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# ASYLUM APPLICATIONS LODGED IN INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES: LEVELS AND TRENDS, 2000-2002

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## INTRODUCTION

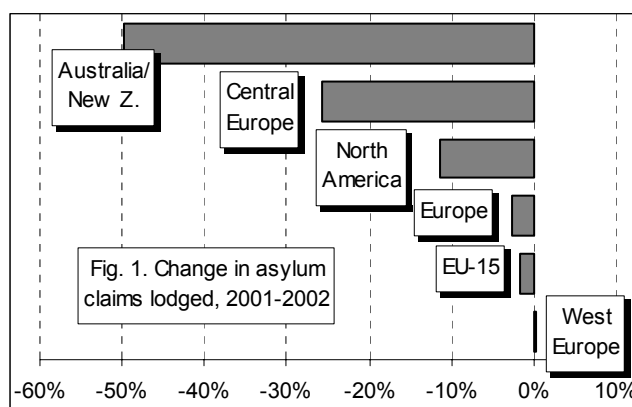
1. This document analyzes levels and trends in asylum applications submitted in 37, mostly industrialized, countries during 2002 in comparison with 2000 and 2001. This report is an updated and extended version of a document issued on 3 February 2003, which included some estimates made by UNHCR<sup>1</sup>. The current report is based on complete data provided by all 37 countries. The analysis is limited to claims for asylum only: data on asylum-seekers granted refugee status or allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons during 2002 are currently being compiled and will be available in the near future.

2. The statistics presented here were mostly provided by Governments, based on national asylum laws and procedures. The report is thus based on nationally reported data: no adjustments were made<sup>2</sup>. UNHCR is responsible for the presentation, compilation and analysis of the data. As most data are based on monthly trends, they should be considered provisional, subject to change. The tables included in this document are based on different groupings of asylum countries, depending on the focus of analysis and availability of data. Consequently, the totals between the various tables may differ. For the same reason, caution should be exercised in comparing the data in this report with other asylum statistics published by UNHCR.

## TRENDS BY COUNTRY AND REGION OF ASYLUM

3. In the 37 countries included in this report, some 587,400 applications for asylum were submitted in 2002, 5.4 per cent less compared to 2001 (621,100). The decrease was quite pronounced in Australia and New Zealand (-50%) and in North America (-11%) (*Figure 1*).

4. Europe received also fewer asylum applications in 2002 than in 2001, although the decrease was less pronounced (-3%) than in the non-European countries (-15%)<sup>3</sup>. The 15 member countries of the European Union (EU) received 381,600 new asylum applications in 2002, 2 per cent less than in 2001 (388,400). Due to a significant increase in asylum claims lodged in the non-EU member countries Iceland (125%), Norway (18%) and Switzerland (27%), the level of asylum claims in Western Europe as a whole remained stable (*Figure 1 and Table 1*).



<sup>1</sup> *Asylum Applications Lodged in Europe, North America, Australia, New Zealand and Japan: January – December 2002*, UNHCR Geneva, 3 February 2003.

<sup>2</sup> For international comparability purposes, the number of applications for the United Kingdom (UK) and the USA in Table 1 to 3 is based on the number of cases multiplied with an official estimate of the number of persons per case. As these multipliers are not available by nationality, the tables by origin reflect the number of cases only.

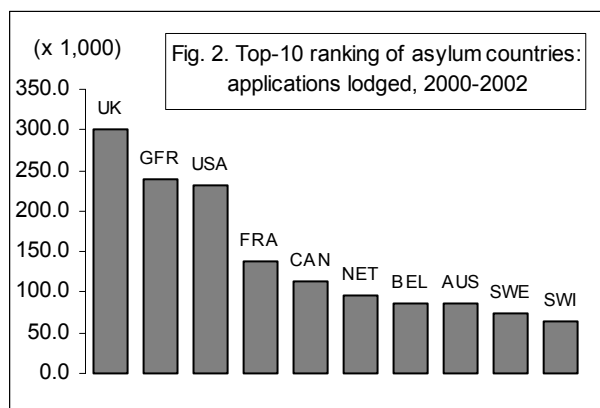
<sup>3</sup> See Table 1 for the regional classifications used in this document.

5. The 10 Central European countries listed in Table 1 experienced a major decrease in asylum applications in 2002 (-26%), bringing the total number of claims lodged in this region down to the level of 2000. The 13 countries, which have applied for EU membership, received some 135,500 asylum claims during the period 2000-2002. In 2002, some 40,000 asylum claims were submitted in these “candidate countries”, 26 per cent below the 2001 level (53,700) (*Table 1*).

6. Asylum countries recording a **decrease** of at least 25 per cent in annual asylum claims submitted during 2002 included Cyprus (-41%), Czech Republic (-53%), Denmark (-53%), Estonia (-25%), Hungary (-33%), Netherlands (-43%), Romania (-54%), Slovenia (-54%), Spain (-35%), Turkey (-25%), Australia (-51%), New Zealand (-38%) and Japan (-29%). Countries reporting an **increase** in asylum claims of more than one-quarter included Finland (109%), Iceland (125%), Latvia (114%), Luxembourg (52%), Malta (309%), Sweden (40%) and Switzerland (27%) (*Table 1*).

7. Although the levels and trends in asylum flows are often difficult to explain, they can sometimes be related to concrete policy changes. In Spain, for instance, due to the imposition of entry visa requirements for Colombian nationals, the number of Colombian applications fell by 56 per cent, whereas Cuban asylum claims fell by 50 per cent following the imposition of transit visa. The fall in the annual number of Sierra Leonean nationals claiming asylum in Spain in 2002 (-56%) may be attributed to a more restrictive asylum policy, based on changes in the humanitarian situation in the country of origin (*Tables 4, 5 and 6*).

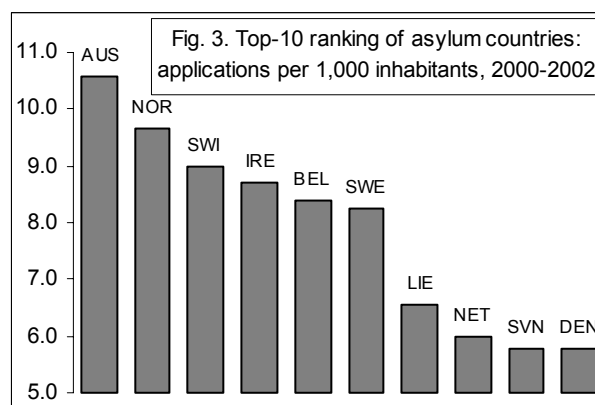
8. In absolute terms, the UK was the largest asylum-seeker receiving country in the industrialized world in 2002, accounting for 19 per cent of all asylum claims lodged during 2002, followed by the USA, accounting for some 14 per cent of all claims, Germany (12%), France (9%), Austria (6.3%), Canada (5.7%), Sweden (5.6%) Switzerland (4.5%), Belgium (3.2%) and the Netherlands (3.2%) (*Table 1*).



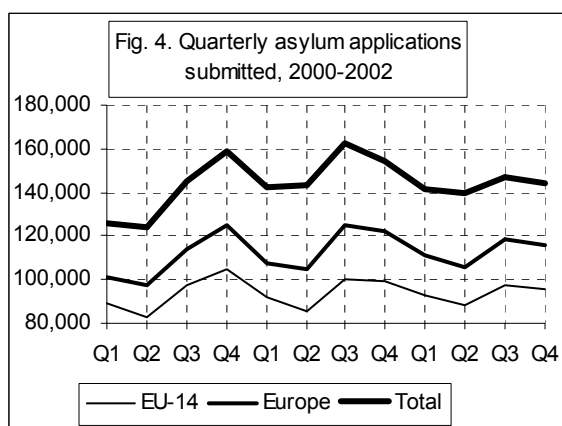
9. Compared to 2001, the United Kingdom maintained its position as the leading recipient country of asylum-seekers in 2002. The USA, which ranked third in 2001, became the second largest asylum-seeker receiving country in 2002, Germany fell from the second to the third position, France remained the fourth largest receiving country, Austria climbed to the fifth position (was 7th), Canada fell from the fifth to the sixth place, Sweden rose to the seventh place (was 9th), Switzerland became the eighth main asylum-seeker receiving country (was 10th), whereas Belgium fell from the eighth to the ninth position. The Netherlands experienced the largest change in ranking. Whereas the country received the fourth highest number of claims in 2000, it fell to the sixth position in 2001 and ranked tenth in 2002 (*Table 1*).

10. In Europe, the share of United Kingdom in receiving new asylum applications increased from 19 per cent in 2001 to 24 per cent in 2002, whereas the proportion of asylum-seekers who applied in Germany decreased (from 18% to 15%). The role of France in receiving asylum claims submitted in Europe remained rather stable (from 10% to 11%). Together, these three countries accounted for 50 per cent of all asylum applications submitted in Europe in 2002. Of all claims lodged in the 15 countries of the EU in 2002, the UK received 29 per cent, Germany accounted for 19 per cent, whereas France's share was 13 per cent (*Table 1*).

11. The above rankings are all based on the absolute number of asylum claims submitted. Compared to the size of the total national population, which could be considered as an indicator of the capacity of countries to host asylum-seekers, the situation is quite different. In 2002, Austria received the largest number of asylum-seekers per capita (4.6 claimants per 1,000 inhabitants)<sup>4</sup>, followed by Norway (3.9), Sweden (3.7), Switzerland (3.7), Ireland (3.1), Liechtenstein (2.8), Luxembourg (2.4), United Kingdom (1.9), Belgium (1.8) and Slovakia (1.8). The USA, receiving the second highest number of asylum-seekers during 2002, ranked 26th compared to the size of the national population. Germany, the third main receiving country in 2002, ranked 16th on a per capita basis (*Table 1*).



12. On average, the European Union received 1 asylum claimant per 1,000 inhabitants during 2002, similar to 2000 and 2001. European Union member states receiving the lowest number of claims compared to the size of their national population in 2002 were Spain (0.2), Italy (0.1) and Portugal (0.024). Of all 37 countries included in this survey, Japan received the lowest number of claims in comparison to its population size (0.002 claims per 1,000 inhabitants) (*Table 1*).



13. During the period 2000-2002, none of the five countries, which received the highest number of applications in absolute terms (UK, Germany, USA, France and Canada), were among the ten main receiving countries when compared to the size of their national population (*Figures 2 and 3*).

14. During the fourth quarter of 2002, 144,300 claims were submitted in the 29 countries for which monthly data were available, 2 per cent less than during the third quarter (147,300) (*Figure 4 and Table*

<sup>4</sup> The number of asylum applications reported by Austria in 2001 included a substantial number of claims lodged by asylum-seekers outside Austria, few of whom were granted entry. Precise figures for 2002 are not available.

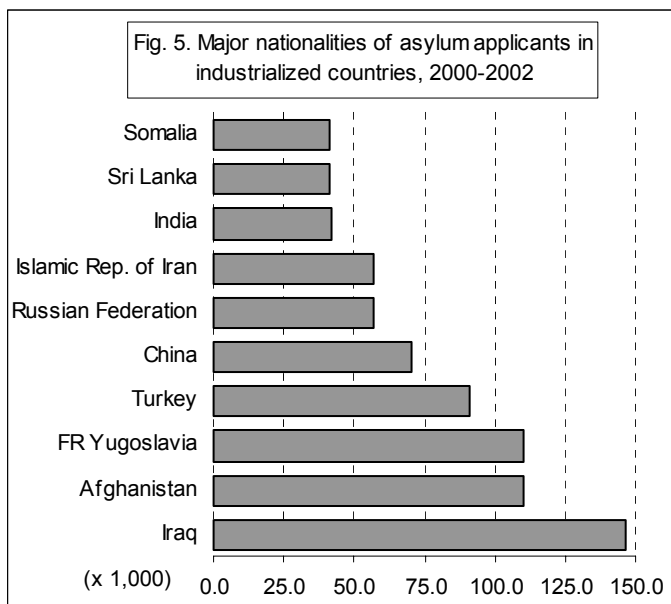
2). In December 2002, 44,000 claims were submitted, 4 per cent less than in November level (46,000) and the second lowest level in 2002 (*Table 3*).

