



AEGEAN BOAT REPORT

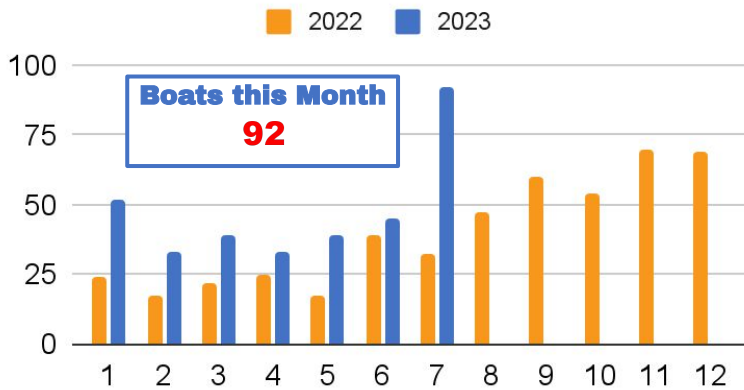
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People Registered on Aegean islands

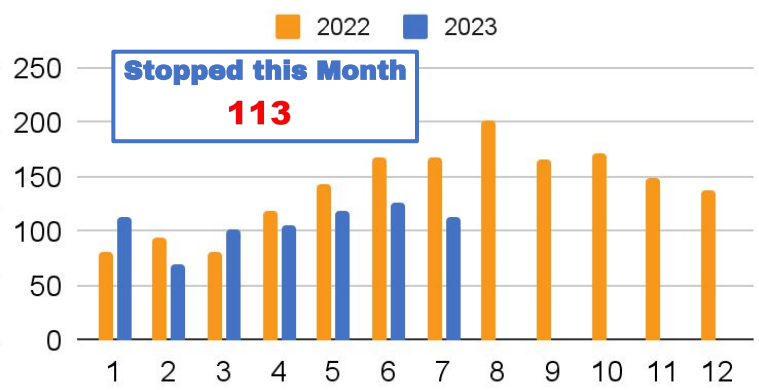


In 2023, people arriving is up 127%, compared to 2022. In July 92 boats was officially registered as arrived on the Greek islands, carrying a total of 2.579 people. Arrivals has increased 159.5% compared to June, boats arriving is up 104.4%. Demographics on the islands: Men 52%, Women 24% and Children 24%

Boats Officially Arrived

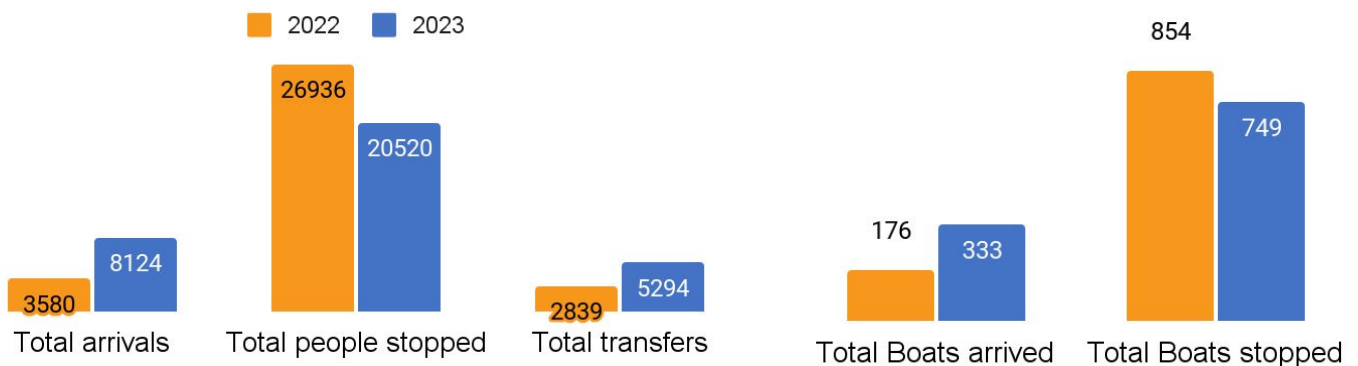


Boats Stopped/Rescued by TCG



Arrivals has increased 261.5% compared to the same month in 2022. 205 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in June, carrying a total of 5.940 people. 92 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 2.579 people, the rest, 113 boats, 3.361 people, were picked up by the Turkish Coast guard, 43.4% of these boats had been pushed back by the Greek Coast Guard.

