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## I. ASYLUM FIGURES IN 2013

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

### September

Asylum applications	Number of files	% of asylum applications
Number of asylum applications	1.485	
First asylum applications	990	66,7%
Multiple asylum applications	495	33,3%
Unaccompanied foreign minors	81	5,5%
Decisions	Number of decisions	% of decisions
CGRS decisions	1.385	
<b>Recognition of refugee status</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>15,5%</b>
<b>Subsidiary Protection (SP)</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>11,0%</b>
Taking an asylum application into consideration (multiple asylum application)	104	7,5%
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	595	43,0%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	8	0,6%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (safe countries of origin)	68	4,9%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (multiple asylum application)	204	14,7%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (refugee in other EU country)	2	0,1%
Exclusion of refugee status and SP	6	0,4%
Renunciation, art. 55 (regularization), abolition of status	31	2,2%
<b>Caseload at the CGRS</b>	<b>7.926</b>	

### 2013

Asylum applications	Number of files	% of asylum applications
Number of asylum applications	12.335	
First asylum applications	7.856	63,7%
Multiple asylum applications	4.479	36,3%
Unaccompanied foreign minors	387	3,1%
Decisions	Number of decisions	% of decisions
CGRS decisions	13.209	
<b>Recognition of refugee status</b>	<b>2.214</b>	<b>16,8%</b>
<b>Subsidiary Protection (SP)</b>	<b>1.588</b>	<b>12,0%</b>
Taking an asylum application into consideration (multiple asylum application)	104	0,8%
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	8.177	61,9%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	45	0,3%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (safe countries of origin)	530	4,0%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (multiple asylum application)	204	1,5%
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (refugee in other EU country)	2	0,0%
Exclusion of refugee status and SP	41	0,3%
Renunciation, art. 55 (regularization), abolition of status	304	2,3%
<b>Caseload at the CGRS</b>	<b>7.926</b>	

## II. ASYLUM APPLICATIONS IN BELGIUM

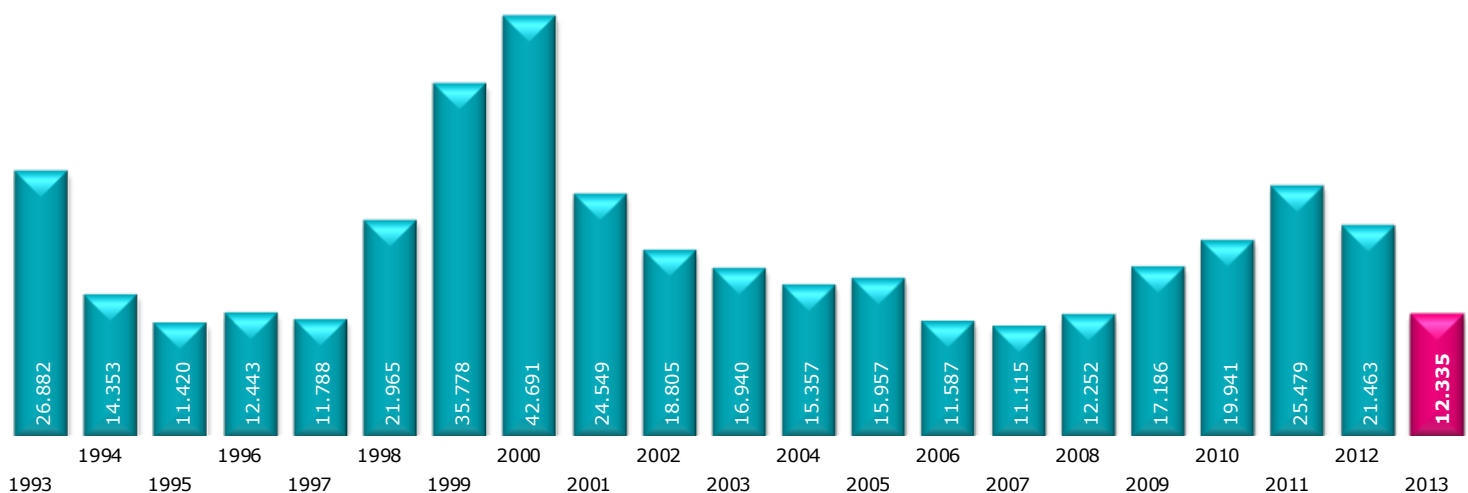
(source: Immigration Department)