### TRENDS BY MAJOR ORIGIN

15. In 2002, 51,000 Iraqi nationals applied for asylum in the 37 industrialized countries, virtually the same level as in 2001 (50,400). However, due to a sharp drop in Afghan asylum claims (-51%), Iraq became the main country of origin of asylum-seekers in 2002. Following a 15 per cent rise in asylum claims, citizens from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia<sup>5</sup> became the second largest group of asylum-seekers in 2002 (4th in 2001). Turkey maintained its position as the third largest country of origin, China moved from the fifth to the fourth position, Afghanistan fell from the first to the fifth position and Russian Federation remained the sixth largest country of origin. India ranked seventh (was 8th), whereas Somalia remained the tenth largest country of origin of asylum-seekers in 2002 (*Table 7*).

16. Among the major countries of origin of asylum-seekers, the main change in ranking was recorded by Nigeria and the Democratic Republic (DR) of the Congo. From 2001 to 2002, asylum applications lodged by Nigerian nationals increased by 35 per cent, as a result of which the country became the eighth main country of origin of asylum-seekers in industrialized countries (19th in 2001). DR Congo moved from the 17th to the 9th position, following a 25 per cent rise in asylum applications in 2002. Conversely, experiencing a 27 per cent fall in applications lodged, the Islamic Republic of Iran fell to the 12th position in 2002 (was 7th), whereas Sri Lanka fell from the 9th to the 15th position, following a 30 per cent drop in claims (*Table 7*).

17. During the period 2000-2002, Iraq accounted for 9.0 per cent of all asylum applications lodged in industrialized countries (10.7% in Europe), Afghan claimants constituted 6.8 per cent (8.0% in Europe), whereas citizens from FR Yugoslavia also lodged 6.8 per cent of all claims submitted (8.2% in Europe) (*Figure 5, Tables 7 and 8*).



18. Among the smaller countries of origin, countries whose nationals submitted significantly more applications in 2002 compared to 2001 included Zimbabwe (83%), Cameroon (51%) and Slovakia (47%), whereas a significant decrease was recorded in claimants from Sierra Leone (-43%), Viet Nam (-32%) and Ukraine (-31%) (*Table 7*).

<sup>5</sup> In February 2003, the country's official name was changed to Union of Serbia and Montenegro. As this report deals with trends until the end of 2002, it uses the name Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FR Yugoslavia).

19. From 2000 to 2002, the main relative increase in asylum applications was recorded for nationals originating from Zimbabwe (1,030%), FYR Macedonia (360%) and Georgia (110%). Countries of origin experiencing the largest relative decline in asylum applicants during the same period included the Islamic Republic of Iran (-61%), Sri Lanka (-38%) and FR Yugoslavia (-31%) (*Table 7*).

20. Detailed levels and trends by origin are included in Table 4, 5 and 6 (by country of asylum, 2000 to 2002), 7, 8 and 9 (by region of asylum), 10, 11 and 12 (quarterly trends by region of asylum in 2002), 13 (monthly trends in 2002) and 14 (top-10 nationalities by asylum country in 2002).

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**Table 1. Total number of asylum applications lodged, 2000-2002**

See notes at the bottom of the Table.

Asylum country/region	Total no. of applications				Change '01-'02 (%)	Share (%)			Applications per 1,000 inhabitants			Rank 2002	
	2000	2001	2002	Total		2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	Total	Per cap.
Austria (AUS)	18,284	30,135	37,074	85,493	23.0	3.2	4.9	6.3	2.3	3.7	4.6	5	1
Belgium (BEL)	42,691	24,549	18,805	86,045	-23.4	7.4	4.0	3.2	4.2	2.4	1.8	9	9
Bulgaria (BUL)	1,755	2,428	2,888	7,071	18.9	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.4	24	23
Cyprus (CYP)	651	1,620	956	3,227	-41.0	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.8	2.1	1.2	28	11
Czech Rep. (CZE)	8,787	18,087	8,481	35,355	-53.1	1.5	2.9	1.4	0.9	1.8	0.8	14	18
Denmark (DEN)	12,200	12,512	5,947	30,659	-52.5	2.1	2.0	1.0	2.3	2.4	1.1	19	14
Estonia (EST)	3	12	9	24	-25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	37	36
Finland (FIN)	3,170	1,651	3,443	8,264	108.5	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.7	23	19
France (FRA)	38,747	47,291	50,798	136,836	7.4	6.7	7.6	8.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	4	17
Germany (GFR)	78,564	88,287	71,127	237,978	-19.4	13.6	14.2	12.1	1.0	1.1	0.9	3	16
Greece (GRE)	3,083	5,499	5,664	14,246	3.0	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.3	0.5	0.5	20	21
Hungary (HUN)	7,801	9,554	6,412	23,767	-32.9	1.3	1.5	1.1	0.8	1.0	0.6	16	20
Iceland (ICE)	24	52	117	193	125.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.4	34	22
Ireland (IRE)	11,096	10,325	11,634	33,055	12.7	1.9	1.7	2.0	2.9	2.7	3.1	12	5
Italy (ITA)	15,564	9,620	7,281	32,465	-24.3	2.7	1.5	1.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	15	30
Latvia (LVA)	4	14	30	48	114.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	36	35
Liechtenstein (LIE)	11	112	91	214	-18.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	3.4	2.8	35	6
Lithuania (LTU)	199	256	294	749	14.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	31	31
Luxembourg (LUX)	628	686	1,043	2,357	52.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	1.4	1.6	2.4	26	7
Malta (MTA)	71	116	474	661	308.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	1.2	30	12
Netherlands (NET)	43,895	32,579	18,667	95,141	-42.7	7.6	5.2	3.2	2.8	2.1	1.2	10	13
Norway (NOR)	10,842	14,782	17,480	43,104	18.3	1.9	2.4	3.0	2.4	3.3	3.9	11	2
Poland (POL)	4,589	4,506	5,153	14,248	14.4	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	21	29
Portugal (POR)	224	234	245	703	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	33	34
Romania (ROM)	1,366	2,431	1,108	4,905	-54.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	25	33
Slovakia (SVK)	1,556	8,151	9,739	19,446	19.5	0.3	1.3	1.7	0.3	1.5	1.8	13	10
Slovenia (SVN)	9,244	1,511	702	11,457	-53.5	1.6	0.2	0.1	4.7	0.8	0.4	29	24
Spain (SPA)	7,926	9,489	6,179	23,594	-34.9	1.4	1.5	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	17	28
Sweden (SWE)	16,303	23,515	33,016	72,834	40.4	2.8	3.8	5.6	1.8	2.7	3.7	7	3
Switzerland (SWI)	17,611	20,633	26,217	64,461	27.1	3.0	3.3	4.5	2.5	2.9	3.7	8	4
Turkey (TUR)	5,685	5,041	3,795	14,521	-24.7	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	22	32
United Kingdom (UK)	98,900	92,000	110,700	301,600	20.3	17.1	14.8	18.8	1.7	1.5	1.9	1	8
Canada (CAN)	37,858	42,746	33,442	114,046	-21.8	6.6	6.9	5.7	1.2	1.4	1.1	6	15
United States (USA)	63,700	86,400	81,100	231,200	-6.1	11.0	13.9	13.8	0.2	0.3	0.3	2	26
Australia (AUL)	13,065	12,366	6,013	31,444	-51.4	2.3	2.0	1.0	0.7	0.6	0.3	18	25
New Zealand (NZL)	1,551	1,601	997	4,149	-37.7	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	27	27
Japan (JPN)	216	353	250	819	-29.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	32	37
European Union	391,275	388,372	381,623	1,161,270	-1.7	67.7	62.5	65.0	1.0	1.0	1.0		
Western Europe	419,763	423,951	425,528	1,269,242	0.4	72.6	68.3	72.4	1.1	1.1	1.1		
Central Europe	35,304	46,950	34,816	117,070	-25.8	6.1	7.6	5.9	0.3	0.5	0.3		
Other Europe	6,407	6,777	5,225	18,409	-22.9	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1		
Europe	461,474	477,678	465,569	1,404,721	-2.5	79.9	76.9	79.3	0.8	0.9	0.8		
Non-Europe	116,390	143,466	121,802	381,658	-15.1	20.1	23.1	20.7	0.3	0.3	0.3		
Total	577,864	621,144	587,371	1,786,379	-5.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.6	0.6	0.6		

**Notes**

Source: Governments, UNHCR (Cyprus, Turkey). Compiled by UNHCR Geneva (Population Data Unit/PGDS).

The data provided in this table generally reflect the number of persons seeking asylum. Figures for 2002 are provisional, subject to change.

Austria. The 2001 figure includes 5,622 persons who applied for asylum abroad. Few of these, mostly Afghan, asylum-seekers were granted entry.

Denmark. Including asylum-seekers who are returned to a safe third country or processed under the Dublin procedure.

Germany. Figures refer to "first" applications, excluding "repeat" asylum applications.

Italy. The 2002 figure refers to the number of asylum-seekers officially registered by the Central Commission.

Malta. The 2002 figure refers to the number of persons who formally applied for asylum. In addition, 280 persons expressed the intention to apply.

United Kingdom. Data in Table 1 to 3 have been corrected to reflect no. of persons (no. of cases multiplied with 1.286 (Government est.)).

Canada. Source: Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

United States. Data in Table 1 to 3 have been corrected to reflect no. of persons (no. of cases multiplied with 1.4). Source: Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Australia. Figures since September 2001 exclude persons who arrived offshore or are being processed on Manus Island, Papua New Guinea or Nauru.

Western Europe: European Union plus Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Central Europe: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Other Europe: Cyprus, Malta and Turkey. These countries plus those located in Central Europe have applied for EU membership ("Candidate Countries").

Europe: all European countries listed in this table.

Non-Europe: Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, United States.

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**Table 2. Quarterly asylum applications lodged, 2000-2002**

The below data are based on provisional monthly data. Therefore, totals may differ slightly from Table 1 and other published data.

