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I. ASYLUM FIGURES IN 2013

(Source: Immigration department and Office of the Commissioner general for Refugees and Stateless Persons)

August

Asylum applications	Number of files	% of asylum applications
Number of asylum applications	1.294	
First asylum applications	848	65,5%
Multiple asylum applications	446	34,5%
Unaccompanied foreign minors	65	5,0%
Decisions	Number of decisions	% of decisions
CGRS decisions	1.149	
Recognition of refugee status	261	22,7%
Subsidiary Protection (SP)	180	15,7%
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	642	55,9%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	4	0,3%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (safe countries of origin)	36	3,1%
Exclusion of refugee status and SP	2	0,2%
Renunciation, art. 55 (regularization), abolition of status	24	2,1%
Caseload at the CGRS	8.145	

2013

Asylum applications	Number of files	% of asylum applications
Number of asylum applications	10.850	
First asylum applications	6.911	63,7%
Multiple asylum applications	3.939	36,3%
Unaccompanied foreign minors	316	2,9%
Decisions	Number of decisions	% of decisions
CGRS decisions	11.822	
Recognition of refugee status	1.999	16,9%
Subsidiary Protection (SP)	1.436	12,1%
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	7.581	64,1%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	37	0,3%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (safe countries of origin)	462	3,9%
Exclusion of refugee status and SP	35	0,3%
Renunciation, art. 55 (regularization), abolition of status	272	2,3%
Caseload at the CGRS	8.145	

II. ASYLUM APPLICATIONS IN BELGIUM

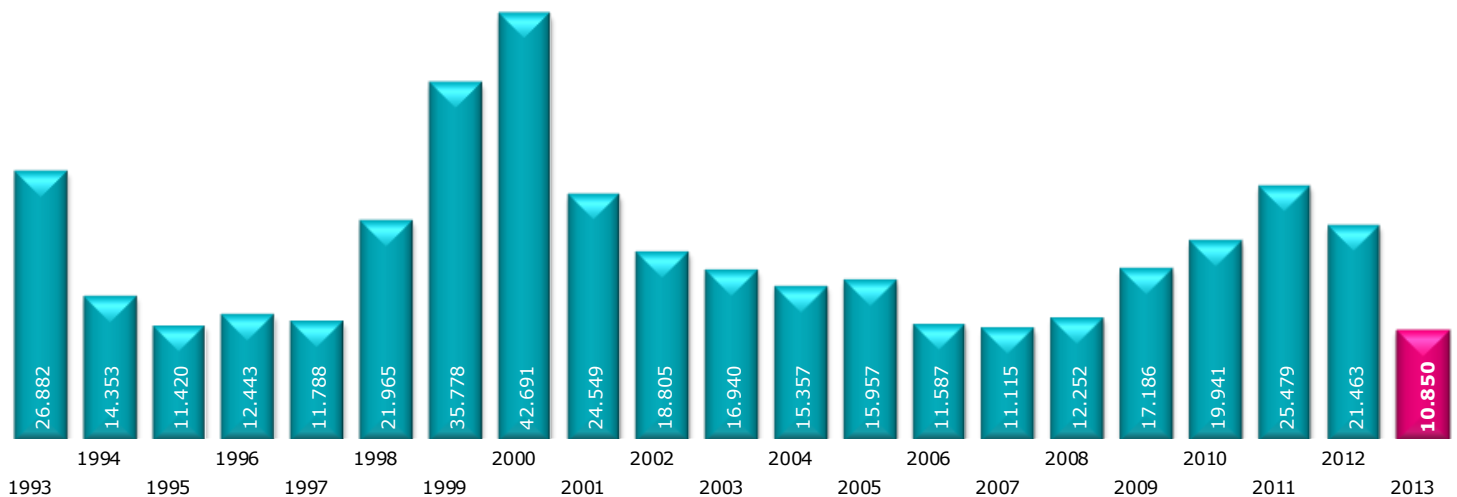
(source: Immigration Department)

1. Number of asylum applications (first applications + multiple applications)

a. Applications per month (2012-2013)