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

#### a. Applications per month (2012-2013)

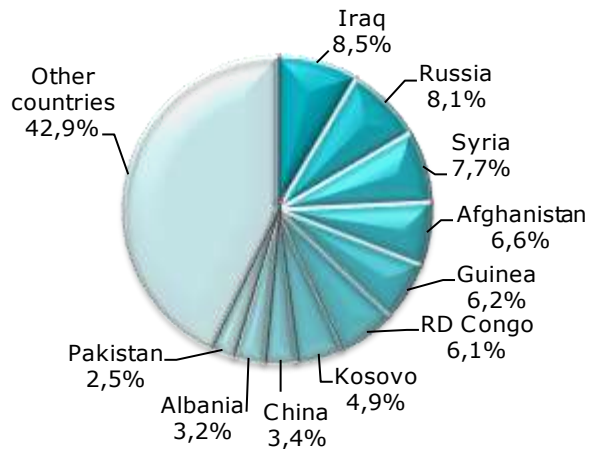
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	2.161	1.644	-23,9%	3,5%
February	1.884	1.392	-26,1%	-15,3%
March	1.770	1.447	-18,2%	4,0%
April	1.656	1.346	-18,7%	-7,0%
May	1.785	1.202	-32,7%	-10,7%
June	1.726	1.214	-29,7%	1,0%
July	1.868	1.311	-29,8%	8,0%
August	1.627	1.294	-20,5%	-1,3%
September	1.702	1.485	-12,7%	14,8%
October	2.026			
November	1.669			
December	1.589			
<b>Total</b>	<b>21.463</b>	<b>12.335</b>		

#### b. Applications per year (1993-2013)



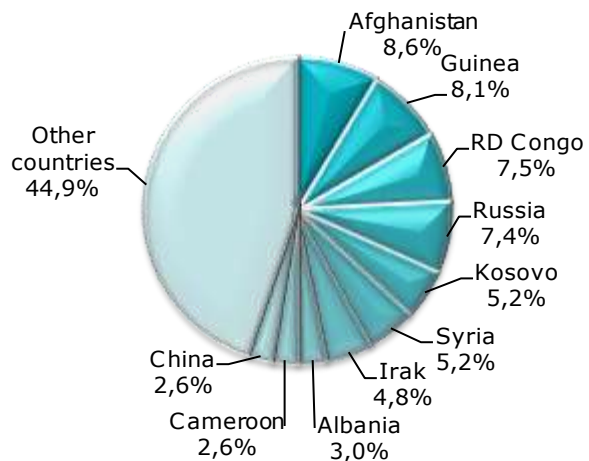
**c. Top 10 of countries of origin in September 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Iraq	126
2 Russia	120
3 Syria	114
4 Afghanistan	98
5 Guinea	92
6 RD Congo	90
7 Kosovo	73
8 China	51
9 Albania	47
10 Pakistan	37
Other countries	637
<b>Total September 2013</b>	<b>1.485</b>



**Top 10 of countries of origin in 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Afghanistan	1.062
2 Guinea	999
3 RD Congo	928
4 Russia	915
5 Kosovo	644
6 Syria	642
7 Irak	594
8 Albania	372
9 Cameroon	324
10 China	321
Other countries	5.534
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>12.335</b>



