

UNHCR Global Resettlement Statistical Report 2014

Introduction

This report summarizes the resettlement activities of UNHCR Offices worldwide in 2014. The information for this report is drawn from the UNHCR Resettlement Statistical Reports (RSR), which are submitted by UNHCR Country Offices on a quarterly 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 2014, UNHCR submitted 103,890 refugees for resettlement.

The number of submissions has increased markedly, from 75,080 in 2012, and 93,226 in 2013, despite the winding down of large-scale resettlement from Nepal and Thailand. 2014 submissions represent an increase of 11 per cent compared with 2013 submissions, and a 38 per cent increase compared with 2012 submissions, reversing a trend of reduced submissions during 2010–2012. Contributing factors include increased submissions from priority situations, including Afghan, Colombian, Congolese and Syrian refugees; the adoption of simplified processing methodologies, such as group resettlement from Rwanda; the use of humanitarian admission programmes for Syrian refugees and an increased deployment of resettlement and child protection experts. The largest number of refugees were submitted from Turkey (15,738), Malaysia (11,361) and Lebanon (9,188).

Departures: In 2014, 73,331 refugees departed to 30 countries of resettlement. Departures increased 3 per cent, from 71,411 refugees in 2013.

Increased departures can be attributed to a number of factors. Successful efforts were made by States to expedite security clearances, use alternative processing methodologies such as interviewing refugees in inaccessible areas through video conferencing and offer alternative forms of admissions. Around 3,000 people submitted under the German humanitarian assistance programme departed during 2014. In addition, Australia suspended processing of new resettlement submissions and focused on clearing a backlog of cases pending departures, which resulted in a rise in departure numbers.

Malaysia was the country from which the most refugees departed (10,976), followed by Turkey (8,944) and Nepal (8,582).

Origin: The largest number of refugees submitted for resettlement were refugees from Syria (21,154), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (18,828), Myanmar (15,170), Iraq (11,778), and Somalia (9,388).

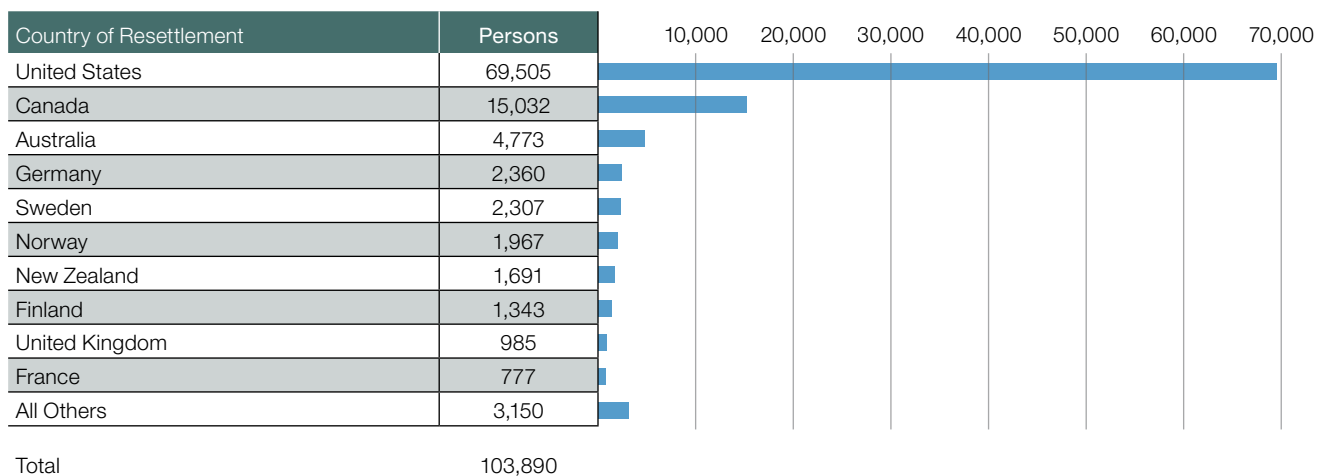
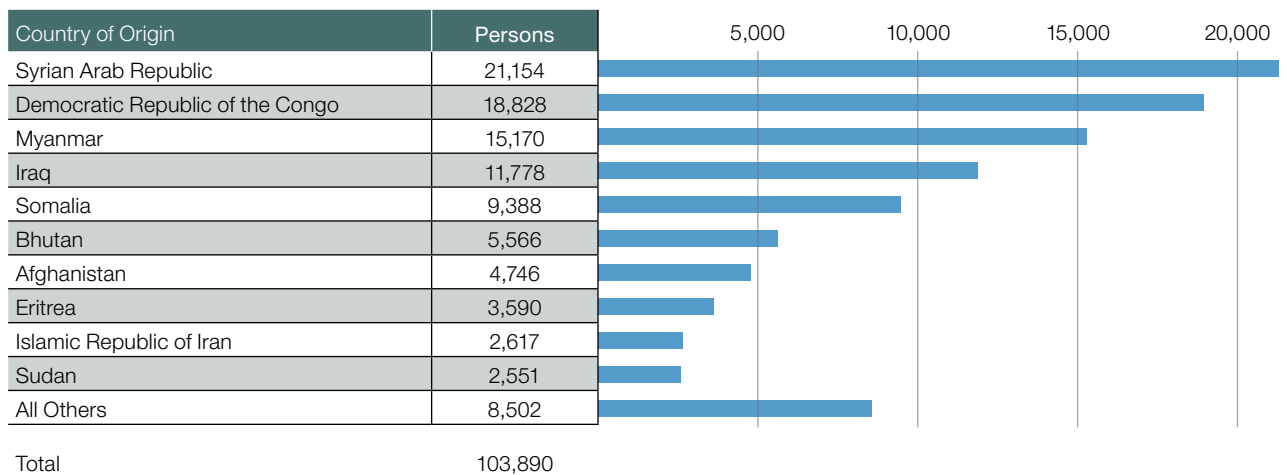
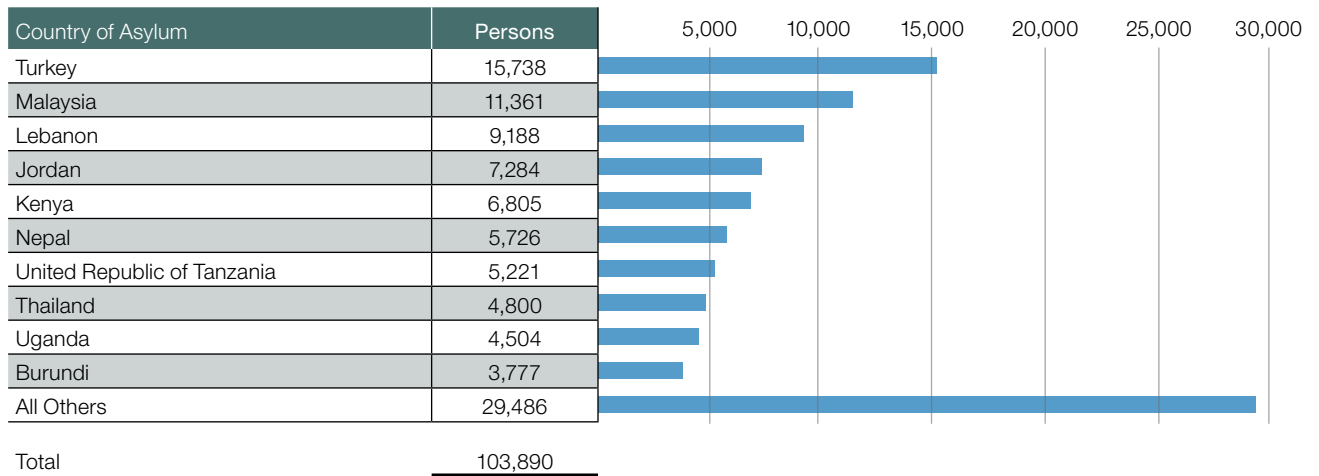
Resettlement: The three major countries of resettlement were: the United States of America (48,911 persons departed), Canada 7,233 (persons), and Australia 6,162 (persons).