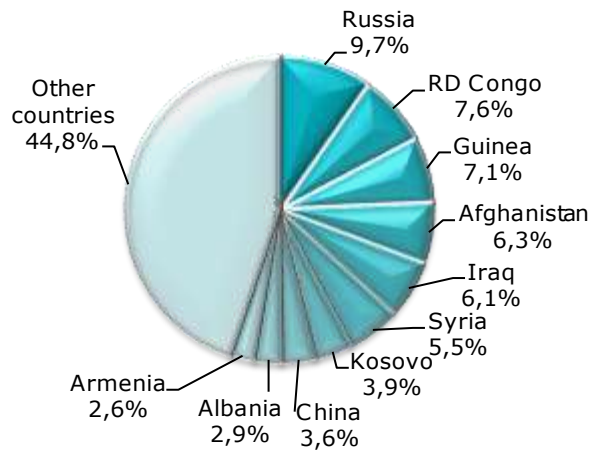
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	2.161	1.644	-23,9%	3,5%
February	1.884	1.392	-26,1%	-15,3%
March	1.770	1.447	-18,2%	4,0%
April	1.656	1.346	-18,7%	-7,0%
May	1.785	1.202	-32,7%	-10,7%
June	1.726	1.214	-29,7%	1,0%
July	1.868	1.311	-29,8%	8,0%
August	1.627	1.294	-20,5%	-1,3%
September	1.702			
October	2.026			
November	1.669			
December	1.589			
Total	21.463	10.850		

b. Applications per year (1993-2013)



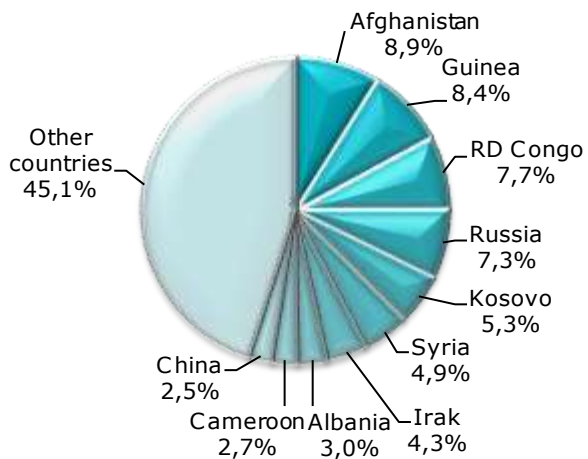
c. Top 10 of countries of origin in August 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Russia	125
2 RD Congo	98
3 Guinea	92
4 Afghanistan	82
5 Iraq	79
6 Syria	71
7 Kosovo	51
8 China	46
9 Albania	37
10 Armenia	33
Other countries	580
Total August 2013	1.294



Top 10 of countries of origin in 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Afghanistan	964
2 Guinea	907
3 RD Congo	838
4 Russia	795
5 Kosovo	571
6 Syria	528
7 Irak	468
8 Albania	325
9 Cameroon	288
10 China	270
Other countries	4.896
Total 2013	10.850



d. Applications in 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 according to nationality
 (in color and bold: top 10 in 2013)

