

MPM TURKEY Migrant Presence Monitoring

Overview of the Situation with Migrants

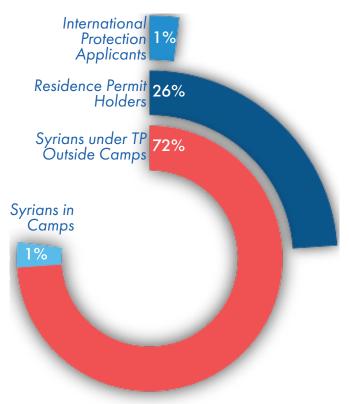
Annual Report 2021

Background and Key Findings

According to the latest available figures from the Turkish Directorate General of Migration Management (DGMM), there are more than 5* million foreign nationals present in Turkish territory, 3.7* million of whom are seeking international protection. Most of those seeking international protection are Syrians (3,737,369* individuals: 3,685,898* urban caseload and 51,471* residing in camps) who are granted

Population Chart of Persons Under Temporary Protection





temporary protection status in Turkey. According to DGMM, as of end of 2021, there were **29,256*** international protection applicants most frequently nationals of Afghanistan, Iraq and The

Islamic Republic of Iran constitute another group of foreign nationals seeking Turkish humanitarian and legal protection.¹ There is an increase of ~93,000 individuals in the number of Syrian nationals in comparison to last year's figures.

In addition, there are **1,314,181*** foreign nationals present in Turkey holding residency permits including humanitarian residence holders. The exact number of the humanitarian residence holders is unknown, but it is estimated that there are a few thousand humanitarian resident holders.

According to DGMM, **162,996*** irregular migrants of different nationalities were apprehended Turkey in 2021. Please see Page 4 for more details.

¹ UNHCR ended registration process in Turkey on 10 September 2018. The registration process will continue with the procedure carried out by the Turkish authorities (UNHCR). The number of international protection holders is not publicly available as of the date above.

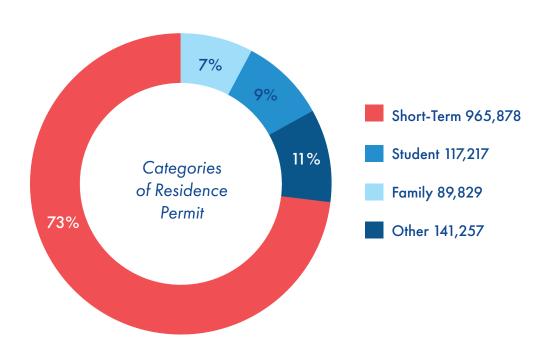
Categories of the Foreigners in Turkey

Temporary Protection (TP)

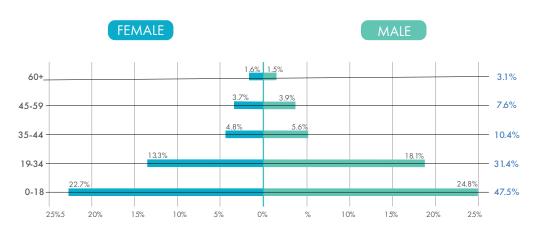
Turkey's Temporary Protection regime grants 3,737,369* Syrian nationals the right to legally stay in Turkey as well as obtain some level of access to basic rights and services. The vast majority of 3,685,898* individuals live outside camps, mainly spread across cities at the Turkish border provinces of Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep and Hatay as well as other major cities in Turkey. 51,471* Syrians live in seven* Temporary Accommodation Centers (TACs). Please see Page 8 for more details.

The demographic breakdown of Syrian nationals under temporary protection is shown on the graph on the right. Seventy nine per cent is below the age of 35.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2021



Demographic Breakdown of Biometrically Registered Syrians



Residence Permit (RP)

Foreigners who wish to stay in Turkey beyond the duration of a visa or visa exemption i.e. longer than ninety days must obtain a residence permit. There are **1,314,181*** residence permit holders in Turkey within various categories of the residence permit. Types of residence permits are:

- Short-term residence permit;
- Family residence permit;
- Student residence permit;
- Long-term residence permit;
- Humanitarian residence permit;
- Victim of human trafficking residence permit;
- Working permits as residence permit.

