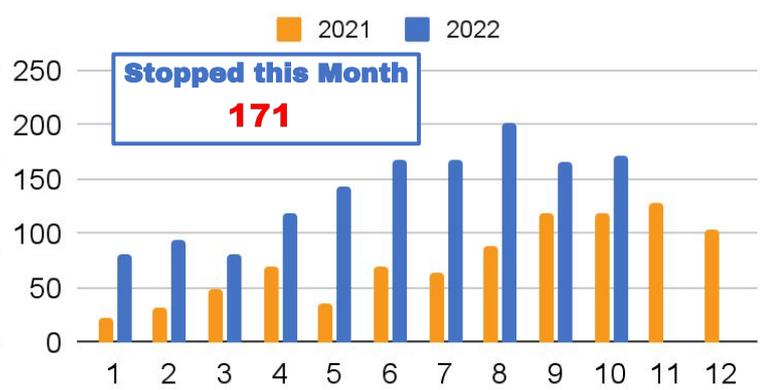


In 2022, people arriving is up 153.2%, compared to 2021. In October 54 boats was officially registered as arrived on the Greek islands, carrying a total of 1282 people. Arrivals has decreased 16.3% compared to September, boats arriving is down 10%. Demographics on the islands: Men 52%, Women 24% and Children 24%

Boats Officially Arrived

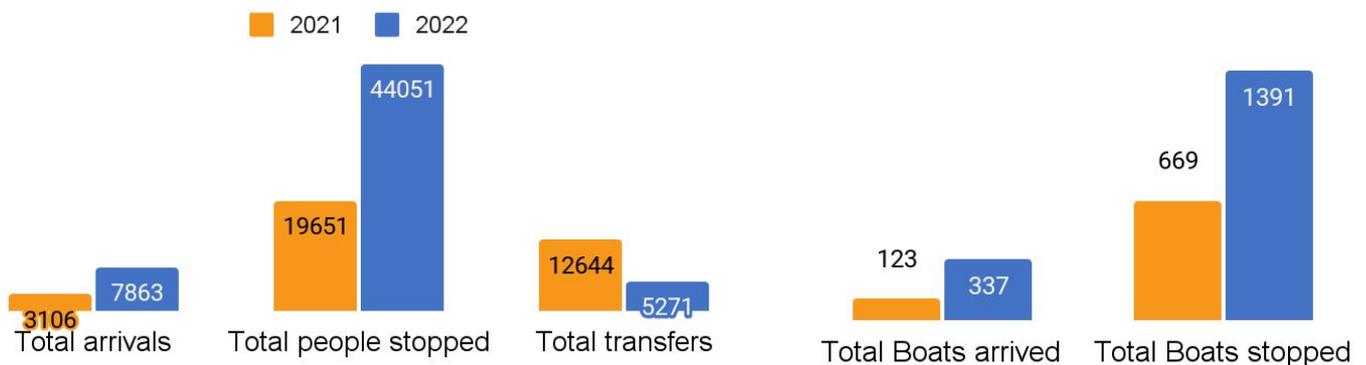


Boats Stopped/Rescued by TCG



Total arrivals has increased 60.9% compared to same month in 2021. 225 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in October, carrying a total of 6113 people. 54 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 1282 people, the rest, 171 boats, 4831 people, were picked up by the Turkish Coast guard, half of these boats had been pushed back by the Greek Coast Guard.

Total numbers so far this year



In 2022 1386 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 44.041 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 3828.

