

Analytical Overview

1. Migration flows in islands of Eastern Aegean sea and Evros

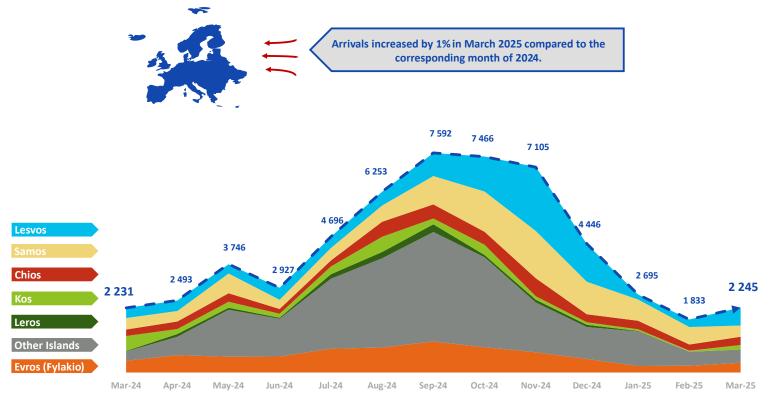


Chart 1. Migration flows (islands of Eastern Aegean sea and Evros March 2024 - March 2025 - See Appendix Table 1

2. Transfers of asylum seekers from the islands to the mainland

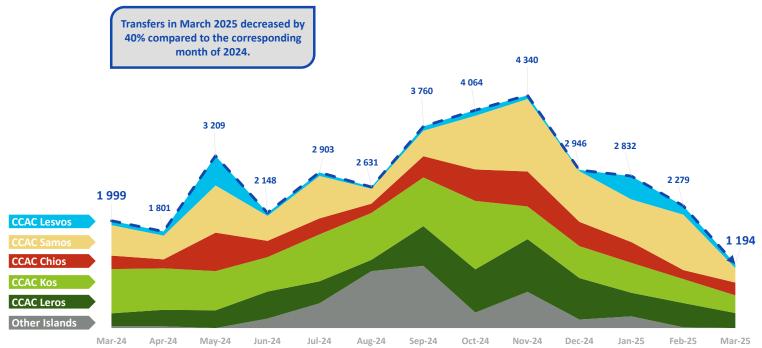


Chart 2. Transfers of asylum seekers from the islands to the mainland March 2024 – March 2025 - See Appendix Table 2

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3. Islands Residents

The residents in the islands decreased by 11% in March 2025 compared to the corresponding month of 2024.

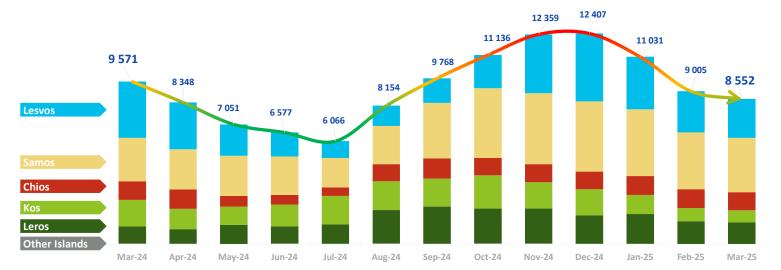


Chart 3. Island Residents in total March 2024 – March 2025 - See Appendix Table 3

4. Distribution of Asylum Seekers per Region and Accommodation scheme

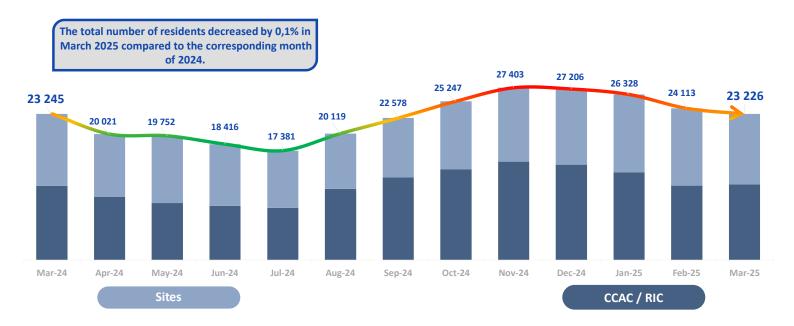


Chart 4. Progress of Residents through time – See Appendix Table 6

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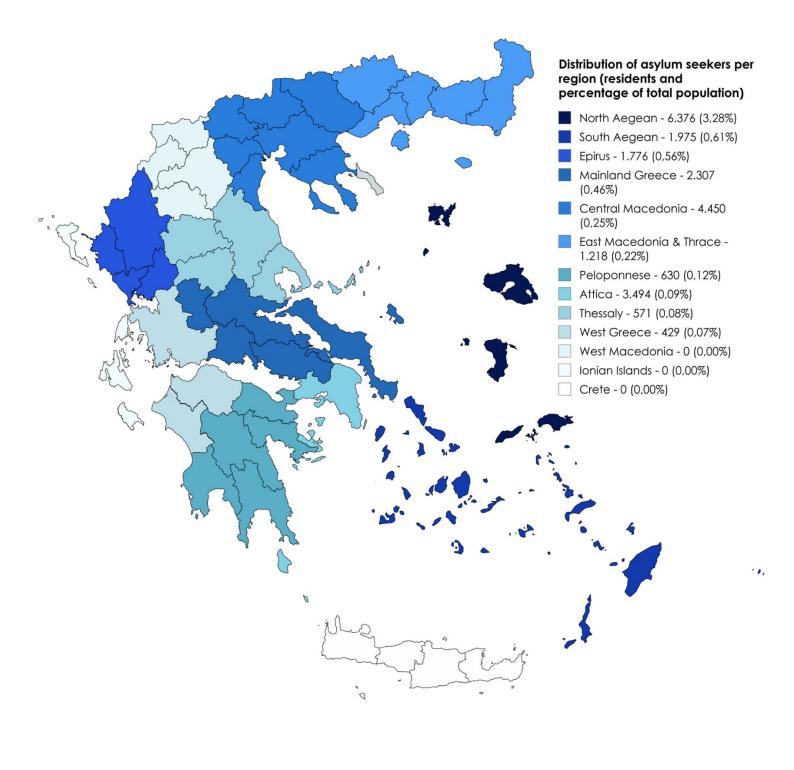