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Residence Permit (RP)

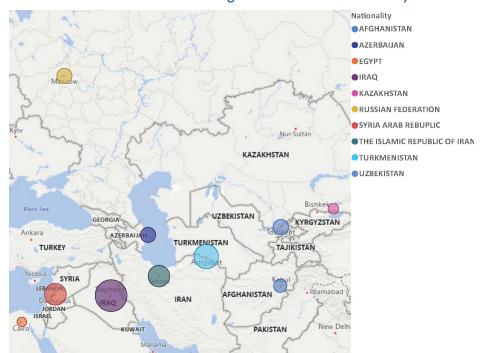
965,878* short-term residence holders compose the majority of all residence permit holders. The short-term residence holder number compared to previous year has increased by 372,330 individuals. The RP holders are followed by 117,217* student residence permit holders. Additionally, there are 89,829* family residence permits granting the right to residence. Moreover, 141,257* "other" residence permits were granted. Also, there is an increase by 78,646 in the number of other residency permit category in comparison to last year's figures.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2021

Top 10 Nationality Groups for Residence Permit Holders

Iraq				163,775
Turkmenistan		119,815	5	
Syrian Arab Republic		104,584		
The Islamic Republic of Iran		103,734		
Uzbekistan		68,189		
Russia Federation		66,194		
Azerbaijan		66,174		
Afghanistan 55,347				
Kazakhstan 38,955				
Egypt	33,292			

Main Countries of Origin for RP Holders in Turkey for 2021



Humanitarian Residency Permit (HR)*

The exact number of humanitarian residence permit holders is not available, as this category is aggregated within the "other" category. However, field experience and discussions with DGMM have shown that humanitarian residence permit holders are a few thousand which are predominantly Iraqi nationals. Humanitarian residence permits are granted under certain circumstances in which foreign nationals are allowed to enter into and stay in Turkey, due to an emergency situation. The humanitarian residence permits are granted, renewed and cancelled by the governorates, subject to the approval from the Ministry of Interior (MoI).

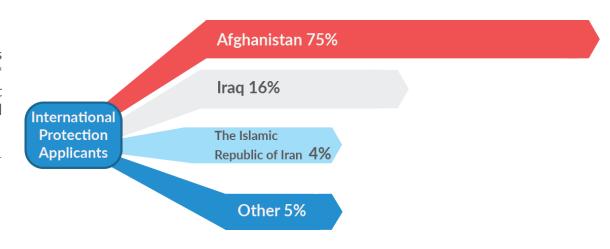
*Data source DGMM

Categories of Foreigners in Turkey

International Protection Applicants

According to DGMM, another group of foreign nationals seeking international protection in Turkey are 29,256* international protection applicants consisting of different nationalities, but primarily originating in Afghanistan, Iraq and Islamic Republic of Iran.

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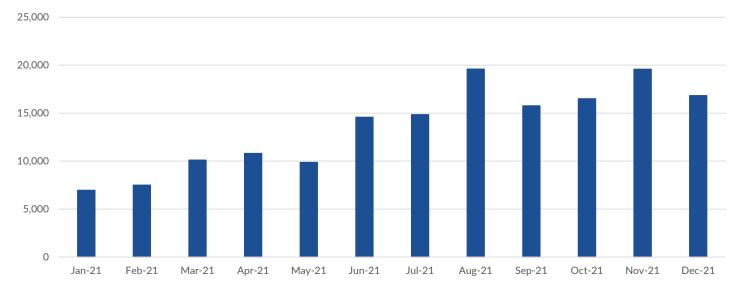


Irregular Migrants (IM)

According to DGMM figures, 162,996* irregular migrants and 7,918* migrant smugglers were recorded in 2021, apprehended on various locations inside Turkey. In 2020 said figures were 122,302 for irregular migrants and 4,282 for migrant smugglers. The top three categories in 2021 are from Afghanistan, Syrian Arab Republic and Pakistan.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2021

Monthly Breakdown of IM in Turkey for 2021



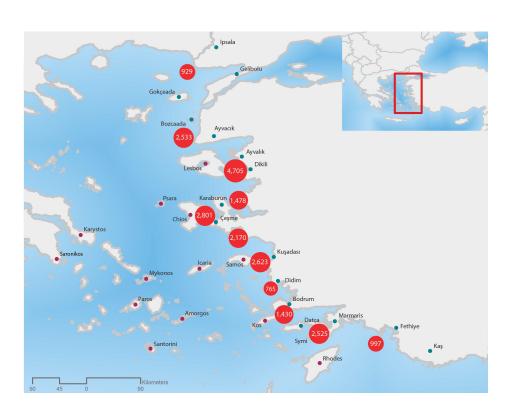
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Rescued and Apprehended Irregular Migrants on Sea

According to Turkish Coast Guard (TCG) daily reports, TCG apprehended 23,676* irregular migrants at sea and registered 15* fatalities in the 2021. During the reporting period, there was an increase of 3,296 apprehended persons on sea by TCG compared to previous year. The top ten nationalities of apprehended/rescued persons are Afghan, Somali, Syrian, Palestinian, Congolese, Pakistani, Yemeni, Eritrean**, Central African and Iraqi.

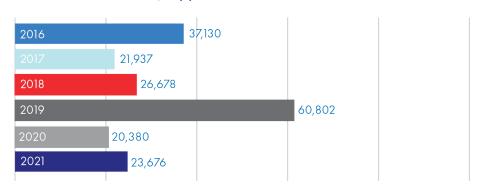
*Data source T.C.G., end of 2021

**The information on nationality provided in this report is based on the nationality declared by migrants as reported by the Turkish authorities.



