

MPM TURKEY

Migrant Presence Monitoring Overview of the Situation with Migrants

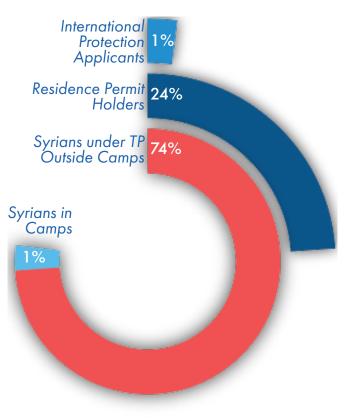
Annual 2019

Background and Key Findings

According to the latest available figures from the Turkish Directorate General of Migration Management (DGMM), there are more than **4.7**^{*} million foreign nationals present in Turkish territory, **3.6**^{*} million of whom are seeking international protection. Most of those seeking international protection are Syrians (**3,576,370**^{*} individuals: **3,512,927**^{*} urban caseload and **63,443**^{*} 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 2019, there were **56,417*** 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 a decrease of ~**50,000** individuals in the number of Syrian nationals in comparison to last year's figures.

In addition, there are **1,101,030*** 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, **454,662*** irregular migrants of different nationalities were apprehended Turkey in 2019. Please see Page 4 for more details.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2019

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.

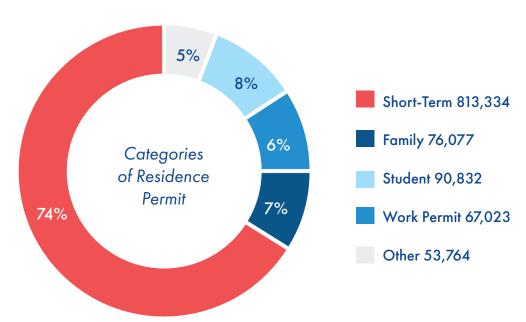
Categories of the Foreigners in Turkey

Temporary Protection (TP)

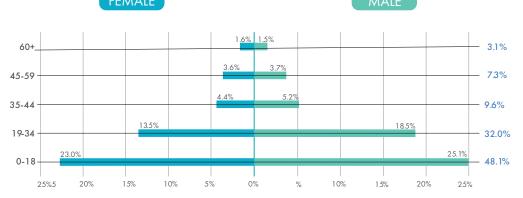
Turkey's Temporary Protection regime grants **3,576,370**^{*} Syrian nationals the right to legally stay in Turkey as well as obtain some level of access to basic rights and services. The vast majority of **3,512,927**^{*} individuals live outside camps, mainly spread across cities at the Turkish border provinces of Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep and Hatay as well as other major cities in Turkey. **63,443**^{*} Syrians live in **7**^{*} Temporary Accommodation Centers (TACs). Please see Page 4 for more details.

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

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2019



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 **1,101,030*** 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.

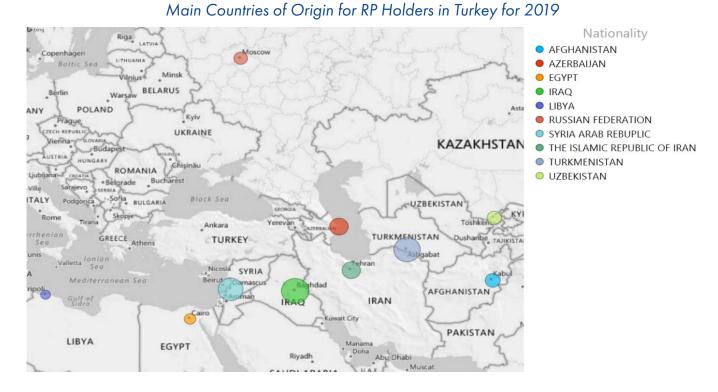
*Data source DGMM , end of 2019

Categories of Foreigners in Turkey

Residence Permit (RP)

813,334* 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 250,241 individuals. The RP holders are followed by **90,832*** student residence permit holders. Additionally, there are **76,077*** family residence permit holders, and **67,023*** work permits granting the right to residence. Moreover, **53,764*** "other" residence permits were granted. Also, there is an increase by 574 in the number of other residency permit category in comparison to last year's figures.