Chart 5. Distribution of Asylum Seekers per Region and Accommodation scheme – See Appendix Table 4 & 5

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5a. Applications for International Protection

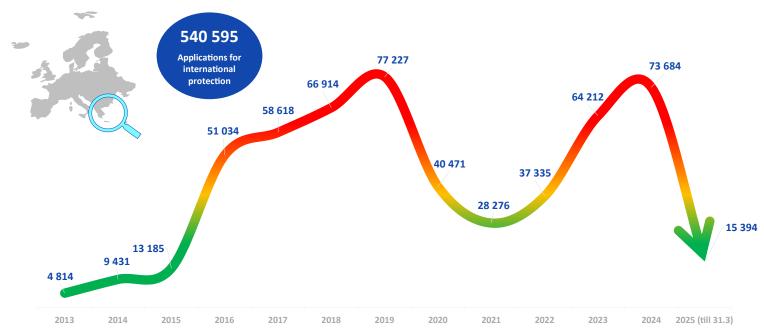


Chart 6. Applications for International Protection per year. For 2025 applications are calculated till the month of reference (March) - See Appendix Table 7a

5b. Applications for International Protection per Regional Office or Asylum Unit and per Region

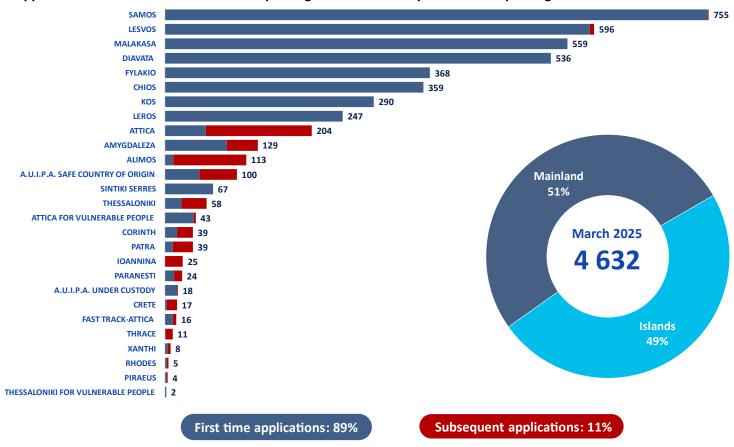


Chart 7. Applications for International Protection with distinction between first time and subsequent per Regional Office or Asylum Unit for the month of reference (March 2025) - See Appendix Table 7b

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5c. Applications for International Protection per month with distinction between first time and subsequent

Applications for International Protection increased by 9% in March 2025 compared to the corresponding month of 2024. 93% out of the total 76.510 applications from March 2024 till March 2025 was first time applications and 7% subsequent.

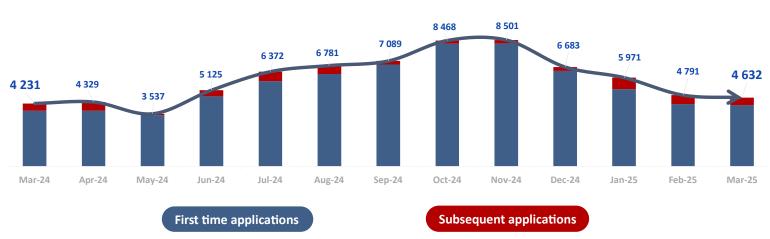


Chart 8. Applications for International Protection per month with distinction between first time and subsequent (March 2024 - March 2025) - See Appendix Table 7c

5d. Applications for International Protection per nationality, gender and age group

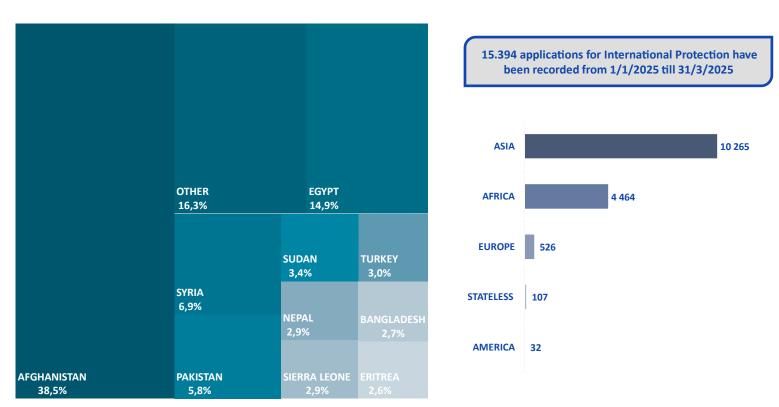


Chart 9. Applications for International Protection 3-months 2025 per Nationality (Top 10 Nationalities and distribution per continent) - See Appendix Table 7d

