UNHCR Global Resettlement Statistical Report 2013

Introduction

This report summarizes the resettlement activities of UNHCR Offices worldwide in 2013. The information for this report is drawn from the UNHCR Resettlement Statistical Reports (RSR), which are submitted by UNHCR Country Offices on a guarterly basis.

Certain information in this report is organized by regions, reflecting the five UNHCR Regional Bureaux: Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Pacific, Europe and MENA (Middle East and North Africa).

For the purposes of this report, country of asylum refers to the country from which refugees are submitted to and from which they departed for resettlement. Country of resettlement refers to the country to which refugees are submitted for resettlement and to which they arrive on resettlement. Country of origin refers to the country where refugees derive their nationality. The submission figures include those made through UNHCR Regional Resettlement Hubs, Regional Offices as well as Headquarters.

Summary of major trends

Submissions: In 2013, UNHCR submitted 93,226 refugees for resettlement.¹

This is a 24.6 per cent increase from 74,800 refugees in 2012. Contributing factors include increased submissions from priority situations, including Afghan, Colombian, and Congolese refugees; the adoption of simplified processing methodologies, such as group resettlement from Rwanda; and an increased deployment of resettlement and child protection experts. In April 2013 the resettlement of refugees from Bhutan reached the milestone of 100,000 submissions since the start of the programme in 2007.

Departures: In 2013, 71,411 refugees departed to 25 countries of resettlement.²

Departures increased 3 per cent, from 70,000 refugees in 2012. Increased departures can be attributed to a number of factors, including efforts by States to streamline security screening requirements; redirection of submissions to expedite processes; the use of innovative processing methods; and the use of Emergency Transit Facilities.

Origin: The largest number of refugees submitted for resettlement were refugees from Myanmar (23,481), followed by refugees from Iraq (13,225), Democratic Republic of the Congo (12,157) and Somalia (8,964). In total, the four nationalities made up more than 62 per cent of all submissions.

Resettlement: The three major countries of resettlement were: the United States of America (47,875 persons departed), Australia (11,117) and Canada (5140).

Asylum: The largest number of refugees were submitted from Malaysia (15,142), followed by Turkey (10,256) and Thailand (9429).

Nepal was the country from which the most refugees departed (10,828), followed by Thailand (8,806) and Malaysia (8,537).

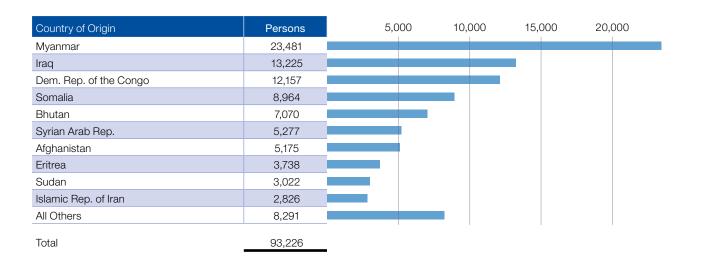
At a Glance Figures

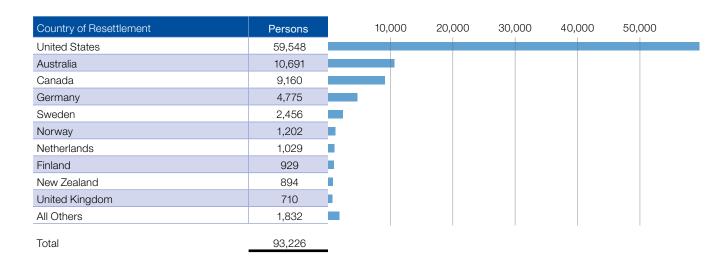
	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Submissions	93,226	74,835	91,843	108,042	128,558
Departures	71,411	69,252	61,649	72,914	84,657
Countries of Asylum	80	80	79	86	94
Countries of Origin	69	79	77	71	77
Countries of Resettlement	25	26	22	28	24

1	This	figure	includes	6,251	individual	resubmissi	ons	(2,180	cases)				
2	UNHCR		Global assistance	Trends in	Report 2013.	notes inclusive	98,300 of	persons cases	departed with	for which	resettlemer UNHCR	nt was	with not
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		includes	cases	that	UNHCR	was	involved	from	the	onset	of	the	
		resettleme	nt	procedures	S.,	i.e.	from	submission	ito	departure.			

