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ASYLUM APPLICATIONS LODGED IN EUROPE, NORTH AMERICA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND JAPAN: JANUARY – SEPTEMBER 2002¹

1. The number of asylum applications submitted during the period **January to September 2002** in the industrialized countries covered by this report fell with 4 per cent compared to the first nine months of 2001. In Europe, the number of new asylum claims remained stable (around 335,000), whereas Central Europe (-27%) and Australia/New Zealand (-52%) reported significant decreases (Table 2b).

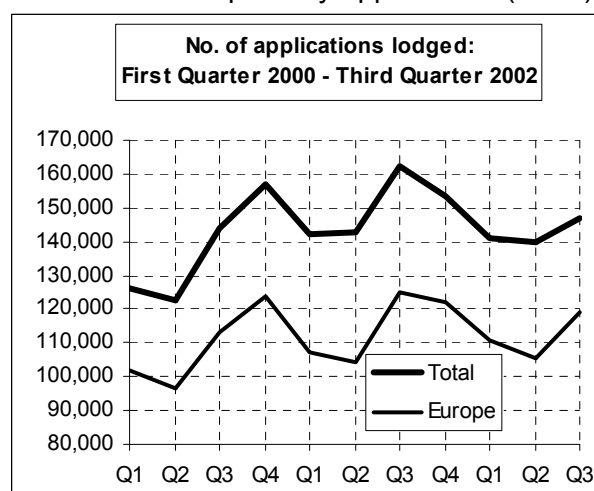
2. Asylum countries reporting a significant decrease in applications during the first nine months of 2002 compared to January - September 2001 include Belgium (-26%), Czech Republic (-54%), Denmark (-54%), Hungary (-25%), Netherlands (-38%), Romania (-54%), Slovenia (-72%), Spain (-26%), Canada (-28%), Australia (-54%) and New Zealand (-35%). At the same time, a significant increase in asylum claims was reported by Bulgaria (42%), Finland (93%), Greece (42%), Luxembourg (30%), Norway (31%), Sweden (51%) and Switzerland (28%).

3. In the 29 countries included in this report, 147,310 asylum applications were submitted during the period **June to September 2002**, 5 per cent more than during the second quarter of 2002, when 139,940 applications were lodged. In the 24 European countries, quarterly asylum applications rose with 13 per cent, whereas the five non-European industrialized countries included recorded a decrease of 18 per cent. Asylum countries which reported a relatively strong increase in asylum applications during the third quarter of 2002 included Austria (29%), Greece (147%), Hungary (33%), Ireland (30%), Norway (34%), Poland (42%), Slovakia (104%) and Sweden (27%). Bulgaria reported a significant decline in quarterly applications (-57%) (Table 1).

4. The average monthly number of applications submitted in Europe during 2002 is currently 3 per cent higher than in 2000, but 3 per cent below the 2001 level. Similarly, for all the countries included here, the 2002 figures are 4 per cent higher than in 2000, but 5 per cent below 2001 (see chart).

5. In **September 2002**, the 29 asylum countries received 49,880 asylum applications, 3 per cent more than in August. In Europe, monthly applications rose by 9 per cent (Table 2a).

6. Comparing the period **January to September 2002** with the first nine months of 2001, Afghan asylum claims recorded the largest decrease (-48%) in the countries considered here, followed by nationals from the Islamic Republic of Iran (-31%) and



¹ This report updates and replaces the document on asylum trends covering the period January to September 2002 which was issued 13 November 2002, but did not yet include all 29 asylum countries.

Somalia (-15%). Major asylum-seeker nationalities recording an increase in applications were FR Yugoslavia (26%) and China (26%) (Table 4b). In Europe, the increase in asylum applications submitted by nationals from China (49%), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (43%) and Nigeria (45%) was particularly noteworthy (Table 4a). During the first nine months of 2002, the number of Zimbabwean nationals applying for asylum increased in the United Kingdom (from 985 to 4,940) and Ireland (from 67 to 319), but fell in Canada (1,675 to 88).