Asylum country	2000				2001				2002			
	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.
Austria	3,778	4,253	5,279	4,974	7,478	7,513	7,391	7,753	7,758	8,757	11,300	9,259
Belgium	7,810	8,155	12,391	14,335	6,761	5,612	6,498	5,678	4,685	4,344	5,003	4,773
Bulgaria	401	302	384	668	571	519	652	685	1,091	964	412	421
Czech Rep.	1,488	2,038	2,105	3,138	4,082	4,825	4,872	4,258	2,729	1,893	1,759	2,054
Denmark	2,689	2,633	3,204	3,674	3,031	2,825	3,658	2,889	2,090	1,438	1,137	1,282
Finland	1,016	965	796	393	400	373	493	385	397	1,143	904	689
France	10,653	8,802	9,216	9,917	11,331	11,927	11,189	12,816	12,777	12,289	12,170	13,562
Germany	18,939	17,067	21,202	21,556	21,054	19,732	25,231	22,346	19,230	17,029	18,013	16,772
Greece	732	575	768	929	468	694	1,744	2,593	1,532	751	1,852	1,529
Hungary	2,000	2,044	1,835	1,920	1,855	1,987	2,870	2,842	1,675	1,445	1,928	1,364
Ireland	2,812	2,515	2,655	2,938	2,309	2,460	2,799	2,756	2,533	2,552	3,327	3,222
Liechtenstein	8	1	2	-	8	31	57	16	16	19	33	23
Luxembourg	177	131	136	141	165	156	196	172	157	237	278	371
Netherlands	11,536	9,630	11,150	11,576	9,588	7,549	7,488	7,954	6,299	4,836	4,201	3,331
Norway	1,736	4,268	2,948	1,890	1,542	2,508	6,095	4,639	4,370	3,792	5,089	4,229
Poland	942	913	1,132	1,409	978	1,217	993	1,345	868	921	1,312	1,565
Portugal	48	56	58	40	59	57	56	62	58	59	87	41
Romania	403	299	246	414	662	630	634	454	292	317	273	226
Slovakia	354	419	326	455	572	1,845	2,617	3,117	1,958	1,393	2,839	3,549
Slovenia	554	686	2,665	5,337	422	635	280	171	133	125	112	268
Spain	1,809	1,735	1,683	1,810	2,388	1,954	2,196	2,681	2,483	1,267	1,056	1,373
Sweden	3,002	2,692	3,965	6,644	4,322	4,431	7,088	7,672	7,236	7,378	9,373	9,024
Switzerland	4,306	3,839	4,463	5,051	4,497	4,811	5,705	5,755	5,612	6,242	7,392	6,971
United Kingdom	24,356	23,202	25,129	25,896	22,822	20,083	24,304	23,196	25,174	26,276	29,080	30,117
Canada	7,560	7,992	10,766	11,540	10,097	10,857	12,080	9,712	6,792	8,908	8,040	9,702
United States	13,350	14,589	17,399	18,316	21,224	23,685	21,848	19,636	21,741	23,677	18,627	17,095
Australia	3,466	3,555	2,524	3,391	3,424	3,714	3,231	1,997	1,684	1,604	1,437	1,288
New Zealand	319	425	490	317	421	458	313	409	250	291	236	220
EU-14	89,357	82,411	97,632	104,823	92,176	85,366	100,331	98,953	92,409	88,356	97,781	95,345
Western Europe	95,407	90,519	105,045	111,764	98,223	92,716	112,188	109,363	102,407	98,409	110,295	106,568
Central Europe	5,200	5,788	7,561	11,932	8,164	10,441	11,925	11,527	7,878	6,137	7,323	7,882
Europe	101,549	97,220	113,738	125,105	107,365	104,374	125,106	122,235	111,153	105,467	118,930	116,015
Non-Europe	24,695	26,561	31,179	33,564	35,166	38,714	37,472	31,754	30,467	34,480	28,340	28,305
Total	126,244	123,781	144,917	158,669	142,531	143,088	162,578	153,989	141,620	139,947	147,270	144,321

**Notes**

See notes Table 1.

EU-14: all member countries of the European Union, except Italy (no quarterly data available).

Western Europe: EU-14 plus Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Central Europe: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Europe: All European countries listed.

Non-Europe: Non-European countries listed.



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**Table 3. Monthly asylum applications lodged, 2002**

The below data are based on provisional monthly data. Therefore, totals may differ slightly from Table 1 and other published data.

Asylum country	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Austria	2,956	2,401	2,401	3,051	2,812	2,894	3,537	3,257	4,506	3,099	2,663	3,497
Belgium	1,858	1,394	1,433	1,520	1,489	1,335	1,564	1,669	1,770	1,843	1,391	1,539
Bulgaria	350	324	417	474	373	117	137	109	166	199	160	62
Czech Rep.	1,332	678	719	761	607	525	580	580	599	767	606	681
Denmark	773	646	671	563	468	407	373	371	393	499	400	383
Finland	171	120	106	196	400	547	290	309	305	359	148	182
France	4,032	4,116	4,629	4,107	4,189	3,993	4,903	3,793	3,474	4,872	4,135	4,555
Germany	7,762	5,771	5,697	6,019	5,346	5,664	5,947	5,780	6,286	6,568	5,510	4,694
Greece	589	435	508	133	192	426	555	708	589	444	616	469
Hungary	612	527	536	544	461	440	565	726	637	639	406	319
Ireland	838	763	932	888	795	869	1,133	995	1,199	1,148	984	1,090
Liechtenstein	5	7	4	3	11	5	11	9	13	6	9	8
Luxembourg	47	39	71	64	78	95	87	66	125	108	105	158
Netherlands	2,377	1,972	1,950	1,767	1,590	1,479	1,419	1,350	1,432	1,374	1,037	920
Norway	1,513	1,385	1,472	1,255	1,236	1,301	1,652	1,691	1,746	1,771	1,238	1,220
Poland	227	292	349	298	350	273	409	399	504	604	519	442
Portugal	28	12	18	22	30	7	8	55	24	15	13	13
Romania	129	97	66	106	134	77	124	87	62	81	70	75
Slovakia	751	662	545	400	455	538	864	796	1,179	1,295	1,140	1,114
Slovenia	39	59	35	43	63	19	49	28	35	58	114	96
Spain	959	801	723	414	542	311	355	304	397	542	448	383
Sweden	2,637	2,242	2,357	2,495	2,688	2,195	2,830	3,368	3,175	3,122	2,837	3,065
Switzerland	2,008	1,767	1,837	2,163	2,252	1,827	2,456	2,405	2,531	2,978	2,279	1,714
United Kingdom	8,495	8,256	8,424	8,340	9,668	8,269	9,758	9,094	10,228	11,466	10,061	8,591
Canada	2,527	2,051	2,214	2,638	2,847	3,423	2,973	2,335	2,732	3,452	3,262	2,988
United States	7,500	6,118	8,123	7,799	7,608	8,270	5,807	7,581	5,239	6,538	5,267	5,291
Australia	655	490	539	510	602	492	521	465	451	432	454	402
New Zealand	94	62	94	105	93	93	82	77	77	78	97	45
Japan	18	18	16	24	22	19	26	37	13	23	14	20
EU-14	33,522	28,968	29,920	29,579	30,287	28,491	32,759	31,119	33,903	35,459	30,348	29,539
Western Europe	37,048	32,127	33,233	33,000	33,786	31,624	36,878	35,224	38,193	40,214	33,874	32,481
Central Europe	3,440	2,639	2,667	2,626	2,443	1,989	2,728	2,725	3,182	3,643	3,015	2,789
Europe	40,488	34,766	35,900	35,626	36,229	33,613	39,606	37,949	41,375	43,857	36,889	35,270
Non-Europe	10,794	8,739	10,986	11,076	11,172	12,297	9,409	10,495	8,512	10,523	9,094	8,746
Total	51,281	43,505	46,885	46,702	47,400	45,910	49,015	48,444	49,887	54,380	45,982	44,016

**Notes**

See notes Table 1.

EU-14: all member countries of the European Union, except Italy (no monthly data available).

Western Europe: EU-14 plus Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Central Europe: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Europe: All European countries listed.

Non-Europe: Non-European countries listed.

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**Table 4. Asylum applications by country of asylum and origin, 2000**

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Origin	AUL	AUS	BEL	BUL	CAN	CZE	DEN	FIN	FRA	UK	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	ITA
Yugoslavia, FR	210	1,486	4,921	*	238	165	1,544	273	1,976	7,610	11,274	10	692	253	2,417
Iraq	2,124	2,361	569	300	303	127	2,458	62	254	7,080	11,721	1,334	889	89	6,082
Afghanistan	1,312	4,205	861	675	471	1,117	1,328	31	240	5,220	5,399	446	2,185	6	524
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	595	2,559	3,183	47	787	67	378	50	328	5,170	4,886	135	55	24	182
Turkey	117	592	838	39	1,010	90	68	76	3,529	3,925	8,970	591	116	22	4,062
China	1,234	91	79	-	2,266	259	85	5	4,961	3,845	2,072	*	198	16	8
Russian Federation	178	291	3,594	18	682	620	247	289	743	4,140	2,755	12	52	327	210
Sri Lanka	458	175	256	-	2,980	355	92	22	1,879	6,040	1,178	19	249	13	214
Somalia	21	187	252	*	833	*	727	28	109	4,795	404	5	152	138	69
India	776	2,441	442	*	1,466	647	100	6	478	1,710	1,822	27	235	21	*
Pakistan	216	624	655	36	3,274	94	108	15	792	2,825	1,510	141	220	47	92
Bosnia and H.	9	96	751	-	29	8	706	27	321	-	1,580	-	37	7	32
Romania	28	55	948	-	373	500	34	29	336	2,065	179	*	36	2,384	234
DR Congo	*	92	1,421	*	998	18	34	27	2,903	955	695	13	*	358	71
Sierra Leone	15	208	611	26	104	8	14	5	510	1,200	1,204	52	147	206	165
Armenia	14	165	1,331	418	50	268	295	9	379	-	882	-	123	38	13
Algeria	41	84	807	13	422	112	22	18	1,775	1,545	1,381	24	95	296	24
Nigeria	123	390	103	*	887	28	19	12	457	690	383	14	94	3,404	57
Colombia	124	36	134	-	1,260	-	*	-	103	465	181	-	-	-	49
Albania	60	91	2,674	*	743	-	55	30	390	760	314	*	*	98	169
Haiti	-	-	*	-	339	-	-	-	1,873	-	*	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	198	90	1,588	*	655	1,145	63	84	510	-	514	-	41	230	22
Bangladesh	228	305	295	55	351	28	23	22	914	720	207	49	1,656	*	88
Mexico	*	-	*	-	1,422	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Angola	*	82	198	-	633	12	*	*	601	760	346	*	5	191	32
Syrian Arab Rep.	52	161	292	16	72	21	55	8	17	-	2,721	7	41	10	48
Slovakia	-	20	1,392	-	67	721	13	377	40	-	189	-	*	37	*
Azerbaijan	-	24	440	-	194	13	134	6	192	-	1,558	*	-	14	10
Stateless (excl. Pal.)	75	205	5	44	296	24	270	17	89	-	1,903	-	*	5	-
Georgia	16	34	1,217	6	110	102	142	*	359	-	800	*	27	55	17

Origin	LIE	LUX	NET	NOR	POL	POR	ROM	SPA	SVK	SVN	SWE	SWI	USA	Total
Yugoslavia, FR	11	248	3,851	4,188	9	-	8	132	23	397	2,055	3,648	616	48,257
Iraq	-	*	2,773	766	30	*	250	118	113	447	3,499	918	398	45,069
Afghanistan	-	14	5,055	326	288	*	282	37	624	247	374	440	203	31,914
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	-	12	2,543	327	*	*	34	87	11	5,924	739	727	917	29,771
Turkey	-	*	2,277	164	7	-	28	20	12	1,119	229	1,442	63	29,409
China	-	-	1,406	12	22	-	-	6	-	40	56	63	6,152	22,880
Russian Federation	-	25	1,039	471	1,050	16	*	347	14	34	590	265	920	18,930
Sri Lanka	-	-	975	165	41	6	13	8	87	17	152	900	86	16,380
Somalia	-	-	2,110	910	8	-	39	69	*	12	260	476	2,092	13,704
India	-	*	70	16	13	*	40	52	380	70	44	135	1,477	12,477
Pakistan	-	*	161	220	30	5	225	67	161	72	187	229	351	12,361
Bosnia and H.	-	50	1,652	272	-	-	*	93	-	48	4,244	1,294	13	11,271
Romania	-	*	63	712	888	*	-	419	*	26	67	40	59	9,479
DR Congo	-	9	539	8	*	12	*	70	-	-	66	539	194	9,034
Sierra Leone	-	*	2,023	33	*	52	19	786	*	149	35	510	661	8,750
Armenia	-	*	812	65	810	*	-	469	15	40	214	357	1,812	8,587
Algeria	-	9	422	72	14	*	8	276	*	172	77	492	28	8,235
Nigeria	-	*	282	14	10	16	*	735	-	*	28	223	19	7,997
Colombia	-	-	24	8	-	*	-	1,166	-	-	57	58	3,763	7,434
Albania	-	69	216	88	*	8	*	15	-	-	83	330	1,057	7,257
Haiti	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	4,694	6,912
Ukraine	-	9	218	131	64	-	-	249	5	-	110	95	193	6,217
Bangladesh	-	-	78	37	13	-	226	95	46	270	117	215	76	6,116
Mexico	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	4,271	5,702
Angola	-	-	2,193	*	-	12	-	51	-	*	-	385	19	5,536
Syrian Arab Rep.	-	*	1,077	60	8	-	15	26	*	-	335	154	13	5,212
Slovakia	-	49	998	507	-	9	-	9	-	*	99	12	-	4,543
Azerbaijan	-	-	1,163	35	129	-	-	61	-	5	60	81	420	4,542
Stateless (excl. Pal.)	-	-	766	120	18	-	-	8	*	-	412	53	52	4,365
Georgia	-	*	291	70	71	*	-	135	-	-	59	181	207	3,904