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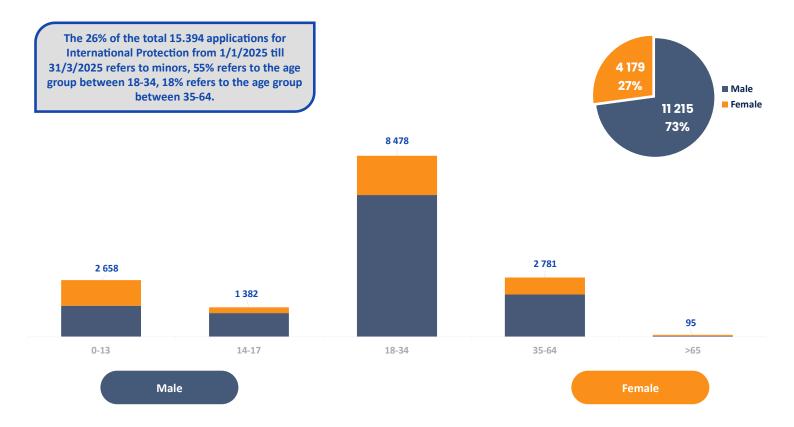


Chart 10. Applications for International Protection 3-months 2025 per gender and age group - See Appendix Table 7e

5e. Applications for International Protection of unaccompanied minors

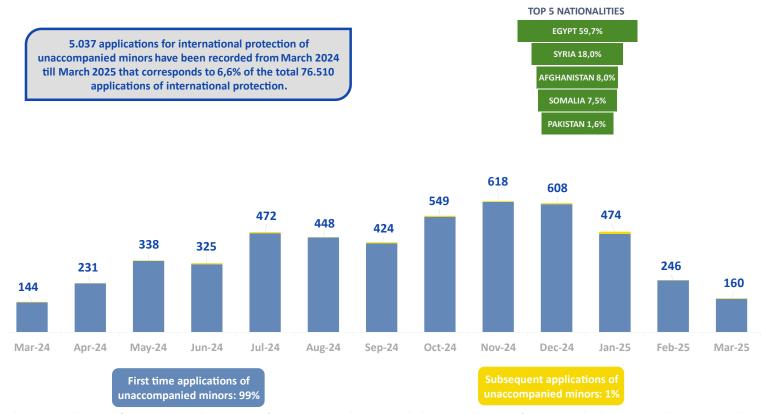
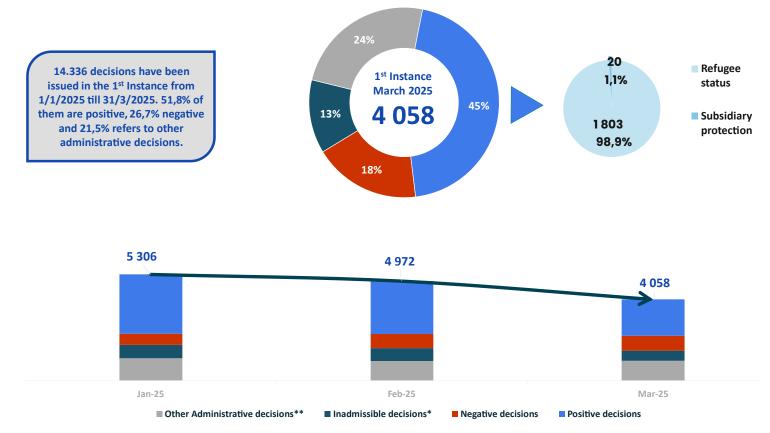


Chart 11. Applications for International Protection of unaccompanied minors with distinction between first time and subsequent and top 5 nationalities March 2024-March 2025 - See Appendix Table 7f

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^{*}This category consists of Inadmissible decisions (a) concept of safe third country, (b) transfer to other member state under Dublin regulation, (c) relocation program, (d) subsequent application, (e) procedural discrepancies.

Chart 12. 1st Instance Decisions per month and type for 2025 and for the month of reference (March 2025). - See Appendix Table 8a

6b. Type of Decisions – 2nd Instance

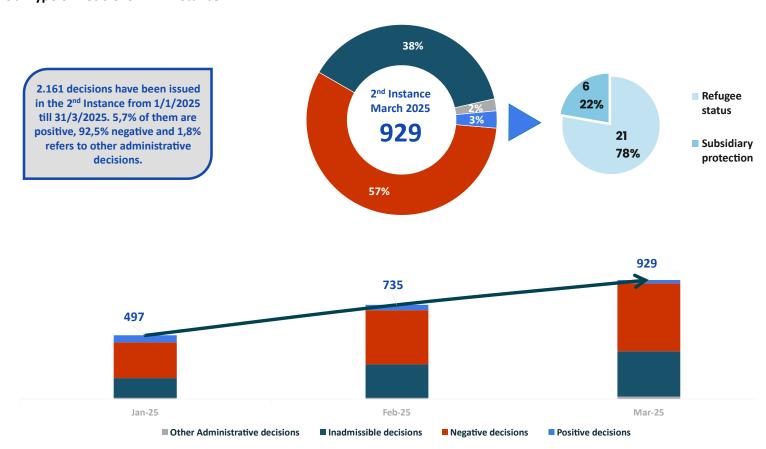


Chart 13. 2nd Instance Decisions per month and type for 2025 and for the month of reference (March 2025). - See Appendix Table 8b

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^{**} This category consists of implicit withdrawals, explicit withdrawals and decisions resulting in the filing of cases (to the archive).