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Table 1. Total number of asylum applications submitted, 2002												
Country of asylum	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter
Austria	2,957	2,405	2,310	3,052	2,814	2,895	3,537	3,257	4,514	7,672	8,761	11,308
Belgium	1,858	1,394	1,433	1,520	1,489	1,335	1,564	1,669	1,770	4,685	4,344	5,003
Bulgaria	350	324	417	474	373	117	137	109	166	1,091	964	412
Czech Rep.	1,332	678	719	761	607	525	580	580	606	2,729	1,893	1,766
Denmark	733	610	648	524	441	393	360	342	364	1,991	1,358	1,066
Finland	171	120	106	196	400	547	290	310	305	397	1,143	905
France	4,032	4,116	4,629	4,107	4,189	3,993	4,903	3,793	3,474	12,777	12,289	12,170
Germany	7,762	5,771	5,697	6,019	5,346	5,664	5,947	5,780	6,286	19,230	17,029	18,013
Greece	589	435	508	133	192	426	555	708	589	1,532	751	1,852
Hungary	612	527	536	544	461	440	565	726	637	1,675	1,445	1,928
Ireland	838	763	932	888	795	869	1,133	995	1,199	2,533	2,552	3,327
Liechtenstein	5	7	4	3	11	5	11	9	13	16	19	33
Luxembourg	47	39	71	64	78	95	87	66	125	157	237	278
Netherlands	2,377	1,972	1,950	1,767	1,590	1,479	1,419	1,350	1,432	6,299	4,836	4,201
Norway	1,503	1,394	1,491	1,253	1,235	1,303	1,647	1,687	1,744	4,388	3,791	5,078
Poland	227	292	349	298	350	273	409	399	504	868	921	1,312
Portugal	28	12	18	22	30	7	8	55	24	58	59	87
Romania	129	97	66	106	134	77	124	87	62	292	317	273
Slovakia	751	662	545	400	455	538	864	796	1,179	1,958	1,393	2,839
Slovenia	39	59	35	43	63	19	49	28	35	133	125	112
Spain	959	801	723	414	542	311	355	304	397	2,483	1,267	1,056
Sweden	2,636	2,242	2,358	2,495	2,690	2,194	2,830	3,368	3,176	7,236	7,379	9,374
Switzerland	2,008	1,767	1,837	2,163	2,252	1,827	2,456	2,405	2,531	5,612	6,242	7,392
United Kingdom	8,490	8,260	8,420	8,340	9,670	8,270	9,760	9,090	10,230	25,170	26,280	29,080
Canada	2,527	2,051	2,214	2,635	2,847	3,421	2,973	2,335	2,730	6,792	8,903	8,038
USA	7,500	6,120	8,120	7,800	7,610	8,270	5,810	7,580	5,240	21,740	23,680	18,630
Australia	655	490	541	514	605	491	532	475	454	1,686	1,610	1,461
New Zealand	94	62	94	105	93	93	82	77	77	250	291	236
Japan	18	18	16	24	22	19	26	37	13	52	65	76
EU*	33,477	28,940	29,803	29,541	30,266	28,478	32,748	31,087	33,885	92,220	88,285	97,720
Western Europe**	36,993	32,108	33,135	32,960	33,764	31,613	36,862	35,188	38,173	102,236	98,337	110,223
Central Europe***	3,440	2,639	2,667	2,626	2,443	1,989	2,728	2,725	3,189	8,746	7,058	8,642
Europe****	40,433	34,747	35,802	35,586	36,207	33,602	39,590	37,913	41,362	110,982	105,395	118,865
North America	10,027	8,171	10,334	10,435	10,457	11,691	8,783	9,915	7,970	28,532	32,583	26,668
Australia/New Z.	749	552	635	619	698	584	614	552	531	1,936	1,901	1,697
Grand total	51,227	43,488	46,787	46,664	47,384	45,896	49,013	48,417	49,876	141,502	139,944	147,306

Notes

All figures are provisional and subject to change.

Germany and USA: new applications only.

United Kingdom: number of asylum-seekers estimated on the basis of an average of 1.289 persons per case (Government estimate).

United States: number of asylum-seekers estimated on the basis of an average of 1.4 persons per case (Government estimate).

The correction for the UK and USA is applied to the total number of applications only (Table 1 and 2), not on the data by nationality.

A dash (-) indicates that the value is zero. Two dots (..) indicate that the value is not available.

EU*: Member states of the European Union, except Italy (no monthly data available).

Western Europe**: EU countries listed plus Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

Central Europe***: Bulgaria, Czech Rep., Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia.

Europe****: All European countries included in this Table.

Source: Governments, compiled by UNHCR

Table 2. Total number of asylum applications submitted: monthly changes
a. 2002 (most recent months)
b. 2001 and 2002 (since January)

Country of asylum	2002		
	Aug.	Sep.	Change
Austria	3,257	4,514	39%
Belgium	1,669	1,770	6%
Bulgaria	109	166	52%
Czech Rep.	580	606	4%
Denmark	342	364	6%
Finland	310	305	-2%
France	3,793	3,474	-8%
Germany	5,780	6,286	9%
Greece	708	589	-17%
Hungary	726	637	-12%
Ireland	995	1,199	21%
Liechtenstein	9	13	44%
Luxembourg	66	125	89%
Netherlands	1,350	1,432	6%
Norway	1,687	1,744	3%
Poland	399	504	26%
Portugal	55	24	-56%
Romania	87	62	-29%
Slovakia	796	1,179	48%
Slovenia	28	35	25%
Spain	304	397	31%
Sweden	3,368	3,176	-6%
Switzerland	2,405	2,531	5%
United Kingdom	9,090	10,230	13%
Canada	2,335	2,730	17%
USA	7,580	5,240	-31%
Australia	475	454	-4%
New Zealand	77	77	0%
Japan	37	13	-65%
EU*	31,087	33,885	9%
Western Europe**	35,188	38,173	8%
Central Europe***	2,725	3,189	17%
Europe****	37,913	41,362	9%
North America	9,915	7,970	-20%
Australia/New Z.	552	531	-4%
Total	48,417	49,876	3%

Country of asylum	January to September		
	2001	2002	Change
Austria	22,382	27,741	24%
Belgium	18,871	14,032	-26%
Bulgaria	1,742	2,467	42%
Czech Rep.	13,779	6,388	-54%
Denmark	9,514	4,415	-54%
Finland	1,266	2,445	93%
France	34,447	37,236	8%
Germany	66,017	54,272	-18%
Greece	2,906	4,135	42%
Hungary	6,712	5,048	-25%
Ireland	7,568	8,412	11%
Liechtenstein	96	68	-29%
Luxembourg	517	672	30%
Netherlands	24,625	15,336	-38%
Norway	10,145	13,257	31%
Poland	3,188	3,101	-3%
Portugal	172	204	19%
Romania	1,926	882	-54%
Slovakia	5,034	6,190	23%
Slovenia	1,337	370	-72%
Spain	6,538	4,806	-26%
Sweden	15,841	23,989	51%
Switzerland	15,013	19,246	28%
United Kingdom	67,210	80,530	20%
Canada	33,034	23,733	-28%
USA	66,760	64,040	-4%
Australia	10,369	4,757	-54%
New Zealand	1,192	777	-35%
Japan	..	193	..
EU*	277,874	278,225	0%
Western Europe**	303,128	310,796	3%
Central Europe***	33,718	24,446	-27%
Europe****	336,846	335,242	0%
North America	99,794	87,773	-12%
Australia/New Z.	11,561	5,534	-52%
Total ¹	448,201	428,549	-4%

Notes

See notes Table 1.