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**Table 5. Asylum applications by country of asylum and origin, 2001**

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Origin	AUL	AUS	BEL	BUL	CAN	CZE	DEN	FIN	FRA	UK	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	ITA
Afghanistan	2,161	12,957	504	1,081	413	356	2,667	25	269	9,095	5,853	1,459	4,311	27	299
Iraq	1,784	2,115	368	720	406	296	2,689	103	295	6,710	17,357	1,972	1,014	48	1,985
Turkey	138	1,876	900	33	1,606	58	127	94	5,344	3,675	10,887	800	116	7	1,690
Yugoslavia, FR	*	1,653	1,932	13	171	108	1,164	98	1,570	2,760	7,842	10	214	189	1,526
China	1,176	154	84	-	2,430	317	65	6	2,953	2,385	1,530	*	124	25	8
Russian Federation	82	373	2,451	10	365	640	304	289	1,753	445	4,543	21	40	307	131
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	559	730	1,164	139	682	12	326	56	188	3,345	3,450	212	144	27	173
India	650	1,803	450	*	1,414	1,304	133	15	702	1,720	2,646	41	241	6	30
Sri Lanka	397	165	185	*	2,789	146	99	28	1,997	5,465	626	28	54	28	555
Somalia	6	328	179	11	709	6	695	18	120	6,415	274	14	298	70	145
Colombia	86	20	115	-	1,627	*	5	*	152	345	124	-	-	*	123
Mexico	*	-	-	-	1,660	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bosnia and H.	8	158	565	-	18	*	1,448	44	486	-	2,116	*	7	8	53
Algeria	17	122	1,709	11	543	131	107	38	2,924	1,070	1,981	17	76	174	22
Sierra Leone	6	202	635	19	88	12	25	8	823	1,870	1,518	163	295	146	117
Pakistan	132	487	237	*	3,049	70	150	8	600	2,685	1,180	252	157	127	113
DR Congo	*	66	1,371	*	1,217	8	43	23	3,779	1,300	861	32	15	281	93
Ukraine	114	185	576	*	303	4,398	80	138	895	440	658	6	30	376	68
Nigeria	52	1,038	97	22	713	39	59	8	571	745	493	33	111	3,461	388
Armenia	5	1,259	571	160	36	1,022	47	8	554	-	893	*	37	13	12
Angola	5	32	303	-	453	7	*	30	990	1,015	474	*	20	151	31
Romania	27	60	697	-	349	1,839	44	36	202	1,375	182	*	76	1,347	501
Haiti	-	-	*	-	221	-	-	-	2,712	-	*	-	-	-	-
Viet Nam	206	23	18	-	59	1,521	55	*	195	-	3,735	-	53	-	*
Georgia	8	596	481	6	76	1,288	46	7	1,060	-	1,218	-	29	97	21
Albania	38	129	763	6	791	*	81	8	479	1,125	333	10	*	118	84
Bangladesh	261	949	72	10	374	21	17	60	825	455	158	33	1,514	-	174
FYR of Macedonia	90	934	667	5	91	89	199	16	273	-	1,159	*	118	42	178
Rep. of Moldova	13	166	184	-	24	2,454	32	11	806	-	340	-	25	549	45
Guinea	*	51	494	-	361	19	8	*	743	-	450	-	*	8	5

Origin	LIE	LUX	NET	NOR	POL	POR	ROM	SPA	SVK	SVN	SWE	SWI	USA	Total
Afghanistan	-	9	3,614	603	422	19	782	42	4,315	66	593	546	296	52,784
Iraq	-	8	1,329	1,056	120	-	651	64	990	214	6,206	1,228	622	50,350
Turkey	-	27	1,400	204	8	-	37	27	47	379	458	1,954	107	31,999
Yugoslavia, FR	47	206	908	928	5	-	22	32	8	205	3,102	3,470	529	28,714
China	-	*	706	19	28	-	45	10	33	*	65	166	8,793	21,129
Russian Federation	-	66	941	1,320	1,513	6	8	322	74	5	841	463	950	18,263
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	-	*	1,519	412	*	*	111	29	109	272	780	337	1,019	15,806
India	-	-	102	17	43	*	164	22	1,111	22	72	181	1,822	14,713
Sri Lanka	-	*	676	164	26	6	7	39	98	-	66	677	117	14,441
Somalia	-	10	1,098	1,080	6	-	171	38	129	*	525	381	1,566	14,296
Colombia	-	-	48	9	-	6	-	2,428	-	-	87	71	7,603	12,852
Mexico	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,730	11,392
Bosnia and H.	11	87	1,026	907	*	-	-	13	-	21	2,774	1,235	24	11,015
Algeria	-	19	328	346	8	*	13	225	13	44	172	830	22	10,963
Sierra Leone	-	*	2,405	16	*	40	33	611	156	51	22	713	839	10,820
Pakistan	-	*	106	186	32	7	88	32	176	12	115	268	457	10,728
DR Congo	-	18	500	*	5	10	*	110	*	-	45	607	202	10,596
Ukraine	-	18	191	1,027	135	-	*	166	8	7	332	156	248	10,558
Nigeria	-	*	401	27	25	*	5	1,349	35	*	58	283	18	10,037
Armenia	-	*	529	175	626	*	-	163	29	*	183	313	1,967	8,610
Angola	-	*	4,111	11	*	45	*	41	5	-	24	624	46	8,430
Romania	-	-	34	203	265	7	-	292	8	24	82	33	182	7,869
Haiti	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	4,908	7,847
Viet Nam	-	-	52	27	202	-	-	*	38	-	16	68	-	6,274
Georgia	-	5	298	205	93	-	*	94	25	-	166	272	173	6,267
Albania	-	34	139	210	-	7	-	8	-	-	165	204	1,475	6,210
Bangladesh	-	-	53	22	12	-	27	25	429	26	137	270	99	6,023
FYR of Macedonia	47	68	187	190	*	*	*	19	12	90	420	890	101	5,895
Rep. of Moldova	-	*	20	68	272	*	*	46	16	6	40	80	7	5,213
Guinea	-	*	1,467	5	-	*	*	30	-	-	51	679	683	5,069

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**Table 6. Asylum applications by country of asylum and origin, 2002**

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Origin	AUL	AUS	BEL	BUL	CAN	CZE	DEN	FIN	FRA	UK	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	ITA
Iraq	175	4,570	461	946	235	201	1,032	107	242	14,945	10,367	2,567	2,006	148	1,170
Yugoslavia, FR	24	4,683	1,523	*	103	39	1,015	240	1,613	2,270	6,682	*	100	115	1,104
Turkey	69	3,520	970	47	1,036	32	110	188	6,516	2,890	9,569	211	124	19	519
China	1,072	802	197	-	1,996	499	50	9	2,716	3,745	1,732	70	82	85	*
Afghanistan	80	4,329	326	864	88	26	1,132	25	259	7,375	2,779	1,238	2,160	7	28
Russian Federation	34	2,234	1,156	13	263	671	197	255	1,728	295	4,077	36	44	206	59
India	547	3,389	212	*	1,137	346	95	12	576	1,885	2,237	84	64	42	63
Nigeria	17	1,420	113	169	663	35	62	25	876	1,125	938	184	125	4,049	281
DR Congo	*	48	1,789	19	566	5	11	50	5,244	2,305	1,008	65	*	270	64
Somalia	13	220	125	30	342	14	373	52	115	6,680	205	69	213	77	162
Colombia	37	11	91	-	2,537	*	5	-	156	440	92	-	-	*	35
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	59	713	743	142	292	9	179	39	118	2,685	2,643	411	160	17	37
Mexico	*	-	*	-	2,091	-	-	-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-
Pakistan	82	380	177	13	3,485	24	62	*	441	2,445	1,082	250	40	120	305
Sri Lanka	219	66	103	-	1,600	30	38	9	1,988	3,170	434	8	8	8	1,354
Algeria	*	241	936	9	119	72	97	37	2,839	1,055	1,733	13	34	106	*
Zimbabwe	42	*	*	*	112	-	*	-	*	7,690	37	*	*	357	*
Georgia	*	1,936	313	15	36	641	44	11	1,538	-	1,494	8	91	103	9
Armenia	*	2,034	340	364	11	463	37	*	971	-	900	8	26	7	14
Bosnia and H.	*	217	226	-	22	*	182	226	507	-	990	*	*	9	35
Angola	*	27	406	-	179	*	11	36	1,587	1,440	568	-	*	117	22
Romania	15	88	631	-	192	100	22	592	130	1,230	112	*	15	1,676	304
Ukraine	35	412	211	9	268	1,658	41	103	719	365	602	5	15	351	59
Sierra Leone	-	114	171	5	35	*	10	*	542	1,155	546	70	37	78	91
Bangladesh	144	1,111	45	23	325	41	12	81	661	720	151	34	352	16	171
Haiti	-	-	*	-	237	-	-	-	1,901	-	*	-	-	-	*
Albania	26	113	539	*	478	*	71	20	435	1,200	366	9	5	165	36
Cameroon	-	71	435	*	75	*	17	5	639	-	1,222	*	8	187	25
Rep. of Moldova	10	822	141	8	51	729	7	18	879	-	227	*	12	537	35
Mauritania	-	11	222	-	53	-	-	-	2,989	-	35	-	*	*	11
Origin	LIE	LUX	NET	NOR	POL	POR	ROM	SPA	SVK	SVN	SWE	SWI	USA	Total	
Iraq	-	34	1,022	1,624	136	*	381	82	1,245	131	5,447	1,191	537	51,005	
Yugoslavia, FR	20	495	516	2,460	-	-	*	24	44	86	5,850	3,772	360	33,143	
Turkey	-	8	638	257	6	-	42	54	34	73	696	1,932	67	29,627	
China	-	*	542	87	35	-	90	11	1,764	15	64	398	10,263	26,327	
Afghanistan	-	-	1,077	786	560	7	35	16	1,669	*	527	242	45	25,683	
Russian Federation	*	68	420	1,719	2,649	13	*	167	618	23	1,496	517	997	19,960	
India	-	*	176	31	187	-	127	*	1,611	6	63	156	1,857	14,908	
Nigeria	-	6	556	139	7	*	14	1,440	57	5	164	1,052	31	13,555	
DR Congo	-	26	522	15	7	6	-	169	*	-	108	746	181	13,230	
Somalia	-	*	538	1,535	*	-	34	41	199	9	1,108	403	366	12,930	
Colombia	-	-	26	11	-	*	-	1,056	-	*	81	50	7,810	12,444	
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	-	13	665	450	13	*	53	17	79	54	762	285	918	11,558	
Mexico	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	*	-	-	*	-	8,610	10,710	
Pakistan	-	-	77	216	55	-	36	20	168	24	62	269	547	10,382	
Sri Lanka	-	*	298	87	35	8	*	11	96	*	23	457	104	10,158	
Algeria	-	30	202	468	*	-	*	344	25	67	325	1,031	8	9,801	
Zimbabwe	-	-	11	*	-	*	-	-	-	-	7	24	292	8,594	
Georgia	*	7	219	284	39	*	7	71	55	12	439	686	192	8,254	
Armenia	-	8	427	163	217	*	*	92	102	*	335	453	1,161	8,144	
Bosnia and H.	*	77	221	810	-	-	*	11	*	26	2,884	1,547	-	8,004	
Angola	-	*	1,891	24	-	46	*	102	5	-	55	835	20	7,381	
Romania	*	7	60	247	38	10	-	131	-	*	534	970	205	7,315	
Ukraine	7	19	156	772	92	*	*	67	47	13	785	254	222	7,291	
Sierra Leone	-	8	1,620	14	5	34	*	274	33	9	41	551	678	6,132	
Bangladesh	-	*	36	43	-	*	74	17	1,032	*	154	292	131	5,669	
Haiti	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	*	3,518	5,667	
Albania	-	54	108	274	-	6	-	24	*	*	240	150	1,158	5,489	
Cameroon	*	7	272	86	*	-	*	24	*	*	25	344	1,562	5,021	
Rep. of Moldova	-	12	31	81	157	-	6	25	266	21	381	194	12	4,664	
Mauritania	-	*	40	5	-	-	-	16	-	-	5	124	1,065	4,579	

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**Table 7. Origin of asylum applicants in industrialized countries, 2000-2002**

Includes the asylum countries listed in Table 4, 5 and 6.

