

Refugee and migrant children in Greece

As of 31 May 2020

Key figures

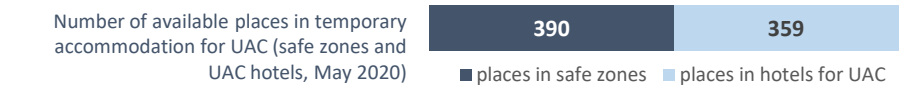
45,300 estimated number of refugee and migrant children across Greece. Among them **4,594** unaccompanied

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

60 unaccompanied children received international protection in Greece on first instance during 2020 (Jan-Feb 2020)



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



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



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

Out of the estimated **4,594** unaccompanied children in Greece, approximately **2,906** (including **206** in protective custody) are still in need of long-term accommodation



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)



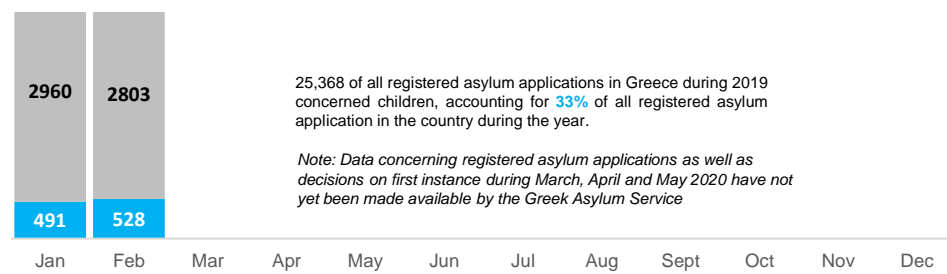
73% of children 4-17 years old residing in apartments with their families or shelters and hotels for unaccompanied children are enrolled in Greek schools (as of January 2020)



36% of the total sea arrivals in 2020 were children. Among total sea arrivals **9%** were unaccompanied children

The main countries of origin of children arriving by sea in Greece during Jan-Apr 2020 were Afghanistan (**49%**), Syria (**29%**), Iraq (**5%**), and other countries (**17%**).

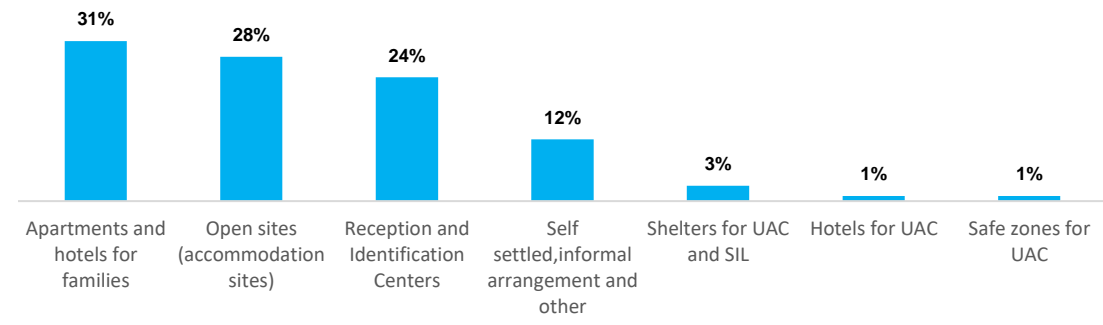
Child Asylum Applications January - December 2020*



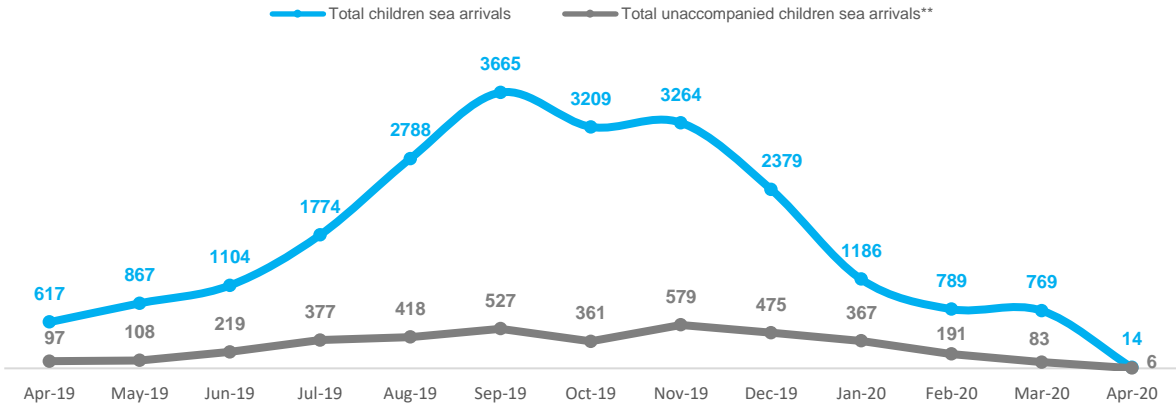
25,368 of all registered asylum applications in Greece during 2019 concerned children, accounting for **33%** of all registered asylum application in the country during the year.
 Note: Data concerning registered asylum applications as well as decisions on first instance during March, April and May 2020 have not yet been made available by the Greek Asylum Service

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

Percentage of children per location April 2020



Child sea arrivals April 2019 - April 2020



**Based on referrals to EKKA

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. UAC sea arrivals for April 2020 are based on N.C.C.B.C.I.A (E.Σ.Κ.Ε.Σ.Μ.Α.)