¹ Excluding Japan.

Table 3. Asylum applications submitted by origin: monthly changes 2002

<i>A. Europe</i>				<i>B. All asylum countries</i>			
Origin	2002			Origin	2002		
	Aug.	Sep.	Change		Aug.	Sep.	Change
Iraq	4,236	4,937	17%	Iraq	4,342	4,996	15%
Yugoslavia, FR	3,143	3,704	18%	Yugoslavia, FR	3,175	3,736	18%
Turkey	2,040	2,337	15%	China	2,241	2,116	-6%
Russian Federation	1,735	1,939	12%	Turkey	2,142	2,439	14%
Afghanistan	1,716	1,758	2%	Russian Federation	1,832	2,029	11%
China	1,224	1,334	9%	Afghanistan	1,728	1,774	3%
Somalia	1,302	1,231	-5%	Somalia	1,391	1,297	-7%
Nigeria	1,088	1,209	11%	India	1,297	1,535	18%
India	987	1,259	28%	Nigeria	1,136	1,282	13%
DR Congo	944	983	4%	Colombia	1,057	856	-19%
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	901	963	7%	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	1,007	1,070	6%
Zimbabwe	676	885	31%	DR Congo	1,006	1,057	5%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	799	753	-6%	Mexico	946	698	-26%
Algeria	712	765	7%	Bosnia and Herzegovina	802	761	-5%
Romania	609	748	23%	Algeria	725	774	7%
Georgia	620	683	10%	Zimbabwe	723	920	27%
Bulgaria	400	721	80%	Pakistan	718	697	-3%
Ukraine	515	537	4%	Romania	647	781	21%
Armenia	467	456	-2%	Georgia	640	696	9%
Slovakia	455	458	1%	Sri Lanka	597	596	0%
Sri Lanka	472	439	-7%	Armenia	573	527	-8%
Pakistan	439	448	2%	Ukraine	563	568	1%
Republic of Moldova	442	437	-1%	Bangladesh	476	475	0%
Angola	419	458	9%	Slovakia	455	463	2%
Bangladesh	420	415	-1%	Azerbaijan	454	351	-23%
Azerbaijan	416	317	-24%	Republic of Moldova	449	443	-1%
FYR Macedonia	340	381	12%	Angola	446	466	4%
Viet Nam	341	328	-4%	Albania	444	470	6%
Albania	330	335	2%	Cameroon	430	426	-1%
Syrian Arab Republic	310	336	8%	Ethiopia	418	339	-19%
Belarus	308	337	9%	Bulgaria	415	739	78%
Sierra Leone	299	341	14%	Haiti	374	289	-23%
Eritrea	284	336	18%	Guinea	368	294	-20%
Congo	287	295	3%	Sierra Leone	368	388	5%
Sudan	253	311	23%	Viet Nam	356	343	-4%
Czech Republic	315	233	-26%	Congo	353	336	-5%
Cameroon	263	270	3%	FYR Macedonia	344	388	13%
Ethiopia	276	247	-11%	Mauritania	342	269	-21%
Togo	232	262	13%	Belarus	321	358	12%
Guinea	247	193	-22%	Eritrea	315	353	12%
Other	4,616	4,688	2%	Other	7,801	7,688	-1%
Total	35,878	39,067	9%	Total	44,217	46,083	4%

See notes Table 1.

Table 4. Asylum applications submitted by origin: changes since January (2001 - 2002)