141.818 Iraq 133.169 Turkmenistan 117.579 Syrian Arab Republic 67.845 Azerbaijan 67.164 The Islamic Republic of Iran 46.433 Afghanistan Uzbekistan 44,021 **Russia Federation** 39.277 30.516 Egypt 23.856 Libva



*Data source DGMM, 06.03.2020

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 (Mol).

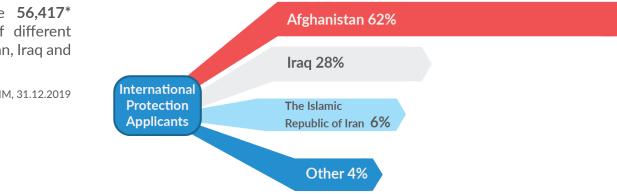
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Top 10 Nationality Groups for Residence Permit Holders

Categories of Foreigners in Turkey

International Protection Applicants

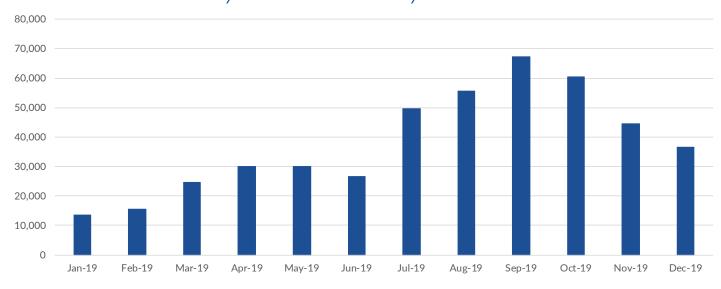
According to DGMM, another group of foreign nationals seeking international protection in Turkey are **56,417*** international protection applicants consisting of different nationalities, but primarily originating in Afghanistan, Iraq and Islamic Republic of Iran.



*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2019

Irregular Migrants (IM)

According to DGMM figures, **454,662*** irregular migrants and **8,996*** migrant smugglers were recorded in 2019, apprehended on various locations inside Turkey. In 2018 said figures were 268,003 for irregular migrants and 6,278 for migrant smugglers. The top three categories in 2019 are from Afghanistan, Pakistan and Syrian Arab Republic.



*Data source DGMM. 31.12.2019

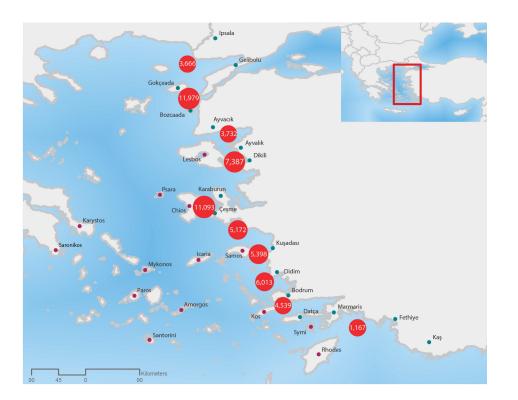
Monthly Breakdown of IM in Turkey for 2019

Irregular Migrants

Rescued and Apprehended Irregular Migrants on Sea

According to Turkish Coast Guard (TCG) daily reports, TCG apprehended **61,028*** irregular migrants at sea and registered **34*** fatalities in the 2019. During the reporting period, there was an increase of 34,350 apprehended persons on sea by TCG compared to previous year. The top ten nationalities of apprehended/rescued persons are Afghan, Palestinian, Syrian, Central African, Iraqi, Congolese, Somali, Egyptian, Iranian and Yemeni.

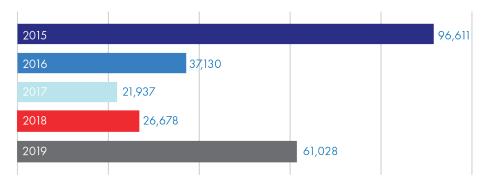
*Data source T.C.G., end of 2019



Time period	Number of cases		Number of irregular migrants		Number of deaths		Number of organizers	
	Aegean	All Seas	Aegean	All Seas	Aegean	All Seas	Aegean	All Seas
January	27	27	1,092	1,092	1	1	1	1
February	36	36	1,428	1,428	-	-	6	6
March	56	56	1,796	1,796	4	4	2	2
April	80	81	2,765	2,773	1	1	5	6
May	80	82	2,560	2,604	11	11	2	4
June	98	99	3,258	3,262	12	12	6	6
July	160	161	5,388	5,409	-	-	8	8
August	249	250	8,422	8,430	-	-	11	11
September	321	324	11,638	11,673	1	1	12	13
October	357	359	12,382	12,392	3	3	19	19
November	191	194	6,325	6,401	-	-	5	5
December	107	109	3,765	3,768	1	1	-	-
Total	1,762	1,778	60,819	61,028	34	34	77	81