7. Appeals

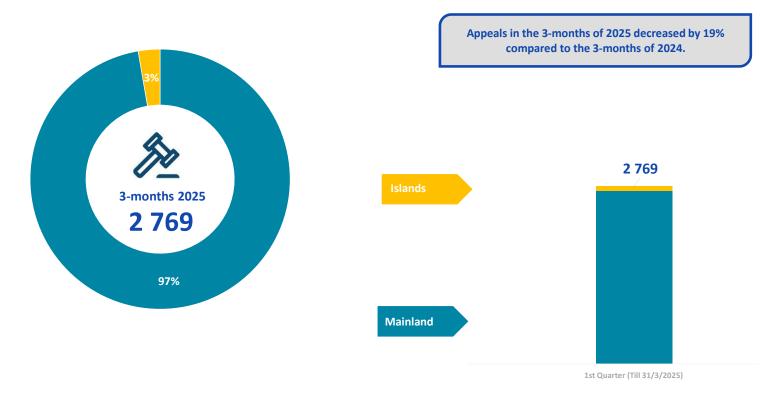


Chart 14. Appeals that have been lodged the 3-months of 2025 per location and quarter – See Appendix Table 9a

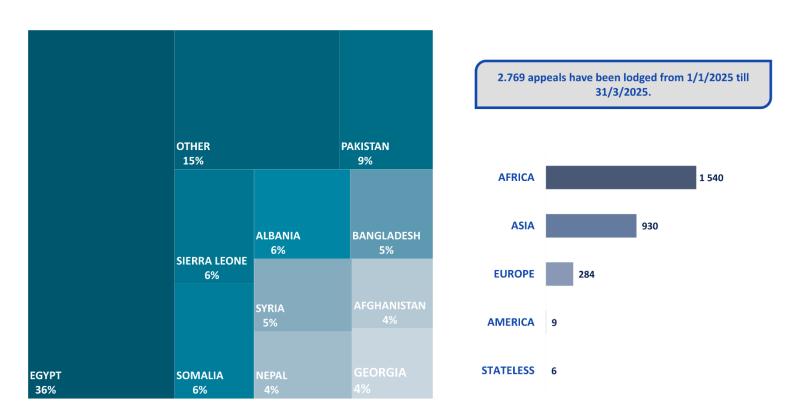


Chart 15. Appeals that have been lodged the 3-months of 2025 per Nationality (Top 10 Nationalities and distribution per continent) – See Appendix Table 9b

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8a. Pending Pre-Registrations of applications for International Protection – Decisions issued in 1st and 2nd Instance

The total backlog (pending applications and decisions) increased by 0,4% in March 2025 compared to the corresponding month of 2024.

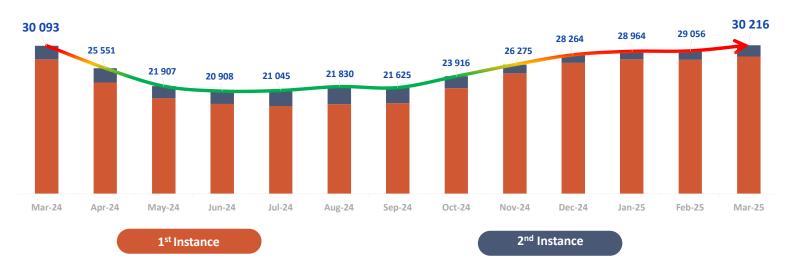


Chart 16. Aggregate Pending Pre-Registrations of applications for International Protection - pending Decisions in 1st and 2nd Instance per month – See Appendix Table 10a

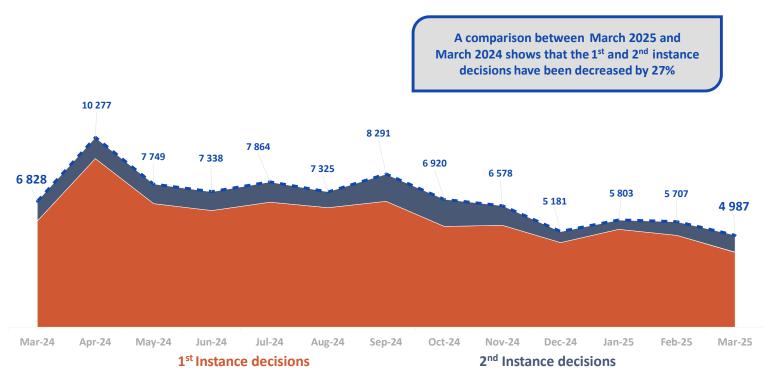


Chart 17. Aggregate Decisions issued in 1st and 2nd Instance per month - See Appendix Table 10a

- The average time for a 2nd Instance decision to be issued is 89 days since the date of appeal lodging, while it is 50 days from the date of appeal discussion.
- The number of appellants who applied and benefited from free legal aid is 1.937 in the 1st Quarter of 2025.
- The total of pending decisions of Appeals Authority (2.261 pending) consists of cases that have been discussed till March 2025 (1.320 pending) or are scheduled to be discussed till August 2025 (941 pending).