Apprehensions/Rescues by Turkish Coast Guard Statistics for 2021				
Duration	Number of Cases	Number of Irregular Migrants	Number of Deaths	Number of Organizers
	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas
January	20	391	1	5
February	26	723	0	0
March	43	1,251	3	5
April	62	2,104	0	5
May	35	862	0	6
June	61	1,651	0	19
July	62	1,736	0	13
August	84	2,444	0	12
September	116	3,682	4	11
October	113	2,670	0	2
November	127	3,592	3	18
December	99	2,570	4	18
Total	848	23,676	15	114

Total Rescues/Apprehensions over the Last Six Years



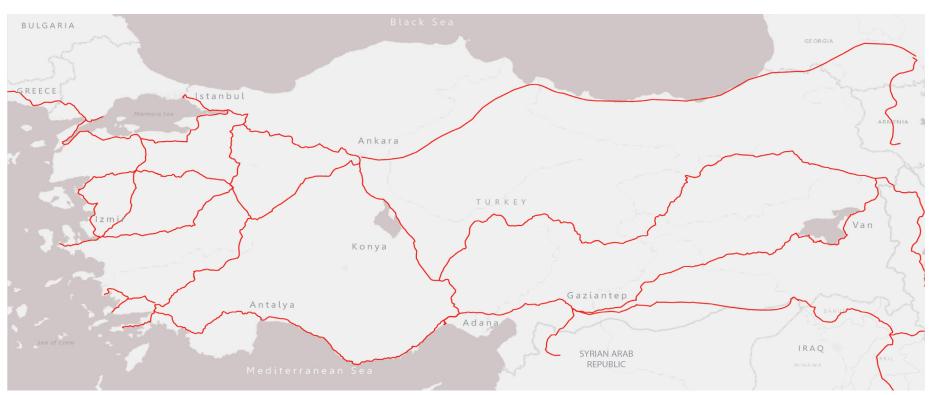
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Intercepted Persons on Land

According to the Turkish Armed Forces' (TAF) daily reports between the reporting period 01.01.2021 and 31.12.2021, in total **74,146*** persons were intercepted trying to enter Turkey irregularly while **3,897*** were intercepted trying to exit Turkey from different borders by TAF and handed over to Turkish law enforcement forces. The figures presented by TAF doesn't refer to nationalities of the intercepted persons at the border lines. Majority of interceptions by TAF attempting to enter Turkey **71,393*** were at the border with the Syrian Arab Republic, while **2,669*** persons were intercepted attempting to cross the border from Turkey to Greece during the 2021. The main routes that are possibly used for irregular migration along the region are showed in the below map.

Interceptions by Turkish Land Forces in 2021				
Border	Entry	Exit		
Syrian Arab Republic	71,393	655		
Greece	999	2,669		
The Islamic Republic of Iran	1,599	472		
Iraq	140	71		
Georgia	2	14		
Armenia	11	4		
Bulgaria	2	12		
Total	74,146	3,897		

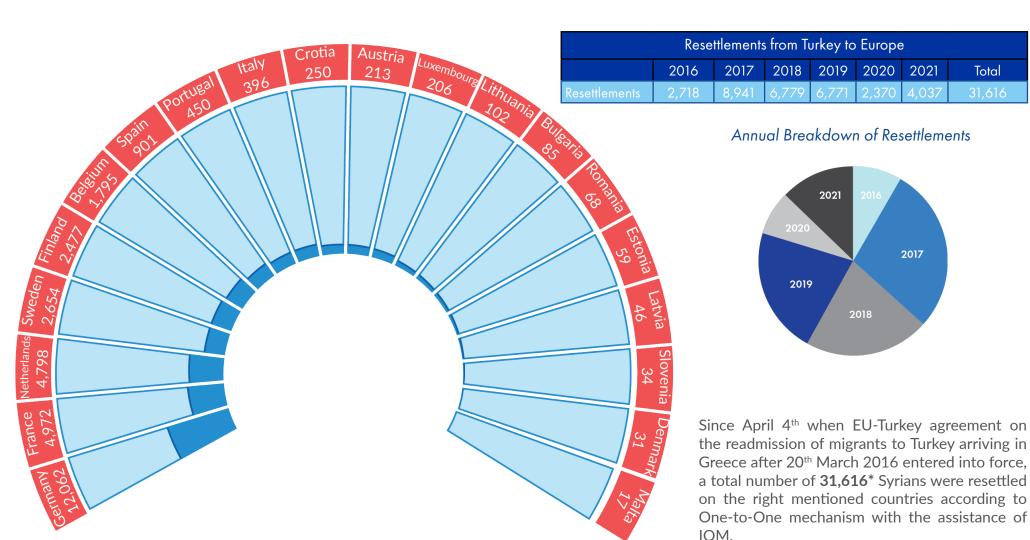
*Data source T.A.F., end of 2021, no data available on June 9th



Main entry and exit routes used by migrants throughout Turkey based on IOM GIS analysis project for Mediterranean crisis since February 2015.

