In 2020, people arriving is down 80.2%, compared to 2019. In October 4 boats made it to the Greek islands, carrying a total of 83 people. Arrivals has decreased 21% compared to September, boats arriving is down 20%. Demographics on the islands: Men 50%, Women 21% and Children 29%.

In 2020 689 boats have been stopped on their way towards Greece, 22723 people have been arrested. Boats arriving on the Greek island has been reduced due to the Greek governments pushback tactics, boats picked up by TCG has increased for the same reason. Also the COVID-19 pandemic have had a huge impact. Population on the islands is 18872.
Official capacity on the islands is 9209 people. Today’s population exceeds this by 104.9%. Despite low arrival numbers, population on the Greek islands remains high. Transfer to mainland is picking up and especially on Lesvos, where population has gone down since February. Official population on Lesvos seems to be strangely low.