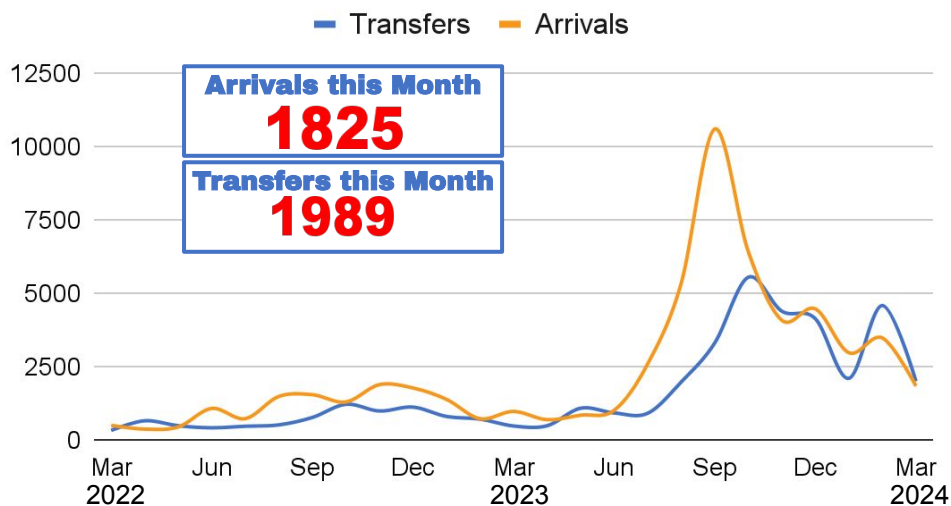




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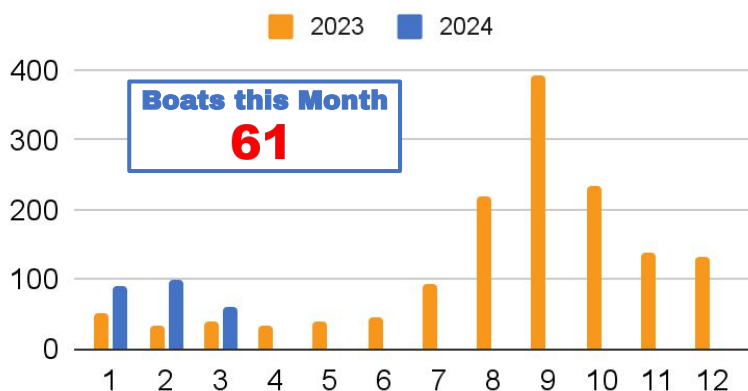
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People Registered on Aegean islands

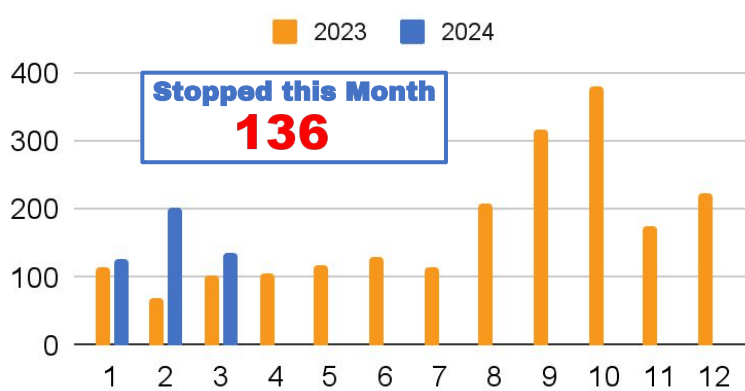


In 2024, people arriving is up 171.2%, compared to 2023. In March 61 boats was officially registered as arrived on the Greek islands, carrying a total of 1.825 people. Arrivals has decreased 47.4% compared to February, boats arriving is down 39%. Demographics on the islands: Men 52%, Women 24% and Children 24%