At a Glance Figures

| | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 |
|---------------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Submissions | 103,890 | 93,226 | 74,835 | 91,843 | 108,042 |
| Departures | 73,331 | 71,411 | 69,252 | 61,649 | 72,914 |
| Countries of Asylum | 90 | 80 | 80 | 79 | 86 |
| Countries of Origin | 70 | 69 | 79 | 77 | 71 |
| Countries of Resettlement | 30 | 25 | 26 | 22 | 28 |

Submissions

Top ten: UNHCR Resettlement Submissions in 2014



UNHCR Resettlement Submissions in 2014

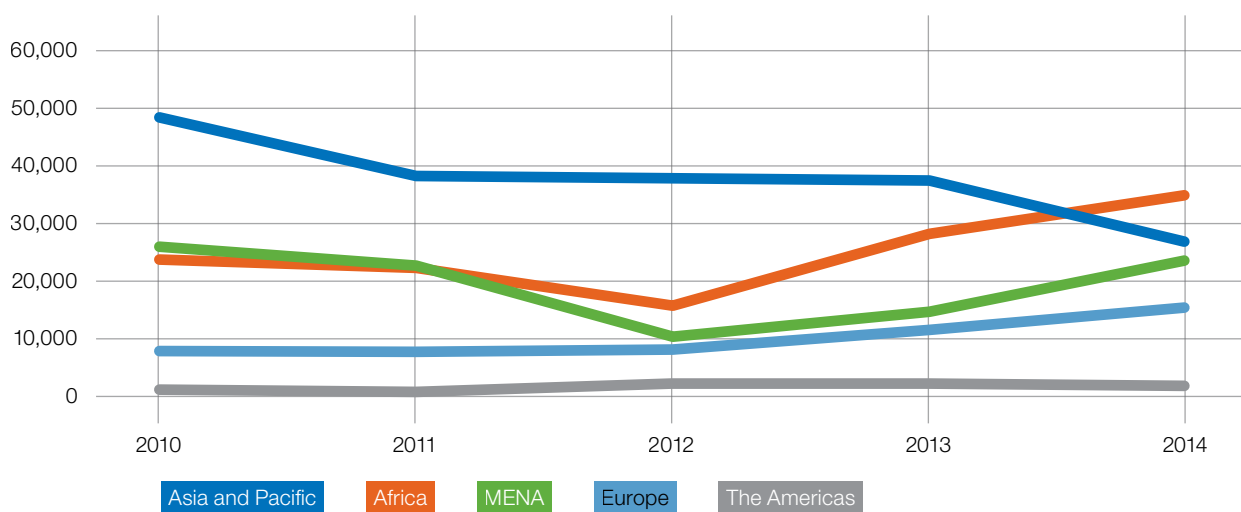
| Submissions by Region of Asylum | Cases | Persons | Per cent Total (persons) |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Africa | 9,970 | 35,079 | 33,8% |
| Asia and Pacific | 9,556 | 27,450 | 26,4% |
| Europe | 6,587 | 16,392 | 15,8% |
| MENA | 6,363 | 23,169 | 22,3% |
| The Americas | 625 | 1,800 | 1,7% |
| Grand Total | 33,101 | 103,890 | 100,0% |

| Submissions by Region of Origin | Cases | Persons | Per cent Total (persons) |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Africa | 12,190 | 39,047 | 37,6% |
| Asia and Pacific | 10,607 | 29,313 | 28,2% |
| Europe | 18 | 60 | <1% |
| MENA | 9,678 | 33,674 | 32,4% |
| The Americas | 592 | 1,750 | 1,7% |
| Stateless | 16 | 46 | <1% |
| Grand Total | 33,101 | 103,890 | 100,0% |