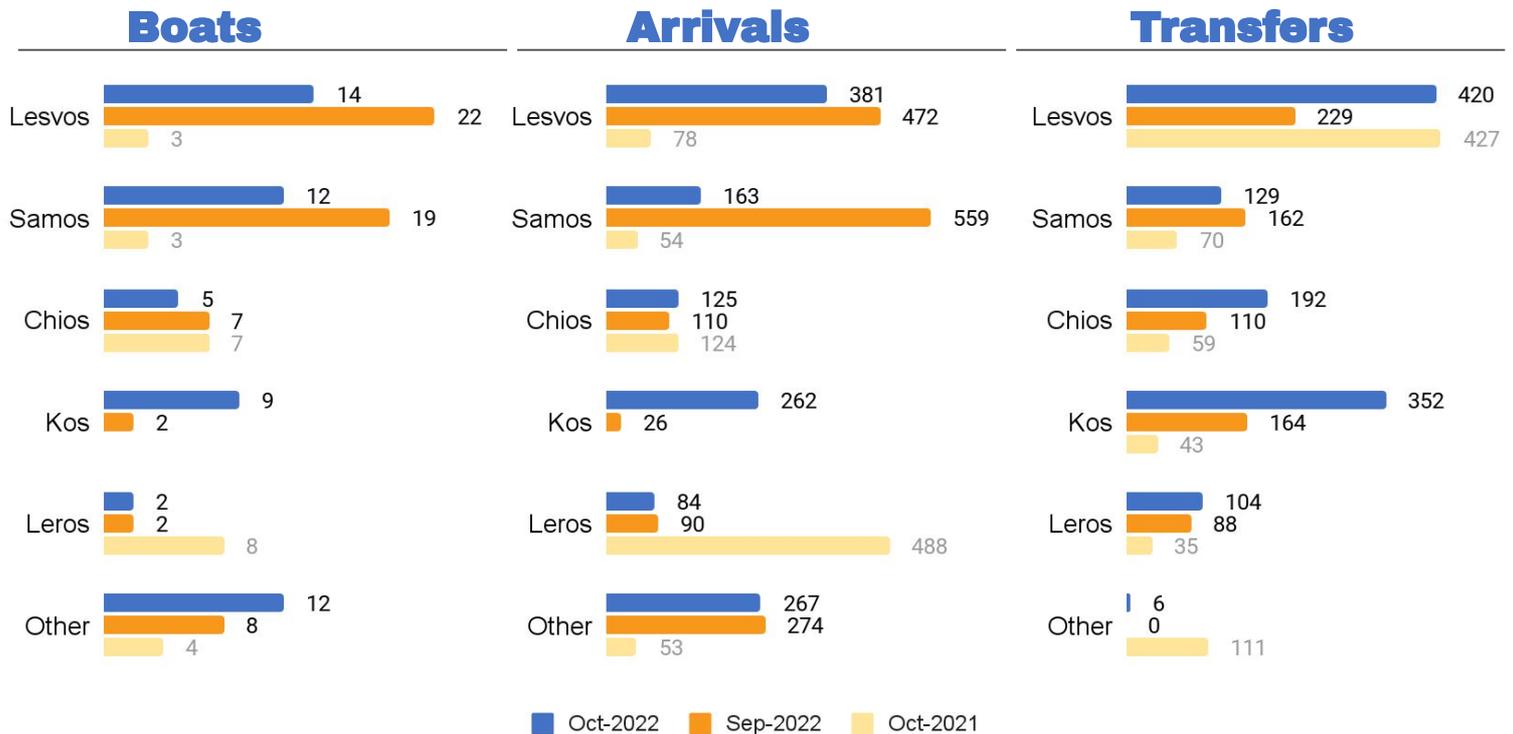


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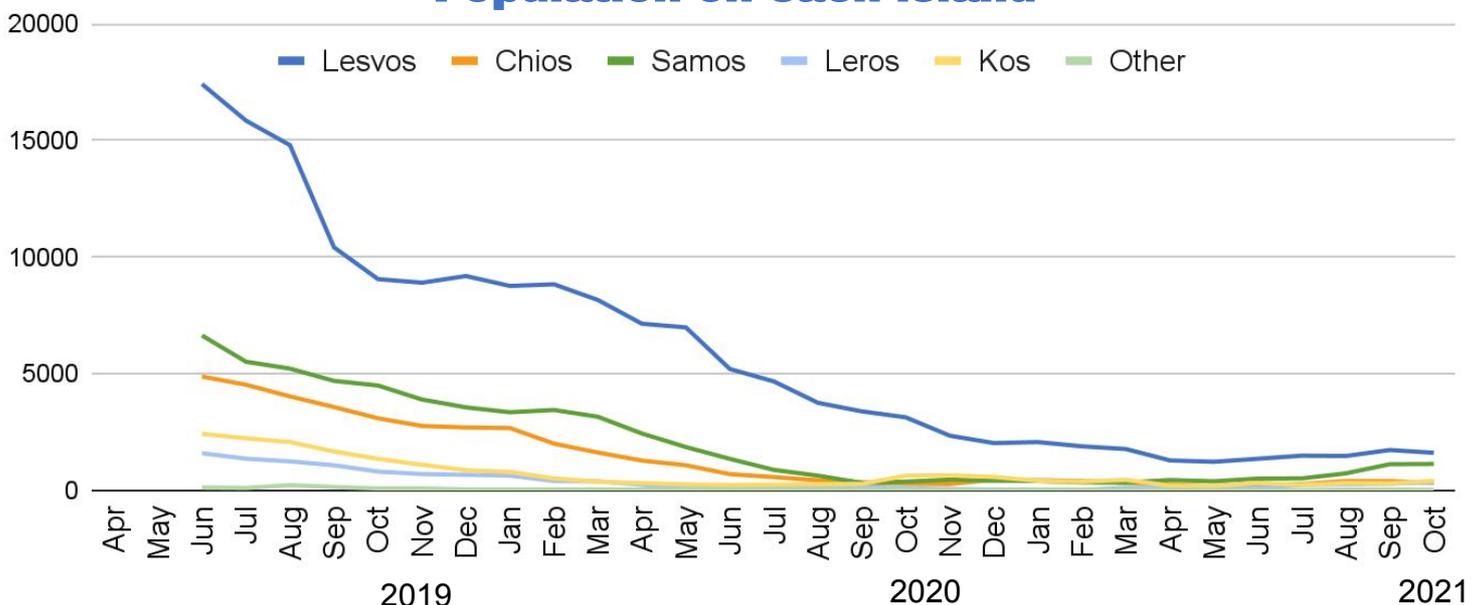
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Arrivals and transfers by island

In October 1203 people were transported to mainland, from the Greek islands. Transfers have increased 59.8% compared to September, when 753 people were transported. In the last 12 months population on the Aegean islands has decreased by 15.5%, from 4532 to 3828 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.