<i>A. Europe</i>				<i>B. All asylum countries (excluding Japan)</i>			
Origin	January to September			Origin	January to September		
	2001	2002	Change		2001	2002	Change
Iraq	33,886	35,533	5%	Iraq	36,368	36,282	0%
Afghanistan	36,324	20,312	-44%	Afghanistan	38,995	20,460	-48%
Yugoslavia, FR	18,793	23,960	27%	Yugoslavia, FR	19,367	24,330	26%
Turkey	20,315	20,756	2%	Turkey	21,778	21,676	0%
Russian Federation	12,905	13,344	3%	China	15,708	19,787	26%
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	10,303	7,497	-27%	Russian Federation	14,015	14,308	2%
Somalia	9,031	8,742	-3%	India	11,020	10,173	-8%
China	6,294	9,370	49%	Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	12,246	8,499	-31%
DR Congo	6,362	9,087	43%	Somalia	10,972	9,330	-15%
India	7,909	7,456	-6%	Colombia	9,435	10,063	7%
Algeria	7,697	7,532	-2%	Mexico	9,189	8,659	-6%
Nigeria	6,178	8,986	45%	Sri Lanka	10,702	7,075	-34%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	8,800	6,181	-30%	DR Congo	7,364	9,636	31%
Sri Lanka	7,950	5,586	-30%	Nigeria	6,825	9,492	39%
Ukraine	7,079	5,257	-26%	Algeria	8,217	7,639	-7%
Sierra Leone	7,277	4,366	-40%	Pakistan	8,002	7,676	-4%
Angola	5,395	5,790	7%	Bosnia and Herzegovina	8,837	6,199	-30%
Romania	5,551	4,684	-16%	Ukraine	7,622	5,610	-26%
Armenia	4,488	5,682	27%	Sierra Leone	8,020	4,947	-38%
Georgia	4,103	6,041	47%	Armenia	6,110	6,590	8%
Pakistan	5,272	4,471	-15%	Angola	5,796	5,944	3%
Viet Nam	4,476	3,105	-31%	Romania	6,010	5,006	-17%
FYR of Macedonia	4,026	3,522	-13%	Georgia	4,304	6,215	44%
Rep. of Moldova	3,780	3,596	-5%	Haiti	6,000	4,457	-26%
Bangladesh	3,775	3,063	-19%	Albania	4,645	4,218	-9%
Zimbabwe	1,077	5,332	395%	Zimbabwe	2,894	5,691	97%
Syrian Arab Rep.	3,128	2,665	-15%	Viet Nam	4,701	3,224	-31%
Albania	2,820	2,913	3%	FYR of Macedonia	4,268	3,605	-16%
Guinea	3,080	2,369	-23%	Bangladesh	4,347	3,516	-19%
Azerbaijan	2,492	2,928	17%	Rep. of Moldova	3,818	3,653	-4%
Slovakia	2,251	3,124	39%	Guinea	3,875	3,194	-18%
Bulgaria	2,350	2,548	8%	Mauritania	2,746	3,527	28%
Congo	1,980	2,673	35%	Azerbaijan	3,030	3,229	7%
Mali	2,301	2,210	-4%	Syrian Arab Rep.	3,265	2,742	-16%
Mauritania	1,810	2,639	46%	Cameroon	2,167	3,554	64%
Belarus	2,003	2,383	19%	Congo	2,464	3,253	32%
Czech Rep.	1,880	2,372	26%	Ethiopia	2,833	2,753	-3%
Colombia	2,365	1,717	-27%	Slovakia	2,271	3,138	38%
Cameroon	1,650	2,423	47%	Bulgaria	2,619	2,747	5%
Sudan	1,649	2,103	28%	Sudan	2,463	2,522	2%
Other	40,971	42,869	5%	Other	68,747	67,581	-2%
Total	321,776	317,187	-1%	Total	414,055	392,200	-5%

See notes Table 1.

Origin	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Total
Iraq	4,540	3,980	3,524	3,267	3,646	3,388	4,015	4,236	4,937	35,533
Yugoslavia, FR	2,234	2,185	2,514	2,541	2,368	2,453	2,818	3,143	3,704	23,960
Turkey	2,572	2,172	2,273	2,381	2,401	2,185	2,395	2,040	2,337	20,756
Afghanistan	3,340	2,577	2,421	2,701	1,996	1,748	2,055	1,716	1,758	20,312
Russian Federation	1,306	1,107	1,283	1,306	1,413	1,314	1,941	1,735	1,939	13,344
China	1,033	782	869	763	974	992	1,399	1,224	1,334	9,370
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	986	940	1,072	1,060	1,072	960	1,070	944	983	9,087
Nigeria	890	766	956	1,017	1,037	905	1,118	1,088	1,209	8,986
Somalia	922	659	801	826	960	790	1,251	1,302	1,231	8,742
Algeria	1,029	858	850	936	822	759	801	712	765	7,532
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,011	842	761	783	690	620	926	901	963	7,497
India	821	786	525	736	683	712	947	987	1,259	7,456
Bosnia and Herzegovina	796	755	678	518	592	606	684	799	753	6,181
Georgia	780	600	619	699	796	573	671	620	683	6,041
Angola	809	766	776	774	743	540	505	419	458	5,790
Armenia	842	610	703	760	601	542	701	467	456	5,682
Sri Lanka	876	733	676	590	696	537	567	472	439	5,586
Zimbabwe	484	644	524	418	543	502	656	676	885	5,332
Ukraine	745	592	568	583	616	554	547	515	537	5,257
Romania	255	268	352	377	735	734	606	609	748	4,684
Pakistan	567	495	503	499	467	439	614	439	448	4,471
Sierra Leone	716	534	604	557	552	374	389	299	341	4,366
Rep. of Moldova	380	388	335	422	406	349	437	442	437	3,596
FYR of Macedonia	379	387	431	452	395	368	389	340	381	3,522
Slovakia	307	325	272	285	376	272	374	455	458	3,124
Viet Nam	445	319	378	333	312	259	390	341	328	3,105
Bangladesh	377	262	303	327	322	315	322	420	415	3,063
Azerbaijan	349	246	275	321	316	332	356	416	317	2,928
Albania	336	286	282	340	336	339	329	330	335	2,913
Congo	251	255	426	253	293	283	330	287	295	2,673
Syrian Arab Rep.	313	257	272	253	240	382	302	310	336	2,665
Mauritania	280	256	367	355	305	301	356	226	193	2,639
Bulgaria	285	207	132	197	160	190	256	400	721	2,548
Cameroon	282	247	257	291	255	251	307	263	270	2,423
Belarus	261	218	228	193	283	258	297	308	337	2,383
Czech Rep.	128	111	160	181	359	443	442	315	233	2,372
Guinea	320	297	281	290	266	214	261	247	193	2,369
Mali	300	242	242	243	192	258	323	227	183	2,210
Togo	270	218	232	268	215	201	222	232	262	2,120
Sudan	234	180	220	192	229	217	267	253	311	2,103
Other	5,482	4,540	4,972	4,428	4,374	4,288	4,764	4,723	4,895	42,466
Total	38,533	32,892	33,917	33,716	34,037	31,747	37,400	35,878	39,067	317,187