Total numbers so far this year



In 2023 754 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 20.887 people have been arrested. Boats arriving on the Greek island has been reduced due to the Greek governments pushback tactics, on Greek islands and at sea, boats picked up by TCG has increased for the same reason. Population on the islands is 5.336.

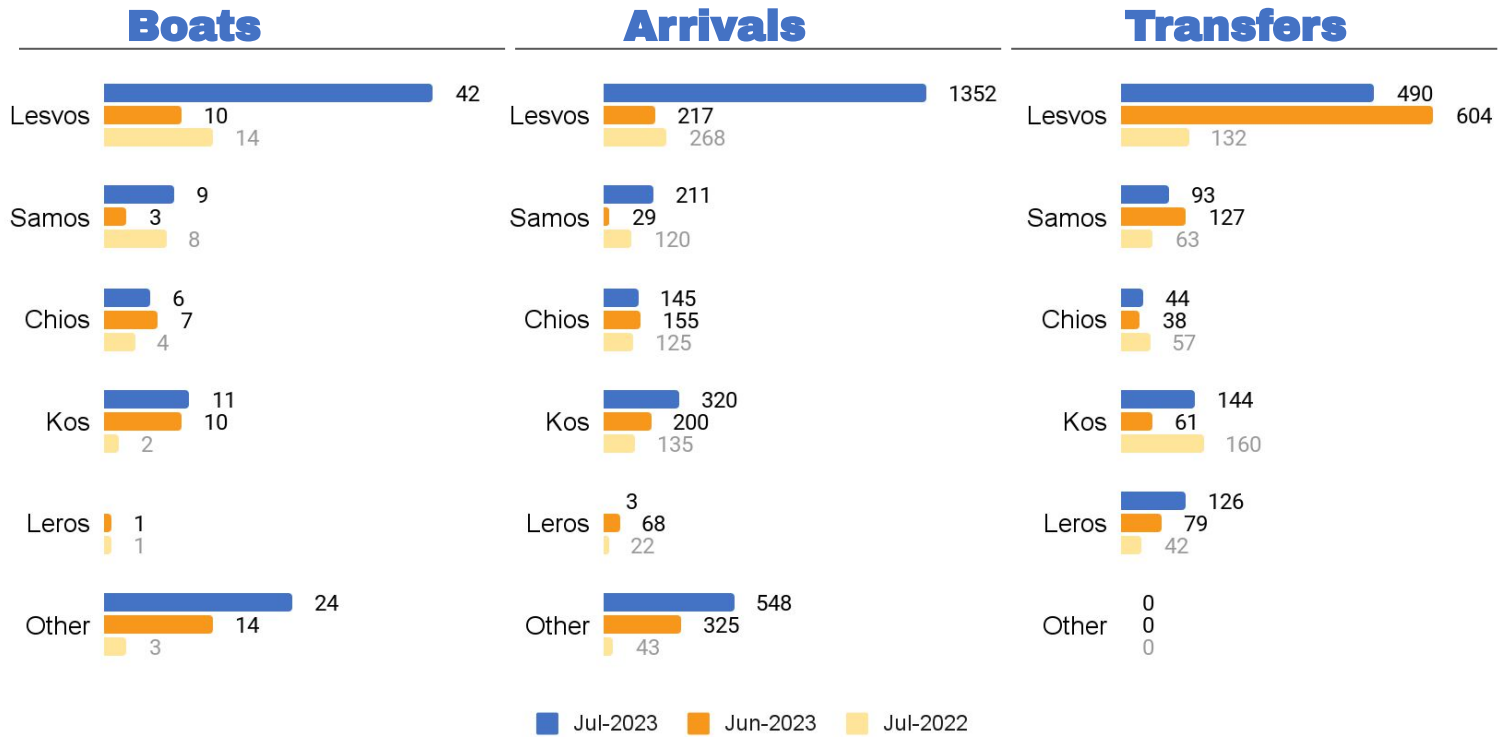


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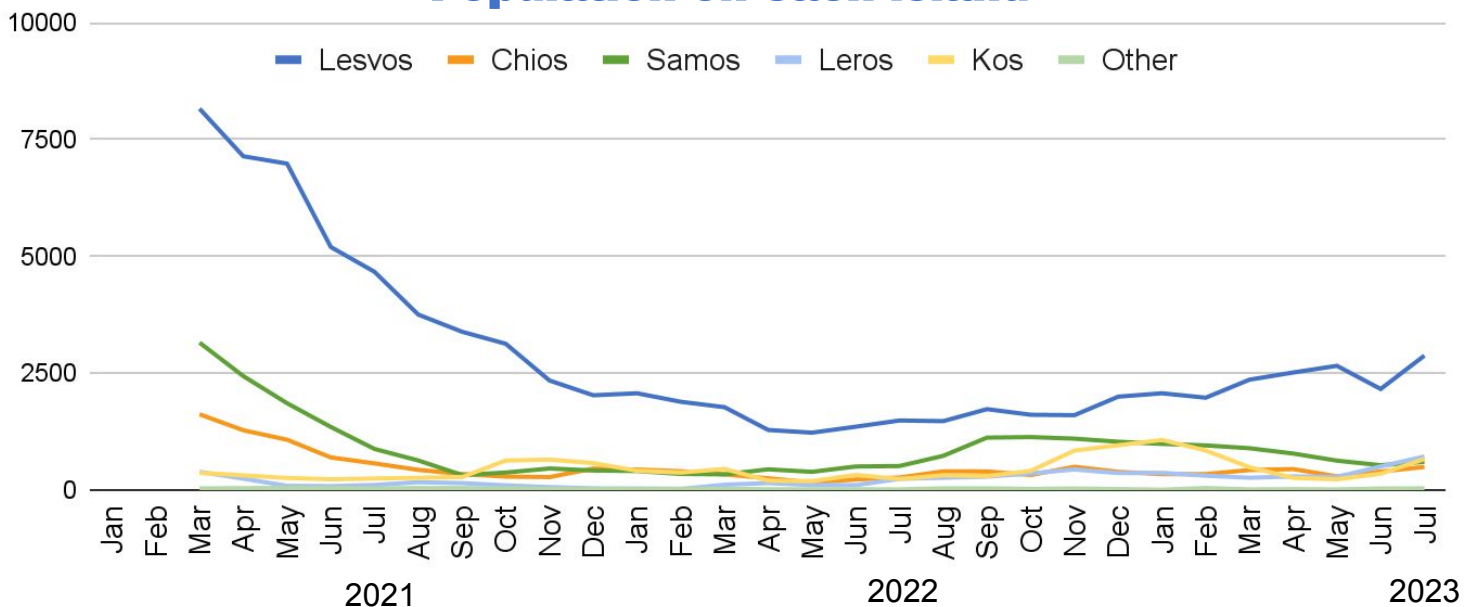
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Arrivals and transfers by island

In July 897 people were transported to mainland, from the Greek islands. Transfers have decreased 1.3% compared to June, when 909 people were transported. In the last 12 months population on the Aegean islands has increased by 96.8%, from 2.727 to 5.366 people. The Greek government are trying to reduce arrivals on the Greek islands by illegally pushing back people crossing from Turkey towards the islands in small rubber boats.



Population on each island



Official capacity on the islands is 16.190 people. Today's population is 10.824 people under max total capacity. In the end of July 2022 total population was 2.727, one year later its 5.366, population has increased by 2.639 people in 12 months on the Greek Islands. In the last 12 months 24.767 people have been pushed back by Greek authorities.