Boats Officially Arrived

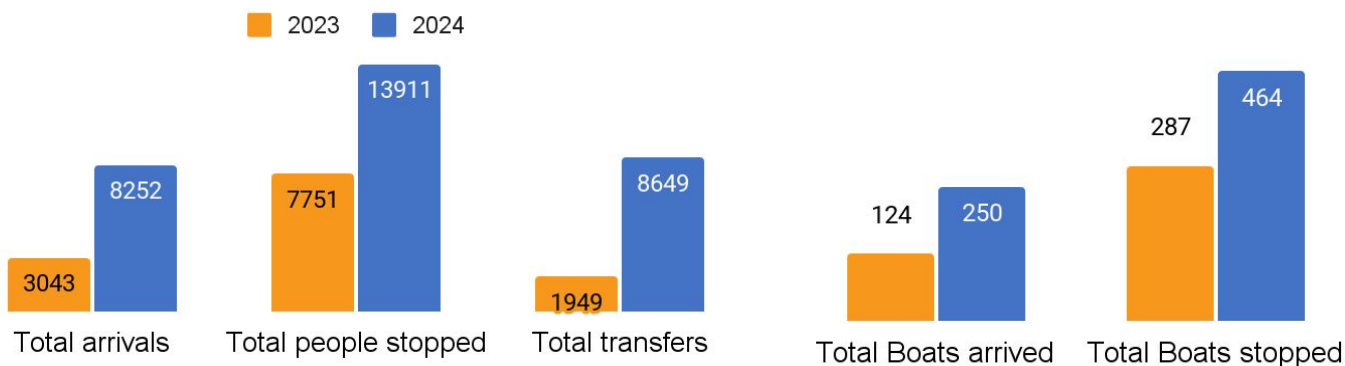


Boats Stopped/Rescued by TCG



Arrivals has increased 90.1% compared to the same month in 2023. 197 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in March, carrying a total of 5.318 people. 61 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 1.825 people, the rest, 136 boats, 3.493 people, were picked up by the Turkish Coast guard, 23.2% of these people had been pushed back by the Greek Coast Guard.

Total numbers so far this year



In 2024 464 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 13.911 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 9.571 people.