Apprehensions/Rescues by Turkish Coast Guard Statistics for 2019

Total Rescues/Apprehensions over the Last Five Years

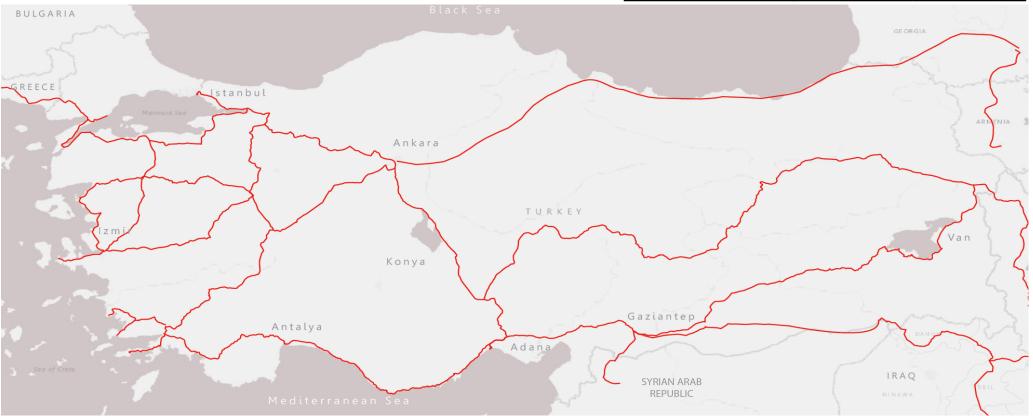


Irregular Migrants

Apprehended Persons on Land

According to the Turkish Armed Forces' (TAF) daily reports between the reporting period 01.01.2019 and 31.12.2019, in total **216,760**^{*} persons were apprehended trying to enter Turkey irregularly while **49,718**^{*} irregular attempts to exit Turkey were recorded from different borders. Majority of apprehended persons are from Syrian Arab Republic border trying to enter Turkey **172,012**^{*}, while the TAF also apprehended **48,149**^{*} persons attempting to cross the border from Turkey to Greece during the 2019. The main routes that are possibly used for irregular migration along the region are showed in the below map.

Apprehensions by Turkish Land Forces in 2019				
Border	Entry	Exit		
Syrian Arab Republic	172,012	641		
Greece	40,805	48,149		
The Islamic Republic of Iran	3,603	144		
Bulgaria	104	680		
Iraq	227	100		
Georgia	5	4		
Azerbaijan	3	0		
Armenia	1	0		
Total	216,760	49,718		



*Data source T.A.F., end of 2019.

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

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Irregular Migrants

Readmitted Migrants and Refugees to Turkey

On 18th March 2016, EU and Turkey agreed on the readmission of migrants arriving in Greece from Turkey after 20th March. According to data released by EU at end of August 2019, **1,580**^{*} migrants and refugees have been readmitted to Turkey from Greece since 4 April 2016.

According to European Commission reports during this reporting period, **95**^{*} readmissions took place from January to August 2019.

