Refugee and migrant children in Greece
As of 30 April 2018

Key figures

- **22,500** estimated number of refugee and migrant children across Greece. Among them **3,150** UAC
- **79** unaccompanied children have been returned to Turkey, in the framework of the EU - Turkey statement (20 March 2016 - 30 April 2018)
- **420** children received international protection in Greece on first instance during April. Among them **21** UAC (April 2018)

**January - April 2018**

- **2018 (Jan - Apr): 6,114** of registered asylum applications concerned children (33% of the total applications)
- **2017: 19,789** of registered asylum applications concerned children (34% of the total applications)

**Children’s asylum applications**

- **2018 (Jan - Apr): 1433**
- **2017: 1400**

- **2018 (Jan - Apr): 1202**
- **2017: 1239**

- **2018 (Jan - Apr): 1314**
- **2017: 1509**

- **2018 (Jan - Apr): 1543**
- **2017: 1511**

Number of available places in shelters

- **1101**
- **300** places in safe zones
- **360** places in hotels for UAC

Total number of UAC in need of shelter

- **2049**

Out of 3,150 estimated number of UAC in Greece, more than **2,049** children (including those living in safe zones and hotels) are still in need of shelter for unaccompanied children, including **123** UAC in protective custody

It is estimated that **45%** of all refugee and migrant children 6-17 years old across Greece are enrolled in formal education

**56%** of children 5-17 years old residing in apartments with their families or shelters for unaccompanied children are enrolled in Greek schools

37% of the total sea arrivals in 2018 were children. Among those **12%** were unaccompanied children.

During Jan – April 2018 there was a **97%** increase of child sea arrivals compared to the same period during 2017.

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**April 2018**

- **Apartments, hotels, self-settled, other urban:** 53%
- **Open sites (accommodation sites):** 28%
- **Reception and Identification Centers:** 13%
- **Shelters for UAC:** 4%
- **Safe zones for UAC:** 1%
- **Hotels for UAC:** 1%

Secondary analysis of data by the following sources: MoMP, MoE, Hellenic Police, EKKA, Greek Asylum Service, IOM, UNHCR, UNICEF

**Based on referrals to EKKA**