**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
<b>Afghanistan</b>	<b>1.411</b>	<b>2.758</b>	<b>2.635</b>	<b>1.062</b>
<b>Albania</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>809</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>372</b>
Algeria	287	300	229	112
Angola	153	158	171	82
Argentina	8	1	6	0
Armenia	986	691	445	244
Australia	0	0	0	2
Azerbaijan	72	118	94	64
Bahrein	0	0	0	1
Bangladesh	177	520	496	160
Belorussia	53	84	60	46
Benin	56	57	83	43
Bhutan	19	14	7	6
Bolivia	0	1	0	0
Bosnia-Herzegovina	106	286	139	79
Brasil	3	1	0	2
Bulgaria	79	73	39	20
Burkina-Faso	69	96	107	83
Burundi	132	176	129	114
<b>Cameroon</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>561</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>324</b>
Canada	0	0	5	2
Central African Rep.	4	4	7	13
Chad	21	14	25	21
Chili	0	4	2	0
<b>China</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>321</b>
Colombia	13	4	11	8
Comores	0	0	2	0
<b>Congo RD</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>1.007</b>	<b>1.334</b>	<b>928</b>
Congo RP	22	23	23	18
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	90
Dominican Rep.	1	4	1	6
Ecuador	0	1	0	0
Egypt	29	112	84	93
El Salvador	0	17	13	9
Equatorial Guinea	3	1	7	2
Eritrea	110	75	67	55
Estonia	1	0	0	0
Ethiopia	72	47	49	17
Fidji	0	1	0	0
France	0	6	4	1
Gabon	10	4	5	1
Gambia	57	66	81	53
Georgia	323	324	410	230
Ghana	65	104	86	51
Greece	1	0	0	0
Guatemala	1	1	8	2
<b>Guinea</b>	<b>1.398</b>	<b>2.134</b>	<b>1.808</b>	<b>999</b>
Guinea-Bissau	5	11	24	11
Guyana	0	0	1	0
Haïti	9	6	1	2
Honduras	0	0	1	0
Hungary	36	7	17	5
India	151	176	109	62
Indonesia	0	0	0	0
Iran	386	425	410	254
<b>Iraq</b>	<b>1.769</b>	<b>1.948</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>594</b>
Israel	7	9	7	2
Italy	1	2	2	1
Ivory Coast	173	367	241	125
Jamaica	1	0	1	0
Japan	0	0	1	0
Jordania	10	28	25	14
Kampuchea	0	0	1	0
Kazakhstan	75	124	134	55
Kenia	65	57	36	24
Kirghizistan	117	92	53	45
<b>Kosovo</b>	<b>1.848</b>	<b>1.458</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>644</b>
Kuwait	1	0	1	0
Laos	0	0	0	1
Latvia	2	0	1	0
Libanon	70	86	99	57

