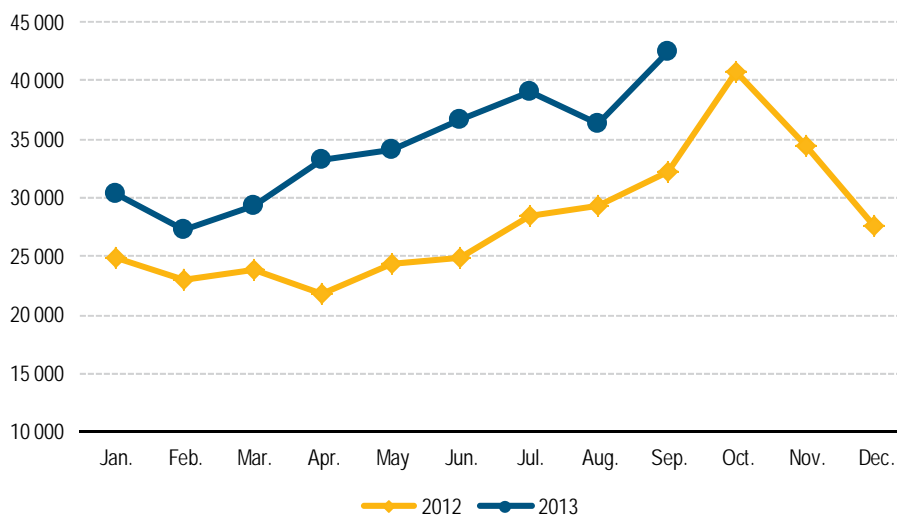


## Asylum applicants and first instance decisions on asylum applications: third quarter 2013

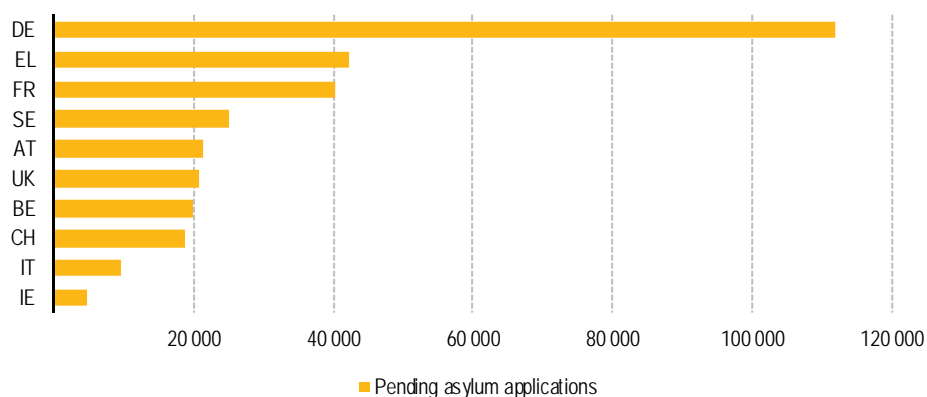
Asylum applicants reach 120 000 in the EU-28 in Q3 2013, an increase of 30 per cent compared to Q3 2012

Figure 1: Asylum applicants, EU-28 (<sup>1</sup>), January 2012 – September 2013



(<sup>1</sup>) 2012 data refer to EU-27 (no data available for Croatia)  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

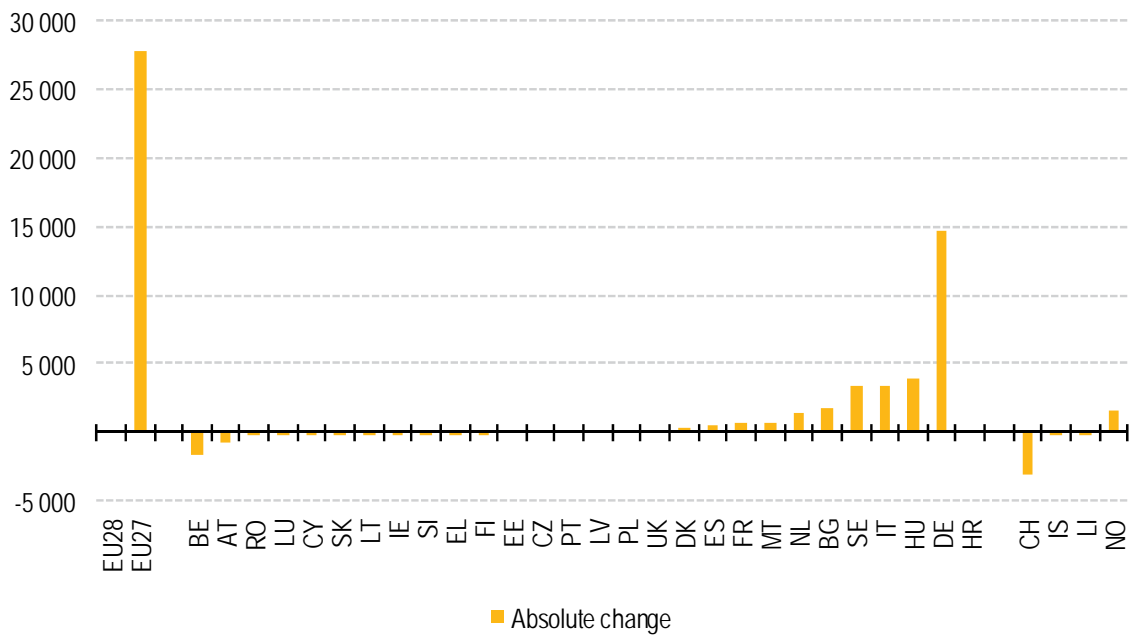
Figure 2: Pending asylum applications on 31<sup>st</sup> of September 2013 (<sup>1</sup>)