Origin	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Total
Iraq	4,621	4,051	3,618	3,350	3,736	3,484	4,087	4,342	4,996	36,285
Yugoslavia, FR	2,294	2,227	2,560	2,590	2,417	2,478	2,853	3,175	3,736	24,330
Turkey	2,672	2,278	2,402	2,498	2,515	2,272	2,500	2,142	2,439	21,718
Afghanistan	3,372	2,593	2,439	2,711	2,020	1,762	2,067	1,728	1,774	20,466
China	2,316	1,693	2,246	2,111	2,362	2,309	2,406	2,241	2,116	19,800
Russian Federation	1,407	1,171	1,423	1,416	1,538	1,465	2,027	1,832	2,029	14,308
India	1,157	1,034	805	1,015	1,017	1,008	1,313	1,297	1,535	10,181
Colombia	1,231	1,073	1,156	1,205	1,107	1,431	948	1,057	856	10,064
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	1,079	994	1,123	1,096	1,127	1,016	1,140	1,006	1,057	9,638
Nigeria	965	802	1,022	1,058	1,100	953	1,181	1,136	1,282	9,499
Somalia	1,010	729	858	880	1,009	841	1,315	1,391	1,297	9,330
Mexico	738	794	1,185	1,230	1,306	1,197	565	946	698	8,659
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	1,156	943	879	909	801	727	1,022	1,007	1,070	8,514
Pakistan	819	720	716	794	878	1,292	1,056	718	697	7,690
Algeria	1,046	864	859	950	831	771	819	725	774	7,639
Sri Lanka	1,103	882	856	790	887	691	682	597	596	7,084
Armenia	958	696	833	863	702	656	782	573	527	6,590
Georgia	798	612	640	725	819	596	689	640	696	6,215
Bosnia and Herzegovina	796	756	678	518	593	608	687	802	761	6,199
Angola	819	802	790	781	757	571	512	446	466	5,944
Zimbabwe	528	689	574	461	571	535	690	723	920	5,691
Ukraine	779	624	603	626	668	592	587	563	568	5,610
Romania	279	302	390	408	775	781	643	647	781	5,006
Sierra Leone	809	591	674	622	619	440	436	368	388	4,947
Haiti	666	633	719	509	446	443	378	374	289	4,457
Albania	531	433	419	486	496	474	465	444	470	4,218
Rep. of Moldova	382	391	337	433	419	352	447	449	443	3,653
FYR of Macedonia	402	392	445	456	402	381	396	344	388	3,606
Cameroon	373	330	363	407	358	415	465	430	426	3,567
Mauritania	393	351	473	471	393	391	444	342	269	3,527
Bangladesh	431	300	343	385	368	354	391	476	475	3,523
Congo	336	301	506	328	360	339	394	353	336	3,253
Viet Nam	465	331	391	346	328	266	404	356	343	3,230
Azerbaijan	382	281	321	346	345	368	381	454	351	3,229
Guinea	422	387	358	376	352	306	333	368	294	3,196
Slovakia	312	326	273	285	377	272	375	455	463	3,138
Ethiopia	342	259	295	248	267	270	317	418	339	2,755
Bulgaria	317	218	146	214	187	233	278	415	739	2,747
Syrian Arab Rep.	317	262	277	272	247	400	313	313	341	2,742
Belarus	290	221	230	207	309	287	317	321	358	2,540
Other	8,071	6,547	7,359	7,189	7,229	7,651	8,056	7,803	7,700	67,605
Total	47,184	39,883	42,584	42,565	43,038	41,678	45,161	44,217	46,083	392,393

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Table 7. Asylum applications submitted by country of asylum and origin, 2002: first quarter

Covering countries of asylum with 1,000 or more applications during the period.

Figures between 1 and 4 have been replaced with an asterisk.