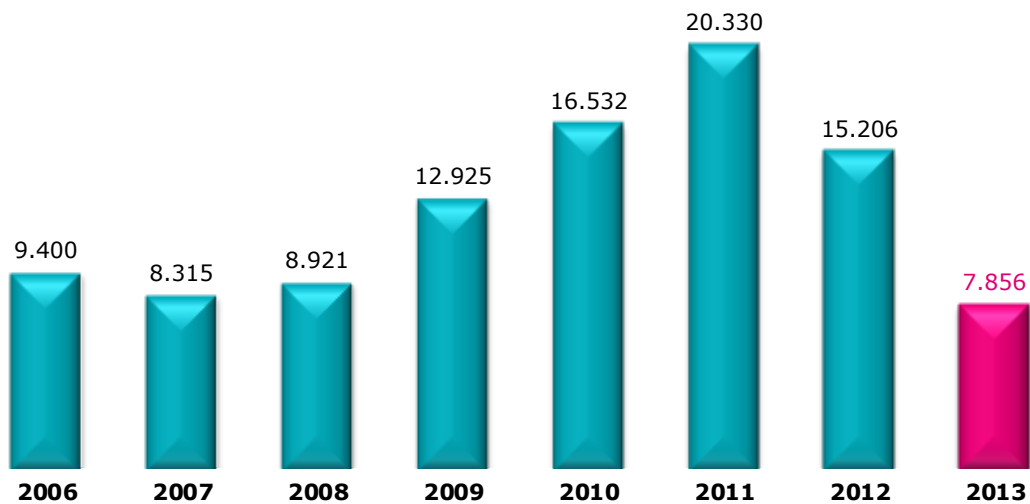
Country of origin	2010	2011	2012	2013
Liberia	27	42	27	19
Libya	19	56	16	13
Lithuania	1	3	7	2
Luxemburg	0	0	1	0
Macedonia	1.082	819	476	203
Madagascar	2	6	3	2
Malawi	0	1	1	0
Malaysia	0	0	2	0
Mali	25	33	122	122
Malta	2	0	0	0
Mauretania	206	192	230	165
Mauritius	3	8	6	4
Mexico	1	1	1	7
Moldova	14	7	16	10
Mongolia	61	69	43	23
Montenegro	14	30	53	8
Morocco	46	95	113	98
Mozambique	0	1	1	0
Myanmar	14	10	23	9
Namibia	0	0	1	0
Nepal	203	403	222	39
Netherlands	1	0	7	3
Nicaragua	0	2	0	0
Niger	78	107	91	68
Nigeria	138	163	167	125
North Corea	16	73	83	28
Pakistan	340	933	760	298
Palestina	37	56	26	19
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	43
<b>Russia</b>	<b>1.526</b>	<b>1.618</b>	<b>1.470</b>	<b>915</b>
Rwanda	337	460	391	231
Saoudi Arabia	1	1	1	0
Senegal	252	397	534	262
Serbia	1.233	1.109	571	264
Sierra Leone	65	77	78	34
Slovakia	53	36	15	12
Slovenia	0	0	0	1
Somalia	294	483	360	158
South Africa	0	1	1	4
South Corea	0	2	1	0
South Sudan	0	0	1	3
Spain	1	2	1	0
Sri Lanka	140	178	118	72
Sudan	92	75	83	45
Surinam	5	13	12	3
<b>Syria</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>642</b>
Tadzhikistan	7	7	9	2
Tanzania	89	150	73	43
Thailand	1	0	0	0
Togo	246	238	247	168
Tunisia	20	106	69	37
Turkey	277	414	368	196
Turkmenistan	3	3	0	1
Uganda	15	23	20	18
Ukraine	62	57	74	43
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	6
Western Sahara	0	0	1	0
Yemen	11	13	8	6
Zambia	0	1	0	0
Zimbabwe	3	4	0	1
Others	10	18	22	22
Indefinite	254	285	231	159
Stateless Persons	7	4	11	8
Refugees	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.941</b>	<b>25.479</b>	<b>21.463</b>	<b>12.335</b>

## 2. First asylum applications

### a. First applications per month (2012-2013)

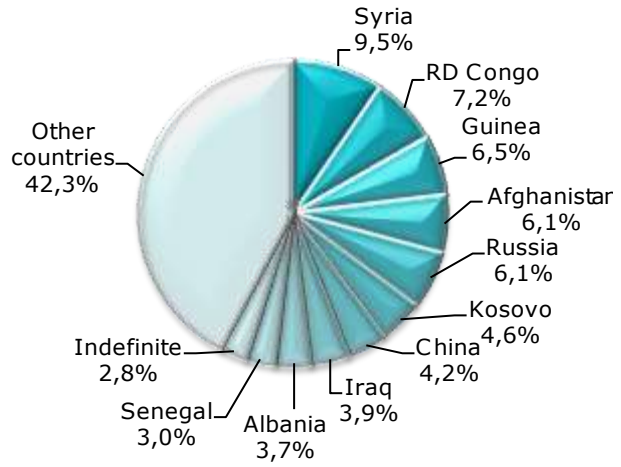
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	1.617	1.014	-37,3%	-9,5%
February	1.287	867	-32,6%	-14,5%
March	1.311	938	-28,5%	8,2%
April	1.182	832	-29,6%	-11,3%
May	1.259	782	-37,9%	-6,0%
June	1.160	767	-33,9%	-1,9%
July	1.279	842	-34,2%	9,8%
August	1.123	824	-26,6%	-2,1%
September	1.275	990	-22,4%	20,1%
October	1.433			
November	1.159			
December	1.121			
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.206</b>	<b>7.856</b>		