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)		Share (%)				Rank		
	2000	2001	2002	Total	'00-'01	'01-'02	2000	2001	2002	Total	2000	2001	2002
Iraq	45,069	50,350	51,005	146,424	11.7	1.3	8.6	8.9	9.6	9.0	2	2	1
Afghanistan	31,914	52,784	25,683	110,381	65.4	-51.3	6.1	9.3	4.8	6.8	3	1	5
Yugoslavia, FR	48,257	28,714	33,143	110,114	-40.5	15.4	9.2	5.1	6.2	6.8	1	4	2
Turkey	29,409	31,999	29,627	91,035	8.8	-7.4	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5	3	3
China	22,880	21,129	26,327	70,336	-7.7	24.6	4.4	3.7	5.0	4.3	6	5	4
Russian Federation	18,930	18,263	19,960	57,153	-3.5	9.3	3.6	3.2	3.8	3.5	7	6	6
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	29,771	15,806	11,558	57,135	-46.9	-26.9	5.7	2.8	2.2	3.5	4	7	12
India	12,477	14,713	14,908	42,098	17.9	1.3	2.4	2.6	2.8	2.6	10	8	7
Sri Lanka	16,380	14,441	10,158	40,979	-11.8	-29.7	3.1	2.6	1.9	2.5	8	9	15
Somalia	13,704	14,296	12,930	40,930	4.3	-9.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.5	9	10	10
Pakistan	12,361	10,728	10,382	33,471	-13.2	-3.2	2.4	1.9	2.0	2.1	11	16	14
DR Congo	9,034	10,596	13,230	32,860	17.3	24.9	1.7	1.9	2.5	2.0	14	17	9
Colombia	7,434	12,852	12,444	32,730	72.9	-3.2	1.4	2.3	2.3	2.0	19	11	11
Nigeria	7,997	10,037	13,555	31,589	25.5	35.1	1.5	1.8	2.6	1.9	18	19	8
Bosnia and H.	11,271	11,015	8,004	30,290	-2.3	-27.3	2.1	1.9	1.5	1.9	12	13	20
Algeria	8,235	10,963	9,801	28,999	33.1	-10.6	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.8	17	14	16
Mexico	5,702	11,392	10,710	27,804	99.8	-6.0	1.1	2.0	2.0	1.7	24	12	13
Sierra Leone	8,750	10,820	6,132	25,702	23.7	-43.3	1.7	1.9	1.2	1.6	15	15	24
Armenia	8,587	8,610	8,144	25,341	0.3	-5.4	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	16	20	19
Romania	9,479	7,869	7,315	24,663	-17.0	-7.0	1.8	1.4	1.4	1.5	13	22	22
Ukraine	6,217	10,558	7,291	24,066	69.8	-30.9	1.2	1.9	1.4	1.5	22	18	23
Angola	5,536	8,430	7,381	21,347	52.3	-12.4	1.1	1.5	1.4	1.3	25	21	21
Haiti	6,912	7,847	5,667	20,426	13.5	-27.8	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.3	21	23	26
Albania	7,257	6,210	5,489	18,956	-14.4	-11.6	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.2	20	26	27
Georgia	3,904	6,267	8,254	18,425	60.5	31.7	0.7	1.1	1.6	1.1	30	25	18
Bangladesh	6,116	6,023	5,669	17,808	-1.5	-5.9	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	23	27	25
Viet Nam	3,812	6,274	4,272	14,358	64.6	-31.9	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.9	31	24	34
Zimbabwe	759	4,693	8,594	14,046	518.3	83.1	0.1	0.8	1.6	0.9	40	31	17
Rep. of Moldova	3,689	5,213	4,664	13,566	41.3	-10.5	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.8	34	29	29
Syrian Arab Rep.	5,212	4,353	3,700	13,265	-16.5	-15.0	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.8	26	32	39
Azerbaijan	4,542	4,148	4,373	13,063	-8.7	5.4	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	28	33	32
Guinea	3,794	5,069	4,126	12,989	33.6	-18.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.8	32	30	35
Slovakia	4,543	2,800	4,102	11,445	-38.4	46.5	0.9	0.5	0.8	0.7	27	40	36
FYR of Macedonia	981	5,895	4,527	11,403	500.9	-23.2	0.2	1.0	0.9	0.7	39	28	31
Cameroon	3,044	3,332	5,021	11,397	9.5	50.7	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.7	37	38	28
Ethiopia	3,434	3,992	3,790	11,216	16.2	-5.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	35	34	37
Mauritania	2,707	3,867	4,579	11,153	42.9	18.4	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.7	38	35	30
Sudan	3,770	3,491	3,758	11,019	-7.4	7.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	33	37	38
Congo	3,068	3,508	4,290	10,866	14.3	22.3	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	36	36	33
Stateless, (excl. Pal.)	4,365	3,138	3,014	10,517	-28.1	-4.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	29	39	40
Other	83,983	92,902	93,872	270,757	10.6	1.0	16.0	16.4	17.7	16.7			
Total	525,286	565,387	531,449	1,622,122	7.6	-6.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0			

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**Table 8. Origin of asylum applicants in Europe, 2000-2002**  
 Includes all European asylum countries listed in Table 4, 5 and 6.

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)		Share (%)				Rank		
	2000	2001	2002	Total	'00-'01	'01-'02	2000	2001	2002	Total	2000	2001	2002
Iraq	42,244	47,538	50,058	139,840	12.5	5.3	9.8	10.6	11.5	10.7	2	2	1
Yugoslavia, FR	47,193	28,012	32,656	107,861	-40.6	16.6	11.0	6.2	7.5	8.2	1	4	2
Afghanistan	29,928	49,914	25,470	105,312	66.8	-49.0	7.0	11.1	5.9	8.0	3	1	4
Turkey	28,219	30,148	28,455	86,822	6.8	-5.6	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.6	4	3	3
Russian Federation	17,150	16,866	18,666	52,682	-1.7	10.7	4.0	3.8	4.3	4.0	6	5	5
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	27,472	13,546	10,289	51,307	-50.7	-24.0	6.4	3.0	2.4	3.9	5	6	11
Somalia	10,758	12,015	12,209	34,982	11.7	1.6	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.7	10	7	9
China	13,228	8,730	12,996	34,954	-34.0	48.9	3.1	1.9	3.0	2.7	7	16	6
Sri Lanka	12,856	11,138	8,235	32,229	-13.4	-26.1	3.0	2.5	1.9	2.5	8	8	13
India	8,758	10,827	11,367	30,952	23.6	5.0	2.0	2.4	2.6	2.4	12	10	10
Bosnia and H.	11,220	10,965	7,981	30,166	-2.3	-27.2	2.6	2.4	1.8	2.3	9	9	16
DR Congo	7,839	9,176	12,482	29,497	17.1	36.0	1.8	2.0	2.9	2.2	15	15	8
Nigeria	6,968	9,254	12,844	29,066	32.8	38.8	1.6	2.1	3.0	2.2	17	14	7
Algeria	7,744	10,381	9,673	27,798	34.1	-6.8	1.8	2.3	2.2	2.1	16	11	12
Sierra Leone	7,970	9,887	5,419	23,276	24.1	-45.2	1.9	2.2	1.2	1.8	14	13	22
Romania	9,019	7,311	6,903	23,233	-18.9	-5.6	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.8	11	18	19
Pakistan	8,520	7,090	6,268	21,878	-16.8	-11.6	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.7	13	19	21
Ukraine	5,171	9,893	6,766	21,830	91.3	-31.6	1.2	2.2	1.6	1.7	21	12	20
Armenia	6,711	6,602	6,969	20,282	-1.6	5.6	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	18	20	18
Angola	4,881	7,926	7,179	19,986	62.4	-9.4	1.1	1.8	1.7	1.5	23	17	17
Georgia	3,571	6,010	8,025	17,606	68.3	33.5	0.8	1.3	1.8	1.3	28	21	15
Bangladesh	5,461	5,289	5,069	15,819	-3.1	-4.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	19	24	23
Viet Nam	3,567	6,009	4,106	13,682	68.5	-31.7	0.8	1.3	0.9	1.0	29	22	26
Rep. of Moldova	3,597	5,169	4,591	13,357	43.7	-11.2	0.8	1.2	1.1	1.0	27	25	24
Albania	5,397	3,906	3,827	13,130	-27.6	-2.0	1.3	0.9	0.9	1.0	20	28	29
Syrian Arab Rep.	5,075	4,205	3,581	12,861	-17.1	-14.8	1.2	0.9	0.8	1.0	22	26	32
Azerbaijan	3,928	3,475	3,960	11,363	-11.5	14.0	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	26	30	28
Slovakia	4,476	2,778	4,077	11,331	-37.9	46.8	1.0	0.6	0.9	0.9	24	35	27
FYR of Macedonia	898	5,613	4,436	10,947	525.1	-21.0	0.2	1.3	1.0	0.8	39	23	25
Zimbabwe	503	1,896	8,148	10,547	276.9	329.7	0.1	0.4	1.9	0.8	40	40	14
Guinea	3,146	4,024	3,083	10,253	27.9	-23.4	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.8	30	27	37
Bulgaria	2,730	2,906	3,709	9,345	6.4	27.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.7	33	32	30
Stateless, (excl. Pal.)	3,942	2,743	2,628	9,313	-30.4	-4.2	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.7	25	36	39
Mali	3,073	3,219	2,734	9,026	4.8	-15.1	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7	31	31	38
Congo	2,559	2,847	3,591	8,997	11.3	26.1	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	34	33	31
Belarus	2,426	2,787	3,355	8,568	14.9	20.4	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	35	34	35
Sudan	2,807	2,419	3,244	8,470	-13.8	34.1	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.6	32	39	36
Cameroon	2,398	2,545	3,384	8,327	6.1	33.0	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6	36	38	34
Colombia	2,287	3,536	2,060	7,883	54.6	-41.7	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.6	37	29	40
Mauritania	1,708	2,619	3,461	7,788	53.3	32.1	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.6	38	37	33
Other	51,626	57,351	60,083	169,060	11.1	4.8	12.0	12.8	13.8	12.9			
<b>Total</b>	<b>429,024</b>	<b>448,565</b>	<b>434,037</b>	<b>1,311,626</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>			

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**Table 9. Origin of asylum applicants in European Union countries, 2000-2002**