(<sup>1</sup>) Countries selected here are those with the highest number of pending applications; data for CY, NL and RO are not available  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asypenctzm](#))

With 15 000 more, Germany accounts for half of the overall increase of asylum applicants in all EU Member States in Q3 2013 compared to the same quarter of the last year

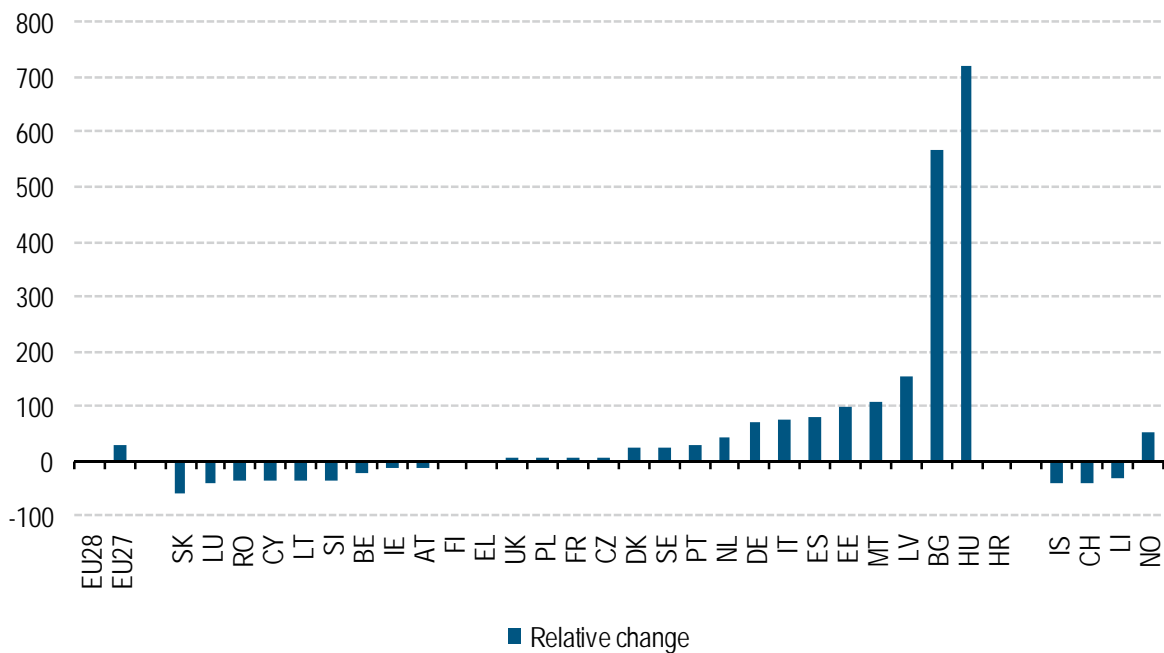
Figure 3: Asylum applicants, absolute change between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013



(\*) EU28, HR cannot be calculated due to missing 2012 data for Croatia  
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Hungary and Bulgaria have seen a huge increase in asylum applicants in Q3 2013, 8 and 7 times more respectively compared to Q3 2012