UNHCR Submissions by Region of Asylum 2010–2014

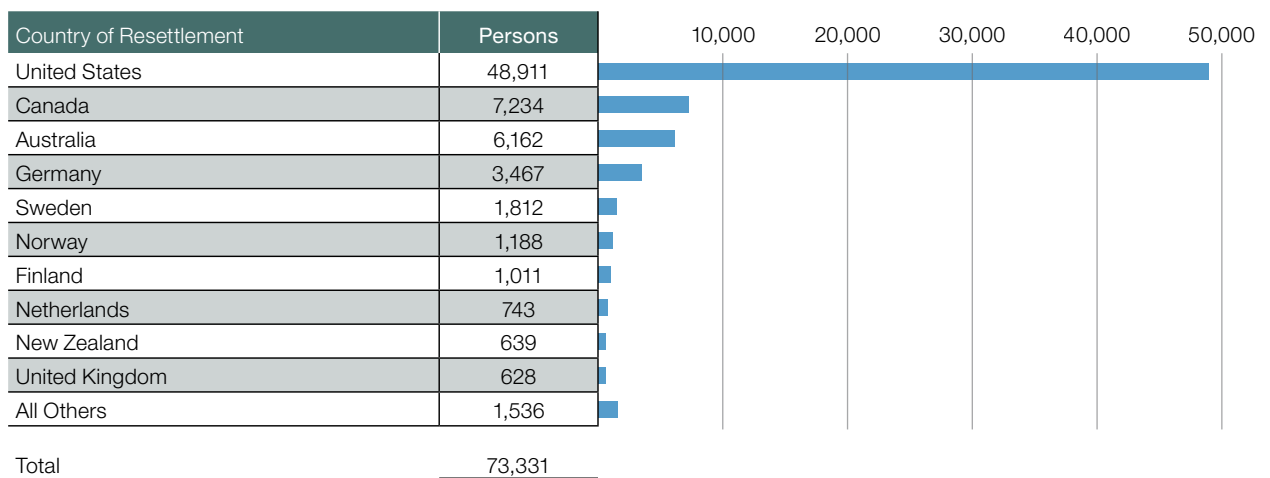
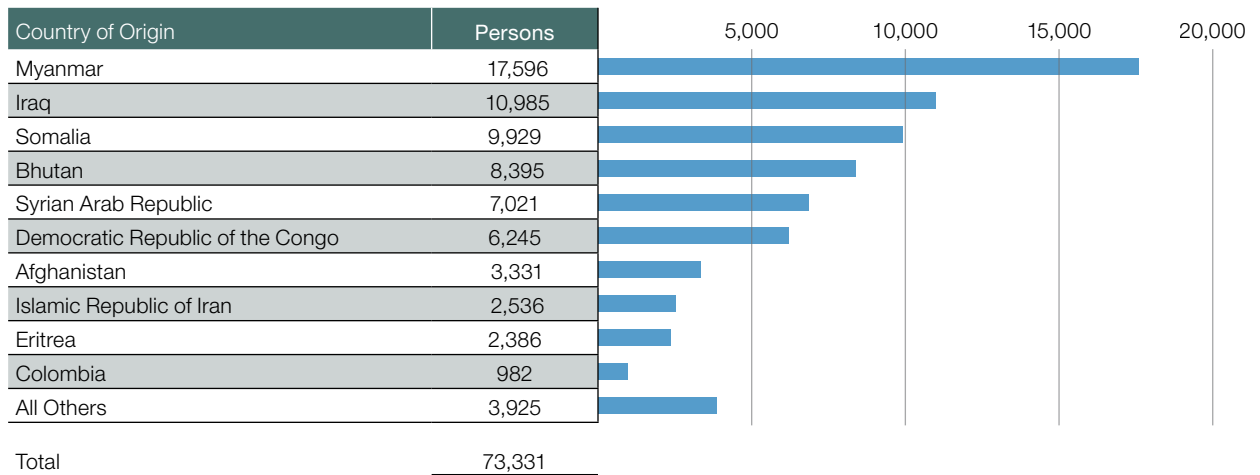
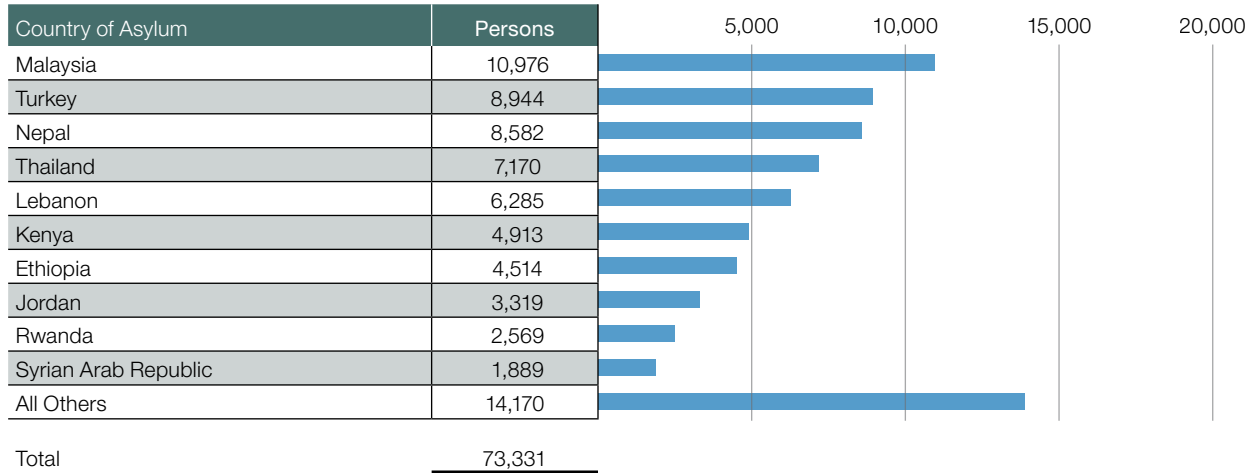
| Region of Asylum | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Africa | 24,062 | 22,267 | 15,710 | 28,141 | 35,079 |
| Asia and Pacific | 48,507 | 38,404 | 38,020 | 37,559 | 27,450 |
| Europe | 8,218 | 7,716 | 8,526 | 11,096 | 16,392 |
| MENA | 26,059 | 22,493 | 10,519 | 14,247 | 23,169 |
| The Americas | 1,196 | 963 | 2,060 | 1,872 | 1,800 |