Country of origin	2010	2011	2012	2013
Afghanistan	1.411	2.758	2.635	964
Albania	204	809	667	325
Algeria	287	300	229	104
Angola	153	158	171	71
Argentina	8	1	6	0
Armenia	986	691	445	225
Australia	0	0	0	2
Azerbaijan	72	118	94	55
Bahrein	0	0	0	1
Bangladesh	177	520	496	135
Belorussia	53	84	60	41
Benin	56	57	83	41
Bhutan	19	14	7	6
Bolivia	0	1	0	0
Bosnia-Herzegovina	106	286	139	71
Brasil	3	1	0	1
Bulgaria	79	73	39	18
Burkina-Faso	69	96	107	72
Burundi	132	176	129	107
Cameroon	357	561	543	288
Canada	0	0	5	2
Central African Rep.	4	4	7	11
Chad	21	14	25	21
Chili	0	4	2	0
China	235	378	395	270
Colombia	13	4	11	8
Comores	0	0	2	0
Congo RD	786	1.007	1.334	838
Congo RP	22	23	23	16
Costa Rica	0	0	2	0
Croatia	15	8	12	9
Cuba	2	5	6	8
Cyprus	0	0	1	0
Czech Rep.	21	22	5	3
Djibouti	31	61	76	74
Dominican Rep.	1	4	1	6
Ecuador	0	1	0	0
Egypt	29	112	84	72
El Salvador	0	17	13	9
Equatorial Guinea	3	1	7	2
Eritrea	110	75	67	41
Estonia	1	0	0	0
Ethiopia	72	47	49	16
Fidji	0	1	0	0
France	0	6	4	0
Gabon	10	4	5	0
Gambia	57	66	81	49
Georgia	323	324	410	197
Ghana	65	104	86	51
Greece	1	0	0	0
Guatemala	1	1	8	2
Guinea	1.398	2.134	1.808	907
Guinea-Bissau	5	11	24	9
Guyana	0	0	1	0
Haïti	9	6	1	2
Honduras	0	0	1	0
Hungary	36	7	17	3
India	151	176	109	55
Indonesia	0	0	0	0
Iran	386	425	410	218
Iraq	1.769	1.948	803	468
Israel	7	9	7	1
Italy	1	2	2	1
Ivory Coast	173	367	241	111
Jamaica	1	0	1	0
Japan	0	0	1	0
Jordania	10	28	25	13
Kampuchea	0	0	1	0
Kazakhstan	75	124	134	49
Kenia	65	57	36	23
Kirghizistan	117	92	53	42
Kosovo	1.848	1.458	983	571
Kuwait	1	0	1	0
Latvia	2	0	1	0
Libanon	70	86	99	51
Liberia	27	42	27	17

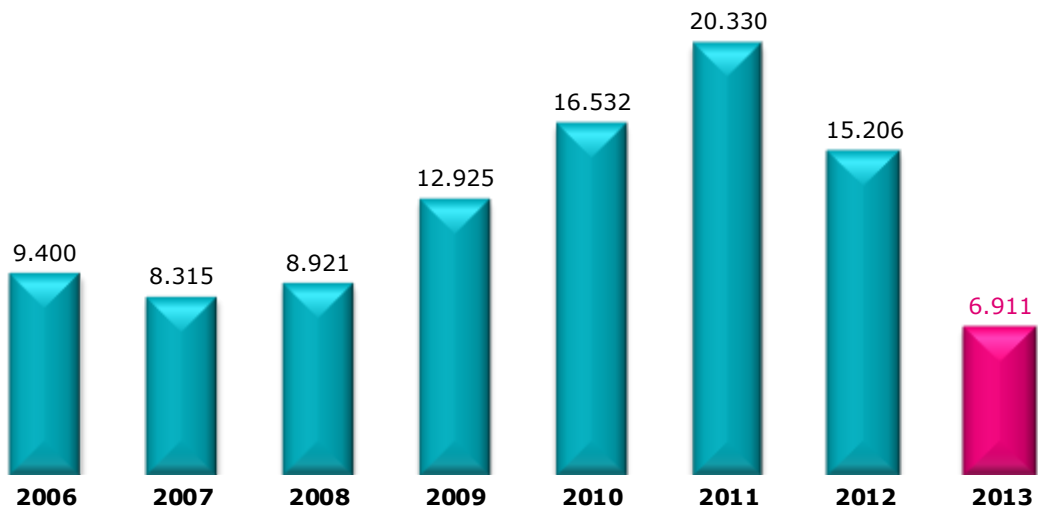
Country of origin	2010	2011	2012	2013
Libya	19	56	16	13
Lithuania	1	3	7	2
Luxemburg	0	0	1	0
Macedonia	1.082	819	476	178
Madagascar	2	6	3	2
Malawi	0	1	1	0
Malaysia	0	0	2	0
Mali	25	33	122	118
Malta	2	0	0	0
Mauretania	206	192	230	153
Mauritius	3	8	6	3
Mexico	1	1	1	5
Moldova	14	7	16	8
Mongolia	61	69	43	19
Montenegro	14	30	53	8
Morocco	46	95	113	84
Mozambique	0	1	1	0
Myanmar	14	10	23	7
Namibia	0	0	1	0
Nepal	203	403	222	35
Netherlands	1	0	7	3
Nicaragua	0	2	0	0
Niger	78	107	91	61
Nigeria	138	163	167	106
North Corea	16	73	83	28
Pakistan	340	933	760	261
Palestina	37	56	26	17
Paraguay	0	0	1	1
Peru	0	0	0	1
Philippines	0	1	0	1
Poland	0	0	1	0
Portugal	0	0	1	0
Romania	56	69	44	32
Russia	1.526	1.618	1.470	795
Rwanda	337	460	391	216
Saoudi Arabia	1	1	1	0
Senegal	252	397	534	227
Serbia	1.233	1.109	571	235
Sierra Leone	65	77	78	30
Slovakia	53	36	15	11
Slovenia	0	0	0	1
Somalia	294	483	360	140
South Africa	0	1	1	4
South Corea	0	2	1	0
South Sudan	0	0	1	2
Spain	1	2	1	0
Sri Lanka	140	178	118	69
Sudan	92	75	83	40
Surinam	5	13	12	3
Syria	388	555	793	528
Tadzhikistan	7	7	9	1
Tanzania	89	150	73	42
Thailand	1	0	0	0
Togo	246	238	247	148
Tunisia	20	106	69	35
Turkey	277	414	368	169
Turkmenistan	3	3	0	1
Uganda	15	23	20	16
Ukraine	62	57	74	36
United Arabic Emirates	0	0	2	0
USA	3	6	6	2
Uruguay	0	0	1	0
Uzbekistan	20	27	12	12
Venezuela	2	5	0	2
Vietnam	18	4	4	5
Western Sahara	0	0	1	0
Yemen	11	13	8	6
Zambie	0	1	0	0
Zimbabwe	3	4	0	1
Others	10	18	22	17
Indefinite	254	285	231	129
Stateless Persons	7	4	11	8
Refugees	1	0	0	0
Total	19.941	25.479	21.463	10.850