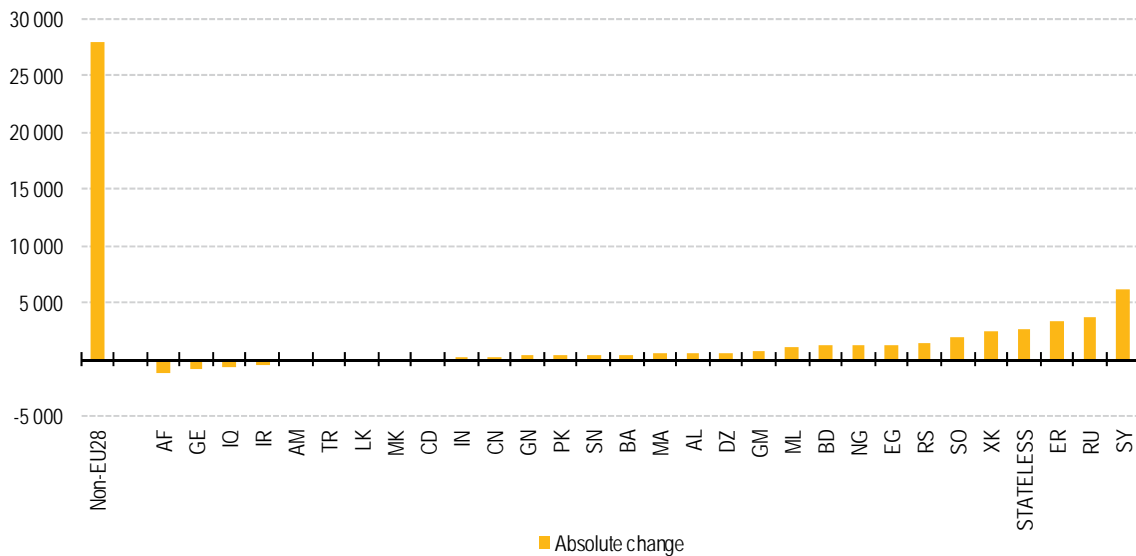
Figure 4: Asylum applicants, relative change between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013, %



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**Syrians, Russians and Eritreans account for half of the overall increase of asylum applicants in the EU-28 in Q3 2013**

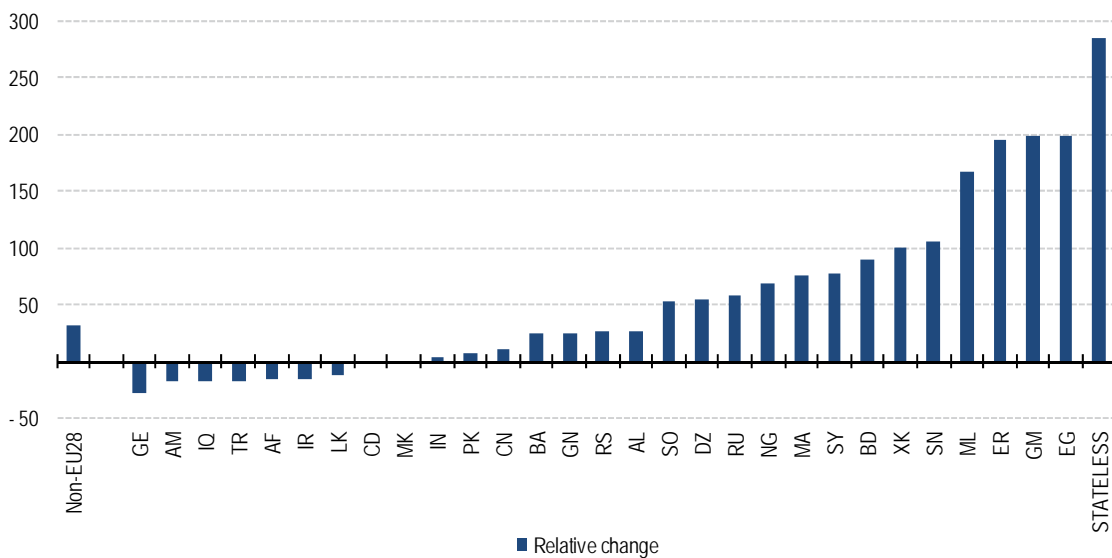
**Figure 5: Asylum applicants by citizenship, EU-28 (\*), absolute change between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013**



(\* Excluding Croatia due to missing 2012 data  
Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

**Stateless applicants quadrupled while Egyptian, Gambian and Eritrean asylum seekers tripled in the EU-28 in Q3 2013 compared to Q3 2012**

**Figure 6: Asylum applicants by citizenship, EU-28 (\*), relative change between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013, %**



(\* Excluding Croatia due to missing 2012 data  
Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