Includes all 15 European Union member countries

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)		Share (%)				Rank		
	2000	2001	2002	Total	'00-'01	'01-'02	2000	2001	2002	Total	2000	2001	2002
Iraq	38,404	41,249	42,197	121,850	7.4	2.3	10.5	11.3	11.8	11.2	1	1	1
Yugoslavia, FR	38,050	22,992	26,132	87,174	-39.6	13.7	10.4	6.3	7.3	8.0	2	4	2
Afghanistan	23,744	37,432	19,125	80,301	57.6	-48.9	6.5	10.2	5.4	7.4	4	2	4
Turkey	25,202	27,312	25,908	78,422	8.4	-5.1	6.9	7.5	7.3	7.2	3	3	3
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	20,279	12,006	9,044	41,329	-40.8	-24.7	5.5	3.3	2.5	3.8	5	6	10
Russian Federation	14,625	12,793	12,407	39,825	-12.5	-3.0	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.7	6	5	5
China	12,634	7,997	10,026	30,657	-36.7	25.4	3.5	2.2	2.8	2.8	7	14	8
Somalia	9,153	9,929	9,769	28,851	8.5	-1.6	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.7	10	8	9
Sri Lanka	11,029	9,965	7,519	28,513	-9.6	-24.5	3.0	2.7	2.1	2.6	8	7	14
DR Congo	7,265	8,532	11,685	27,482	17.4	37.0	2.0	2.3	3.3	2.5	11	13	6
Nigeria	6,591	8,706	11,241	26,538	32.1	29.1	1.8	2.4	3.2	2.4	17	11	7
Bosnia and H.	9,559	8,780	5,589	23,928	-8.1	-36.3	2.6	2.4	1.6	2.2	9	10	17
India	7,220	7,743	8,838	23,801	7.2	14.1	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.2	13	15	11
Algeria	6,762	8,909	7,962	23,633	31.8	-10.6	1.8	2.4	2.2	2.2	16	9	13
Sierra Leone	7,075	8,588	4,758	20,421	21.4	-44.6	1.9	2.3	1.3	1.9	14	12	21
Pakistan	7,233	6,100	5,423	18,756	-15.7	-11.1	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.7	12	17	19
Angola	4,473	7,254	6,310	18,037	62.2	-13.0	1.2	2.0	1.8	1.7	21	16	15
Romania	6,816	4,863	5,531	17,210	-28.7	13.7	1.9	1.3	1.6	1.6	15	18	18
Armenia	4,615	4,238	5,178	14,031	-8.2	22.2	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.3	20	19	20
Georgia	3,114	4,089	6,194	13,397	31.3	51.5	0.9	1.1	1.7	1.2	26	23	16
Syrian Arab Rep.	4,759	3,884	3,203	11,846	-18.4	-17.5	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.1	19	24	28
Albania	4,973	3,483	3,386	11,842	-30.0	-2.8	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.1	18	25	24
Ukraine	3,687	4,129	3,898	11,714	12.0	-5.6	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	22	21	22
Zimbabwe	502	1,891	8,119	10,512	276.7	329.3	0.1	0.5	2.3	1.0	40	39	12
Azerbaijan	3,665	3,105	3,586	10,356	-15.3	15.5	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	24	28	23
Viet Nam	2,696	4,100	2,649	9,445	52.1	-35.4	0.7	1.1	0.7	0.9	29	22	33
Bangladesh	2,915	2,958	3,211	9,084	1.5	8.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	28	30	27
Mali	2,990	3,068	2,541	8,599	2.6	-17.2	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.8	27	29	35
Congo	2,487	2,753	3,290	8,530	10.7	19.5	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	33	31	26
Guinea	2,682	3,316	2,299	8,297	23.6	-30.7	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.8	30	27	37
Slovakia	3,233	2,164	2,838	8,235	-33.1	31.1	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.8	25	37	32
Stateless, (excl. Pal.)	3,680	2,369	1,976	8,025	-35.6	-16.6	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.7	23	34	39
Rep. of Moldova	2,641	2,247	3,117	8,005	-14.9	38.7	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.7	31	36	29
FYR of Macedonia	738	4,168	2,914	7,820	464.8	-30.1	0.2	1.1	0.8	0.7	39	20	31
Colombia	2,221	3,455	1,997	7,673	55.6	-42.2	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.7	34	26	38
Mauritania	1,625	2,515	3,331	7,471	54.8	32.4	0.4	0.7	0.9	0.7	38	33	25
Cameroon	2,205	2,267	2,933	7,405	2.8	29.4	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	35	35	30
Sudan	2,493	2,021	2,589	7,103	-18.9	28.1	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	32	38	34
Haiti	1,879	2,716	1,910	6,505	44.5	-29.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6	36	32	40
Czech Rep.	1,874	1,821	2,418	6,113	-2.8	32.8	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6	37	40	36
Other	47,847	48,404	53,322	149,573	1.2	10.2	13.1	13.2	15.0	13.7			
<b>Total</b>	<b>365,635</b>	<b>366,311</b>	<b>356,363</b>	<b>1,088,309</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>			

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**Table 10. Origin of asylum applicants in industrialized countries, 2002 (quarterly data)**

Covering all asylum countries listed in Table 2 plus Japan.

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)			Share (%)			
	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	1st-2nd	2nd-3rd	3rd-4th	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.
Iraq	12,396	10,570	13,452	13,451	-14.7	27.3	0.0	9.5	8.3	9.9	10.1
Yugoslavia, FR	7,027	7,493	9,755	7,767	6.6	30.2	-20.4	5.4	5.9	7.2	5.9
Turkey	7,309	7,284	7,081	7,491	-0.3	-2.8	5.8	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.6
China	6,278	6,787	6,763	6,547	8.1	-0.4	-3.2	4.8	5.3	5.0	4.9
Afghanistan	8,477	6,552	5,652	4,984	-22.7	-13.7	-11.8	6.5	5.1	4.2	3.8
Russian Federation	4,014	4,416	5,890	5,587	10.0	33.4	-5.1	3.1	3.5	4.3	4.2
India	3,018	3,042	4,145	4,723	0.8	36.3	13.9	2.3	2.4	3.1	3.6
Nigeria	2,779	3,111	3,599	3,805	11.9	15.7	5.7	2.1	2.4	2.7	2.9
DR Congo	3,194	3,240	3,205	3,533	1.4	-1.1	10.2	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.7
Somalia	2,596	2,738	4,001	3,452	5.5	46.1	-13.7	2.0	2.1	3.0	2.6
Colombia	3,461	3,744	2,861	2,356	8.2	-23.6	-17.7	2.7	2.9	2.1	1.8
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2,978	2,440	3,103	3,119	-18.1	27.2	0.5	2.3	1.9	2.3	2.3
Mexico	2,717	3,732	2,209	2,052	37.4	-40.8	-7.1	2.1	2.9	1.6	1.5
Pakistan	2,277	2,965	2,472	2,409	30.2	-16.6	-2.5	1.8	2.3	1.8	1.8
Algeria	2,769	2,552	2,319	2,165	-7.8	-9.1	-6.6	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.6
Sri Lanka	2,836	2,368	1,876	1,785	-16.5	-20.8	-4.9	2.2	1.9	1.4	1.3
Zimbabwe	1,789	1,569	2,333	2,986	-12.3	48.7	28.0	1.4	1.2	1.7	2.2
Georgia	2,067	2,143	2,026	2,009	3.7	-5.5	-0.8	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5
Armenia	2,482	2,217	1,885	1,546	-10.7	-15.0	-18.0	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.2
Bosnia and H.	2,232	1,718	2,249	1,770	-23.0	30.9	-21.3	1.7	1.3	1.7	1.3
Angola	2,413	2,109	1,424	1,413	-12.6	-32.5	-0.8	1.9	1.7	1.1	1.1
Ukraine	2,006	1,887	1,720	1,620	-5.9	-8.9	-5.8	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.2
Romania	972	1,964	2,071	2,008	102.1	5.4	-3.0	0.7	1.5	1.5	1.5
Sierra Leone	2,077	1,681	1,191	1,095	-19.1	-29.1	-8.1	1.6	1.3	0.9	0.8
Haiti	2,018	1,398	1,041	1,208	-30.7	-25.5	16.0	1.6	1.1	0.8	0.9
Bangladesh	1,081	1,107	1,344	1,997	2.4	21.4	48.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.5
Albania	1,380	1,453	1,382	1,239	5.3	-4.9	-10.3	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Cameroon	1,068	1,180	1,321	1,443	10.5	11.9	9.2	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1
Rep. of Moldova	1,110	1,203	1,339	977	8.4	11.3	-27.0	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.7
Mauritania	1,217	1,255	1,055	1,041	3.1	-15.9	-1.3	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.8
FYR of Macedonia	1,205	1,238	1,132	861	2.7	-8.6	-23.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.6
Azerbaijan	987	1,058	1,183	1,133	7.2	11.8	-4.2	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9
Viet Nam	1,186	940	1,103	1,039	-20.7	17.3	-5.8	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8
Congo	1,140	1,022	1,079	992	-10.4	5.6	-8.1	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7
Guinea	1,168	1,034	996	930	-11.5	-3.7	-6.6	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7
Slovakia	913	934	1,291	964	2.3	38.2	-25.3	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.7
Bulgaria	681	638	1,432	1,219	-6.3	124.5	-14.9	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.9
Ethiopia	893	785	1,075	948	-12.1	36.9	-11.8	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.7
Syrian Arab Rep.	852	920	967	891	8.0	5.1	-7.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Belarus	746	802	995	1,046	7.5	24.1	5.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8
Other	34,403	32,637	36,939	38,591	-5.1	13.2	4.5	26.5	25.6	27.3	29.1
Total	129,816	127,356	135,504	132,741	-1.9	6.4	-2.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0



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**Table 11. Origin of asylum applicants in Europe, 2002 (quarterly data)**

Covering all European asylum countries listed in Table 2.

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)			Share (%)			
	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	1st-2nd	2nd-3rd	3rd-4th	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.
Iraq	12,149	10,302	13,189	13,248	-15.2	28.0	0.4	11.5	10.3	11.7	12.1
Yugoslavia, FR	6,879	7,368	9,656	7,649	7.1	31.1	-20.8	6.5	7.4	8.6	7.0
Turkey	6,974	6,965	6,772	7,225	-0.1	-2.8	6.7	6.6	7.0	6.0	6.6
Afghanistan	8,411	6,503	5,590	4,938	-22.7	-14.0	-11.7	8.0	6.5	5.0	4.5
Russian Federation	3,709	4,030	5,617	5,251	8.7	39.4	-6.5	3.5	4.0	5.0	4.8
China	2,706	2,729	3,957	3,603	0.8	45.0	-8.9	2.6	2.7	3.5	3.3
Nigeria	2,602	2,959	3,415	3,587	13.7	15.4	5.0	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.3
DR Congo	2,996	3,093	2,999	3,330	3.2	-3.0	11.0	2.8	3.1	2.7	3.0
Somalia	2,381	2,584	3,782	3,300	8.5	46.4	-12.7	2.3	2.6	3.4	3.0
India	2,154	2,130	3,192	3,828	-1.1	49.9	19.9	2.0	2.1	2.8	3.5
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2,614	2,095	2,791	2,752	-19.9	33.2	-1.4	2.5	2.1	2.5	2.5
Algeria	2,737	2,517	2,279	2,136	-8.0	-9.5	-6.3	2.6	2.5	2.0	2.0
Zimbabwe	1,650	1,463	2,217	2,816	-11.3	51.5	27.0	1.6	1.5	2.0	2.6
Georgia	2,016	2,071	1,975	1,954	2.7	-4.6	-1.1	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.8
Bosnia and H.	2,231	1,715	2,235	1,765	-23.1	30.3	-21.0	2.1	1.7	2.0	1.6
Angola	2,353	2,057	1,382	1,365	-12.6	-32.8	-1.2	2.2	2.1	1.2	1.2
Armenia	2,150	1,899	1,627	1,279	-11.7	-14.3	-21.4	2.0	1.9	1.4	1.2
Sri Lanka	2,280	1,823	1,478	1,300	-20.0	-18.9	-12.0	2.2	1.8	1.3	1.2
Ukraine	1,905	1,754	1,601	1,447	-7.9	-8.7	-9.6	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.3
Romania	876	1,846	1,963	1,914	110.7	6.3	-2.5	0.8	1.9	1.7	1.8
Pakistan	1,587	1,406	1,502	1,468	-11.4	6.8	-2.3	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3
Sierra Leone	1,857	1,483	1,028	960	-20.1	-30.7	-6.6	1.8	1.5	0.9	0.9
Bangladesh	949	964	1,158	1,827	1.6	20.1	57.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.7
Rep. of Moldova	1,103	1,176	1,316	961	6.6	11.9	-27.0	1.0	1.2	1.2	0.9
FYR of Macedonia	1,163	1,214	1,114	851	4.4	-8.2	-23.6	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.8
Viet Nam	1,141	904	1,059	991	-20.8	17.1	-6.4	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9
Slovakia	906	933	1,285	953	3.0	37.7	-25.8	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.9
Azerbaijan	873	968	1,086	1,021	10.9	12.2	-6.0	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9
Albania	901	1,015	996	879	12.7	-1.9	-11.7	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.8
Bulgaria	624	551	1,377	1,146	-11.7	149.9	-16.8	0.6	0.6	1.2	1.0
Congo	931	828	910	861	-11.1	9.9	-5.4	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8
Syrian Arab Rep.	838	876	948	844	4.5	8.2	-11.0	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8
Mauritania	903	961	775	811	6.4	-19.4	4.6	0.9	1.0	0.7	0.7
Cameroon	788	797	840	934	1.1	5.4	11.2	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.9
Belarus	712	733	941	962	2.9	28.4	2.2	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.9
Stateless	711	704	749	931	-1.0	6.4	24.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.9
Guinea	899	770	702	709	-14.3	-8.8	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.6
Sudan	630	638	832	959	1.3	30.4	15.3	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9
Togo	720	684	716	654	-5.0	4.7	-8.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6
Mali	784	693	733	519	-11.6	5.8	-29.2	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5
Other	14,716	13,375	14,626	15,335	-9.1	9.4	4.8	13.9	13.4	13.0	14.0
Total	105,509	99,576	112,410	109,263	-5.6	12.9	-2.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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**Table 12. Origin of asylum applicants in European Union countries, 2002 (quarterly data)**

Does not include Italy due to lack of data.