2. First asylum applications

a. First applications per month (2012-2013)

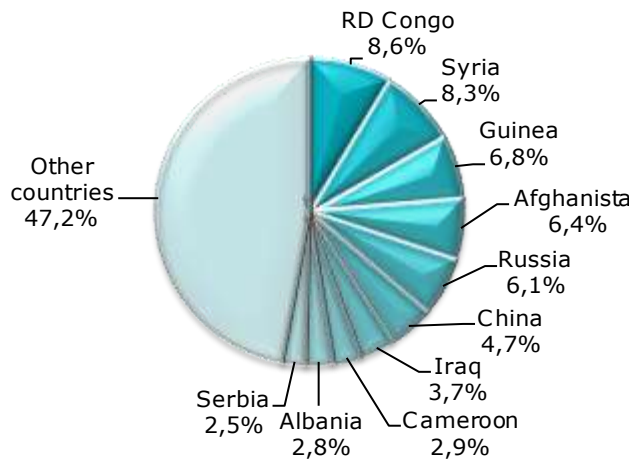
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	1.617	1.014	-37,3%	-9,5%
February	1.287	867	-32,6%	-14,5%
March	1.311	938	-28,5%	8,2%
April	1.182	832	-29,6%	-11,3%
May	1.259	782	-37,9%	-6,0%
June	1.160	767	-33,9%	-1,9%
July	1.279	863	-32,5%	12,5%
August	1.123	848	-24,5%	-1,7%
September	1.275			
October	1.433			
November	1.159			
December	1.121			
Total	15.206	6.911		

b. First applications per year (2006-2013)