**Table 1: Asylum applicants (including new asylum applicants), Q3 2012 – Q3 2013**

	Q3 2012			Q4 2012			Q1 2013			Q2 2013			Q3 2013			Applicants per million inhabitants (*) Q3 2013	Change in % between Q2 2013 and Q3 2013	Change in % between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013	Last 12 months	
	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.					
	28 375	29 275	32 215	40 725	34 465	27 545	30 270	27 210	29 275	33 250	34 115	36 685	39 055	36 270	42 475					
<b>EU-28 (1)</b>	<b>28 375</b>	<b>29 275</b>	<b>32 215</b>	<b>40 725</b>	<b>34 465</b>	<b>27 545</b>	<b>30 270</b>	<b>27 210</b>	<b>29 275</b>	<b>33 250</b>	<b>34 115</b>	<b>36 685</b>	<b>39 055</b>	<b>36 270</b>	<b>42 475</b>	<b>117 800</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>411 340</b>
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>28 375</b>	<b>29 275</b>	<b>32 215</b>	<b>40 725</b>	<b>34 465</b>	<b>27 545</b>	<b>30 105</b>	<b>27 065</b>	<b>29 105</b>	<b>33 145</b>	<b>34 020</b>	<b>36 645</b>	<b>39 010</b>	<b>36 220</b>	<b>42 395</b>	<b>117 625</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>410 450</b>
Belgium	2 505	2 215	2 375	2 715	2 210	2 055	2 225	1 815	1 835	1 730	1 670	1 630	1 860	1 725	1 955	5 540	10	- 22	495	23 420
Bulgaria	80	120	120	195	205	260	250	230	425	265	280	430	440	695	960	2 100	114	566	290	4 630
Czech Republic	45	80	60	85	55	60	70	50	65	45	60	45	60	90	45	195	29	7	20	730
Denmark	560	490	515	610	640	595	745	545	575	535	475	500	610	670	645	1 925	28	23	345	7 150
Germany	5 635	6 830	8 740	12 470	10 140	5 575	8 170	6 615	6 270	8 545	8 340	9 495	11 040	11 155	13 735	35 925	36	69	445	111 545
Estonia	*	5	*	5	*	5	10	10	5	10	15	*	10	*	5	20	- 31	100	15	80
Ireland	90	85	70	105	70	75	80	85	65	90	80	75	70	65	80	215	- 12	- 13	45	935
Greece	590	750	745	1 255	1 030	850	755	705	610	745	595	535	775	610	675	2 060	10	- 1	185	9 140
Spain	190	205	200	240	255	170	280	445	435	405	445	450	430	300	350	1 085	-17	82	25	4 220
France	5 435	4 960	4 635	6 285	5 185	5 775	4 910	5 410	5 650	5 820	4 955	5 470	6 020	4 855	4 795	15 670	- 4	4	240	65 125
Croatia	:	:	:	:	:	:	165	145	170	105	95	40	45	50	80	175	- 27	:	40	:
Italy	1 550	1 540	1 430	2 180	2 005	1 285	1 720	1 255	1 935	1 845	1 825	2 325	2 575	2 610	2 690	7 875	31	74	130	24 245
Cyprus	155	150	165	155	140	90	100	140	80	75	95	70	70	105	120	295	24	- 37	340	1 235
Latvia	5	10	20	15	15	15	5	5	15	20	15	10	35	30	25	90	136	156	45	200
Lithuania	75	45	55	40	60	75	40	35	25	20	30	30	35	55	20	110	41	- 37	35	465
Luxembourg	235	135	125	165	120	70	80	70	75	90	80	90	105	75	120	300	17	- 39	560	1 140
Hungary	200	180	160	320	260	220	300	670	1 350	1 965	3 335	4 115	2 190	1 140	1 075	4 405	- 53	719	445	16 940
Malta	175	180	345	40	335	60	25	20	75	165	125	55	435	740	290	1 465	322	110	3 480	2 370
Netherlands	970	1 010	1 035	1 360	1 155	1 115	1 650	1 235	1 255	1 290	1 140	1 260	1 430	1 285	1 655	4 370	18	45	260	15 835
Austria	1 650	1 755	1 770	2 120	1 530	1 245	1 210	1 185	1 195	1 405	1 445	1 800	1 800	1 355	1 345	4 500	- 3	- 13	530	17 630
Poland	905	1 040	1 365	1 365	1 110	1 120	740	850	1 395	2 015	3 010	2 390	1 595	975	815	3 385	- 54	2	90	17 385
Portugal	30	50	15	10	25	20	25	25	25	70	25	35	40	30	55	120	- 5	27	10	375
Romania	240	240	260	160	95	60	120	95	120	130	135	105	185	95	185	460	24	- 38	25	1 480
Slovenia	25	25	30	35	30	50	55	20	30	25	35	20	15	20	20	55	- 28	- 28	25	350
Slovakia	115	70	75	80	65	50	30	35	30	35	55	50	30	50	20	100	- 27	- 61	20	525
Finland	275	325	345	310	335	235	265	235	245	250	235	240	260	325	340	925	28	- 2	170	3 275
Sweden	4 110	4 355	4 910	5 490	4 560	4 085	3 790	2 960	2 960	3 045	3 080	2 975	4 120	4 800	7 770	16 695	63	25	1 745	49 640
United Kingdom	2 525	2 425	2 650	2 920	2 840	2 330	2 455	2 330	2 370	2 505	2 440	2 455	2 760	2 375	2 595	7 730	4	2	120	30 390
Iceland	25	20	5	10	10	5	15	10	10	15	10	5	10	10	15	30	0	- 39	95	120
Liechtenstein	10	5	10	10	10	5	15	5	*	5	5	*	5	10	5	15	31	- 26	460	70
Norway	870	950	925	1 000	870	855	990	685	830	810	760	910	1 255	1 620	1 365	4 240	71	55	840	11 950
Switzerland	2 785	2 775	2 230	2 385	2 360	1 590	2 120	1 785	1 820	2 050	1 640	1 540	1 800	1 530	1 470	4 800	- 8	- 38	595	22 085