Origin	No. of applications				Change (%)			Share (%)			
	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	1st-2nd	2nd-3rd	3rd-4th	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.
Iraq	10,031	8,466	11,326	11,204	-15.6	33.8	-1.1	11.6	10.3	12.4	12.6
Turkey	6,231	6,303	6,181	6,674	1.2	-1.9	8.0	7.2	7.6	6.8	7.5
Yugoslavia, FR	5,561	5,828	7,740	5,899	4.8	32.8	-23.8	6.4	7.1	8.5	6.7
Afghanistan	6,469	4,982	4,078	3,568	-23.0	-18.1	-12.5	7.5	6.0	4.5	4.0
Russian Federation	2,586	2,895	3,569	3,298	11.9	23.3	-7.6	3.0	3.5	3.9	3.7
DR Congo	2,814	2,887	2,801	3,119	2.6	-3.0	11.4	3.2	3.5	3.1	3.5
Nigeria	2,263	2,518	2,952	3,227	11.3	17.2	9.3	2.6	3.1	3.2	3.6
China	2,496	2,426	2,737	2,366	-2.8	12.8	-13.6	2.9	2.9	3.0	2.7
Somalia	1,885	2,099	2,999	2,624	11.4	42.9	-12.5	2.2	2.5	3.3	3.0
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2,300	1,811	2,450	2,446	-21.3	35.3	-0.2	2.7	2.2	2.7	2.8
India	1,737	1,724	2,577	2,737	-0.7	49.5	6.2	2.0	2.1	2.8	3.1
Zimbabwe	1,643	1,456	2,208	2,810	-11.4	51.6	27.3	1.9	1.8	2.4	3.2
Algeria	2,298	2,042	1,878	1,740	-11.1	-8.0	-7.3	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.0
Angola	2,058	1,821	1,217	1,192	-11.5	-33.2	-2.1	2.4	2.2	1.3	1.3
Georgia	1,579	1,622	1,527	1,457	2.7	-5.9	-4.6	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.6
Sri Lanka	2,079	1,659	1,323	1,104	-20.2	-20.3	-16.6	2.4	2.0	1.4	1.2
Bosnia and H.	1,702	1,226	1,495	1,131	-28.0	21.9	-24.3	2.0	1.5	1.6	1.3
Romania	706	1,688	1,445	1,388	139.1	-14.4	-3.9	0.8	2.0	1.6	1.6
Armenia	1,521	1,415	1,265	963	-7.0	-10.6	-23.9	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.1
Pakistan	1,401	1,182	1,302	1,233	-15.6	10.2	-5.3	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.4
Sierra Leone	1,638	1,276	888	865	-22.1	-30.4	-2.6	1.9	1.5	1.0	1.0
Ukraine	848	1,008	1,060	923	18.9	5.2	-12.9	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.0
Azerbaijan	761	889	990	934	16.8	11.4	-5.7	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1
Albania	790	895	883	782	13.3	-1.3	-11.4	0.9	1.1	1.0	0.9
Mauritania	874	931	743	772	6.5	-20.2	3.9	1.0	1.1	0.8	0.9
Congo	717	811	880	821	13.1	8.5	-6.7	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9
Syrian Arab Rep.	741	789	870	728	6.5	10.3	-16.3	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8
Rep. of Moldova	669	791	919	703	18.2	16.2	-23.5	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.8
Bangladesh	655	658	714	1,013	0.5	8.5	41.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.1
Cameroon	698	677	704	829	-3.0	4.0	17.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9
Slovakia	610	861	837	530	41.1	-2.8	-36.7	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.6
FYR of Macedonia	774	760	671	615	-1.8	-11.7	-8.3	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7
Viet Nam	662	591	658	727	-10.7	11.3	10.5	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.8
Mali	733	653	683	467	-10.9	4.6	-31.6	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.5
Togo	653	629	640	570	-3.7	1.7	-10.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6
Czech Rep.	250	938	928	301	275.2	-1.1	-67.6	0.3	1.1	1.0	0.3
Sudan	540	473	625	766	-12.4	32.1	22.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9
Bulgaria	345	343	935	764	-0.6	172.6	-18.3	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.9
Belarus	460	482	668	692	4.8	38.6	3.6	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8
Guinea	687	573	507	529	-16.6	-11.5	4.3	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6
Other	13,300	11,387	12,388	14,082	-14.4	8.8	13.7	15.3	13.8	13.6	15.9
Total	86,765	82,465	91,261	88,593	-5.0	10.7	-2.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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**Table 13. Origin of asylum applicants in industrialized countries, 2002 (monthly data)**

Covering all asylum countries listed in Table 3.

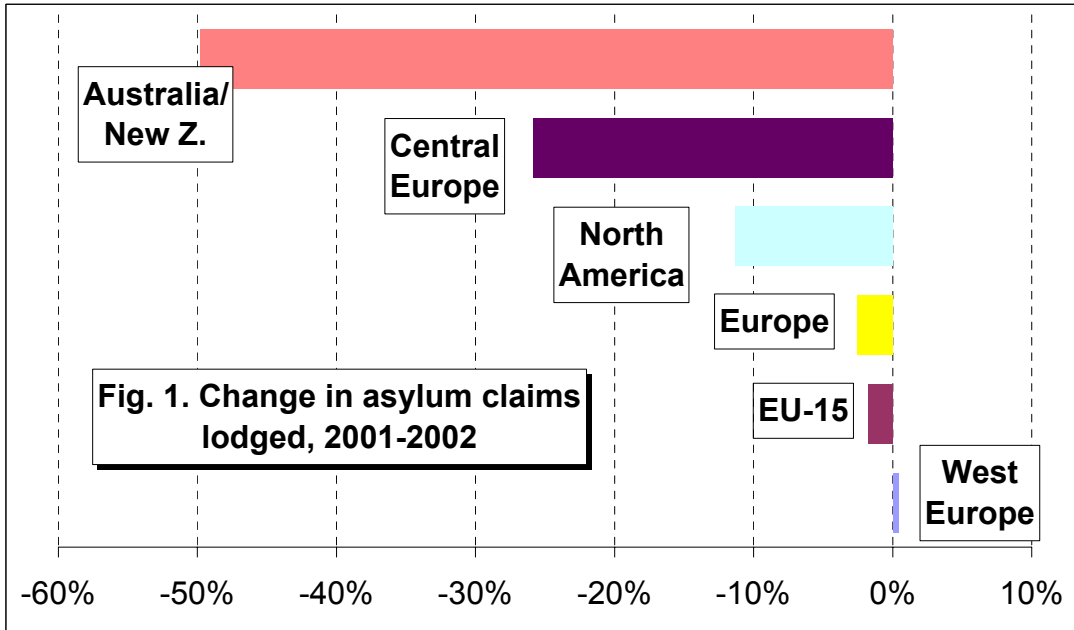
Origin	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Iraq	4,627	4,058	3,711	3,350	3,734	3,486	4,097	4,357	4,998	5,428	4,331	3,692	49,869
Yugoslavia, FR	2,289	2,232	2,506	2,591	2,421	2,481	2,853	3,173	3,729	3,236	2,374	2,157	32,042
Turkey	2,672	2,278	2,359	2,499	2,514	2,271	2,500	2,142	2,439	2,778	2,352	2,361	29,165
China	2,316	1,691	2,271	2,114	2,361	2,312	2,406	2,243	2,114	2,342	2,032	2,173	26,375
Afghanistan	3,404	2,610	2,463	2,742	2,038	1,772	2,085	1,761	1,806	1,775	1,756	1,453	25,665
Russian Federation	1,409	1,171	1,434	1,416	1,537	1,463	2,028	1,831	2,031	2,235	1,697	1,655	19,907
India	1,157	1,034	827	1,015	1,017	1,010	1,313	1,297	1,535	1,389	1,638	1,696	14,928
Nigeria	965	803	1,011	1,058	1,100	953	1,181	1,135	1,283	1,335	1,231	1,239	13,294
DR Congo	1,079	994	1,121	1,096	1,127	1,017	1,141	1,006	1,058	1,194	1,138	1,201	13,172
Somalia	1,013	723	860	886	1,011	841	1,319	1,387	1,295	1,170	1,104	1,178	12,787
Colombia	1,231	1,073	1,157	1,205	1,107	1,432	948	1,057	856	884	710	762	12,422
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,156	942	880	910	802	728	1,023	1,009	1,071	1,140	994	985	11,640
Mexico	738	794	1,185	1,230	1,306	1,196	565	946	698	842	682	528	10,710
Pakistan	819	720	738	795	878	1,292	1,055	719	698	774	768	867	10,123
Algeria	1,046	863	860	950	831	771	818	726	775	882	688	595	9,805
Sri Lanka	1,102	882	852	790	887	691	683	597	596	649	586	550	8,865
Zimbabwe	528	689	572	463	571	535	690	723	920	1,542	1,044	400	8,677
Georgia	798	612	657	726	819	598	689	640	697	775	605	629	8,245
Armenia	958	696	828	863	698	656	782	574	529	608	464	474	8,130
Bosnia and H.	796	755	681	519	593	606	688	801	760	666	610	494	7,969
Angola	819	802	792	781	757	571	512	446	466	516	432	465	7,359
Ukraine	781	624	601	626	668	593	588	564	568	597	535	488	7,233
Romania	279	302	391	408	775	781	643	647	781	1,048	508	452	7,015
Sierra Leone	810	590	677	622	619	440	436	369	386	420	374	301	6,044
Haiti	666	633	719	509	446	443	378	374	289	434	339	435	5,665
Bangladesh	431	300	350	385	368	354	392	476	476	601	488	908	5,529
Albania	531	433	416	483	496	474	467	444	471	482	395	362	5,454
Cameroon	373	330	365	407	358	415	465	430	426	511	500	432	5,012
Rep. of Moldova	383	391	336	432	419	352	447	449	443	444	351	182	4,629
Mauritania	393	351	473	471	393	391	444	342	269	383	312	346	4,568
FYR of Macedonia	407	393	405	455	402	381	397	345	390	333	288	240	4,436
Azerbaijan	380	281	326	345	345	368	381	453	349	383	380	370	4,361
Viet Nam	466	331	389	346	328	266	404	356	343	374	350	315	4,268
Congo	336	301	503	327	357	338	392	352	335	363	278	351	4,233
Guinea	422	387	359	376	352	306	333	369	294	355	309	266	4,128
Slovakia	311	326	276	285	377	272	375	455	461	467	296	201	4,102
Bulgaria	322	219	140	214	191	233	278	415	739	563	286	370	3,970
Ethiopia	342	259	292	248	267	270	317	418	340	347	282	319	3,701
Syrian Arab Rep.	317	262	273	273	247	400	313	314	340	365	262	264	3,630
Belarus	290	221	235	206	309	287	316	321	358	384	328	334	3,589
Other	8,072	6,550	7,385	7,187	7,233	7,647	8,026	7,776	7,685	8,927	8,125	8,088	92,701
<b>Total</b>	<b>47,234</b>	<b>39,906</b>	<b>42,676</b>	<b>42,604</b>	<b>43,059</b>	<b>41,693</b>	<b>45,168</b>	<b>44,239</b>	<b>46,097</b>	<b>49,941</b>	<b>42,222</b>	<b>40,578</b>	<b>525,417</b>