Origin	AUS	BEL	BUL	CZE	DEN	FRA	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	NET	NOR	SVK	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR	CAN	USA	AUL
Iraq	848	133	349	126	465	47	3402	603	458	19	232	346	474	20	1270	261	2840	50	145	44
Afghanistan	1356	114	443	17	355	52	1054	522	458	*	474	112	733	0	108	71	2350	27	27	10
Turkey	630	303	18	28	36	1493	2704	29	66	*	219	76	16	7	157	485	650	282	8	27
Yugoslavia, FR	617	305	0	14	343	404	1851	0	33	25	155	443	8	10	1198	811	580	17	123	7
China	296	22	0	84	21	658	339	32	9	13	160	9	38	0	12	47	920	437	2838	284
Russian Federation	220	243	9	109	62	381	1020	*	10	56	92	400	82	47	295	139	80	58	237	10
Colombia	*	43	0	0	0	33	24	0	0	0	*	*	0	633	25	15	140	533	1991	11
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	14	407	5	0	*	1212	307	*	*	57	187	0	0	20	24	174	570	136	62	0
India	352	58	*	85	29	110	535	28	9	*	82	8	238	0	12	25	505	283	438	133
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	195	170	49	*	38	34	711	79	36	5	238	112	32	*	212	56	600	53	257	23
Sri Lanka	7	43	0	*	10	486	164	*	*	*	114	37	26	10	7	136	1235	421	52	61
Nigeria	320	12	55	7	22	199	218	43	57	847	130	10	16	194	20	183	265	141	21	9
Algeria	62	355	0	21	34	896	487	0	11	15	72	118	*	22	83	266	260	32	0	0
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	0	0	364	2351	0
Somalia	48	24	0	0	86	31	54	*	56	13	140	323	50	*	178	63	1300	67	142	*
Armenia	734	105	86	258	12	185	264	*	5	*	140	57	5	19	61	130	0	5	324	*
Angola	7	105	0	0	8	405	194	0	*	31	850	8	*	22	10	283	405	50	10	0
Pakistan	81	35	7	5	23	135	262	114	14	39	26	52	30	*	13	61	645	530	132	18
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	61	0	*	70	121	236	*	*	*	61	211	0	*	1053	312	0	*	0	0
Sierra Leone	18	43	*	*	5	193	222	17	12	19	659	*	12	72	8	183	355	11	207	0
Georgia	671	66	7	258	16	306	327	5	9	22	43	61	*	18	78	88	0	*	46	*
Haiti	0	0	0	0	0	792	*	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	0	*	0	61	1161	0
Ukraine	69	69	0	597	16	159	135	*	*	79	49	372	*	25	125	58	90	33	54	13
Zimbabwe	*	0	0	0	0	0	7	*	0	138	0	*	0	0	*	*	1495	58	49	13
Albania	19	159	*	0	27	121	98	0	0	28	31	73	0	12	26	37	265	86	386	7
Mauritania	*	48	0	0	0	798	6	0	*	*	12	*	0	7	*	27	0	8	306	0
FYR of Macedonia	235	143	0	6	22	82	157	0	5	5	28	46	7	0	119	302	0	12	21	9
Viet Nam	6	*	0	347	*	37	582	0	77	0	19	7	5	0	11	30	0	13	0	32
Cuba	0	*	0	0	*	6	11	0	*	0	*	0	0	1072	8	7	0	35	20	0
Guinea	18	146	0	*	*	195	96	0	0	*	192	0	0	15	15	211	0	52	216	*
Congo	*	12	0	*	*	560	11	0	189	*	115	8	*	5	5	11	0	16	192	*
Cameroon	15	81	0	*	8	150	276	*	*	42	104	16	*	6	9	68	0	16	264	0
Bangladesh	193	19	*	6	*	186	43	*	104	0	*	6	109	*	42	45	140	58	40	26
Rep. of Moldova	86	35	0	302	*	229	52	*	*	192	6	12	*	12	48	17	0	6	0	*
Azerbaijan	47	11	0	10	6	64	399	0	*	*	118	59	7	*	103	29	0	31	83	0
Romania	8	36	0	39	8	20	19	*	7	305	*	87	0	58	21	17	220	43	50	*
Slovakia	5	250	0	67	*	14	163	0	0	*	41	223	0	0	125	7	0	6	0	*
Ethiopia	9	17	*	*	*	10	118	*	*	*	40	63	*	*	15	108	110	21	355	*
Syrian Arab Rep.	26	49	*	*	6	9	433	*	5	0	118	27	13	5	94	43	0	10	0	*
Togo	5	64	0	0	0	46	360	0	0	8	165	7	*	*	0	59	0	9	86	0

Table 8. Asylum applications submitted by country of asylum and origin, 2002: second quarter

Covering countries of asylum with 1,000 or more applications during the period.

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Origin	AUS	BEL	CZE	DEN	FIN	FRA	GFR	HUN	IRE	NET	NOR	SVK	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR	CAN	USA	AUL
Iraq	807	83	19	210	24	40	2134	427	23	252	305	221	11	1059	280	3425	69	142	48
Yugoslavia, FR	970	397	7	229	60	369	1698	18	31	116	554	11	*	1176	920	685	25	91	5
Turkey	1047	254	*	31	61	1496	2309	32	*	145	68	*	43	155	533	730	270	27	10
China	176	29	56	7	*	661	373	5	5	191	16	116	0	9	78	965	488	3306	253
Afghanistan	1242	91	*	225	*	28	727	553	*	224	111	407	13	107	64	2125	14	10	18
Russian Federation	506	278	106	33	84	371	1012	7	29	108	381	72	35	355	93	60	76	296	13
Colombia	*	24	*	*	0	56	38	0	*	5	0	0	216	13	13	110	951	2298	*
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	493	3240	0
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	12	445	*	*	13	1,348	215	*	64	160	*	0	86	25	191	470	119	24	0
Nigeria	372	29	6	14	*	182	235	14	916	180	28	12	261	25	316	270	146	0	*
India	453	79	178	39	*	91	545	10	33	42	12	154	*	12	35	405	259	464	152
Pakistan	70	43	5	16	0	96	271	6	17	20	74	34	*	15	86	615	1374	146	25
Somalia	51	31	*	106	8	27	43	53	12	148	271	60	29	178	67	1450	56	95	*
Algeria	30	247	11	29	5	691	497	5	31	36	162	*	85	79	285	305	32	0	*
Sri Lanka	13	19	*	10	*	519	92	0	*	96	22	*	*	*	124	895	432	20	71
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	171	141	*	54	*	31	529	40	*	153	85	19	6	154	64	525	68	238	8
Georgia	608	77	221	11	0	373	352	*	21	62	68	5	20	93	142	0	11	61	0
Angola	7	101	*	*	7	436	156	0	33	635	7	*	65	9	227	355	49	0	*
Armenia	692	74	124	8	*	197	219	12	*	120	35	*	17	87	131	0	*	317	0
Romania	13	75	14	*	531	30	31	*	297	17	42	0	23	342	93	320	52	59	*
Ukraine	129	65	406	9	29	202	145	*	96	32	218	9	15	200	66	80	61	67	5
Bosnia and Herzegovina	58	44	0	43	47	105	279	*	0	41	180	0	*	589	304	0	*	0	0
Sierra Leone	28	49	0	*	*	141	123	15	27	423	*	18	89	8	165	370	7	191	0
Zimbabwe	*	*	0	*	0	*	9	0	93	*	0	0	0	*	7	1345	15	62	6
Albania	34	138	0	18	8	106	85	*	45	28	69	0	*	67	48	335	124	306	11
Haiti	0	0	0	0	0	487	*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	871	0
Mauritania	5	45	0	0	0	853	11	0	0	14	*	0	*	*	28	0	8	286	0
FYR of Macedonia	243	72	7	19	*	70	142	*	*	14	83	5	7	72	347	95	6	10	5
Cameroon	16	64	0	5	0	169	309	*	36	69	11	*	6	*	102	0	17	364	0
Rep. of Moldova	162	47	224	*	*	199	70	5	81	16	27	41	5	202	30	0	13	12	*
Bangladesh	190	8	0	*	35	153	36	126	8	9	8	68	6	29	93	180	62	35	40
Azerbaijan	47	23	5	7	6	77	452	*	*	82	38	0	*	190	32	0	20	70	0
Guinea	22	145	*	*	*	186	75	0	7	114	*	*	8	12	189	0	32	232	0
Congo	*	17	*	*	0	561	23	0	*	68	8	*	10	8	*	120	12	181	*
Czech Rep.	*	130	0	*	24	*	*	0	71	*	22	0	0	100	22	600	7	0	*
Viet Nam	16	*	203	*	0	18	520	50	0	23	7	23	*	5	24	0	14	0	22
Slovakia	22	124	59	6	19	24	221	0	12	75	*	0	0	357	8	0	*	0	0
Syrian Arab Rep.	31	37	7	6	0	*	536	6	*	58	16	*	*	114	43	0	21	20	*
Togo	*	69	0	0	*	82	328	0	20	107	0	*	*	*	52	0	5	111	0
Belarus	23	53	78	*	14	73	155	0	11	32	94	*	9	105	68	0	6	63	0