(1) EU aggregates and other indicators are based on available data

(\*) Relative to population as of 1st of January 2013

\* 2 or fewer asylum applicants recorded in the reference period.

: data are not available

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr.asyappczm](http://migr.asyappczm))

Malta by far the country with the highest number of asylum applicants per million inhabitants in Q3 2013, around 3 per 1 000

**Table 2: Asylum applicants in the EU-28 (\*) by citizenship (including new asylum applicants), Q3 2012 – Q3 2013 (1)**

	Q3 2012			Q4 2012				Q1 2013			Q2 2013				Q3 2013			Change in %		Last 12 months
	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	between Q2 2013 and Q3 2013	between Q3 2012 and Q3 2013			
																			28 375	
Non-EU	28 375	29 275	32 215	40 725	34 465	27 545	30 270	27 210	29 275	33 250	34 115	36 685	39 055	36 270	42 475	13	31	411 340		
Syria - (SY)	2 110	2 780	3 085	3 380	3 300	2 700	3 385	2 570	2 645	2 675	2 715	2 980	3 575	4 030	6 525	69	77	40 470		
Russia - (RU)	2 120	2 180	2 190	2 770	2 745	2 785	2 655	2 615	3 175	4 905	6 375	5 565	4 280	3 220	2 730	-39	58	43 815		
Serbia - (RS)	980	1 470	3 025	4 775	2 345	1 060	1 205	1 145	985	1 140	970	1 220	1 945	2 240	2 710	107	26	21 735		
Afghanistan - (AF)	2 535	2 490	2 300	2 900	2 440	2 070	2 215	1 865	1 910	1 960	2 095	2 085	2 205	1 865	2 085	0	-16	25 695		
Pakistan - (PK)	1 700	1 825	1 875	2 115	2 110	1 550	1 480	1 340	1 510	1 995	1 890	2 095	2 235	1 840	1 685	-4	7	21 850		
Somalia - (SO)	1 245	1 215	1 180	1 330	1 485	1 260	1 395	905	1 195	1 425	1 270	1 655	1 865	1 765	1 945	28	53	17 490		
Eritrea - (ER)	530	550	665	860	995	580	735	515	630	490	500	535	1 380	1 850	1 920	237	195	10 995		
Kosovo - (XK)	820	755	935	1 400	1 185	1 085	1 090	1 130	1 165	1 825	2 710	3 600	2 255	1 350	1 440	-38	101	20 245		
MK - (MK)	670	1 340	1 880	2 145	925	345	385	440	435	575	565	755	935	1 125	1 775	103	-1	10 405		
Stateless	305	275	365	495	435	395	410	310	295	360	340	425	655	1 010	1 990	224	285	7 120		
Nigeria - (NG)	590	700	635	845	720	610	735	705	880	860	785	875	990	1 070	1 165	28	68	10 240		
Iran - (IR)	1 085	1 215	1 250	1 565	1 500	1 090	1 385	955	935	1 255	1 045	965	1 040	950	1 035	-8	-15	13 715		
Iraq - (IQ)	1 170	1 210	1 085	1 365	1 155	850	1 140	810	800	835	690	735	975	860	1 020	26	-18	11 230		
Albania - (AL)	795	565	675	865	890	740	660	735	835	905	900	765	915	705	960	0	27	9 875		
Bangladesh - (BD)	415	450	430	595	590	540	560	550	550	820	850	990	935	700	815	-8	90	8 495		
Georgia - (GE)	975	1 005	1 265	1 270	910	860	830	725	755	740	545	775	840	750	745	14	-28	9 740		
BA - (BA)	755	510	575	1 120	1 015	355	390	285	275	285	360	355	605	545	1 135	128	24	6 725		
Egypt - (EG)	220	240	200	245	210	185	210	240	220	220	340	335	465	790	715	120	199	4 180		
CD - (CD)	660	670	625	845	585	645	555	675	720	725	590	625	705	620	605	0	-1	7 895		
Mali - (ML)	245	160	240	320	340	255	440	630	780	630	520	600	645	540	535	-2	167	6 245		
Algeria - (DZ)	445	295	380	475	375	330	480	550	680	705	695	750	640	550	535	-20	54	6 765		
Guinea - (GN)	480	420	410	535	555	455	505	490	575	530	445	495	565	535	535	11	25	6 220		
Sri Lanka - (LK)	640	545	470	645	620	550	535	590	585	625	455	580	615	465	395	-11	-11	6 660		
China - (CN)	380	450	415	490	420	395	410	380	435	470	410	425	505	450	430	6	11	5 220		
Turkey - (TR)	525	435	450	600	595	495	515	605	545	485	525	430	415	315	445	-19	-17	5 965		
Morocco - (MA)	245	200	200	290	240	235	265	240	390	380	370	445	415	355	365	-5	75	3 990		
Armenia - (AM)	505	435	425	540	495	480	495	460	400	470	400	400	385	345	390	-12	-18	5 265		
Gambia - (GM)	125	105	105	185	200	125	215	145	180	220	215	285	375	335	290	38	198	2 775		
India - (IN)	335	240	275	330	275	230	250	255	225	275	295	295	310	235	330	2	3	3 305		
Senegal - (SN)	160	105	150	200	185	175	170	130	155	160	155	215	325	225	305	860	106	2 400		
Other	4 595	4 425	4 465	5 245	4 610	4 125	4 560	4 210	4 410	4 295	4 085	4 440	5 060	4 625	4 925	6	11	54 595		