UNHCR Submissions by Region of Asylum 2010–2014



Departures

Top ten: UNHCR Resettlement Departures in 2014



UNHCR Resettlement Departures in 2014

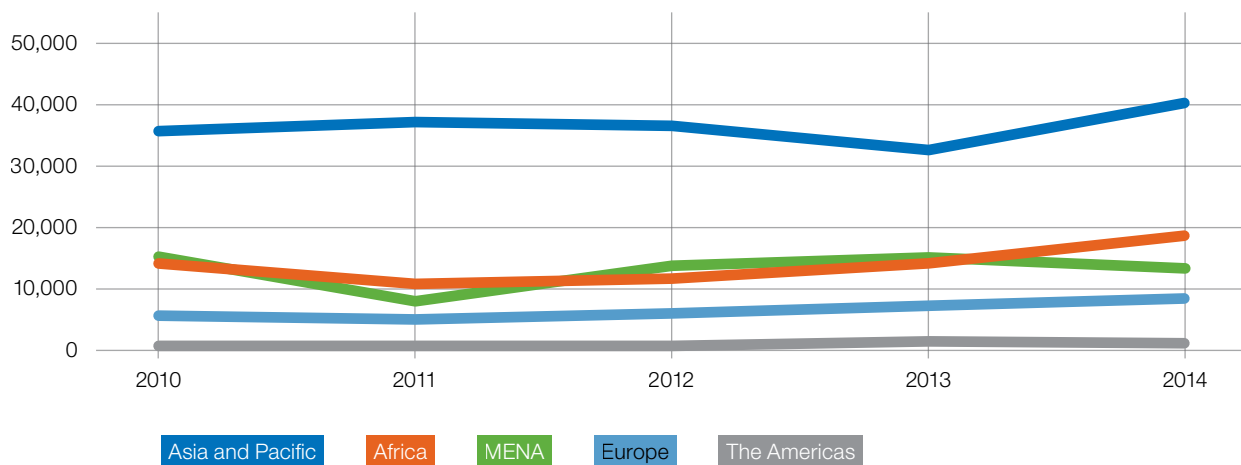
| Departures by Region of Asylum | Persons | Per cent Total (persons) |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Africa | 19,251 | 26,3% |
| Asia and Pacific | 30,827 | 42,0% |
| Europe | 9,653 | 13,2% |
| MENA | 12,573 | 17,1% |
| The Americas | 1,027 | 1,4% |
| Grand Total | 73,331 | 100,0% |

| Departures by Region of Origin | Persons | Per cent Total (persons) |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Africa | 21,086 | 28,8% |
| Asia and Pacific | 32,892 | 44,9% |
| Europe | 20 | <1% |
| MENA | 18,309 | 24,9% |
| The Americas | 1,009 | 1,3% |
| Grand Total | 73,331 | 100,0% |

UNHCR Departures by Region of Asylum 2010–2014

| Region of Asylum | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Africa | 14,865 | 1,0431 | 11,342 | 14,858 | 19,251 |
| Asia and Pacific | 36,360 | 37,975 | 37,394 | 32,731 | 30,827 |
| Europe | 6,046 | 4,916 | 6,473 | 7,939 | 9,653 |
| MENA | 15,138 | 7,833 | 13,725 | 14,658 | 12,573 |
| The Americas | 505 | 494 | 318 | 1,225 | 1,027 |