Lesvos	2874	Kos	660
Samos	599	Leros	714
Chios	489	Other	30

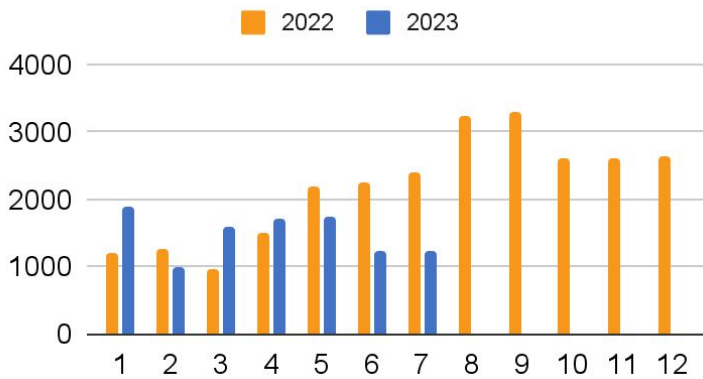


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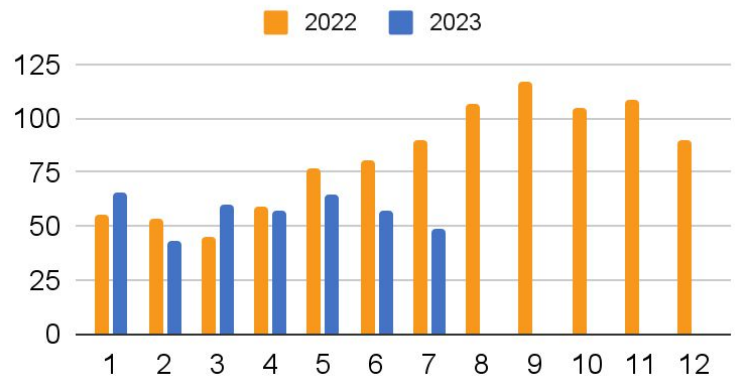
It is the legal right of men, women or children to enter a country with or without paperwork, if they intend to apply for asylum. Pushbacks are the illegal practice of a state preventing them from doing so by stopping them entering its territory, or forcing them back across a border or into the waters 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 2023: 10.381

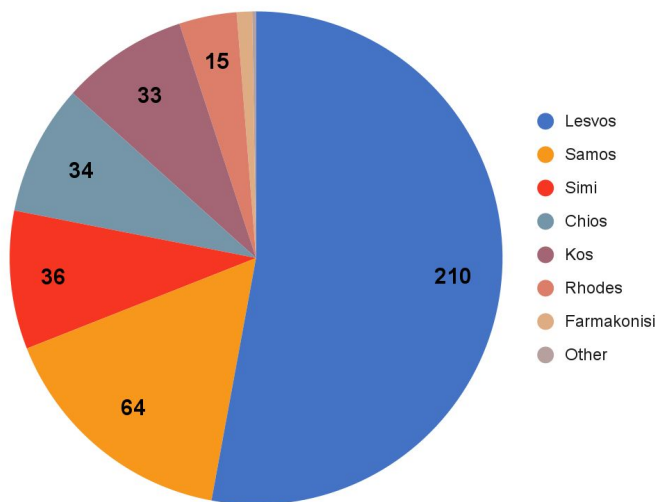
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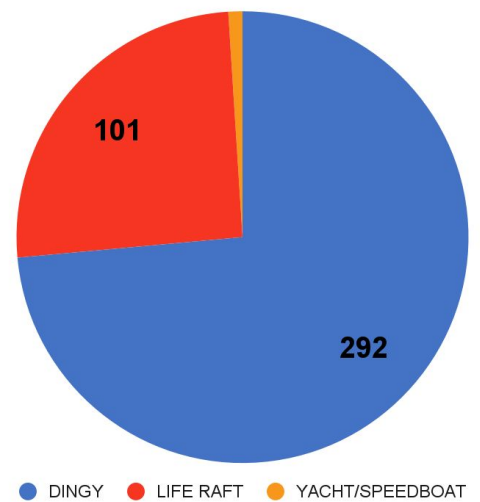
Total pushbacks 2023: 397

In July Aegean Boat Report have registered 49 pushback cases in the Aegean Sea, involving 1.221 children, women and men who tried to reach safety in Europe. Some 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 49 registered pushback cases in June, 4 of these cases was performed by using rescue equipment/life rafts, 84 people, children, women and men was placed in a total of 5 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 3.361 people floating in the Aegean Sea and on Turkish beaches, in 113 cases in July, 43.4% of these cases people had been pushed back by the Hellenic coast guard.