Top Ten: UNHCR Resettlement Submissions in 2013

Country of Asylum	Persons	5,000	10,000	15,000	20,000
Malaysia	15,142				
Turkey	10,256				
Thailand	9,429				
Kenya	7,413		ı		
Nepal	7,274				
Lebanon	6,047				
Ethiopia	4,145				
Uganda	3,504				
Syria	2,643				
Rwanda	2,606				
All Others	24,767				
Total	93,226				





UNHCR Resettlement Submissions in 2013

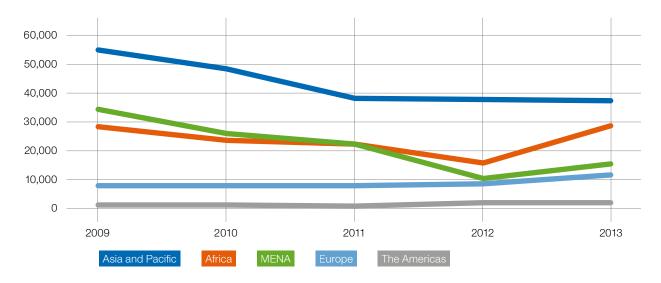
Submissions by Region of Asylum	Cases	Persons	Per cent Total (persons)
Asia and Pacific	14,772	37,559	40.3%
Africa	8,372	28,452	30.5%
MENA	4,679	14,247	15.3%
Europe	5,342	11,096	11.9%
The Americas	611	1,872	2.0%
Grand Total	33,776	93,226	100.0%

Submissions by Region of Origin	Cases	Persons	Per cent Total (persons)
Asia and Pacific	16,056	39,849	42.7%
Africa	10,608	32,437	34.8%
MENA	6,485	19,022	20.4%
The Americas	594	1,838	2.0%
Europe	20	51	<1%
Stateless/Unspecified	13	29	<1%
Grand Total	33,776	93,226	100.0%

UNHCR Submissions by Region of Asylum 2009-2013

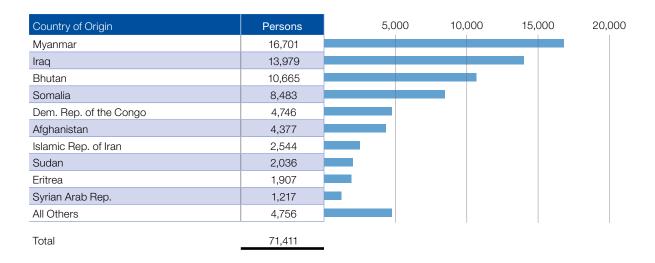
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Africa	28741	24062	22267	15710	28,452
Asia and Pacific	55461	48507	38404	38020	37,559
Europe	8286	8218	7716	8526	11,096
MENA	34932	26059	22493	10519	14,247
The Americas	1138	1196	963	2060	1,872

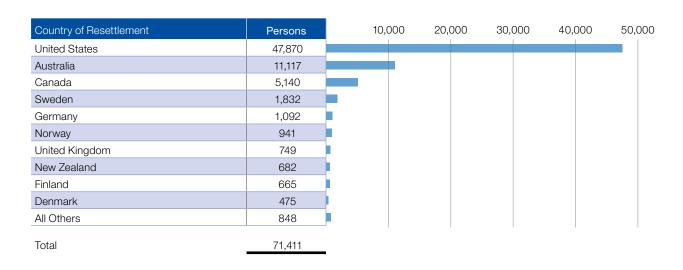
UNHCR Submissions by Region of Asylum 2009-2013



Top ten: UNHCR Resettlement Departures in 2013

Country of Asylum	Persons	5,0	00 10,0	000 15,0	20,000)
Nepal	10,828					
Thailand	8,806					
Malaysia	8,537					
Turkey	7,223					
Syria	4,195					
Kenya	3,604					
Jordan	3,440					
Lebanon	3,331					
Ethiopia	2,640					
Uganda	2,200					
All Others	16,607					
Total	71,411	1				



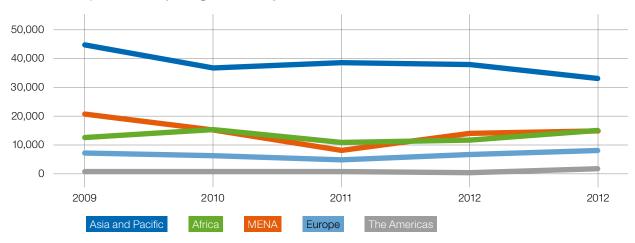


UNHCR Resettlement Departures in 2013

Departures by Region of Asylum	Persons	Per cent Total (persons)
Asia and Pacific	32,731	45.8%
Africa	14,858	20.8%
MENA	14,658	20.5%
Europe	7,939	11.1%
The Americas	1,225	1.8%
Grand Total	71,411	100.0%