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Table 9. Asylum applications submitted by country of asylum and origin, 2002: third quarter

Covering countries of asylum with 1,000 or more applications during the period.

Figures between 1 and 4 have been replaced with an asterisk.

Origin	AUS	BEL	CZE	DEN	FRA	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	NET	NOR	POL	SVK	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR	CAN	USA	AUL	
Iraq	1358	102	21	159	39	2667	694	633	38	287	425	43	236	9	1638	301	4305	73	132	21	
Yugoslavia, FR	2363	443	9	192	371	1587	*	14	32	123	810	0	12	5	1791	1039	635	20	72	7	
Turkey	1025	223	*	23	1313	2368	112	15	*	172	49	*	6	*	180	484	700	261	9	22	
China	139	74	180	7	944	423	6	42	39	121	37	33	762	7	22	153	955	340	2211	245	
Russian Federation	856	350	175	50	458	994	8	9	73	139	597	805	285	37	448	168	70	51	219	*	
Afghanistan	871	32	*	113	70	586	423	685	*	217	253	143	251	*	144	65	1550	17	0	21	
India	1328	48	15	13	125	455	24	9	6	22	*	23	492	*	16	49	535	300	502	124	
Somalia	78	34	*	84	17	63	56	69	16	150	480	0	71	7	378	136	2095	138	75	0	
Nigeria	412	33	9	9	223	240	55	34	1129	126	46	*	25	390	62	336	265	172	0	*	
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	12	432	*	*	1,249	257	25	0	60	103	5	*	*	49	28	180	560	163	40	*	
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	208	195	*	36	21	736	182	46	*	135	132	6	16	*	187	82	730	63	202	9	
Colombia	*	14	0	*	46	13	0	0	0	6	9	0	0	105	21	12	80	552	1983	13	
Pakistan	96	48	6	13	106	304	32	13	45	19	64	16	38	7	17	55	615	782	148	31	
Zimbabwe	*	0	0	*	0	11	0	*	88	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	2100	15	84	7
Algeria	50	187	15	18	616	442	10	11	39	54	104	0	14	91	107	250	240	28	8	0	
Mexico	0	*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	*	*	0	0	621	1583	0	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	69	0	43	112	266	0	0	*	56	235	0	0	*	756	501	0	14	0	0	
Georgia	332	84	40	6	419	443	*	43	23	49	84	13	17	17	147	239	0	10	41	0	
Romania	25	310	19	7	33	38	0	*	521	28	89	7	0	26	77	400	315	40	60	8	
Sri Lanka	28	21	9	9	488	92	0	0	*	50	18	19	10	0	9	97	620	294	23	66	
Armenia	426	71	59	9	279	233	*	*	*	109	40	48	17	23	103	98	0	*	254	0	
Ukraine	117	34	282	9	156	179	*	8	100	34	127	14	24	20	274	77	95	53	57	9	
Angola	5	99	0	0	353	110	0	*	24	241	*	0	0	*	25	162	330	32	10	0	
Bulgaria	19	129	21	13	10	467	*	0	22	9	123	19	0	0	196	276	0	50	0	*	
Albania	41	136	*	9	94	88	6	*	51	31	73	0	0	*	75	34	330	135	249	0	
Rep. of Moldova	309	30	131	*	259	53	0	*	153	*	24	*	170	*	95	63	0	23	0	0	
Cameroon	13	121	*	*	167	284	*	*	47	51	29	*	0	7	8	104	0	18	451	0	
Bangladesh	222	10	35	*	185	29	19	92	*	18	16	0	182	*	33	70	160	101	29	45	
Sierra Leone	27	39	0	*	100	95	31	8	21	284	*	0	*	63	11	116	210	6	157	0	
Azerbaijan	42	29	19	13	98	465	0	*	*	72	33	*	8	*	248	32	0	23	74	0	
Slovakia	18	183	345	19	12	196	0	7	8	65	68	*	0	0	165	27	0	6	0	0	
FYR of Macedonia	188	59	5	21	48	111	0	9	8	20	105	*	6	*	134	299	65	9	0	9	
Viet Nam	27	*	182	9	15	577	0	50	*	11	14	13	127	0	12	15	0	10	0	27	
Congo	9	22	*	0	591	18	0	*	*	94	7	0	*	*	*	13	135	18	149	*	
Ethiopia	8	13	*	*	9	168	21	*	*	34	109	0	0	9	25	95	220	45	294	6	
Mauritania	*	63	0	0	657	9	0	0	0	9	*	0	0	*	*	31	0	26	254	0	
Haiti	0	*	0	0	347	*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	623	0	
Guinea	16	119	*	*	177	83	0	0	*	88	5	*	0	8	8	187	0	52	239	*	
Belarus	33	71	46	7	62	177	*	*	20	39	121	37	*	*	244	64	0	15	39	0	
Czech Rep.	*	124	20	9	*	8	0	0	102	28	23	0	0	0	21	19	620	6	0	0	