*Data source EU State of Play, end of August 2019

January	19
February	13
March 5	
April	10
May	14
June	18
July 7	
August	9

Readmissions by Nationality

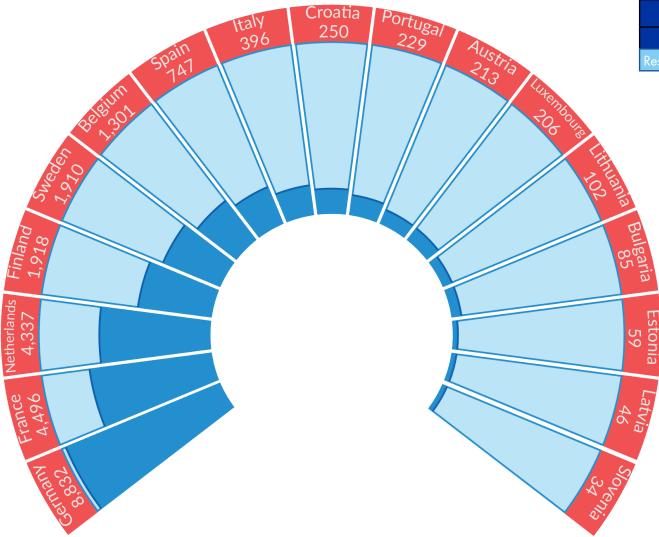
According to DGMM, the nationality breakdown of the readmitted persons to Turkey is mainly composed of Pakistanis and Syrians. The rest of the nationalities are shown in the chart on the right. The"Others" category contains nationals of Nigeria, Sri Lanka, Democratic Republic of Congo, Cameroon, Nepal, Myanmar, Guinea, Senegal, Ghana, Palestinian Territories, Tunisia, Côte d'Ivoire, Haiti, Lebanon, Mali, Dominica, India, Congo, Yemen, Gambia, Niger, Sudan, Jordan, Zimbabwe, Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Togolese Republic, Uzbekistan and Comoros.

Pakistan					735
Syrian Arab Republic			377		
Algeria		194			
Afghanistan	126				
Iraq	116				
Bangladesh	105				
Morocco	58				
Islamic Republic of Iran	54				
Egypt 32					
Others		199			

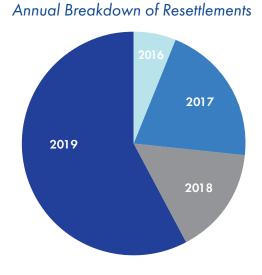
*Data source DGMM, end of 2019

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.



Resettlements from Turkey to Europe					
	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Resettlements	2,718	8,941	6,779	25,161	43,599



Since April 4th when EU-Turkey agreement on the readmission of migrants to Turkey arriving in Greece after 20th March 2016 entered into force, a total number of **25,161*** Syrians were resettled on the right mentioned countries according to One-to-One mechanism with the assistance of IOM.

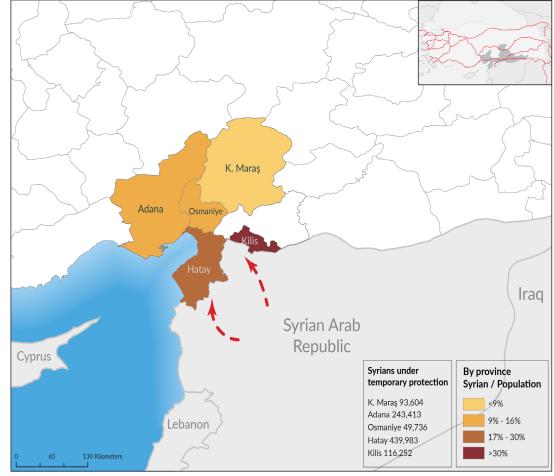
Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Turkey

There are **7**^{*} Temporary Accommodation Centers for persons under Temporary Protection (mainly for Syrians under TP) dispersed in five cities in Turkey namely Kilis, Kahramanmaraş, Hatay, Adana and Osmaniye run by Directorate General Of Migration Management (DGMM).

According to DGMM statistics, a total population of **63,443**^{*} are currently residing in the camps. During the one year period, there was a decrease of 80,115 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.

*Data source DGMM, 31.12.2019

Adana		20,700
Kilis	8,517	
Kahramanmaraş	10,859	
Hatay	10,757	
Osmaniye	12,610	



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Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Turkey

Removal centers host and monitor foreigners under administrative detention. Twenty eight removal centers are operating in the provinces of Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Edirne, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, İstanbul, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırıkkale, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Malatya, Muğla, Van, Iğdır and Osmaniye. In total, the removal centers can currently hold **20,000*** persons.

*Data source DGMM, end of 2019



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 up to date. **181*** individuals were identified in 2016, **303*** in 2017, **134*** in 2018 and **215*** in 2019. Two shelters for victims of trafficking are operational with a total capacity of **42*** individuals. Two shelters are operated by Ankara Municipality and DGMM.

*Data source DGMM, end of 2019

Shelters for VOTs in Turkey	Shelter Capacity
Ankara Municipality	30
Shelter in Kırıkkale	12
Total	42



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)