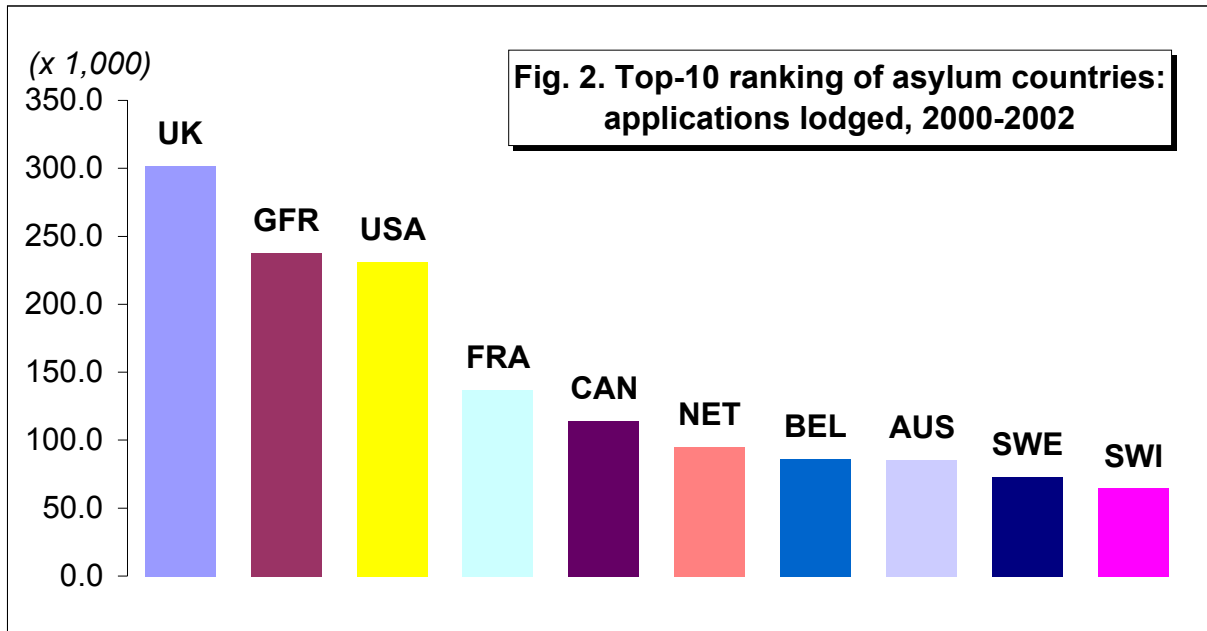
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**Table 14. 10 major nationalities of asylum applicants by asylum country, 2002**

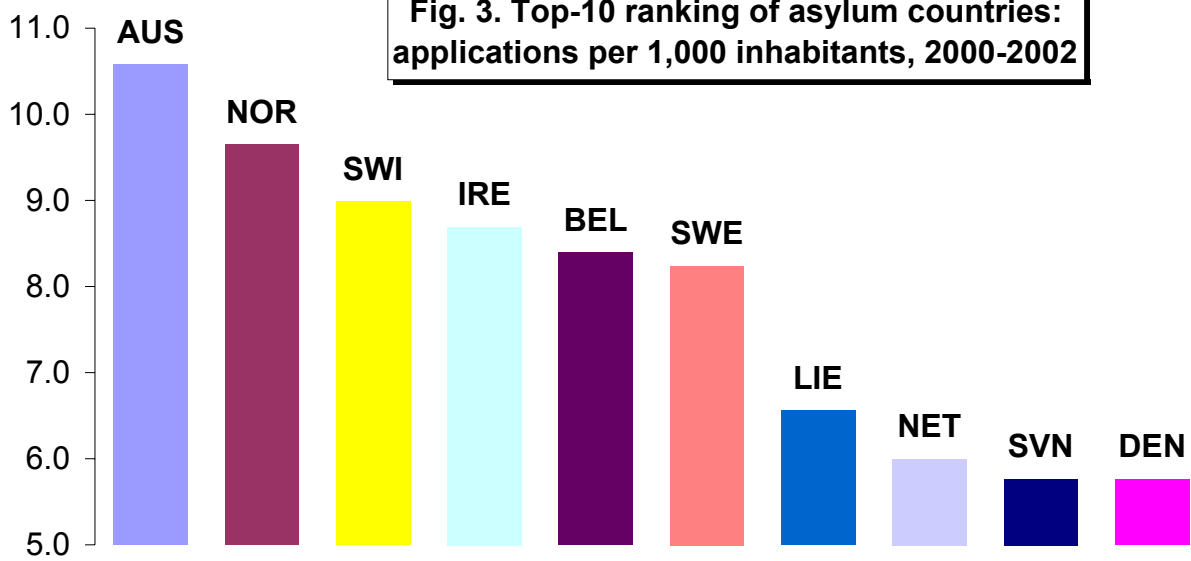
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Origin	AUS	Origin	BEL	Origin	BUL	Origin	CZE	Origin	DEN
Yugoslavia, FR	4683	DR Congo	1789	Iraq	946	Ukraine	1658	Afghanistan	1132
Iraq	4570	Yugoslavia, FR	1523	Afghanistan	864	Viet Nam	885	Iraq	1032
Afghanistan	4329	Russian Federation	1156	Armenia	364	Slovakia	822	Yugoslavia, FR	1015
Turkey	3520	Turkey	970	Nigeria	169	Rep. of Moldova	729	Somalia	373
India	3389	Algeria	936	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	142	Russian Federation	671	Russian Federation	197
Russian Federation	2234	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	743	Sudan	133	Georgia	641	Bosnia and H.	182
Armenia	2034	Slovakia	635	Turkey	47	China	499	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	179
Georgia	1936	Romania	631	Somalia	130	Armenia	463	Palestinians	162
Nigeria	1420	Albania	539	Bangladesh	23	India	346	Turkey	110
Bangladesh	1111	Guinea	515	Stateless (excl. Pal.)	23	Belarus	284	Algeria	97
Origin	FIN	Origin	FRA	Origin	GFR	Origin	GRE	Origin	HUN
Romania	592	Turkey	6516	Iraq	10367	Iraq	2567	Afghanistan	2160
Slovakia	381	DR Congo	5244	Turkey	9569	Afghanistan	1238	Iraq	2006
Russian Federation	255	Mauritania	2989	Yugoslavia, FR	6682	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	411	Bangladesh	352
Bulgaria	248	Algeria	2839	Russian Federation	4077	Pakistan	250	Somalia	213
Yugoslavia, FR	240	China	2716	Afghanistan	2779	Turkey	211	Congo	192
Bosnia and H.	226	Mali	2413	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2643	Nigeria	184	Viet Nam	182
Turkey	188	Congo	2281	Viet Nam	2338	India	84	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	160
Iraq	107	Sri Lanka	1988	India	2237	Sierra Leone	70	Sudan	130
Ukraine	103	Haiti	1901	Syrian Arab Rep.	1842	China	70	Nigeria	125
Bangladesh	81	Russian Federation	1728	Algeria	1733	Somalia	69	Turkey	124
Origin	IRE	Origin	LIE	Origin	LUX	Origin	NET	Origin	NOR
Nigeria	4049	FYR of Macedonia	42	Yugoslavia, FR	495	Angola	1891	Yugoslavia, FR	2460
Romania	1676	Yugoslavia, FR	20	Bosnia and H.	77	Sierra Leone	1620	Russian Federation	1719
Rep. of Moldova	537	Belarus	7	Russian Federation	68	Afghanistan	1077	Iraq	1624
Zimbabwe	357	Ukraine	7	Albania	54	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1022	Somalia	1535
Ukraine	351	Latvia	*	FYR of Macedonia	44	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	665	Bosnia and H.	810
Poland	314	Russian Federation	*	Iraq	34	Turkey	638	Afghanistan	786
Ghana	293	Cameroon	*	Algeria	30	Nigeria	556	Ukraine	772
Lithuania	284	Ethiopia	*	DR Congo	26	China	542	Algeria	468
DR Congo	270	Georgia	*	Ukraine	19	Somalia	538	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	450
Czech Rep.	268	Mongolia	*	Togo	15	DR Congo	522	Belarus	395
Origin	POL	Origin	POR	Origin	ROM	Origin	SVK	Origin	SVN
Russian Federation	2649	Angola	46	Iraq	381	China	1764	Iraq	131
Afghanistan	560	Poland	41	India	127	Afghanistan	1669	Yugoslavia, FR	86
Armenia	217	Sierra Leone	34	China	90	India	1611	Turkey	73
India	187	Russian Federation	13	Bangladesh	74	Iraq	1245	Algeria	67
Rep. of Moldova	157	Cuba	11	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	53	Bangladesh	1032	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	54
Mongolia	153	Romania	10	Sudan	52	Russian Federation	618	Bosnia and H.	26
Iraq	136	Kazakhstan	8	Turkey	42	Rep. of Moldova	266	FYR of Macedonia	25
Ukraine	92	Sri Lanka	8	Pakistan	36	Viet Nam	217	Pakistan	24
Belarus	65	Afghanistan	7	Afghanistan	35	Somalia	199	Russian Federation	23
Pakistan	55	DR Congo	6	Somalia	34	Pakistan	168	Rep. of Moldova	21
Origin	SPA	Origin	SWE	Origin	SWI	Origin	GBR	Origin	CAN
Nigeria	1440	Yugoslavia, FR	5850	Yugoslavia, FR	3772	Iraq	14945	Pakistan	3485
Cuba	1164	Iraq	5447	Turkey	1932	Zimbabwe	7690	Colombia	2537
Colombia	1056	Bosnia and H.	2884	Bosnia and H.	1547	Afghanistan	7375	Mexico	2091
Algeria	344	Russian Federation	1496	Iraq	1191	Somalia	6680	China	1996
Sierra Leone	274	Somalia	1108	FYR of Macedonia	1088	China	3745	Sri Lanka	1600
DR Congo	169	Stateless (excl. Pal.)	863	Nigeria	1052	Sri Lanka	3170	Costa Rica	1535
Russian Federation	167	Ukraine	785	Algeria	1031	Turkey	2890	India	1137
Romania	131	Slovakia	780	Romania	970	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	2685	Turkey	1036
Angola	102	Azerbaijan	778	Angola	835	Pakistan	2445	Peru	1022
Armenia	92	Bulgaria	763	Bulgaria	778	DR Congo	2305	Nigeria	663
Origin	USA	Origin	AUL	Origin	NZL	Origin	JPN	Origin	ITA
China	10263	China	1072	Thailand	236	Turkey	53	Sri Lanka	1354
Mexico	8610	Indonesia	616	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	101	Myanmar	38	Iraq	1170
Colombia	7810	India	547	Zimbabwe	85	Pakistan	25	Yugoslavia, FR	1104
Haiti	3518	Fiji	366	Hungary	77	China	24	Turkey	519
India	1857	Rep. of Korea	320	India	75	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	18	Eritrea	305
Cameroon	1562	Thailand	302	Sri Lanka	52	Cameroon	15	Pakistan	305
Indonesia	1485	Malaysia	229	Iraq	31	Bangladesh	12	Romania	304
Armenia	1161	Sri Lanka	219	China	25	Nigeria	9	Nigeria	281
Albania	1158	Iraq	175	Fiji	22	Sri Lanka	9	Sudan	185
Ethiopia	1146	Bangladesh	144	Pakistan	21	India	8	Bangladesh	171





**Fig. 3. Top-10 ranking of asylum countries:  
applications per 1,000 inhabitants, 2000-2002**



**Fig. 4. Quarterly asylum applications submitted, 2000-2002**