(\*) Aggregates and other indicators are based on available data

(1) Countries selected here are those with the highest number of asylum applicants registered during Q3 2013;

Kosovo - see methodological notes; CD - Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; MK - the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia; BA - Bosnia and Herzegovina

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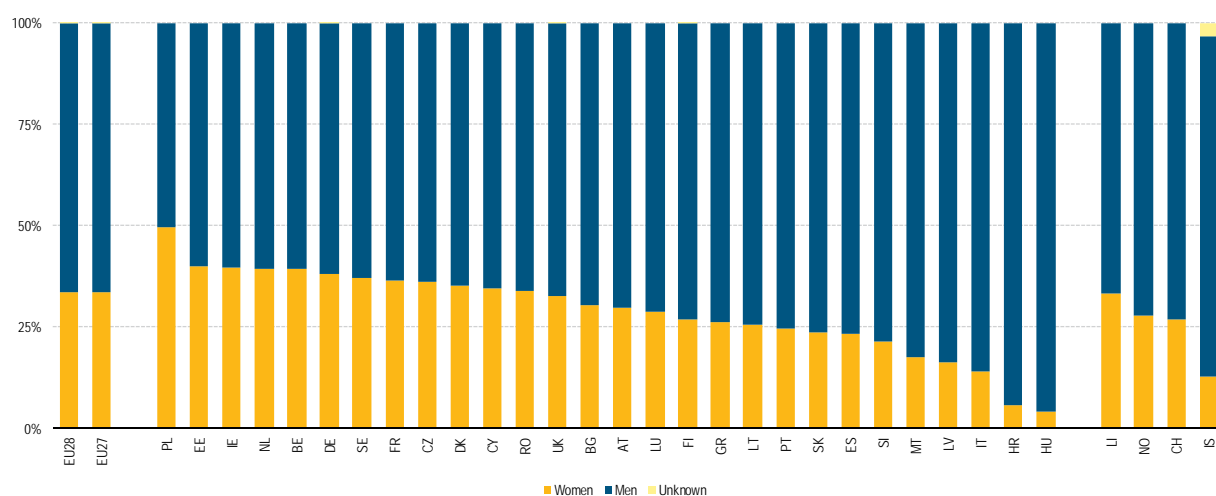
In Poland 1 out of 2 asylum applicants was aged less than 18, while in the EU-28 the same age group drops down to 1 out of 4 in Q3 2013

Table 3: Asylum applicants by age group, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013, %