### b. First applications per year (2006-2013)



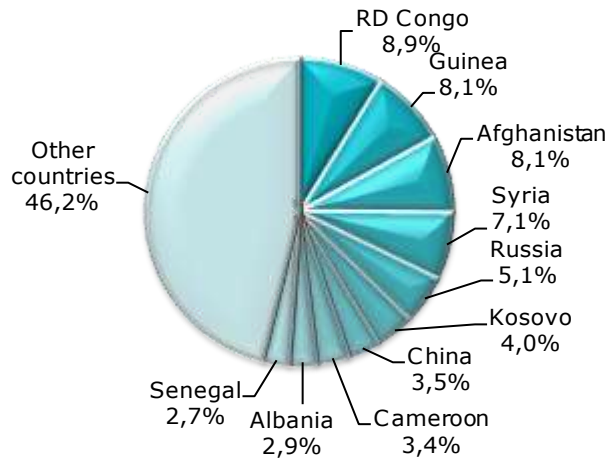
**c. Top 10 of countries of origin for first applications in September 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Syria	94
2 RD Congo	71
3 Guinea	64
4 Afghanistan	60
Russia	60
5 Kosovo	46
6 China	42
7 Iraq	39
8 Albania	37
9 Senegal	30
10 Indefinite	28
Other countries	419
<b>Total September 2013</b>	<b>990</b>



**Top 10 of countries of origin for first applications in 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 RD Congo	698
2 Guinea	640
3 Afghanistan	639
4 Syria	554
5 Russia	401
6 Kosovo	318
7 China	272
8 Cameroon	267
9 Albania	225
10 Senegal	214
Other countries	3.628
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>7.856</b>

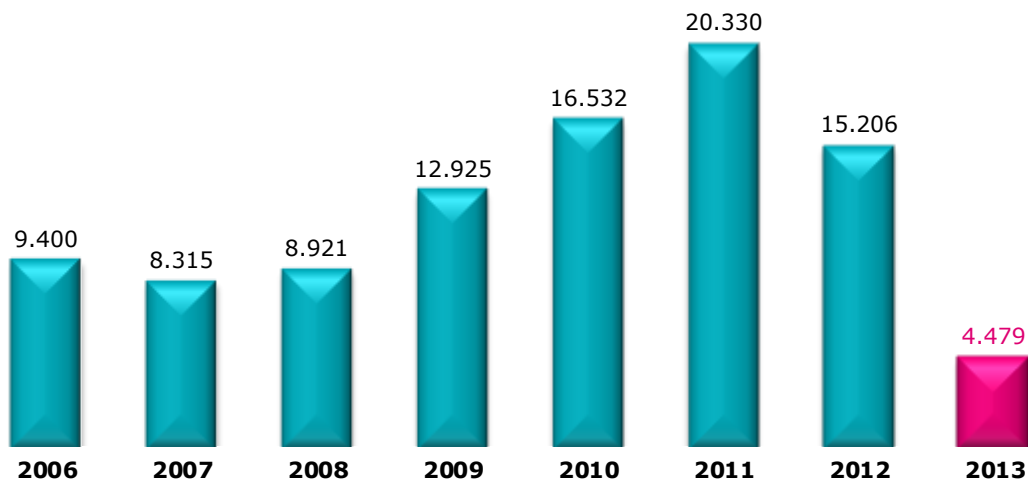


### 3. Multiple asylum applications

#### a. Multiple applications per month (2012-2013)

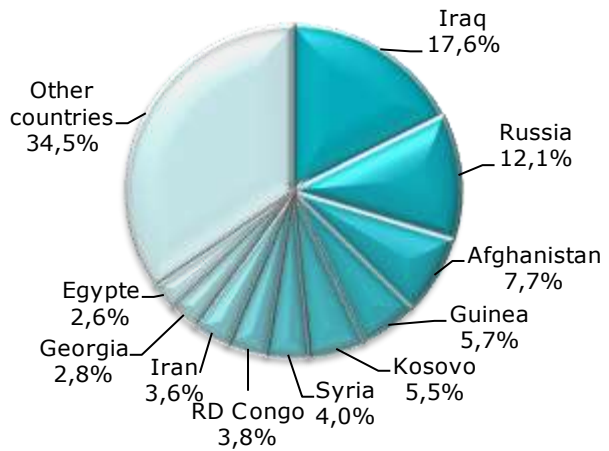
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2012 vs 2011	+/- in % vs last month
January	544	630	15,8%	34,6%
February	597	525	-12,1%	-16,7%
March	459	509	10,9%	-3,0%
April	474	514	8,4%	1,0%
May	526	420	-20,2%	-18,3%
June	566	447	-21,0%	6,4%
July	589	469	-20,4%	4,9%
August	504	470	-6,7%	0,2%
September	427	495	15,9%	5,3%
October	593			
November	510			
December	468			
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.257</b>	<b>4.479</b>		