UNHCR Departures by Region of Asylum 2010–2014



UNHCR Resettlement Departures by Resettlement Country 2010–2014

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Countries with regular resettlement programmes | | | | | |
| Argentina | 23 | 24 | 5 | 7 | 21 |
| Australia | 5,636 | 5,597 | 5,079 | 11,117 | 6,162 |
| Belgium | 2 | 19 | 1 | 100 | 32 |
| Brazil | 28 | 23 | 8 | 56 | 44 |
| Canada | 6,706 | 6,827 | 4,755 | 5,140 | 7,234 |
| Chile | 6 | 22 | 3 | 3 | |
| Czech Republic | 48 | | 25 | 1 | 4 |
| Denmark | 386 | 606 | 324 | 475 | 332 |
| Finland | 543 | 573 | 763 | 665 | 1,011 |
| France | 217 | 42 | 84 | 100 | 378 |
| Germany | 457 | 22 | 323 | 1,092 | 3,467 |
| Hungary | | | 1 | | 4 |
| Iceland | 6 | | 9 | | 4 |
| Ireland | 20 | 36 | 40 | 62 | 98 |
| Italy (regular programme to begin in 2015) | 58 | | 9 | | |
| Japan | 27 | 18 | | 18 | 23 |
| Luxembourg | | | | | 28 |
| Netherlands | 430 | 479 | 262 | 362 | 743 |
| New Zealand | 535 | 477 | 719 | 682 | 639 |
| Norway | 1,088 | 1,258 | 1,137 | 941 | 1,188 |
| Portugal | 24 | 28 | 21 | 6 | 14 |
| Republic of Korea (three year pilot resettlement programme to begin in 2015) | 23 | 11 | 20 | 31 | 14 |
| Romania | 38 | | | | 44 |
| Spain | | | 80 | | 30 |
| Sweden | 1,789 | 1,896 | 1,483 | 1,832 | 1,812 |
| Switzerland | 19 | 39 | 54 | 78 | 139 |
| United Kingdom | 695 | 424 | 989 | 750 | 628 |
| United States of America | 54,077 | 43,215 | 53,053 | 47,875 | 48,911 |
| Uruguay | 17 | | 5 | 14 | 52 |
| Countries with special resettlement programmes/ad-hoc resettlement intake | | | | | |
| Austria | | | | 4 | 269 |
| Liechtenstein | | | | | 5 |
| Mexico | | | | | 1 |
| Palau | 3 | | | | |
| Paraguay | 13 | 13 | | | |
| Grand Total | 72,914 | 61,649 | 69,252 | 71,411 | 73,331 |

Priority Situations

Priority Situations for Resettlement 2012–2014

| Comparison of UNHCR Resettlement Submissions and Departures 2012–2014 | | | Submissions | | | Departures | | |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|--------|
| Country/territory of Origin | Country of Asylum | Total Population | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Afghanistan | Pakistan | 16,147 | 1,079 | 1,405 | 2,075 | 283 | 990 | 876 |
| | Islamic Republic of Iran | 824,087 | 1,873 | 2,185 | 1,063 | 1,427 | 1,900 | 1,255 |
| Somalia | Kenya | 512,069 | 2,170 | 3,996 | 4,325 | 1,442 | 2,612 | 3,562 |
| Myanmar | Thailand | 83,317 | 6,532 | 8,790 | 4,064 | 6,845 | 8,208 | 6,632 |
| | Malaysia | 84,671 | 15,103 | 14,441 | 10,814 | 10,308 | 8,072 | 10,566 |
| Iraq | Syrian Arab Republic | 62,727 | 2,061 | 2,462 | 1,295 | 3,293 | 3,796 | 1,795 |
| | Lebanon | 6,516 | 1,698 | 1,141 | 1,652 | 2,807 | 2,230 | 1,292 |
| | Jordan | 27,814 | 1,481 | 1,793 | 1,078 | 3,229 | 3,000 | 1,602 |
| Bhutan | Nepal | 40,971 | 9,922 | 7,070 | 5,566 | 16,674 | 10,665 | 8,395 |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | United Republic of Tanzania | 63,330 | 601 | 362 | 3,823 | 622 | 433 | 221 |
| | Burundi | 41,349 | 406 | 1,064 | 3,776 | 155 | 348 | 549 |
| | Rwanda | 57,857 | 2,160 | 2,606 | 2,699 | 753 | 922 | 2,569 |
| | Uganda | 127,021 | 1,451 | 3,206 | 4,032 | 289 | 898 | 917 |
| Colombia | Ecuador | 54,620 | 1,620 | 1,796 | 1,640 | 156 | 1,045 | 966 |
| Mixed Population | Turkey | 257,944 | 7,913 | 10,256 | 15,738 | 5,929 | 7,223 | 8,944 |
| Syrian Arab Republic | Lebanon | 1,147,494 | 17 | 4,769 | 7,318 | 64 | 983 | 4,903 |
| | Jordan | 623,112 | 2 | 373 | 6,084 | 6 | 184 | 1,539 |
| | Turkey | 1,557,899 | 2 | 59 | 5,457 | 2 | 22 | 284 |

Per Capita Resettlement by Country of Resettlement in 2014

| Country of Resettlement | Persons Resettled in 2014 | National Population* | Population per Refugees Resettled |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Australia | 6,162 | 22,404,000 | 3,636 |
| Norway | 1,188 | 4,891,000 | 4,117 |
| Canada | 7,233 | 34,126,000 | 4,718 |
| Sweden | 1,812 | 9,382,000 | 5,177 |
| Finland | 1,011 | 5,368,000 | 5,310 |
| United States of America | 48,911 | 312,247,000 | 6,384 |
| New Zealand | 632 | 4,368,000 | 6,911 |
| Liechtenstein | 5 | 36,000 | 7,200 |
| Denmark | 332 | 5,551,000 | 16,720 |
| Luxembourg | 28 | 508,000 | 18,143 |
| Netherlands | 743 | 16,615,000 | 22,362 |
| Germany | 3,467 | 83,017,000 | 23,945 |
| Austria | 269 | 8,402,000 | 31,234 |
| Ireland | 98 | 4,468,000 | 45,592 |
| Switzerland | 139 | 7,831,000 | 56,338 |
| Uruguay | 52 | 3,372,000 | 64,846 |
| Iceland | 4 | 318,000 | 79,500 |
| United Kingdom | 628 | 62,066,000 | 98,831 |
| France | 378 | 63,231,000 | 167,278 |
| Belgium | 32 | 10,941,000 | 341,906 |
| Romania | 44 | 21,861,000 | 496,841 |
| Portugal | 14 | 10,590,000 | 756,429 |
| Spain | 30 | 46,182,000 | 1,539,400 |
| Argentina | 21 | 40,374,000 | 1,922,571 |
| Hungary | 4 | 10,015,000 | 2,503,750 |
| Czech Republic | 4 | 10,554,000 | 2,638,500 |
| Republic of Korea | 14 | 48,454,000 | 3,461,000 |
| Brazil | 44 | 195,210,000 | 4,436,591 |
| Japan | 23 | 127,353,000 | 5,537,087 |
| Mexico | 1 | 117,886,000 | 117,886,000 |

* United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2013). World Population Prospects: The 2012 Revision, DVD Edition.