Population on each island



Official capacity on the islands is 16.230 people. Today's population is 12.402 people under max total capacity. In the end of October 2021 total population was 4.532, one year later its 3.828, population has decreased by 704 people in 12 months on the Greek Islands. In the last 12 months 25.065 people have been pushed back by Greek authorities.

Lesvos	1607	Kos	406
Samos	1129	Leros	351
Chios	317	Other	18

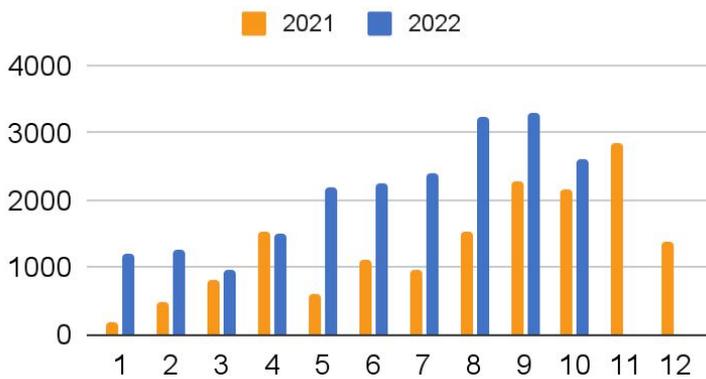


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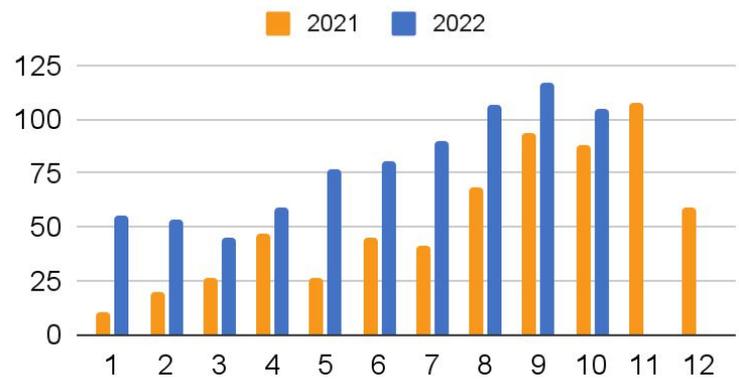
It is the legal right of men, women or children to enter a country with or without paperwork, if they intend to apply for asylum. Pushbacks are the illegal practice of a state preventing them from doing so by stopping them entering its territory, or forcing them back across a border or into the waters 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 2022: 20.899

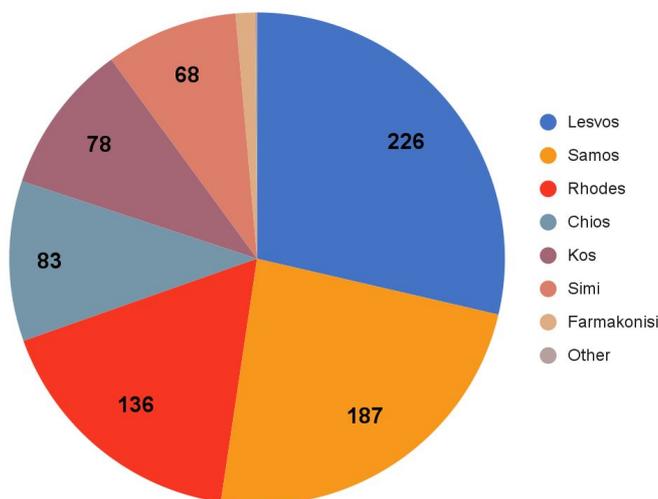
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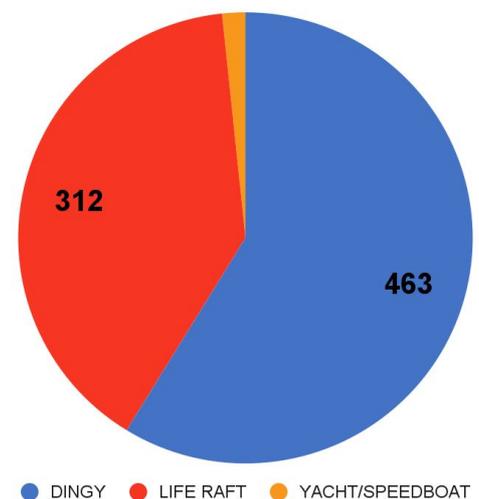
Total pushbacks 2022: 789

In October Aegean Boat Report have registered 105 pushback cases in the Aegean Sea, involving 2.618 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 105 registered pushback cases in October, 22 of these cases was performed by using rescue equipment/life rafts, 515 people, children, women and men was placed in a total of 32 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 4.831 people floating in the Aegean Sea and on Turkish beaches, in 171 cases in October, 61.4% of these cases people had been pushed back by the Hellenic coast guard.