#### b. Multiple applications per year (2006-2013)



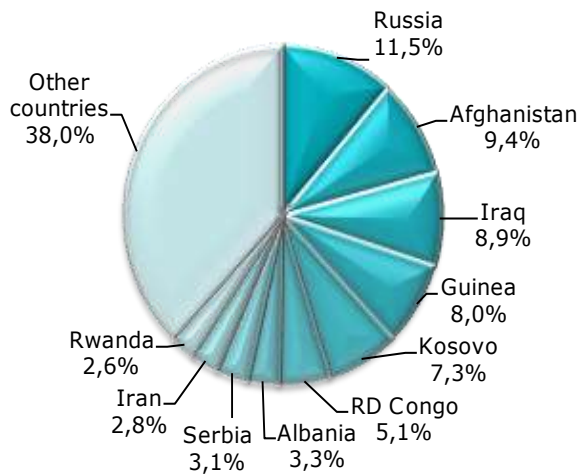
**c. Top 10 of countries of origin for multiples applications in September 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Iraq	87
2 Russia	60
3 Afghanistan	38
4 Guinea	28
5 Kosovo	27
6 Syria	20
7 RD Congo	19
8 Iran	18
9 Georgia	14
10 Egypte	13
Other countries	171
<b>Total September 2013</b>	<b>495</b>



**Top 10 of countries of origin for multiples applications in 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Russia	514
2 Afghanistan	423
3 Iraq	399
4 Guinea	359
5 Kosovo	326
6 RD Congo	230
7 Albania	147
8 Serbia	140
9 Iran	124
10 Rwanda	117
Other countries	1.700
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>4.479</b>



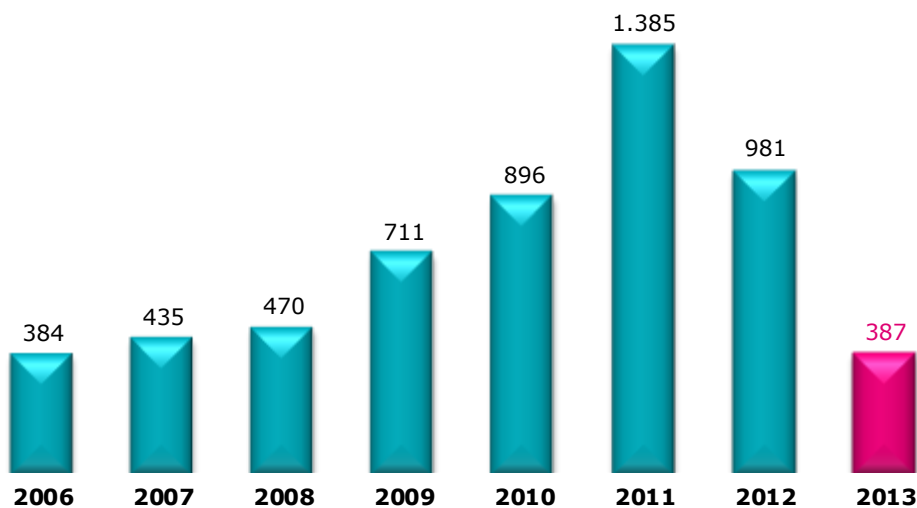
#### 4. Unaccompanied foreign minors

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)