	Total (absolute value)	Distribution of age groups as a share of total (in %)					
		0-13	14-17	18-34	35-64	65 and over	Unknown
<b>EU-28</b>	<b>117 800</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>117 625</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Belgium	5 540	25.0	7.0	45.9	21.4	0.7	0.0
Bulgaria	2 100	23.4	9.0	50.3	16.8	0.5	0.0
Czech Republic	195	22.7	1.0	41.2	35.1	0.0	0.0
Denmark	1 925	21.5	9.9	45.6	21.8	1.1	0.0
Germany	35 925	28.6	6.2	45.2	19.3	0.7	0.0
Estonia	20	15.0	0.0	55.0	30.0	0.0	0.0
Ireland	215	22.8	5.1	48.4	23.3	0.5	0.0
Greece	2 060	10.9	5.7	59.0	24.2	0.3	0.0
Spain	1 085	9.3	3.0	60.5	25.9	1.2	0.0
France	15 670	16.9	2.6	54.3	25.5	0.8	0.0
Croatia	175	5.2	4.0	77.5	13.3	0.0	0.0
Italy	7 875	4.8	2.7	82.3	10.0	0.2	0.0
Cyprus	295	17.6	4.1	55.4	22.3	0.7	0.0
Latvia	90	7.6	3.3	55.4	33.7	0.0	0.0
Lithuania	110	12.7	4.5	59.1	22.7	0.9	0.0
Luxembourg	300	15.9	8.0	52.8	22.6	0.7	0.0
Hungary	4 405	2.7	3.2	79.0	15.1	0.0	0.0
Malta	1 465	3.5	22.0	67.8	6.5	0.1	0.1
Netherlands	4 370	27.8	9.6	40.9	20.2	1.5	0.1
Austria	4 500	25.3	8.4	48.3	17.4	0.6	0.0
Poland	3 385	45.3	5.6	30.2	18.4	0.6	0.0
Portugal	120	1.6	18.9	61.5	17.2	0.8	0.0
Romania	460	22.3	5.4	48.2	23.0	1.1	0.0
Slovenia	55	17.9	7.1	53.6	21.4	0.0	0.0
Slovakia	100	21.8	5.0	57.4	15.8	0.0	0.0
Finland	925	16.1	6.0	56.2	20.8	0.9	0.0
Sweden	16 695	23.0	10.0	42.4	23.1	1.4	0.0
United Kingdom	7 730	13.0	6.0	54.7	22.2	1.2	2.8
Iceland	30	13.0	6.0	54.7	22.2	1.2	2.8
Liechtenstein	15	19.4	3.2	48.4	25.8	0.0	3.2
Norway	4 240	11.7	9.2	63.1	15.6	0.4	0.0
Switzerland	4 800	22.7	4.6	56.5	16.0	0.2	0.0

Source: Eurostat (online data code : [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

Figure 7: Asylum applicants by gender, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013, %



Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

## Russians, Serbians and Bosnians are the citizenships of asylum applicants with the highest proportion of minor asylum seekers in the EU-28 in Q3 2013

**Table 4: Thirty main citizenships of asylum applicants in the EU-28, by age group, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013, % <sup>(1)</sup>**

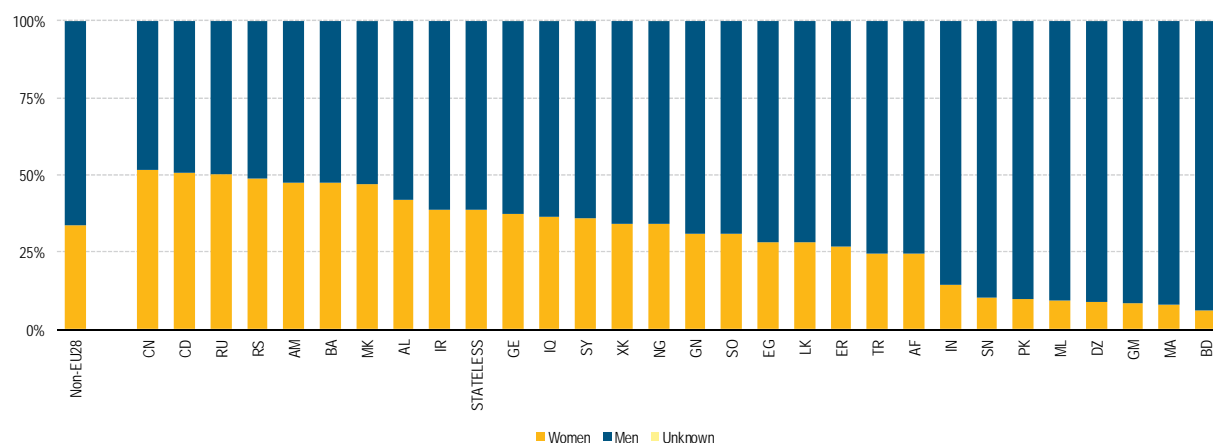
	Total (absolute value)	Distribution of age groups as a share of total (in %)					
		0-13	14-17	18-34	35-64	65 and over	Unknown
<b>Non-EU</b>	<b>117 800</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Syria - (SY)	14 135	24.1	6.1	43.5	24.4	1.7	0.1
Russia - (RU)	10 230	45.6	4.9	29.0	19.8	0.7	0.0
Serbia - (RS)	6 895	39.0	7.4	30.4	22.7	0.4	0.0
Afghanistan - (AF)	6 160	19.3	16.7	49.0	13.4	1.5	0.0
Pakistan - (PK)	5 760	5.0	2.8	72.2	18.6	0.7	0.5
Somalia - (SO)	5 570	15.7	15.5	60.0	8.0	0.8	0.1
Eritrea - (ER)	5 150	6.3	5.7	76.9	10.7	0.3	0.2
Kosovo - (XK)	5 045	26.5	4.9	47.2	21.1	0.3	0.0
MK - (MK)	3 835	36.5	7.5	30.9	24.7	0.5	0.0
Stateless	3 655	28.8	8.6	36.1	24.8	1.6	0.1
Nigeria - (NG)	3 230	14.5	2.2	67.0	15.8	0.0	0.4
Iran - (IR)	3 025	14.8	5.4	50.5	27.3	1.2	0.8
Iraq - (IQ)	2 855	24.5	6.3	45.6	21.4	2.1	0.1
Albania - (AL)	2 580	26.7	9.4	42.8	20.4	0.6	0.1
Bangladesh - (BD)	2 455	2.4	3.2	75.4	18.3	0.1	0.6
Georgia - (GE)	2 335	18.3	2.5	50.3	28.2	0.6	0.0
BA - (BA)	2 290	41.2	7.3	31.5	19.5	0.4	0.0
Egypt - (EG)	1 970	22.2	4.7	51.3	21.0	0.7	0.2
CD - (CD)	1 930	16.8	5.3	54.1	23.1	0.6	0.0
Mali - (ML)	1 725	4.3	3.3	79.5	12.8	0.1	0.0
Algeria - (DZ)	1 720	6.3	7.3	69.0	17.2	0.2	0.1
Guinea - (GN)	1 635	13.7	5.8	70.5	9.9	0.1	0.0
Sri Lanka - (LK)	1 470	10.5	1.4	63.1	22.8	1.3	1.0
China - (CN)	1 385	9.0	1.4	48.0	40.3	0.6	0.6
Turkey - (TR)	1 175	12.9	2.6	65.0	18.9	0.3	0.2
Morocco - (MA)	1 130	3.5	13.1	67.0	16.3	0.0	0.0
Armenia - (AM)	1 120	24.6	4.2	38.6	30.7	2.0	0.0
Gambia - (GM)	1 000	5.0	4.4	82.7	7.4	0.0	0.5
India - (IN)	875	5.2	1.6	73.3	17.9	0.0	1.9
Senegal - (SN)	860	3.8	2.0	77.5	16.7	0.0	0.0
Other	14 615	16.0	4.7	55.7	22.7	0.6	0.3