Acceptance Rates

Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions in 2014

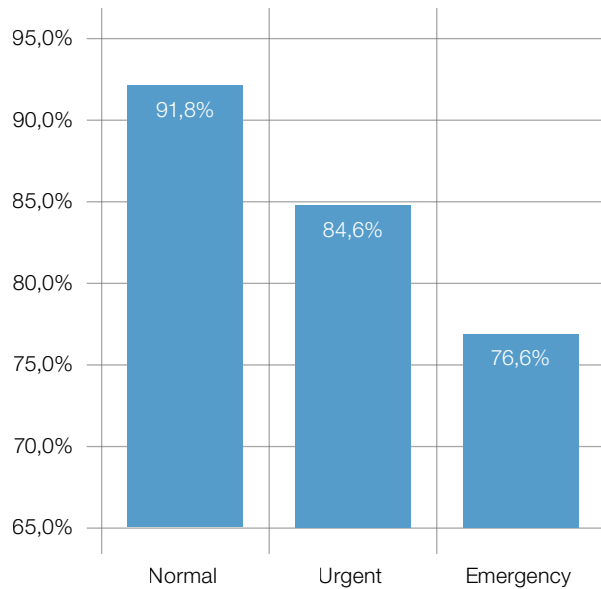
Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions by Country of Origin in 2014

| Country of Origin | Cases Submitted | % Cases Accepted |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Myanmar | 5,207 | 97,9% |
| Syrian Arab Republic | 5,040 | 92,1% |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | 4,676 | 95,2% |
| Iraq | 4,355 | 87,2% |
| Somalia | 3,358 | 82,5% |
| Afghanistan | 1,753 | 81,3% |
| Bhutan | 1,649 | 99,4% |
| Eritrea | 1,543 | 94,4% |
| Islamic Republic of Iran | 1,517 | 92,4% |
| Sudan | 938 | 88,2% |
| All Others | 3,065 | 79,3% |
| Grand Total | 33,101 | 91,3% |

Acceptance Rates of UNHCR Submissions by Submission Category in 2014

| Submission Category | Acceptance Rate |
|---|-----------------|
| Children and Adolescents at Risk (CHL) | 87,6% |
| Family Reunification (FAM) | 97,3% |
| Lack of Foreseeable Alternative Durable Solutions (LAS) | 91,3% |
| Legal and/or Physical Protection Needs (LPN) | 92,5% |
| Medical Needs (MED) | 87,3% |
| Others/Unspecified | 79,5% |
| Survivors of Violence and/or Torture (SVT) | 89,3% |
| Women and Girls at Risk (AWR) | 90,3% |

Acceptance Rates of Resettlement Countries by UNHCR Resettlement Priority 2014



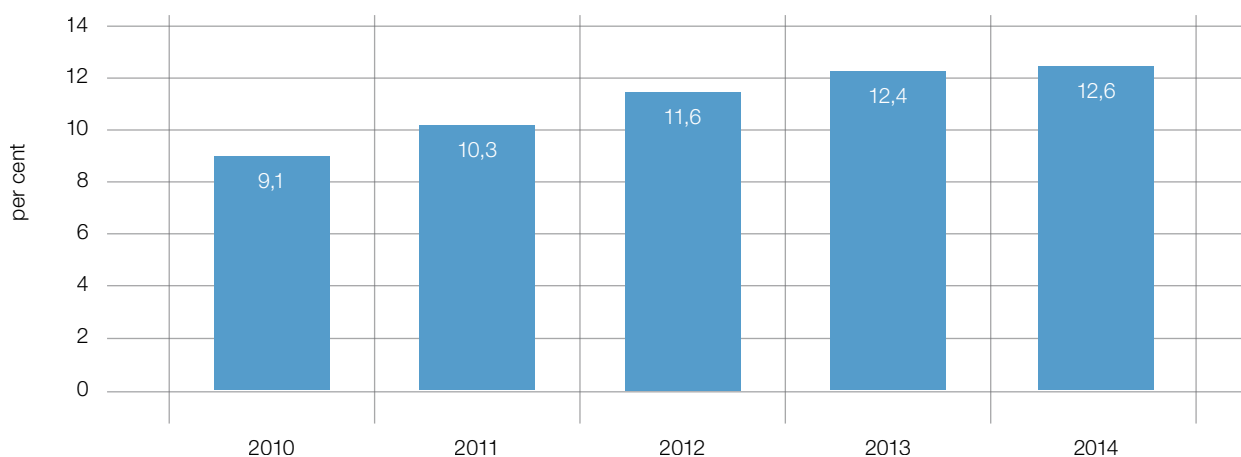
Resettlement Categories

UNHCR Resettlement by Submission Category in 2014

| Category | Cases Submitted | Persons Submitted | % Cases Submitted | Persons Departed | % Persons Departed |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Legal and/or Physical Protection Needs (LPN) | 11,038 | 34,276 | 33,3% | 26,506 | 36,2% |
| Lack of Foreseeable Alternative Durable Solutions (LAS) | 8,625 | 25,262 | 26,1% | 24,397 | 33,3% |
| Suivivors of Violence and/or Torture (SVT) | 7,349 | 27,840 | 22,2% | 11,516 | 15,7% |
| Women and Girls at risk (AWR) | 4,185 | 11,757 | 12,6% | 6,783 | 9,3% |
| Medical Needs (MED) | 821 | 2,847 | 2,5% | 2,050 | 2,8% |
| Family Reunification (FAM) | 471 | 1,035 | 1,4% | 1,144 | 1,6% |
| Children and Adolescents at Risk (CHL) | 402 | 644 | 1,2% | 439 | <1% |
| Others/Unspecified | 210 | 229 | <1% | 496 | <1% |
| Grand Total | 33,101 | 103,890 | 100,00% | 73,331 | 100,00% |