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8b. Pending decisions in 1st and 2nd instance regarding notification status

A comparison between March 2025 and March 2024 shows that the pending decisions in 1st and 2nd instance regarding notification status have been decreased by 41%



Chart 18. Aggregate pending decisions in 1st and 2nd instance regarding notification status per month - See Appendix Table 10c

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9a. Asylum Seekers covered by a decision granting Refugee Status in 1st and 2nd Instance

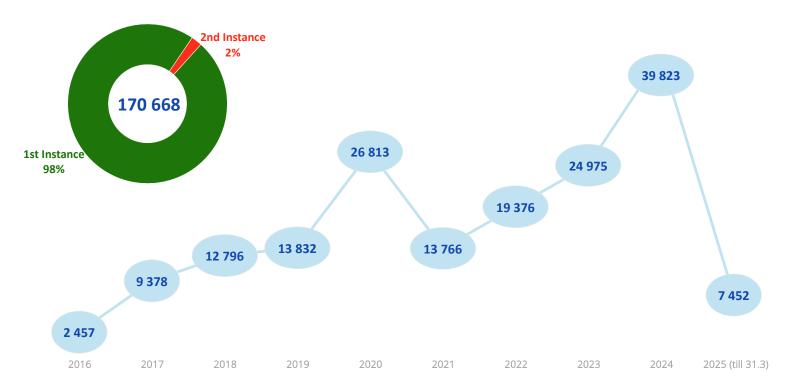


Chart 19. Aggregate Refugee Status Decisions that have been issued in 1st and 2nd instance. For 2025, the number of Refugee Status Decisions has been calculated till the month of reference (March). See Appendix Table 11a

9b. Asylum Seekers covered by a decision granting Subsidiary Protection status in 1st and 2nd Instance

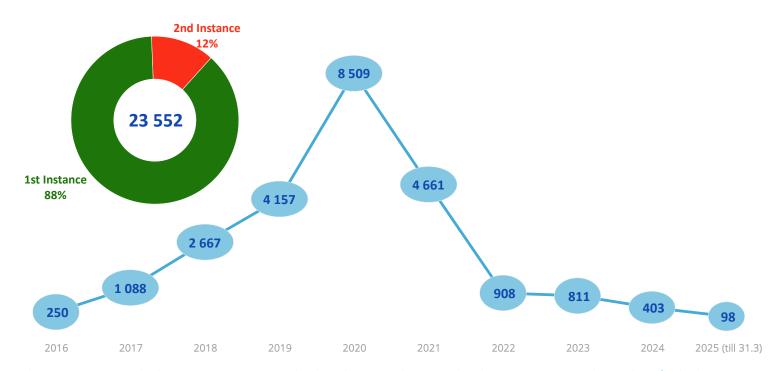


Chart 20. Aggregate Subsidiary Protection Decisions that have been issued in 1st and 2nd instance. For 2025, the number of Subsidiary Protection Decisions has been calculated till the month of reference (March). See Appendix Table 11b

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9c. Positive decisions in 1st & 2nd Instance per nationality and age group

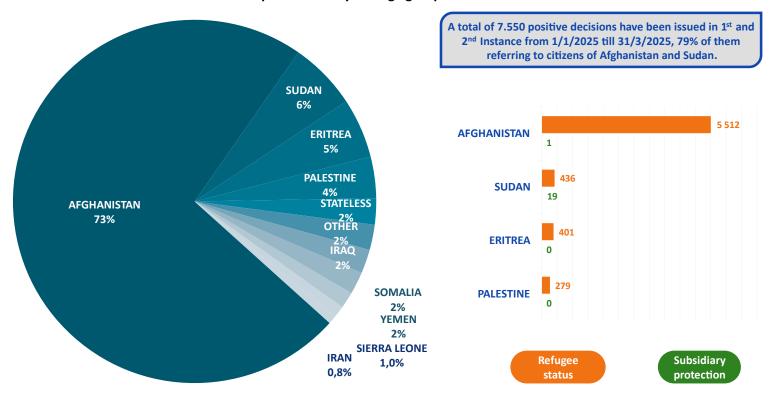


Chart 21. Positive Decisions (granting Refugee Status & Subsidiary Protection) in 3-months of 2025 per Nationality (Top 10 Nationalities and distribution per continent). See Appendix Table 11c

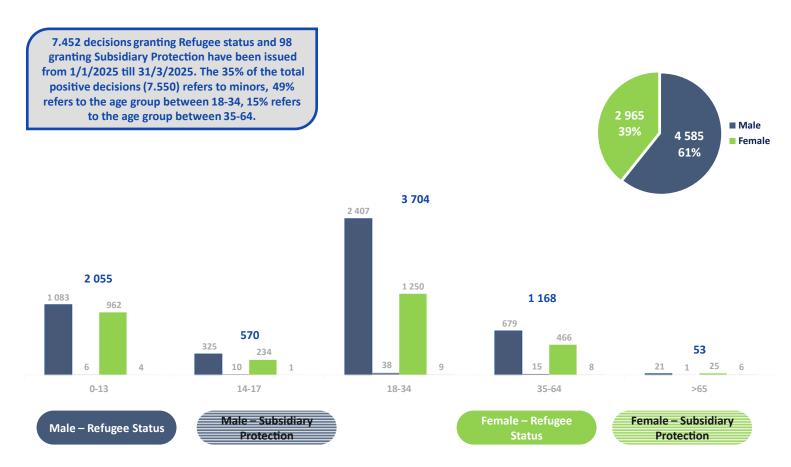


Chart 22. Positive Decisions (granting Refugee Status & Subsidiary Protection) in 3-months of 2025 per age group, gender and type of decision - See Appendix Table 11d

