




IOM Support to EU-Relocation January – June 2021

European Economic Area

 **2,132 beneficiaries** relocated in the European Economic Area (EEA) from 01 January to 30 June 2021

 **14 EEA countries** received relocated beneficiaries from 01 January to 30 June 2021

 Relocations increased around **600%** compared to same period in 2020 (306 persons assisted)

IOM's support in Relocation

Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, relocation in the first half of 2021 represented an **important expression of solidarity**, reaching a total of 2,132 relocated beneficiaries **from Greece, Italy and Malta to 14 EEA countries**.

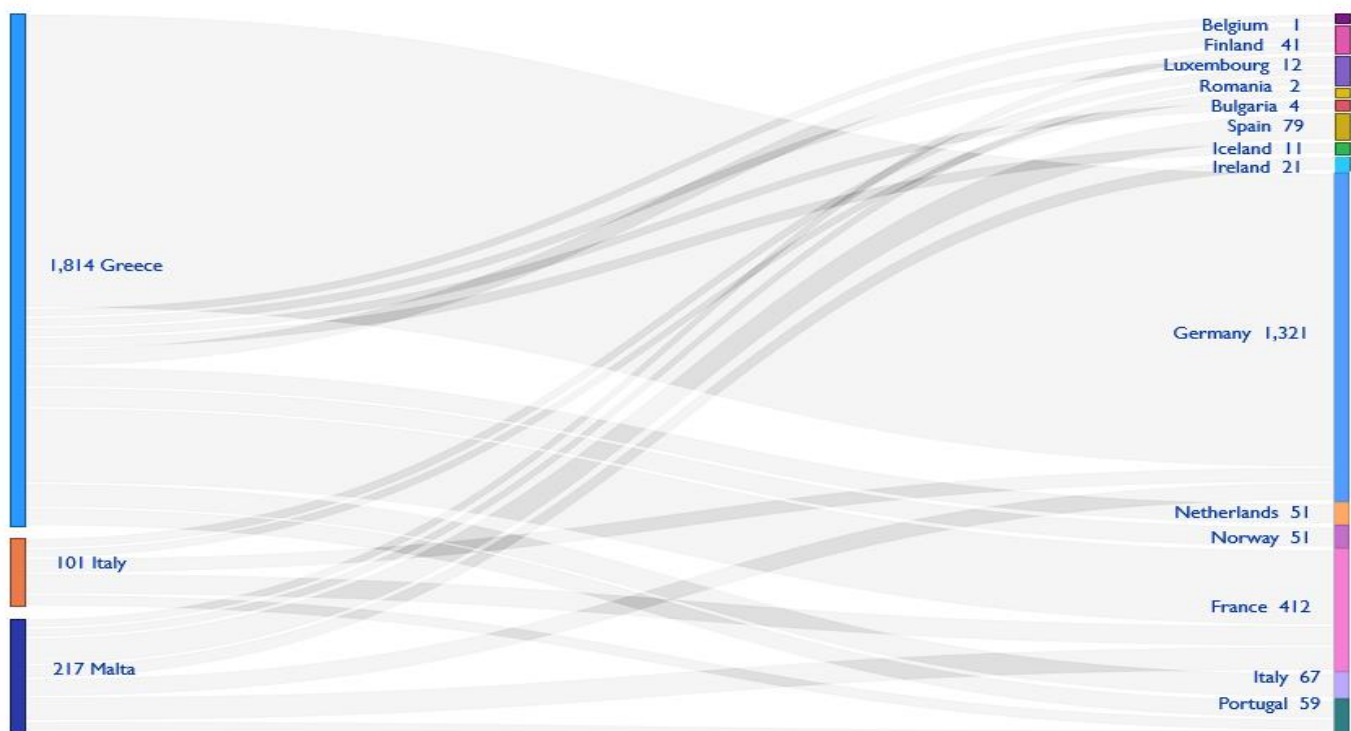
IOM continued providing support through the implementation of pre-migration health activities, pre-departure orientation sessions, movement management and accommodation (in Greece), adopting a range of **measures to minimize the risk of transmission during movements and pre-departure activities**. IOM coordinated **regional relocation projects**, namely, RELITA (Italy), REMA (Malta) and Voluntary Relocation from Greece, supported by the European Commission emergency funding (EMAS), allowing for more harmonized procedures in the EEA. Other relocation projects were funded by EU Member States.

Throughout the programmes, IOM works closely with involved **governments** and other partners such as **UNHCR, UNICEF, and EASO**, to facilitate the relocation of beneficiaries.



Sending Country

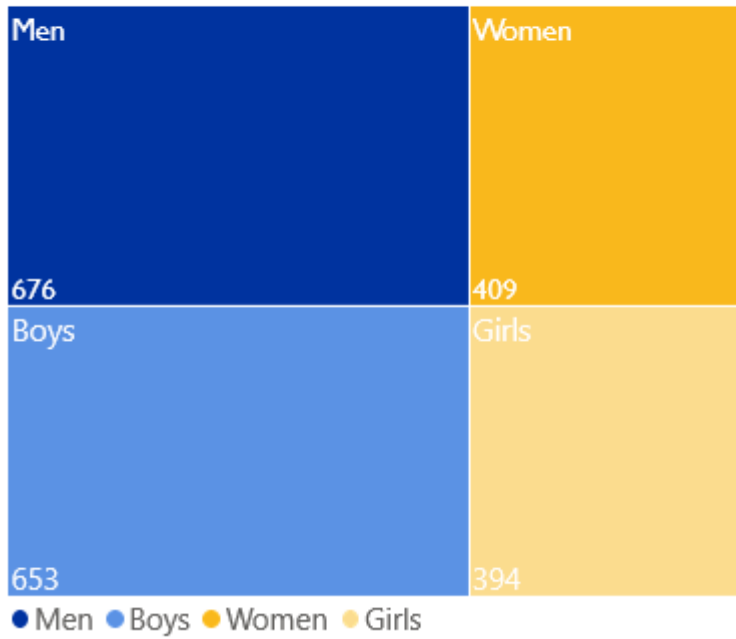
Country of Relocation





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Beneficiaries Sex and Age



NOTE: IOM recognizes the diversity of gender identities, however for the purpose of the current the report a binary classification is used to match the available records.

Nationalities of the beneficiaries