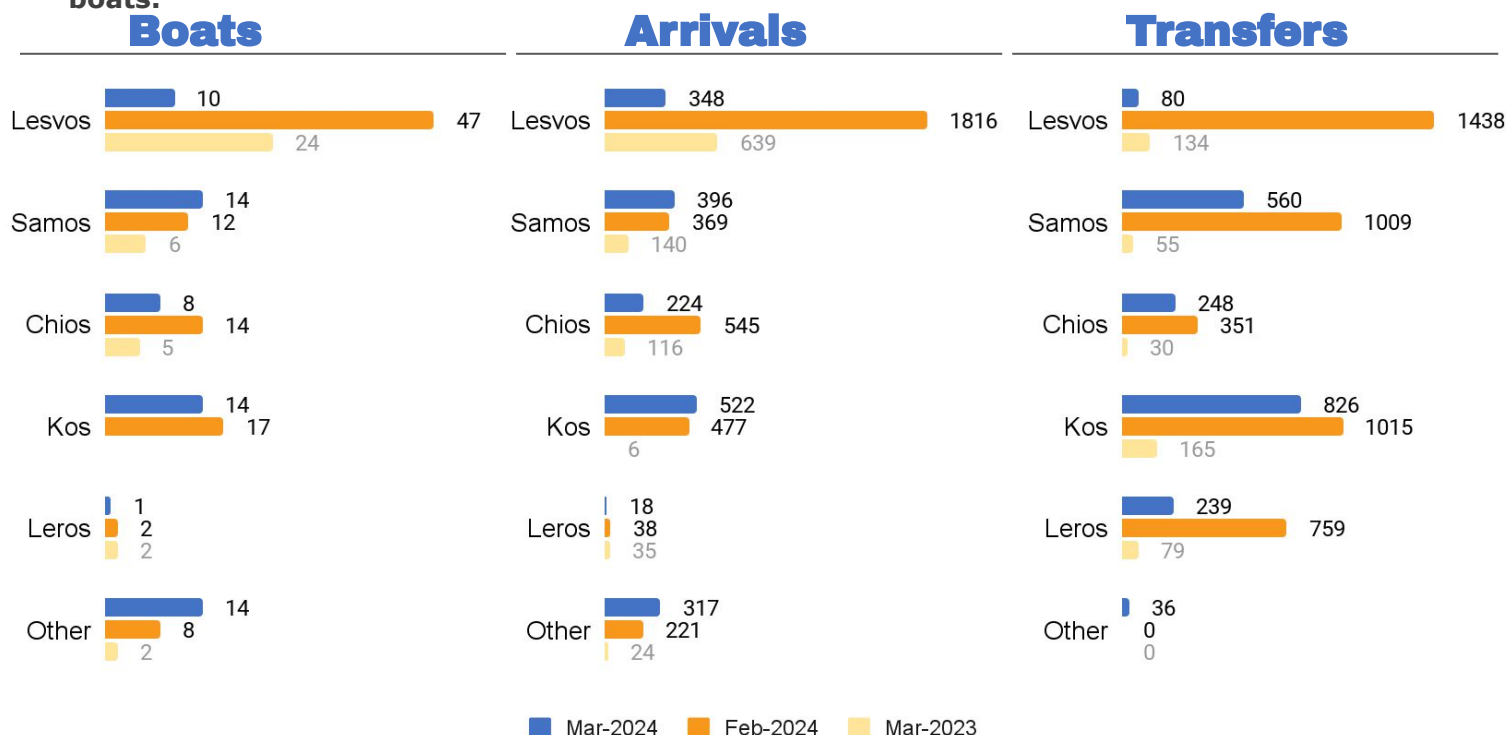


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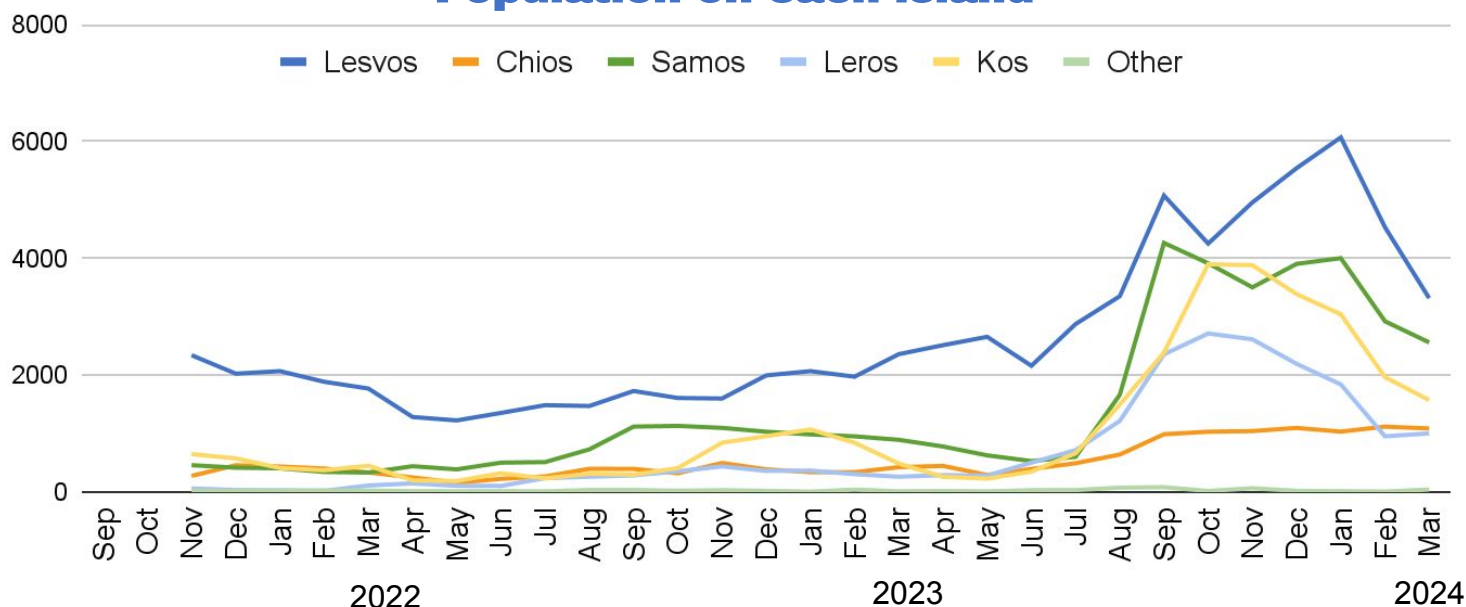
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Arrivals and transfers by island

In March 1.989 people were transported to mainland, from the Greek islands. Transfers have decreased 56.5% compared to February, when 4.572 people were transported. In the last 12 months population on the Aegean islands has increased by 116.6%, from 4.419 to 9.571 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 18.755 people. Today's population is 9.184 people under max total capacity. In the end of March 2023 total population was 4.419, one year later its 9.571, population has increased by 5.152 people in 12 months on the Greek Islands. In the last 12 months 24.714 people have been pushed back by Greek authorities.