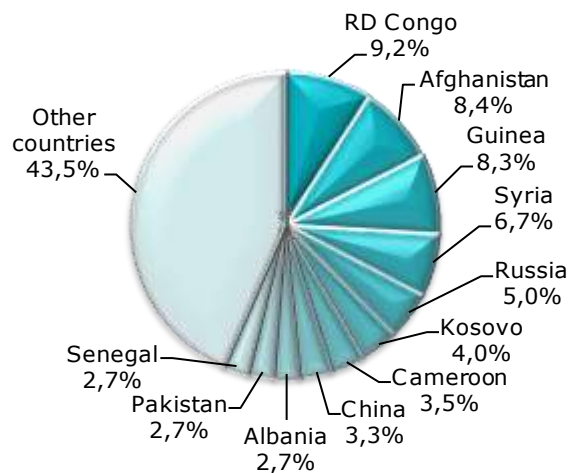
c. Top 10 of countries of origin for first applications in August 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 RD Congo	73
2 Syria	70
3 Guinea	58
4 Afghanistan	54
5 Russia	52
6 China	40
7 Iraq	31
8 Cameroon	25
9 Albania	24
10 Serbia	21
Other countries	400
Total August 2013	848



Top 10 of countries of origin for first applications in 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 RD Congo	633
2 Afghanistan	583
3 Guinea	577
4 Syria	460
5 Russia	348
6 Kosovo	273
7 Cameroon	242
8 China	230
9 Albania	189
10 Pakistan	184
Senegal	184
Other countries	3.008
Total 2013	6.911

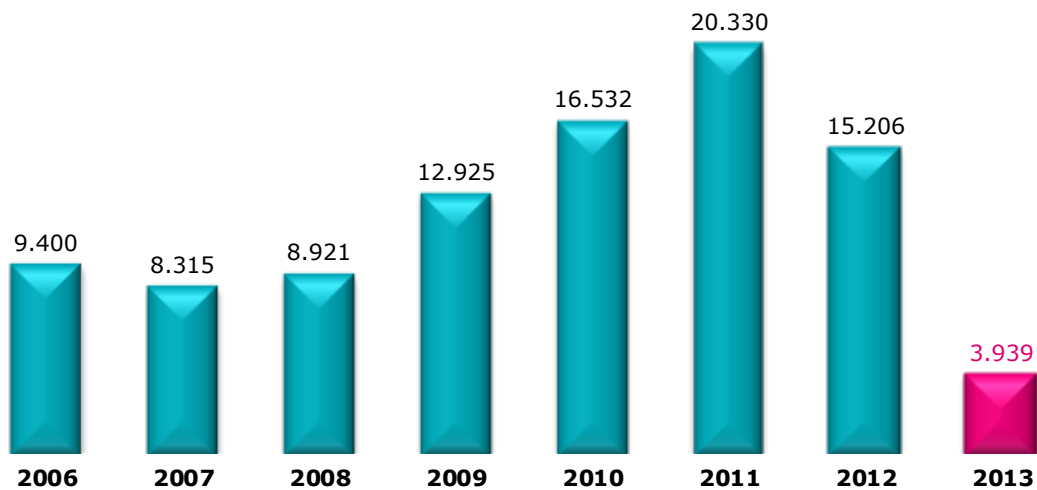


3. Multiple asylum applications

a. Multiple applications per month (2012-2013)

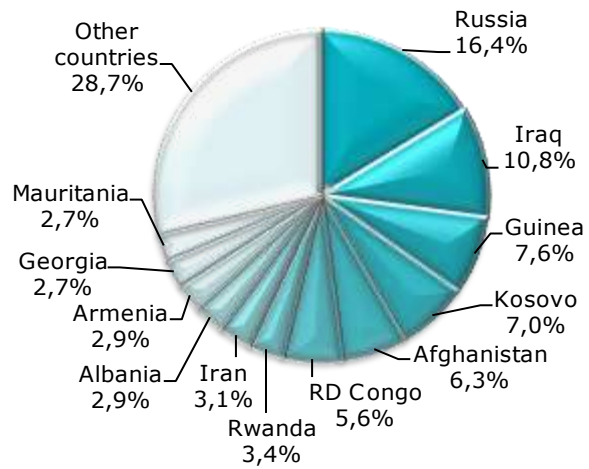
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2012 vs 2011	+/- in % vs last month
January	544	630	15,8%	34,6%
February	597	525	-12,1%	-16,7%
March	459	509	10,9%	-3,0%
April	474	514	8,4%	1,0%
May	526	420	-20,2%	-18,3%
June	566	447	-21,0%	6,4%
July	589	448	-23,9%	0,2%
August	504	446	-11,5%	-0,4%
September	427			
October	593			
November	510			
December	468			
Total	6.257	3.939		

b. Multiple applications per year (2006-2013)