Resettled Syrians TP under EU-Turkey Agreement

The agreement's aim was to replace disorganized and irregular migratory flows by organized and safe pathways to European countries, in this regard, it is agreed on that for every Syrian being returned to Turkey from the Greek islands, another Syrian will be resettled to Europe from Turkey directly.

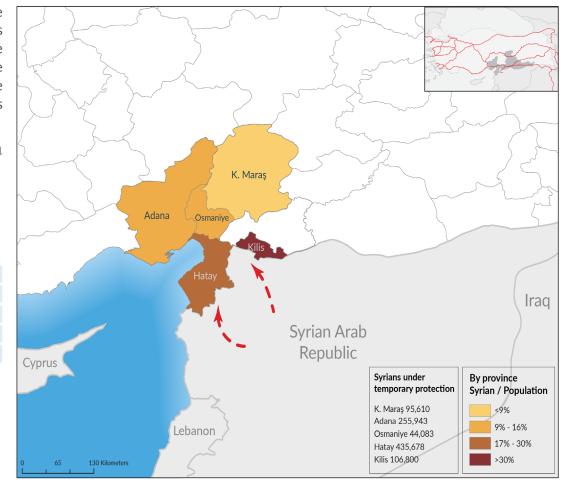


Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Turkey

There are **seven*** Temporary Accommodation Centers for persons under Temporary Protection (mainly for Syrians under TP) dispersed in five cities in Turkey namely Adana, Kahramanmaraş, Hatay, Osmaniye and Kilis run by Directorate General Of Migration Management (DGMM).

According to DGMM statistics, a total population of **51,471*** are currently residing in the camps. During the one year period, there was a decrease of 7,281 Syrian nationals in the camps' population. The density map of the Syrian nationals under temporary protection in the provinces, where camps are located, in comparison to the province populations are shown on the right. The camp populations in provinces are provided in the table below.

Adana		16,957
Kahramanmaraş	9,663	
Hatay	8,368	
Osmaniye	8,271	
Kilis	8,212	



Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Turkey

Removal centers host and monitor foreigners under administrative detention. Twenty five removal centers are operating in the provinces of Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Edirne, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, İstanbul, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Malatya, Muğla, Van and Iğdır. In total, the removal centers can currently hold **15,908*** persons.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2021

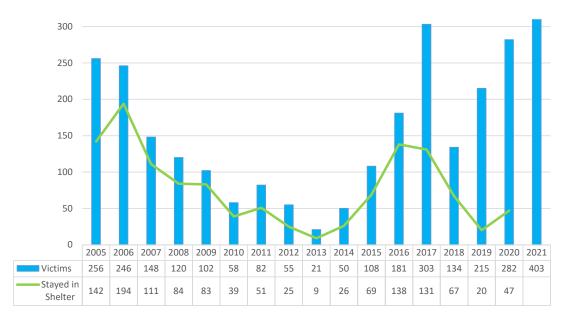


Victims of Trafficking (VoTs)

According to DGMM, the gradual decline in trafficking victims' numbers between 2005-2013 was replaced by a progressive increase starting from 2013 and continuing till 2017. **134*** individuals were identified in 2018, **215*** in 2019, **282*** in 2020 and **403** in 2021. Three shelters for victims of trafficking are operational with a total capacity of **90*** individuals. Three shelters are operated by DGMM.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2021 The number of victims of trafficking in shelters have not been published in 2021.

Shelters for VOTs in Turkey	Shelter Capacity
Shelter in Ankara	30
Shelter in Kırıkkale	20
Shelter in Aydın	40
Total	90



Main Exit and Entry Points

Known entry points by land: Hatay, Kilis, Şanlıurfa (from Syrian Arap Republic), Silopi, Çukurca (from Iraq), Şemdinli, Yüksekova, Başkale, Ağrı, Doğubeyazıt (from The Islamic Republic of Iran)

Known entry points by air: İstanbul, İstanbul Sabiha Gökçen, Antalya, Esenboğa Ankara (from third countries)

Known exit points by sea: Çeşme, Ayvalık, Didim, Bodrum, Küçükkuyu (Locations close to Lesbos, Samos, Chios, Symi, Kos and Rodos), and Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Istanbul on the Black Sea.

Known exit points by land: Edirne (to Greece and Bulgaria), Kırklareli (to Bulgaria)

Known exit points by air: İstanbul, İstanbul Sabiha Gökçen (to certain EU member states)

