Situation Update: Unaccompanied Children (UAC) in Greece
15 January 2019

Key Facts

3,792* Estimated number of UAC currently in Greece
Out of the total:
93.6% Boys
6.4% Girls
7.4% <14 years old

1,052 Total number of places in long term accommodation (Shelters/SIL)
895 Total number of places in temporary accommodation (Safe zones/Emergency hotels)

2,041* children out of long term or temporary accommodation, out of which:
720 in RICs
106 in Protective custody
144 pending transfer to long term or temporary accommodation

*The numbers include 283 separated children

Figures dynamically change and may be adjusted based on verification by EKKA. All figures are based on referrals.

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UAC per accommodation type
15 April 2018 – 15 January 2019

Number of UAC in Reception and Identification Centers/Protective Custody
15 April 2018 – 15 January 2019

Reported place of stay of children – Total: 3792

UAC out of long term or temporary accommodation disaggregated by age group and sex
(excluding 283 separated and 144 children pending transfer)

Boys
Girls

>12 ≤12
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Number and places of UAC shelters, safe zones and hotels, 15 January 2019

**Key Facts**
as of 15 January 2019

**UAC shelters**
- **Current:** 48 UAC shelters with total 1,028 places
- **Planned:** 3 UAC shelters with total 92 places

**SIL (Supported Independent Living) apartments**
- **Current:** 6 SIL apartments for UAC older than 16 years old with total 24 places

**Safe zones***
- **Current:** 10 Safe Zones for UAC with total 300 places

**Hotels****
- **Current:** 15 Hotels for UAC with total 595 places
- **Planned:** 1 Hotels for UAC with total 35 places

*Safe Zones* are designated supervised spaces within accommodation sites which provide UAC with 24/7 emergency protection and care. They should be used as short term (maximum 3 months) measures to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Safe Zone priority is given to UAC in detention as well as other vulnerable children, in line with their best interests.

**Hotels** are emergency accommodation spaces being used as a measure to care for UAC in light of the insufficient number of available shelter places. Priority is given to UAC in Reception and Identification Centers.

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**Available places by type and region**

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17,719 Total number of UAC referrals received between January 2016 and December 2018.

Number of UAC Referrals to EKKA by month
(updated on a monthly basis)

Referrals processed* per month in 2018
(updated on a monthly basis)

Monthly UAC referrals to EKKA by nationality
1 January 2018 – 31 December 2018
(updated on a monthly basis)

Estimated UAC population disaggregated by nationality
3792 UAC

*Placement issued or referral cancelled upon verification

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