Departures by Region of Origin	Persons	Per cent Total (persons)
Asia and Pacific	35,226	49.3%
Africa	19,357	27.1%
MENA	15,586	21.8%
The Americas	1,202	1.7%
Europe	25	<1%
Stateless	15	<1%
Grand Total	71,411	100.0%

UNHCR Departures by Region of Asylum 2009-2013



UNHCR Resettlement by Submission Category in 2013

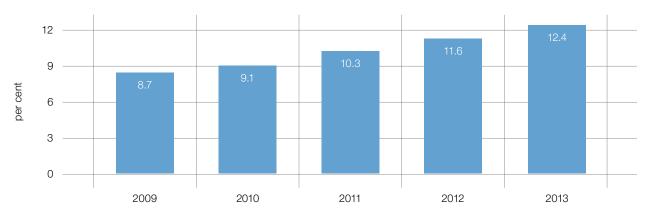
Category	Cases Submitted	Persons Submitted	% Cases Submitted	Persons Departed	% Persons Departed
Legal and/or protection needs (LPN)	14,156	35,657	41.9%	26,319	36.9%
Lack of foreseeable alternative durable solutions (LAS)	7,526	19,738	22.3%	22,346	31.3%
Suvivors of violence and/or torture (SVT)	5,329	18,108	15.8%	11,530	16.1%
Women and girls at risk (AWR)	4,099	11,132	12.1%	7,106	10.0%
Medical needs (MED)	742	2,251	2.2%	2,029	2.8%
Family reunification (FAM)	731	1,504	2.2%	766	1.1%
Children and adolescents at risk (CHL)	244	503	<1%	340	<1%
Older Refugees*	16	24	<1%	122	<1%
Humanitarian Admissions Program**	926	4,293	2.7%	802	1.1%
Others/Unspecified	7	16	<1%	51	<1%
Total	33,776	93,226	100.0%	71,411	100%

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UNHCR Resettlement Under the Women and Girls at Risk Category in 2013

Women and Girls at Risk Cases as a Percentage of Total Resettlement Submissions by UNHCR, 2009-2013



Top Ten Countries of Asylum: Submissions Under the Women and Girls at Risk Category (AWR), 2013*

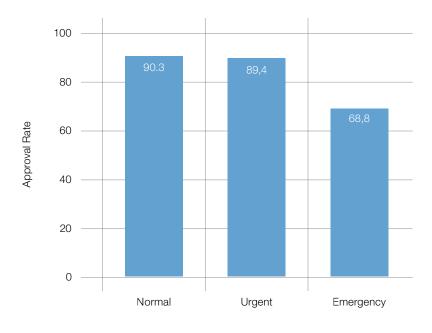
Asylum Country	Cases Submitted	Rate of AWR Submissions (% per Asylum Country)	Persons Submitted	Persons Departed
Malaysia	704	9.5%	743	421
Kenya	461	16.5%	1314	652
Ethiopia	354	29.3%	1228	259
Turkey	341	7.2%	774	597
Egypt	330	31.8%	621	427
Islamic Rep. of Iran	272	57.6%	1158	1053
Uganda	234	26.6%	1141	225
Pakistan	216	45.0%	663	638
Syria	122	15.8%	289	360
Ecuador	117	20.5%	353	218

^{*} UNHCR offices do not report on the number of resettlement cases that have departed as resettlement countries may merge or split cases according to their national policies during the resettlement process.

UNHCR Resettlement Under the Medical Needs Category in 2013

Top Ten Submissions by Country of Asylum	Cases	Top Ten Submissions by Country of Origin	Cases	Top Ten Departures by Country of Resettlement	Persons
Turkey	198	Myanmar	185	United States	1,423
Malaysia	189	Iraq	159	Norway	119
Kenya	75	Somalia	114	Sweden	102
Nepal	48	Sudan	57	Canada	97
Ethiopia	37	Bhutan	48	Australia	84
Chad	31	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	40	Denmark	78
Egypt	28	Afghanistan	35	Finland	48
Yemen	15	Eritrea	26	United Kingdom	30
Uganda	11	Islamic Rep. of Iran	20	Netherlands	26
Rwanda	10	Ethiopia	16	New Zealand	12
All Others	100	All Others	42	All Others	10
Grand Total	742	Grand Total	742	Grand Total	2,029

