

Refugee and migrant children in Greece

As of 31 January 2020

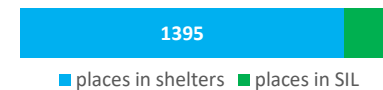


Key figures

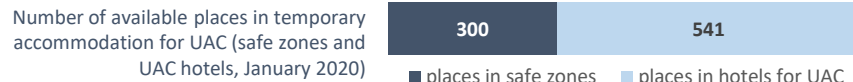
42,500 estimated number of refugee and migrant children across Greece. Among them **5,041** unaccompanied

96 accompanied children have been returned to Turkey, in the framework of the EU - Turkey Statement (20 March 2016 – 31 January 2020)

37 unaccompanied children received international protection in Greece on first instance during Jan 2020 (January 2020)



Number of available places in long term accommodation for UAC (shelters and Supported Independent Living programme (SIL), January 2020)



Number of available places in temporary accommodation for UAC (safe zones and UAC hotels, January 2020)



Total number of UAC in need of long term accommodation (January 2020)

Out of the estimated **5,041** unaccompanied children in Greece, approximately **3,482** (including **187** in protective custody) are still in need of long-term accommodation

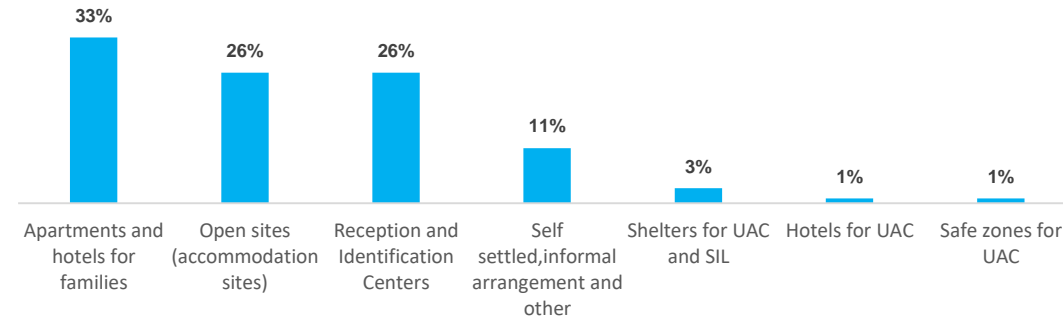
Child Asylum Applications January - December 2020*



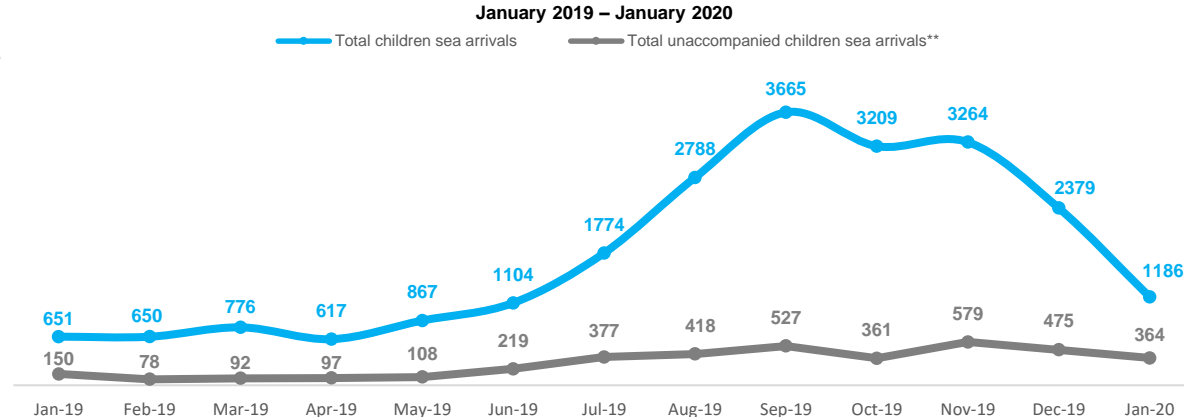
25,368 of all registered asylum applications in Greece during 2019 concerned children, accounting for **33%** of all registered asylum application in the country during the year.

■ Unaccompanied children ■ Accompanied children
*data may be adjusted upon final validation by the Asylum Service

Percentage of children per location December 2019



Child sea arrivals January 2019 – January 2020



— Total children sea arrivals — Total unaccompanied children sea arrivals**

**Based on referrals to EKKA



It is estimated that **13,000** refugee and migrant children of school age (4-17 years old) across Greece are enrolled in formal education (as of January 2020, source: Education Sector Working Group)



38% of the total sea arrivals in 2020 were children. Among total sea arrivals **12%** were unaccompanied children



73% 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 January 2020)

The main countries of origin of children arriving by sea in Greece during Jan-Dec 2019 were Afghanistan (**53%**), Syria (**26%**), Iraq (**7%**), and other countries (**14%**).