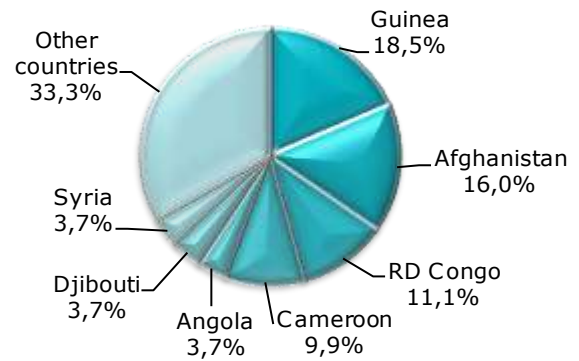
	2012	2013	+/- in % 2013 vs 2012	+/- in % vs last month
January	121	58	-52,1%	23,4%
February	88	38	-56,8%	-34,5%
March	93	44	-52,7%	15,8%
April	57	28	-50,9%	-36,4%
May	93	30	-67,7%	7,1%
June	78	14	-82,1%	-53,3%
July	81	39	-51,9%	178,6%
August	77	55	-28,6%	41,0%
September	98	81	-17,3%	47,3%
October	83			
November	65			
December	47			
<b>Total</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>387</b>		

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



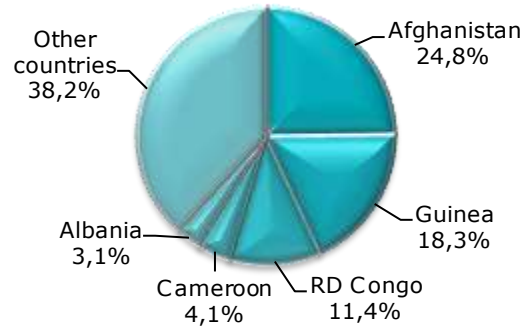
**c. Top 5 of countries of origin of unaccompanied foreign minors in September 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Guinea	15
2 Afghanistan	13
3 RD Congo	9
4 Cameroon	8
5 Angola	3
Djibouti	3
Syria	3
Other countries	27
<b>Total September 2013</b>	<b>81</b>



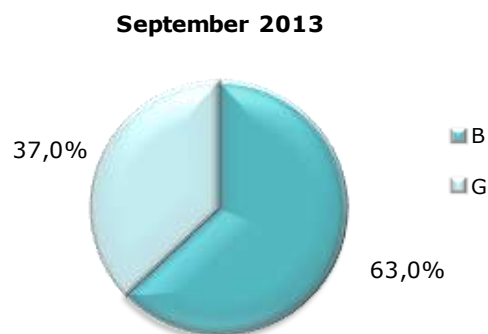
**Top 5 of countries of origin of unaccompanied foreign minors in 2013**

Country of origin	Number
1 Afghanistan	96
2 Guinea	71
3 RD Congo	44
4 Cameroon	16
5 Albania	12
Other countries	148
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>387</b>



**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%
<b>2013</b>	<b>66,4%</b>	<b>33,6%</b>



### III. ASYLUM DECISIONS IN 2013

(Source: CGRS)

#### 1. Decisions by the Immigration Department

	Jan-Aug	September	Total
Transfer of files to CGRS	7.316	971	8.287
25/26 quater (Dublin)	839	59	898
13 quater	2.374	0	2.374
Renunciation, ...	802	15	817
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.331</b>	<b>1.045</b>	<b>12.376</b>