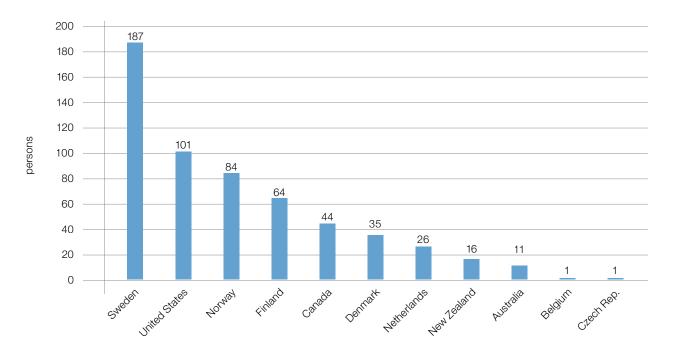
Resettlement Country Approval Rate Under the Medical Needs Category by Priority



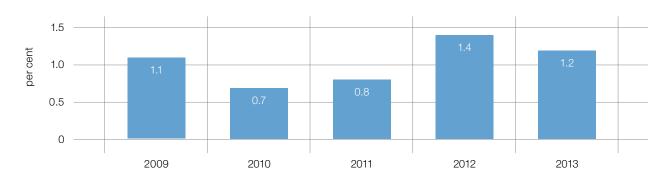
UNHCR Resettlement by Submission Priority in 2013

UNHCR Submissions and	Submissions			Departures		
Departures by Priority	Cases	% Cases	Persons	Persons	% Persons	
Normal	31,492	93.2%	87,270	64,703	90.6%	
Urgent	1,878	5.6%	5,214	6,076	8.5%	
Emergency	400	1.1%	728	570	<1%	
Unspecified/other	6	<1%	14	62	<1%	
Total	33,776	100%	93,226	71,411	100%	

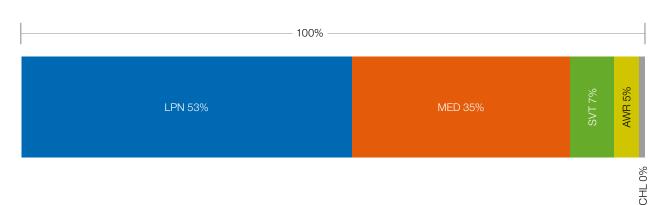
UNHCR Emergency Departures by Country of Resettlement



Emergency Cases as a Percentage of Total Resettlement Submissions by UNHCR, 2009-2013



UNHCR Emergency Departures by Category, 2013



Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions by Country of Origin in 2013

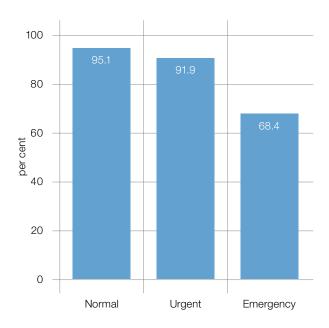
Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions by Country of Origin in 2013

Country of Origin	Cases Submitted	% Cases Accepted
Myanmar	10,247	98.9
Iraq	5,113	92.6
Somalia	3,295	93.0
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	3,180	95.5
Afghanistan	1,836	90.7
Bhutan	1,808	99.5
Islamic Rep. of Iran	1,637	92.7
Eritrea	1,477	88.7
Syrian Arab Rep.	1,202	99.0
Sudan	1,054	95.8
All Others	2,927	78.3
Grand Total	33,776	94.4

Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions by Submission Category in 2013

Submission Category	Acceptance Rate
Women and girls at risk (AWR)	94.9%
Children and adolescents at risk (CHL)	90.4%
Family reunification (FAM)	96.6%
Lack of foreseeable alternative durable solutions (LAS)	94.7%
Legal and/or protection needs (LPN)	95.1%
Medical needs (MED)	88.3%
Suvivors of violence and/or torture (SVT)	94.3%
Others/Unspecified	100.0%
Humanitarian Admissions Program**	99.8%
Older Refugees*	100.0%

Acceptance Rates of Resettlement Countries by UNHCR Resettlement Priority in 2013



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UNHCR Resettlement Departures 2009-2013