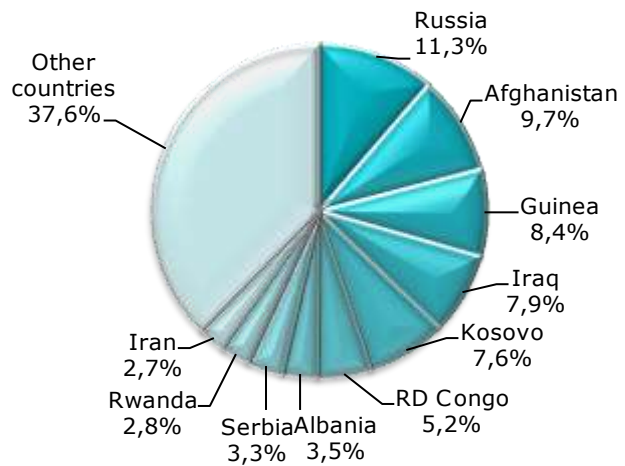
c. Top 10 of countries of origin for multiples applications in August 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Russia	73
2 Iraq	48
3 Guinea	34
4 Kosovo	31
5 Afghanistan	28
6 RD Congo	25
7 Rwanda	15
8 Iran	14
9 Albania	13
Armenia	13
10 Georgia	12
Mauritania	12
Other countries	128
Total August 2013	446



Top 10 of countries of origin for multiples applications in 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Russia	447
2 Afghanistan	381
3 Guinea	330
4 Iraq	312
5 Kosovo	298
6 RD Congo	205
7 Albania	136
8 Serbia	131
9 Rwanda	111
10 Iran	106
Other countries	1.482
Total 2013	3.939



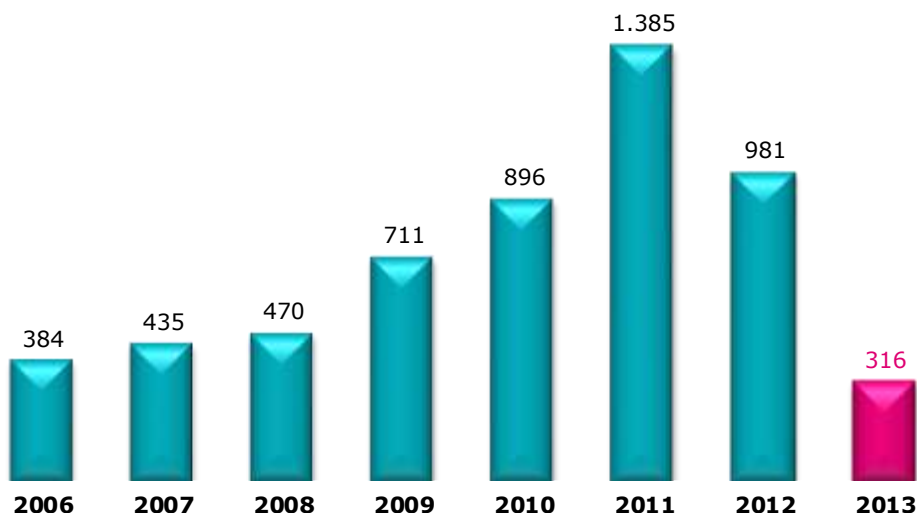
4. Unaccompanied foreign minors

The figures in the following chart are regularly adapted. The original figures relate to the asylum applications of young people who have declared being non-accompanied minors at the start of their asylum procedure. The Immigration Department modifies these figures during the year, after the results of the bone scan, which determines whether the minor is indeed younger than 18, are known.

a. Applications from unaccompanied foreign minors per month (2012-2013)