UNHCR Resettlement Under the Women and Girls at Risk Category in 2014

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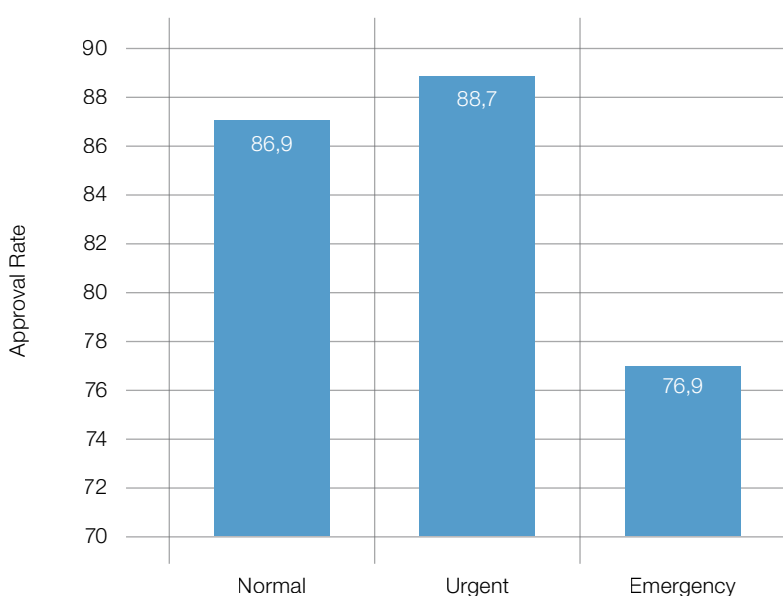
Top Ten Countries of Asylum: Submissions Under the Women and Girls at Risk Category (AWR), 2014

| Asylum Country | Cases Submitted | Rate of AWR Submissions (% per Asylum Country) | Persons Submitted | Persons Departed |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| Turkey | 589 | 9,6% | 1374 | 653 |
| Kenya | 564 | 22,8% | 1648 | 628 |
| Pakistan | 408 | 55,1% | 1242 | 517 |
| Egypt | 315 | 24,4% | 652 | 63 |
| Ethiopia | 315 | 25,1% | 921 | 838 |
| Burundi | 227 | 25,3% | 790 | 194 |
| Islamic Republic of Iran | 198 | 74,4% | 758 | 743 |
| Malaysia | 182 | 4,5% | 209 | 594 |
| Lebanon | 159 | 7,0% | 441 | 164 |
| Uganda | 136 | 11,8% | 479 | 380 |

UNHCR Resettlement Under the Medical Needs Category in 2014

| 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 | 322 | Iraq | 218 | United States | 1,450 |
| Malaysia | 138 | Syrian Arab Republic | 137 | Canada | 152 |
| Lebanon | 71 | Myanmar | 128 | Sweden | 136 |
| Egypt | 40 | Somalia | 78 | Australia | 78 |
| Kenya | 36 | Dem. Rep. of the Congo | 55 | Denmark | 72 |
| Ethiopia | 26 | Afghanistan | 45 | Norway | 47 |
| Israel | 18 | Islamic Republic of Iran | 39 | Netherlands | 26 |
| Zambia | 16 | Sudan | 32 | United Kingdom | 25 |
| Chad | 16 | Eritrea | 27 | Germany | 21 |
| Uganda | 15 | Bhutan | 11 | France | 15 |
| All Others | 123 | All Others | 51 | All Others | 28 |
| Grand Total | <u>821</u> | Grand Total | <u>821</u> | Grand Total | <u>2,050</u> |