The Immigration Department has a power of decision with regard to the application of the Dublin Regulation (annexes 25/26 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	Sept	Total
Recognition of refugee status	205	242	280	224	238	229	320	261	215	<b>2.214</b>
Granting of subsidiary protection (SP)	177	183	206	153	209	185	143	180	152	<b>1.588</b>
Taking an asylum application into consideration (Multiple asylum application)									104	<b>104</b>
Refusal to grant refugee status and SP	885	1.090	1.037	892	888	925	834	590	546	<b>7.687</b>
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (Multiple asylum application)									204	<b>204</b>
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (EU)	2	4	3	7	2	9	6	4	8	<b>45</b>
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (Safe countries of origin)	67	66	52	79	41	67	54	36	68	<b>530</b>
Refusal to take an asylum application into consideration (Refugee in other country)									2	<b>2</b>
Technical refusal	43	61	65	45	53	47	75	52	49	<b>490</b>
Exclusion from refugee status and SP	2	3	1	1		6	6	2	6	<b>27</b>
Exclusion from refugee status and to grant SP			2		3	1	4			<b>10</b>
Refusal to grant refugee status and exclusion of SP		2	1	1						<b>4</b>
Withdrawal of refugee status or SP	3		2	3	2	2			1	<b>13</b>
Renunciation + departure IOM	3	8	2	5	9	2	7	2	9	<b>47</b>
Application which does not proceed to judgment (regularization under art. 55)	15	12	31	34	30	20	27	11	18	<b>198</b>
Application which does not proceed to judgment (Belgian nationality, death)	2	4	2	6	7	4	7	11	3	<b>46</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.404</b>	<b>1.675</b>	<b>1.684</b>	<b>1.450</b>	<b>1.482</b>	<b>1.497</b>	<b>1.483</b>	<b>1.149</b>	<b>1.385</b>	<b>13.209</b>

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

Country of origin	Number of recognitions	Number of decisions	%
1 Afghanistan	375	1.707	22,0%
2 Guinea	273	1.346	20,3%
3 RD Congo	185	1.432	12,9%
4 China	167	189	88,4%
5 Iran	128	292	43,8%
6 Russia	112	565	19,8%
7 Iraq	97	379	25,6%
8 Syria	96	1.034	9,3%
9 Indefinite	68	162	42,0%
10 Senegal	60	441	13,6%
Other countries	653	5.662	11,5%
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>2.214</b>	<b>13.209</b>	<b>16,8%</b>

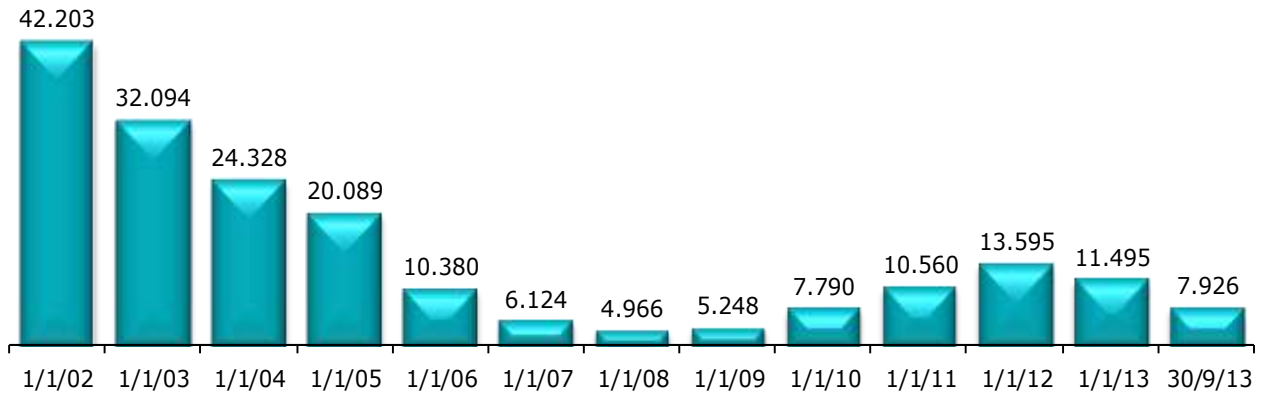
**c. Top 5 decisions of granting of subsidiary protection in 2013**

Country of origin	Number of granting	Number of decisions	%
1 Syria	881	1.034	85,2%
2 Afghanistan	581	1.707	34,0%
3 Indefinite	46	162	28,4%
4 Somalia	21	157	13,4%
5 Iraq	19	379	5,0%
Other countries	40	9.770	0,4%
<b>Total 2013</b>	<b>1.588</b>	<b>13.209</b>	<b>12,0%</b>

#### IV. EVOLUTION OF THE CASELOAD AT THE CGRS

At the end of September 2013, the CGRS had a total caseload of **7,926** dossiers, of which **3,900** dossiers may be considered a normal workload. The backlog as such amounted therefore to **4,026** dossiers.

**Caseload per year**



**Caseload for the last 12 months**