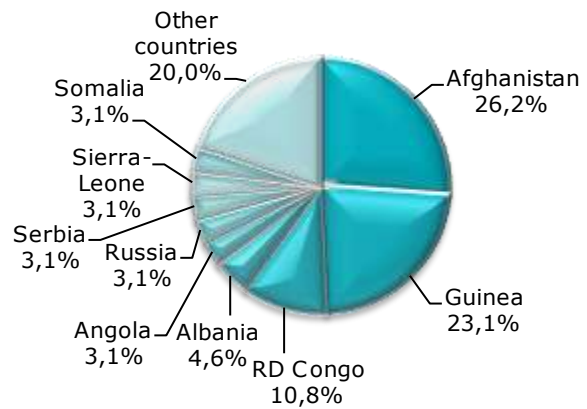
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	121	58	-52,1%	23,4%
February	88	38	-56,8%	-34,5%
March	93	44	-52,7%	15,8%
April	57	28	-50,9%	-36,4%
May	93	30	-67,7%	7,1%
June	78	14	-82,1%	-53,3%
July	81	39	-51,9%	178,6%
August	77	65	-15,6%	66,7%
September	98			
October	83			
November	65			
December	47			
Total	981	316		

b. Applications from unaccompanied foreign minors per year (2006-2013)



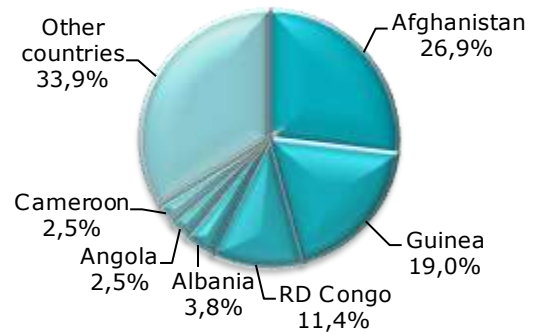
c. Top 5 of countries of origin of unaccompanied foreign minors in August 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Afghanistan	17
2 Guinea	15
3 RD Congo	7
4 Albania	3
5 Angola	2
Russia	2
Serbia	2
Sierra-Leone	2
Somalia	2
Other countries	13
Total August 2013	65



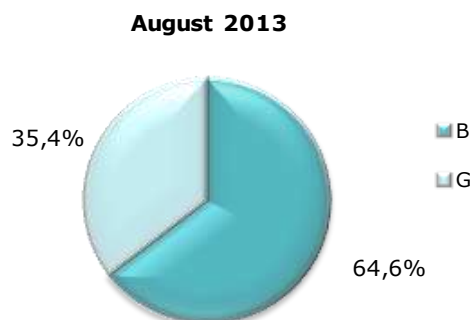
Top 5 of countries of origin of unaccompanied foreign minors in 2013

Country of origin	Number
1 Afghanistan	85
2 Guinea	60
3 RD Congo	36
4 Albania	12
5 Angola	8
Cameroon	8
Other countries	107
Total 2013	316



d. Male/female ratio of unaccompanied foreign minors

	Boys	Girls
2007	68,4%	31,6%
2008	71,4%	28,6%
2009	78,0%	22,0%
2010	72,9%	27,1%
2011	77,9%	22,1%
2012	74,7%	25,3%
2013	67,7%	32,3%



III. ASYLUM DECISIONS IN 2013

(Source: CGRS)

1. Decisions by the Immigration Department

	Jan-July	August	Total
Transfer of files to CGRS	6.615	671	7.286
25/26 quater (Dublin)	744	85	829
13 quater	2.203	160	2.363
Renunciation, ...	767	5	772
Total	10.329	921	11.250

The Immigration Department has a power of decision with regard to the application of the Dublin Regulation (annexes 25/26 quater), multiple asylum applications without new elements (annex 13 quater), renunciations... If the Immigration Department does not make a decision, the case will be transferred to the CGRS for examination.