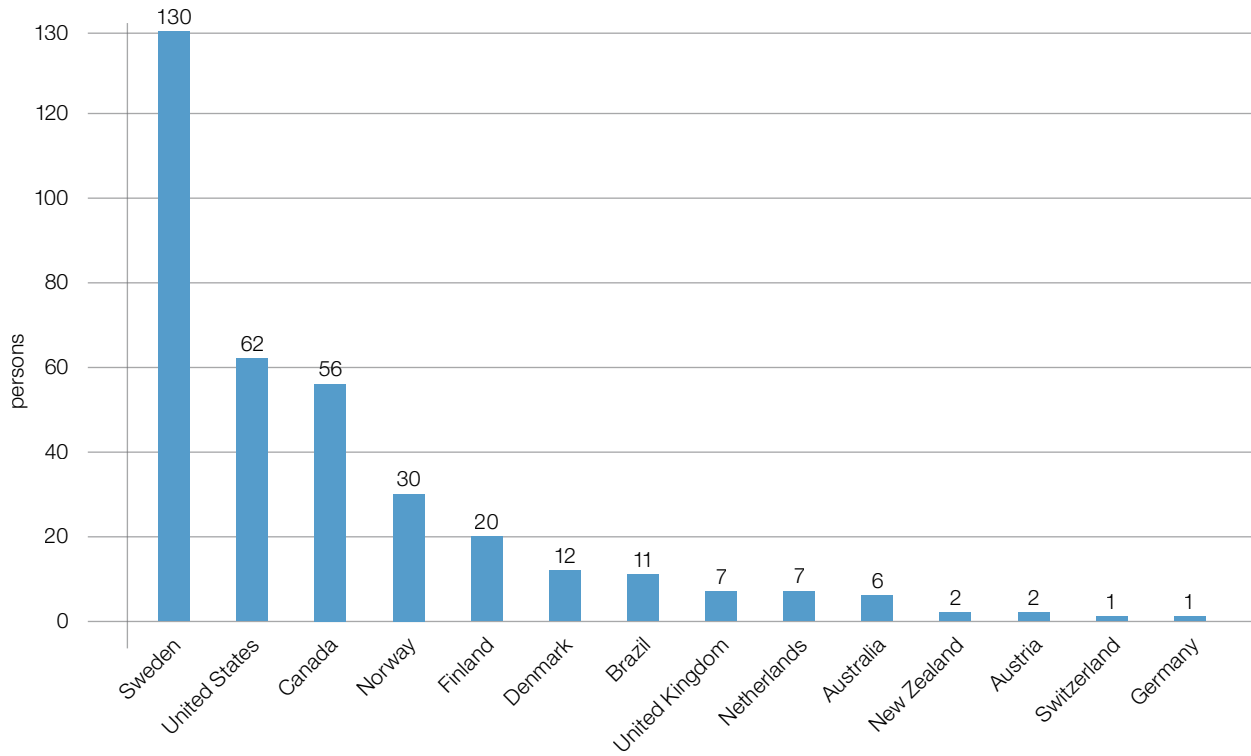
Resettlement Country Approval Rate Under the Medical Needs Category by Priority*



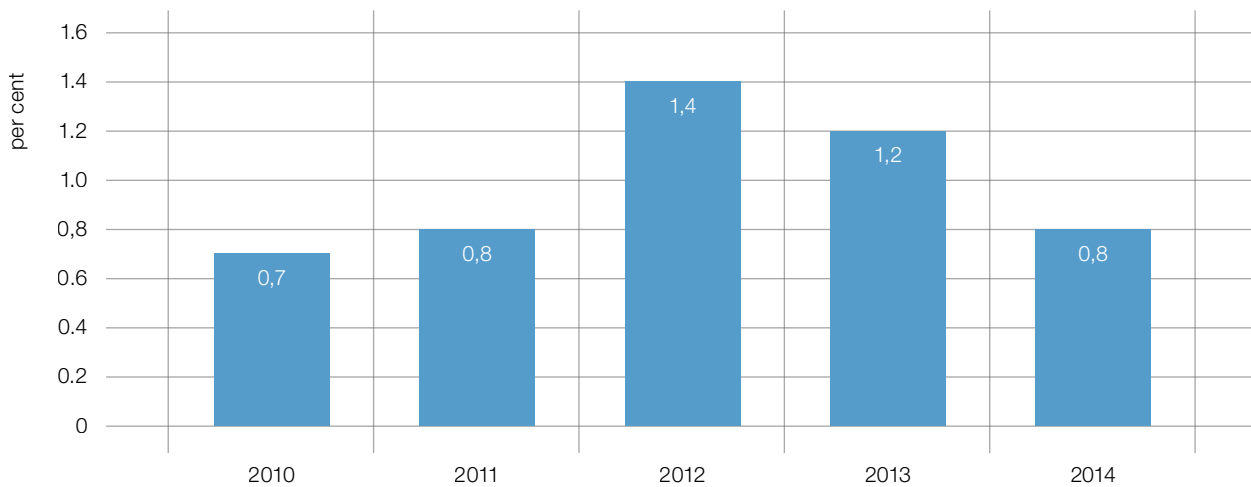
UNHCR Resettlement by Priority in 2014

| UNHCR Submission Priority | Submissions | | | Departures | |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|-------------|
| | Cases | % Cases | Persons | Persons | % Persons |
| Normal | 29,425 | 88,9% | 92,837 | 67,359 | 91,9% |
| Urgent | 3,392 | 10,3% | 10,305 | 5,403 | 7,4% |
| Emergency | 279 | <1% | 723 | 347 | <1% |
| Unspecified/other | 5 | <1% | 25 | 222 | <1% |
| Total | <u>33,101</u> | <u>100%</u> | <u>103,890</u> | <u>73,331</u> | <u>100%</u> |

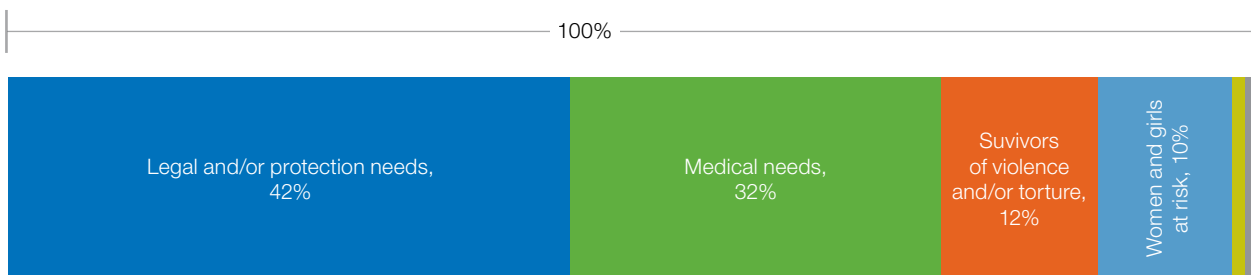
UNHCR Emergency Departures by Country of Resettlement



Emergency Cases as a Percentage of Total Resettlement Submissions by UNHCR (2010–2014, cases)



UNHCR Emergency Departures by Category, 2014



CHL 1%
FAM 1%