Lesvos	3317	Kos	1570
Samos	2559	Leros	1001
Chios	1085	Other	39

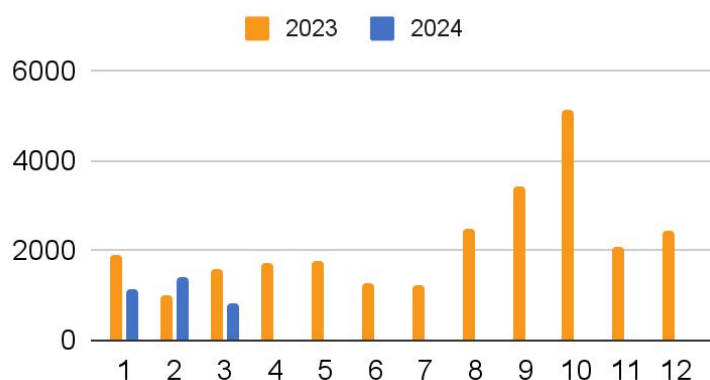


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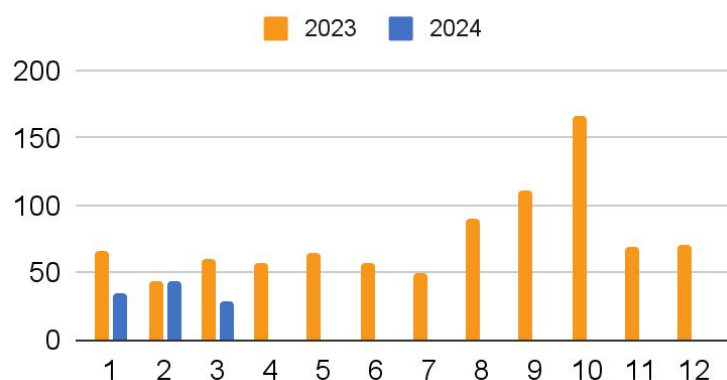
It is the legal right of men, women or children to enter a country with or without paperwork, if they intend to apply for asylum. Pushbacks are the illegal practice of a state preventing them from doing so by stopping them entering its territory, or forcing them back across a border or into the waters 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 2024: 3.334

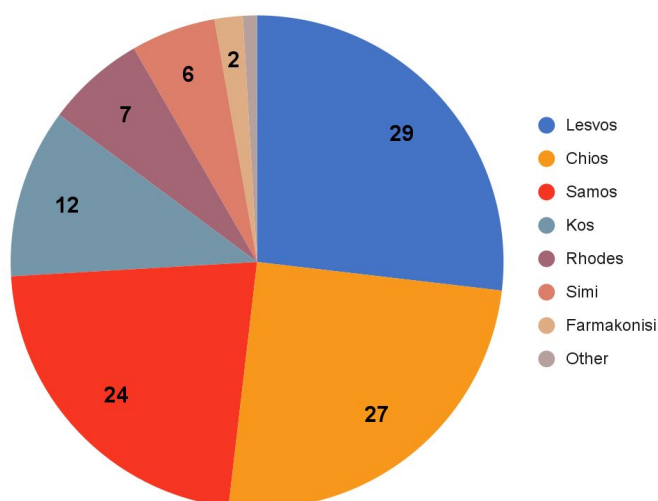
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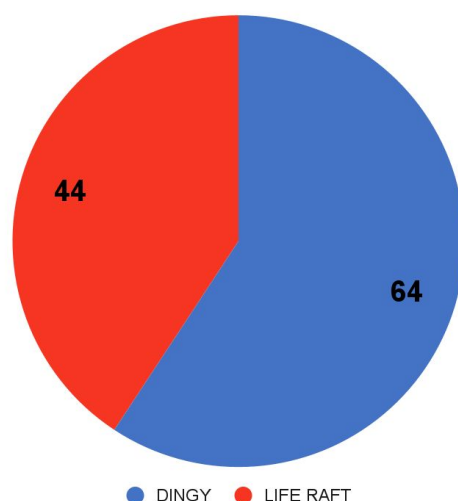
Total pushbacks 2024: 108

In March Aegean Boat Report have registered 29 pushback cases in the Aegean Sea, involving 811 children, women and men who tried to reach safety in Europe. Most of them was stopped at sea and forced back across the border, left helplessly drifting in boats and life rafts in the middle of the sea, 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 29 registered pushback cases in March, 17 of these cases was performed by using rescue equipment/life rafts, 503 people, children, women and men was placed in 27 life raft, 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 2.417 people floating in the Aegean Sea and on Turkish beaches in 90 cases in March, 32.2% of these cases people had been pushed back by the Hellenic coast guard.