

# Refugee and migrant children in Greece

As of 31 December 2019



## Key figures


**42,500** estimated number of refugee and migrant children across Greece. Among them **4,815** unaccompanied


**96** accompanied children have been returned to Turkey, in the framework of the EU - Turkey Statement (20 March 2016 – 31 December 2019)


**512** unaccompanied children received international protection in Greece on first instance during 2019 (January – December 2019)



Out of the estimated **4,815** unaccompanied children in Greece, approximately **3,327** (including **195** in protective custody) are still in need of long-term accommodation

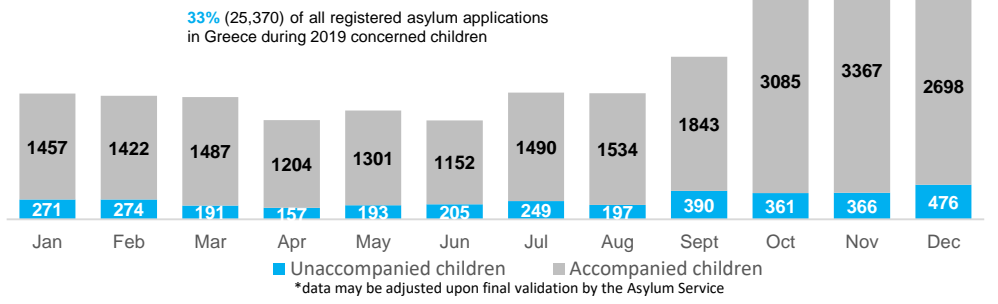
 It is estimated that **12,800** refugee and migrant children of school age (4-17 years old) across Greece are enrolled in formal education (as of June 2019, source: Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs)

 **67%** of children 4-17 years old residing in apartments with their families or shelters and hotels for unaccompanied children are enrolled in Greek schools (as of June 2019)

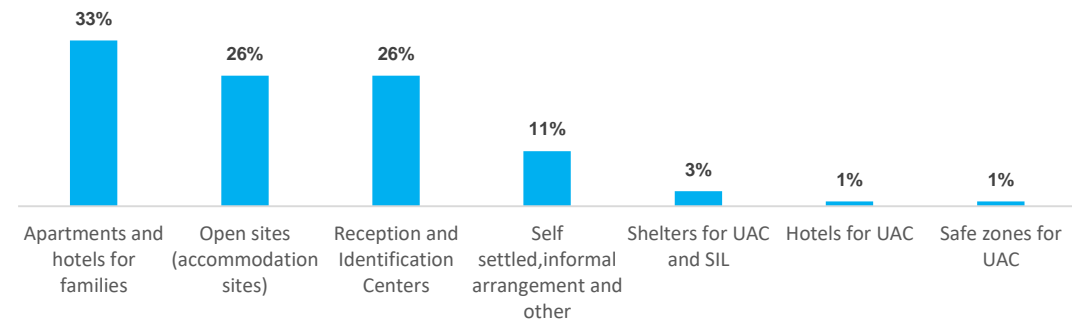
 **37%** of the total sea arrivals in 2019 were children. Among total sea arrivals **6%** were unaccompanied children

The main countries of origin of children arriving by sea in Greece during Jan-Nov 2019 were Afghanistan (**52%**), Syria (**27%**), Iraq (**7%**), and other countries (**14%**).

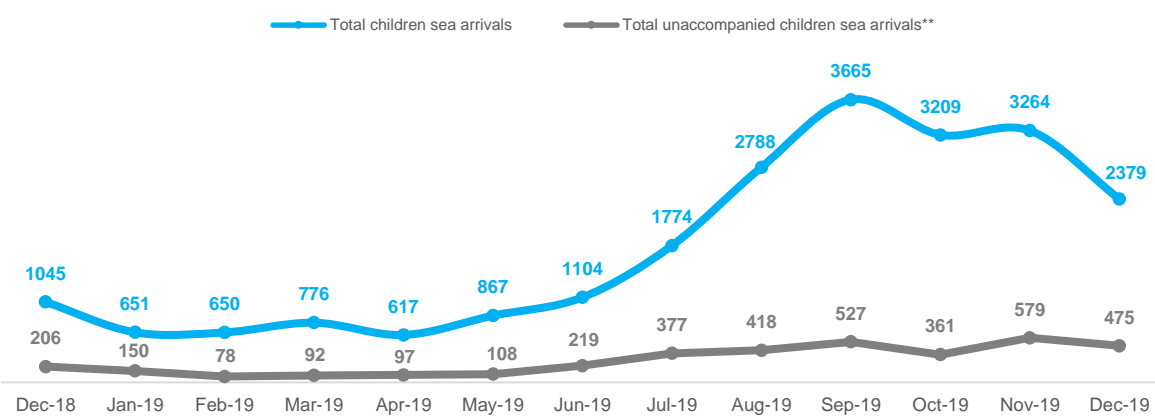
## Child Asylum Applications January - December 2019\*



## Percentage of children per location December 2019



## Child sea arrivals December 2018 - December 2019



Secondary analysis of data by the following sources: MoMP, MoE, MoCP, Hellenic Police, EKKA, Greek Asylum Service, IOM, UNHCR, UNICEF. The estimated total number of refugee and migrant children in Greece includes also figures on self-settled population receiving cash assistance from UNHCR in urban locations in Greece.