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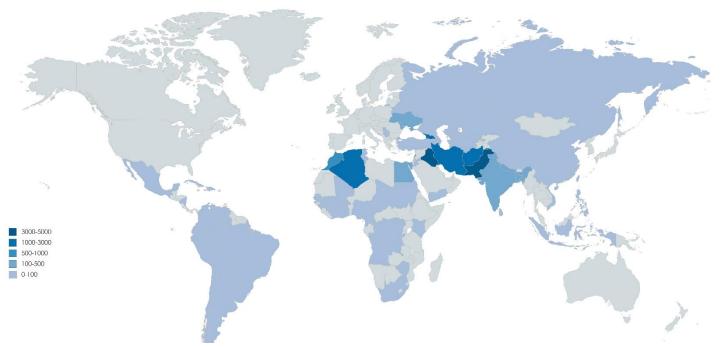


THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURNS INCLUNDING REINTEGRATION MEASURES (AVRR)

I June 2016 – 31 August 2019

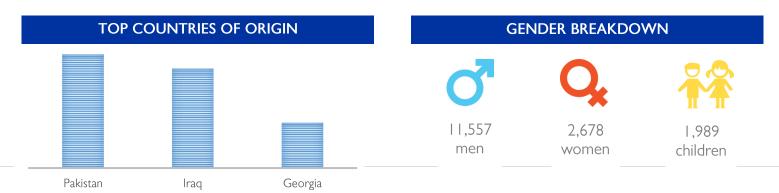
Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration (AVRR) is an indispensable part of a comprehensive approach to migration management aiming at orderly and humane return and reintegration of migrants who are unable or unwilling to remain in host countries and wish to return voluntarily to their countries of origin. The decision of returning back home is 100% voluntary and based on migrant's request.

IOM Greece plays a crucial role in AVRR's world map. Since 2010, 47,818 individuals have safely returned back home with the contribution of IOM Greece. Furthermore, IOM Greece has supported 8,138 migrants to successfully complete personalized reintegration plans in terms of sustainability for themselves and their families. The current AVRR programme commenced its implementation in 1 June 2016 and was scheduled to be completed on 31 May 2019. However, following a no-cost extension, the project will now be completed on 31 August 2019.



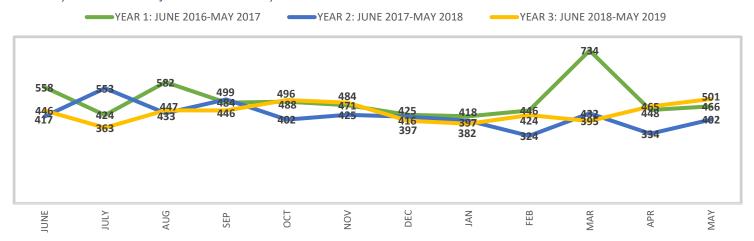
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From 1 June 2016 to 31 May 2019, 16,224 third-country nationals originated from 71 countries have been assisted with returning to their countries of origin, while 18,919 have been registered in the programme. During the reporting period, 4,893 returnees have been benefited with reintegration assistance in kind.

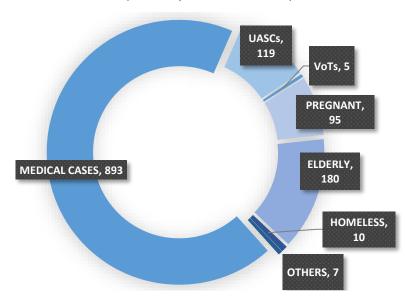


In May 2019, **501** returnees (277 men, 112 women and 112 children) returned to their countries of origin. The vast majority of them were nationals of Iraq, Georgia and Pakistan.

Voluntary returns from 1 June 2016 – 31 May 2019



Migrants in situation of vulnerability from 1 June 2016 – 31 May 2019



Informed, registered and returned third-country nationals from the islands, from 1 June 2016 – 31 May 2019





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