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9d. Positive decisions of unaccompanied minors in 1st Instance per nationality and age group

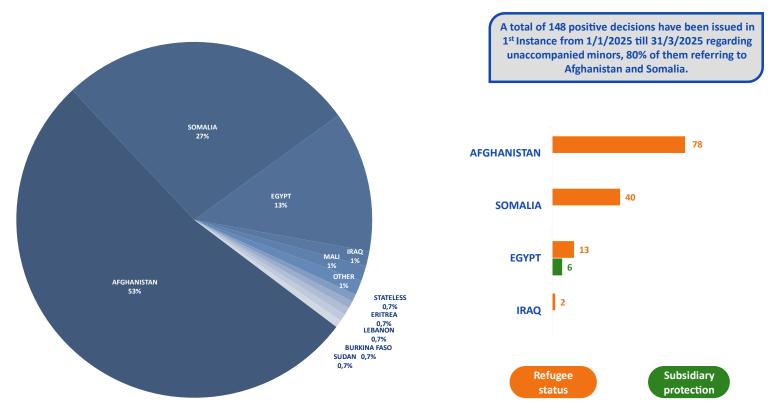


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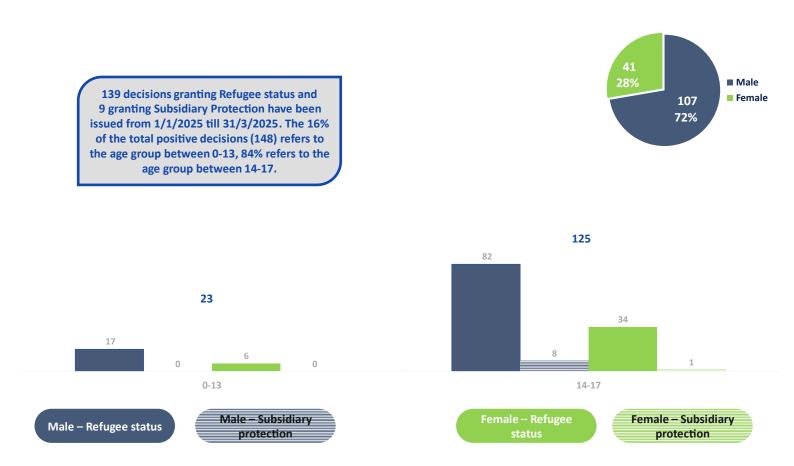


Chart 24. Positive Decisions (granting Refugee Status & Subsidiary Protection) in 1st Instance of unaccompanied minors in 3-months of 2025 per age group, gender and type of decision - See Appendix Table 11f

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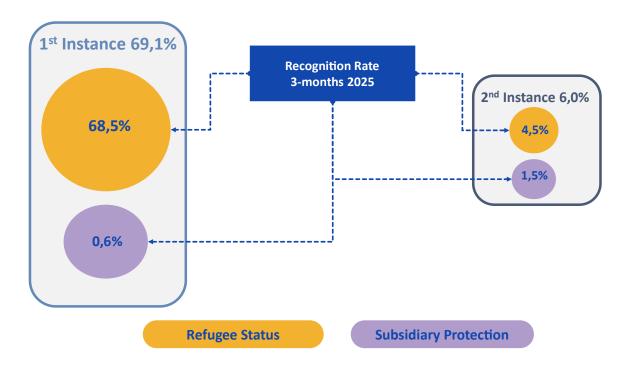


Chart 25. Recognition Rate in 1st & 2nd Instance. See Appendix Table 11g

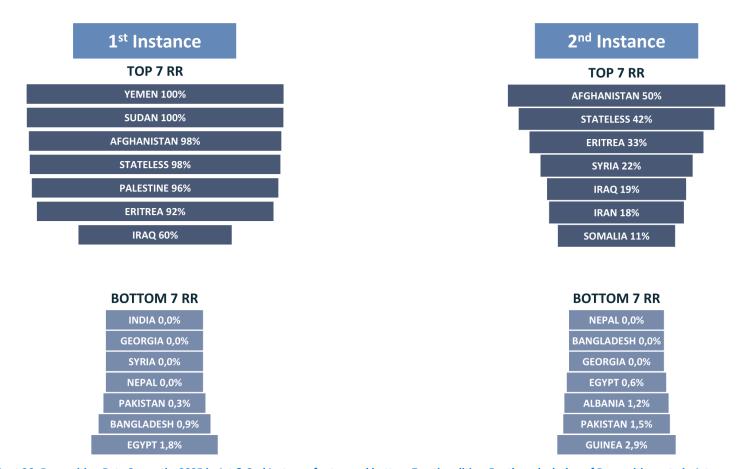


Chart 26. Recognition Rate 3-months 2025 in 1st & 2nd Instance for top and bottom 7 nationalities. For the calculation of Recognition rate in 1st Instance have been included nationalities for which have been issued at least 30 decisions in 2025 and for the 2nd Instance at least 20 decisions. See Appendix Table 11g

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10. Applications for annulment of 2nd Instance Decisions before the Administrative Court

The 23,3% of the total applications for annulment per year of lodging (6.456) are pending while for the rest of them (76,7%), a decision has been issued. 4,6% of the decisions had a positive outcome and 95,4% were rejected.