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013			
Countries with regular resettlement programmes								
Argentina	8	23	24	5	7			
Australia	6,720	5,636	5,597	5,079	11,117			
Belgium	54	2	19	1	100			
Brazil	30	28	23	8	56			
Canada	6,582	6,706	6,827	4,755	5,140			
Chile	66	6	22	3	3			
Czech Rep.	17	48		25	1			
Denmark	488	386	606	324	475			
Finland	710	543	573	763	665			
France**	179	217	42	84	100			
Germany*	2,064	457	22	323	1,092			
Hungary (regular programme to begin in 2014)				1				
Iceland**		6		9				
Ireland	194	20	36	40	62			
Japan		27	18		18			
Netherlands	347	430	479	262	362			
New Zealand	675	535	477	719	682			
Norway	1,367	1,088	1,258	1,137	941			
Portugal	26	24	28	21	6			
Romania		38						
Spain				80				
Sweden	1,880	1,789	1,896	1,483	1,832			
Switzerland	17	19	39	54	78			
United Kingdom**	969	695	424	989	750			
United States of America	62,011	54,077	43,215	53,053	47,875			
Uruguay	14	17		5	14			
Countries with special resettlement programmes / ad-hoc resettlement intake								
Austria*					4			
Italy	191	58		9				
Luxembourg	28							
Palau		3						
Rep. of Korea	20	23	11	20	31			
Paraguay		13	13					
Grand Total	84,657	72,914	61,649	69,252	71,411			

 $^{^{\}star}$ Started accepting cases through the Humanitarian Admission Programme (HAP) since 2013.

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Protracted Refugee Situations Where Resettlement Takes Place 2011-2013

Comparison of UNHCR Resettlement Submissions and Departures 2011-2013		Submissions			Departures			
Country/territory of Origin	Country of Asylum	Total Population	2011	2012	2013	2011	2012	2013
Afghanistan	Pakistan	16,147	326	1,079	1,405	160	283	990
	Islamic Rep. of Iran	824,087	1,453	1,873	2,185	474	1,427	1,900
Somalia	Kenya	512,069	8,439	2,170	3,996	2,102	1,442	2,612
Myanmar	Thailand	83,317	7,766	6,532	8,790	9,214	6,845	8,208
	Malaysia	84,671	13,217	15,103	14,441	8,274	10,308	8,072
Iraq	Syrian Arab Republic	62,727	8,708	2,061	2,462	4,270	3,293	3,796
	Lebanon	6,516	3,138	1,698	1,141	777	2,807	2,230
	Jordan	27,814	3,378	1,481	1,793	965	3,229	3,000
Bhutan	Nepal	40,971	13,092	9,922	7,070	18,068	16,674	10,665
Eritrea	Sudan	81,136	980	479	1,394	931	262	566
Dem. Rep. of the	United Rep. of Tanzania	63,330	335	601	362	185	622	433
Congo	Burundi	41,349	292	406	1,064	53	155	348
	Rwanda	57,857	1,315	2,160	2,606	724	753	922
	Uganda	127,021	332	1,451	3,206	113	289	898
Colombia	Ecuador	54,620	793	1,620	1,796	397	156	1,045
Mixed Population	Turkey	257,944	6,472	7,913	10,256	4,388	5,929	7,223

Per Capita Resettlement by Country of Resettlement in 2013

Country of Resettlement	Persons Resettled in 2012	National Population	Population per Refugees Resettled
Australia	11,117	22,404,488	2,015
Sweden	1,832	9,382,297	5,121
Norway	941	4,891,251	5,198
New Zealand	682	4,368,136	6,405
United States of America	47,875	312,247,116	6,522
Canada	5,140	34,126,240	6,639
Finland	665	5,367,693	8,072
Denmark	475	5,550,959	11,686
Netherlands	362	16,615,243	45,898
Ireland	62	4,467,561	72,057
Germany	1,092	83,017,404	76,023
United Kingdom	750	62,066,350	82,755
Switzerland	78	7,830,534	100,391
Belgium	100	10,941,288	109,413
Uruguay	14	3,371,982	240,856
France	100	63,230,866	632,309
Rep. of Korea	31	48,453,931	1,563,030
Portugal	6	10,589,792	1,764,965
Austria	4	8,401,924	2,100,481
Brazil	56	195,210,154	3,485,896
Chile	3	17,150,760	5,716,920
Argentina	7	40,374,224	5,767,746
Japan	18	127,352,833	7,075,157
Czech Rep.	1	10,553,701	10,553,701