2. Decisions by the CGRS

a. Number of decisions

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Total
Recognition of refugee status	205	242	280	224	238	229	320	261	1.999
Granting of subsidiary protection (SP)	177	183	206	153	209	185	143	180	1.436
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	885	1.090	1.037	892	888	925	834	590	7.141
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	2	4	3	7	2	9	6	4	37
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (safe countries of origin)	67	66	52	79	41	67	54	36	462
Technical refusal	43	61	65	45	53	46	75	52	440
Exclusion from refugee status and SP	2	3	1	1		6	6	2	21
Exclusion from refugee status and to grant SP			2		3	1	4		10
Refusal to grant refugee status and exclusion of SP		2	1	1					4
Withdrawal of refugee status or SP	3		2	3	2	2			12
Renunciation + departure IOM	3	8	2	5	9	2	6	2	37
Application which does not proceed to judgment (regularization under art. 55)	15	12	31	34	30	20	27	11	180
Application which does not proceed to judgment (Belgian nationality, death)	2	4	2	6	7	4	7	11	43
Total	1.404	1.675	1.684	1.450	1.482	1.496	1.482	1.149	11.822

b. Top 10 decisions of recognition of refugee status in 2013

Country of origin	Number of recognitions	Number of decisions	%
1 Afghanistan	333	1.511	22,0%
2 Guinea	238	1.216	19,6%
3 RD Congo	167	1.316	12,7%
4 China	155	170	91,2%
5 Iran	112	258	43,4%
6 Russia	109	495	22,0%
7 Iraq	93	322	28,9%
8 Syria	81	948	8,5%
9 Indefinite	62	142	43,7%
10 Senegal	57	407	14,0%
Other countries	592	5.037	11,8%
Total 2013	1.999	11.822	16,9%

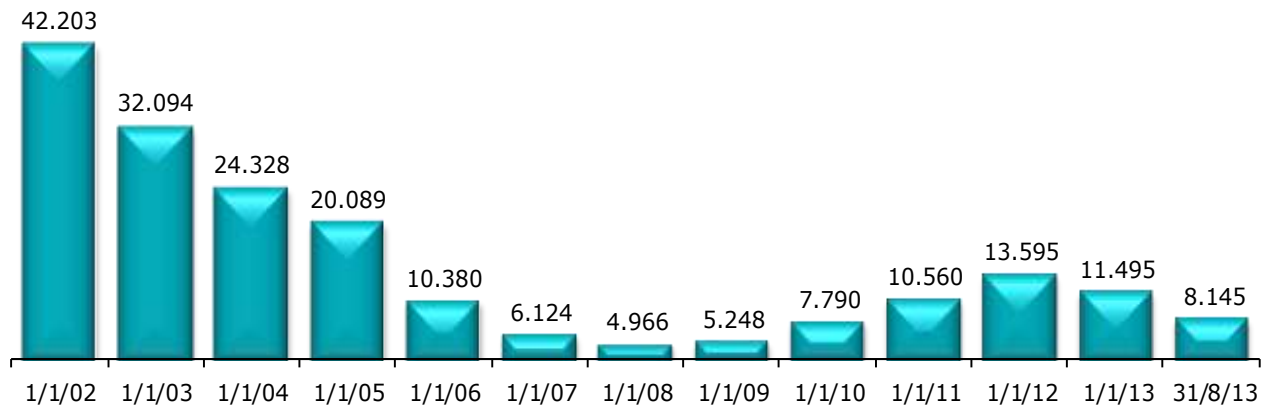
c. Top 5 decisions of granting of subsidiary protection in 2013

Country of origin	Number of granting	Number of decisions	%
1 Syria	814	948	85,9%
2 Afghanistan	516	1.511	34,1%
3 Indefinite	38	142	26,8%
4 Somalia	19	132	14,4%
5 Iraq	15	322	4,7%
Other countries	34	8.767	0,4%
Total 2013	1.436	11.822	12,1%

IV. EVOLUTION OF THE CASELOAD AT THE CGRS

At the end of August 2013, the CGRS had a total caseload of **8,145** dossiers, of which **3,900** dossiers may be considered a normal workload. The backlog as such amounted therefore to **4,245** dossiers.

Caseload per year



Caseload for the last 12 months