From the total of 4.950 decisions regarding applications for annulment (per year of decision) 60% have been issued in 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

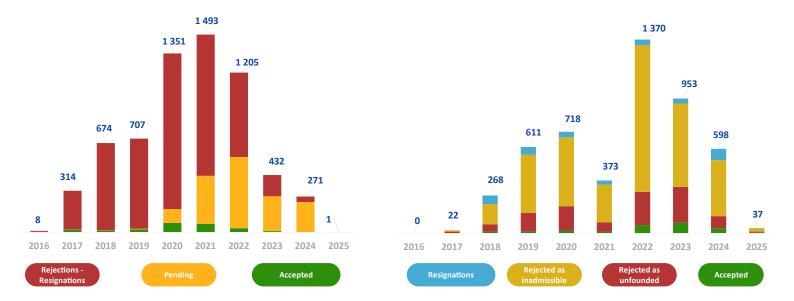


Chart 27. Applications for annulment of 2nd Instance Decisions before the Administrative Court per year of lodging (Left) – Decisions regarding Applications for annulment per year of decision (Right). See Appendix Table 12a and 12b

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11. HELIOS Integration Program

The "Helios" program is funded by the European Union. Its purpose is to promote integration support for beneficiaries of International Protection and is implemented with:

- accommodation support
- through integration courses (learning the Greek language, enhancing social skills)
- Job counselling sessions
- raising awareness of the host Community and promoting social cohesion.

The Ministry of Immigration and Asylum monitors the implementation of the program, which is implemented by the International Organization for Migration. From 16/7/2019 until 30/11/2024 47.753 people have registered in the program (*data regarding the enrollments are up to 31/8/2024), while 24.509 recognized refugees receive financial assistance for renting a house (*data regarding house renting are up to 31/10/2024). It is worth noting that in October 2024, 3 new leases were added to the accommodation support of the "Helios" program (regarding the period from 1/10/2024 till 31/10/2024). At the same time 10.659 beneficiaries of International Protection have been enrolled in the integration courses and 12.693 people are attending job counseling sessions.

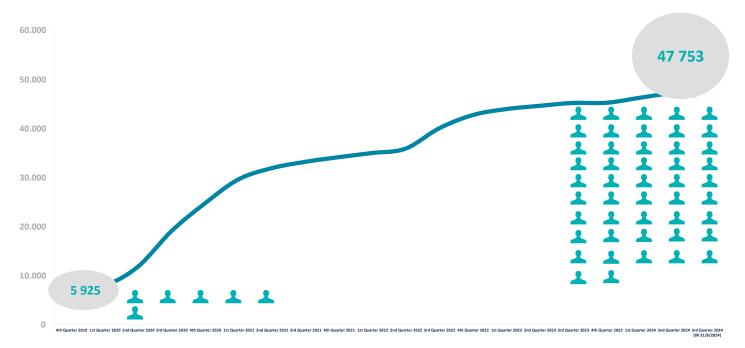


Chart 28. Helios Enrollments – See Appendix Table 13

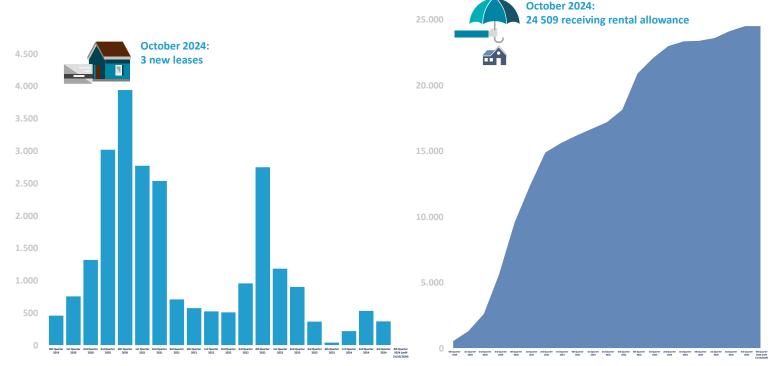


Chart 29. New leases (left), Receiving rental allowance (Right) - See Appendix Table 14 and 15

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12. Returns - Departures

In March 2025 the departures from Greece to third countries outside the EU, as well as to member states of the European Union are the following:

- 183 forced deportations and returns of third country nationals, based on agreements of the European Union, but also bilateral agreements of our country.
- 26 voluntary departures through IOM.
- 85 voluntary departures of immigrants from our country to their countries of origin.
- 90 transfers to Member States of the European Union under the Dublin Regulation.
- 17 people seeking International Protection were transferred to France (7) and Romania (10) in the context of voluntarily relocation program.
- Returns under the EU Turkey Joint Declaration have not been made since March 2020 due to Covid-19. It should be noted that despite the lifting of the Covid-19 measures the requests of missions-returns of the Greek authorities have not been answered.
- A total of 401 people left the country in March, while 2.245 arrived.

