As the needs of the reception system has been changing, many of the places for unaccompanied children are slowly and gradually converted into family places.

Currently, there are 3,000 places for unaccompanied children and the occupancy rate of these places is around 75%. The changes are planned to take place in two phases: a decrease of 75 places and then of 204 places. The new places generally for adults will become available on 1 September 2025.

The organisation notes that new arrivals of unaccompanied children are difficult to predict, and thus, Fedasil continues to regularly re-evaluate the needs of the system.

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