Table 10. Asylum applications submitted by country of asylum and origin, 2002: January to September

Figures between 1 and 4 have been replaced with an asterisk.

Origin	AUS	BEL	BUL	CZE	DEN	FIN	FRA	GFR	GRE	HUN	IRE	LIE	LUX	NET	NOR
Iraq	3013	318	824	166	834	81	126	8203	1676	1,518	80	0	27	771	1076
Yugoslavia, FR	3,950	1,145	0	30	764	178	1,144	5,136	*	65	88	17	287	394	1807
Turkey	2,702	780	39	31	90	161	4,302	7,381	168	113	7	0	6	536	193
Afghanistan	3,469	237	726	25	693	15	150	2,367	1,083	1,696	5	0	0	915	476
China	611	125	0	320	35	*	2263	1135	47	56	57	0	0	472	62
Russian Federation	1582	871	13	390	145	210	1210	3026	20	26	158	0	41	339	1378
India	2133	185	*	278	81	8	326	1535	73	28	41	0	*	146	23
Colombia	8	81	0	*	5	0	135	75	0	0	*	0	0	13	11
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	38	1284	19	5	8	38	3809	779	62	*	181	0	18	450	8
Nigeria	1,104	74	123	22	45	12	604	693	125	105	2892	0	5	436	84
Somalia	177	89	30	*	276	34	75	160	67	178	41	0	*	438	1074
Mexico	0	*	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	0	0	0	0	*	*
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	574	506	118	6	128	29	86	1976	297	122	10	0	5	526	329
Pakistan	247	126	11	16	52	*	337	837	162	33	101	0	0	65	190
Algeria	142	789	6	47	81	25	2203	1426	11	27	85	0	23	162	384
Sri Lanka	48	83	0	14	29	*	1493	348	*	*	8	0	*	260	77
Armenia	1,852	250	313	441	29	*	661	716	7	19	5	0	5	369	132
Georgia	1611	227	13	519	33	12	1098	1122	6	55	66	0	*	154	213
Bosnia and Herzegovina	164	174	0	*	156	188	338	781	*	*	*	*	48	158	626
Angola	19	305	0	*	10	32	1194	460	0	*	88	0	*	1726	16

Origin	POL	POR	ROM	SVK	SVN	SPA	SWE	SWI	GBR	CAN	USA	AUL	NZL	JPN
Iraq	86	*	318	931	64	40	3967	842	10570	192	419	113	25	*
Yugoslavia, FR	0	0	*	31	68	17	4165	2770	1900	62	286	19	*	0
Turkey	*	0	31	23	64	53	492	1502	2080	813	44	59	*	42
Afghanistan	422	6	34	1391	*	15	359	200	6025	58	37	49	*	6
China	34	0	67	916	0	7	43	278	2840	1265	8355	782	15	13
Russian Federation	1638	10	*	439	18	119	1098	400	210	185	752	26	*	0
India	24	0	90	884	*	*	40	109	1445	842	1404	409	62	8
Colombia	0	*	0	0	*	954	59	40	330	2036	6272	28	10	*
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	5	*	0	*	0	155	77	545	1600	418	126	*	*	*
Nigeria	6	*	11	53	*	845	107	835	800	459	21	16	10	7
Somalia	*	0	28	181	0	40	734	266	4845	261	312	*	13	0
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	*	*	0	0	1478	7174	0	0	0
Iran (Islamic Rep. of)	10	*	43	67	42	11	553	202	1855	184	697	40	81	15
Pakistan	17	0	29	102	8	14	45	202	1875	2686	426	74	19	14
Algeria	*	0	*	18	27	198	269	801	805	92	8	*	6	0
Sri Lanka	33	8	*	39	0	11	19	357	2750	1147	95	198	49	9
Armenia	182	*	*	26	*	59	251	359	0	10	895	*	0	0
Georgia	33	*	6	25	0	55	318	469	0	25	148	*	0	0
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	0	*	0	13	7	2398	1117	0	18	0	0	0	0
Angola	0	33	*	*	0	91	44	672	1090	131	20	*	0	0