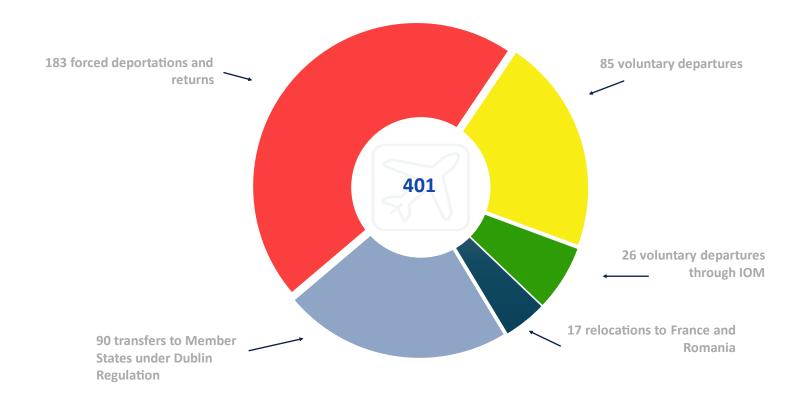


Chart 30. Returns-Departures – See Appendix Table 16.

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^{*}All tables are included in Appendix A

13. Special Edition - Arrivals of Ukraine citizens due to war

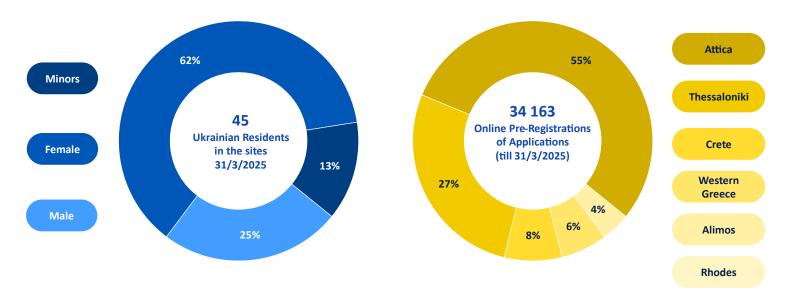


Chart 31. Total Ukrainian Residents & Online pre-registrations of applications (March 2025) - See Appendix Table 17 & 18

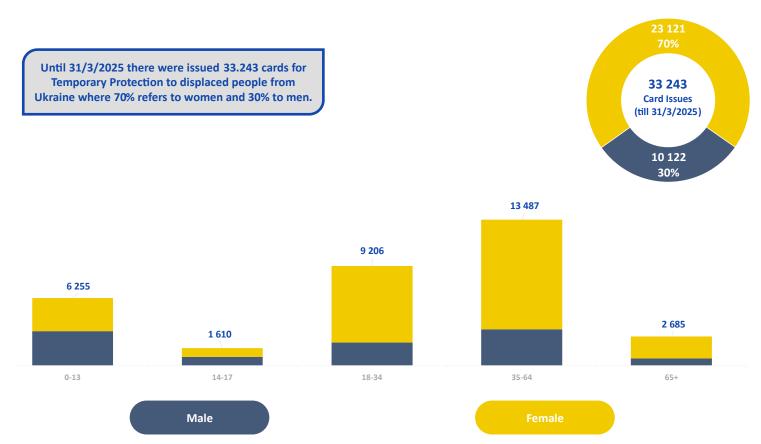


Chart 32. Total card issues to Ukrainians for Temporary Protection per age group and gender (March 2025) - See Appendix Table 19

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14. Special Edition – Migration flows in central mediterranean route

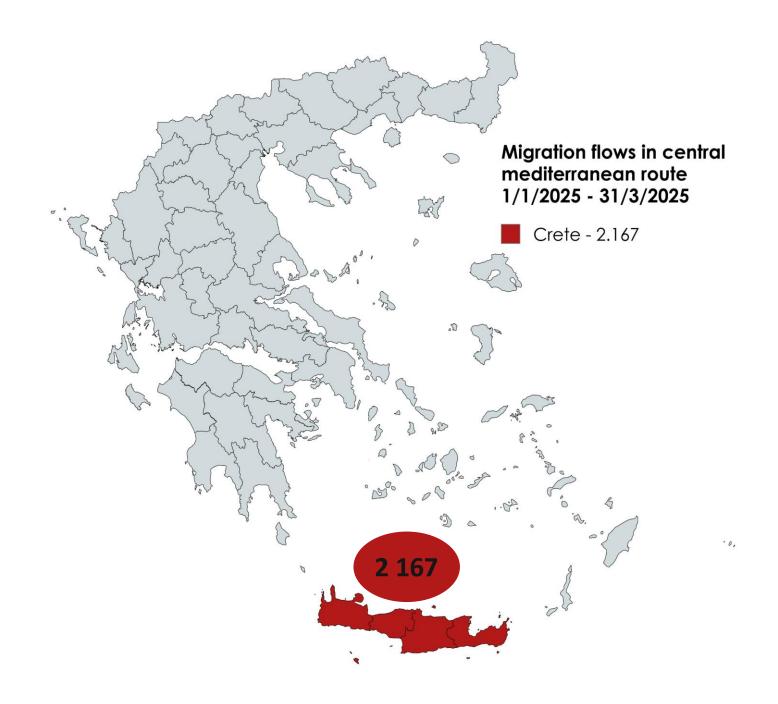


Chart 33. Migration flows in central mediterranean route (1/1/2025-31/3/2025) - See Appendix Table 20

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