<sup>(1)</sup> Citizenships selected here are those with the highest number of asylum applicants registered during Q3 2013 in the EU-28

<sup>(2)</sup> MK – the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; Kosovo – see methodological notes; CD – Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; BA – Bosnia and Herzegovina

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

**Figure 8: Thirty main citizenships of asylum applicants in the EU-28, by gender, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013, % <sup>(1)</sup>**



<sup>(1)</sup> Citizenships selected here are those with the highest number of asylum applicants registered during Q3 2013 in the EU-28

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

# Syrians and Russians represent around 20 per cent of all asylum seekers in the EU in Q3 2013

Table 5: Five main citizenships of asylum applicants, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013 <sup>(1)</sup>

EU-28			EU-27		
	#	%		#	%
Syria	14 135	12	Syria	14 090	12
Russia	10 230	9	Russia	10 225	9
Serbia	6 895	6	Serbia	6 895	6
Afghanistan	6 160	5	Afghanistan	6 145	5
Pakistan	5 760	5	Pakistan	5 750	5
Other	74 625	63	Other	74 515	63

BELGIUM			BULGARIA			CZECH REPUBLIC			DENMARK		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Russia	675	12	Syria	1 305	62	Ukraine	40	22	Syria	505	26
CD	390	7	Algeria	200	9	Vietnam	15	8	Russia	365	19
Guinea	370	7	Stateless	145	7	Cuba	10	6	Somalia	225	12
Afghanistan	360	6	Iraq	85	4	Armenia	10	6	Stateless	105	5
Syria	335	6	Morocco	45	2	Nigeria	10	5	Iran	95	5
Other	3 405	62	Other	315	15	Other	105	54	Other	630	33

GERMANY			ESTONIA			IRELAND			GREECE		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Serbia	5 900	16	Russia	5	35	Nigeria	30	13	Afghanistan	325	16
Russia	3 590	10	Syria	5	30	Zimbabwe	25	13	Pakistan	240	12
Syria	3 550	10	Georgia	5	15	Algeria	20	8	Albania	230	11
MK	3 475	10	Kosovo	*	10	CD	15	7	Georgia	170	8
Afghanistan	2 110	6	Cuba	*	10	Malawi	15	7	Syria	105	5
Other	17 300	48	Other	0	0	Other	110	52	Other	990	48

SPAIN			FRANCE			CROATIA			ITALY		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Mali	305	28	Kosovo	1 460	9	Syria	45	26	Somalia	1 045	13
Syria	185	17	Bangladesh	1 315	8	Algeria	30	18	Nigeria	935	12
Algeria	90	8	Russia	1 250	8	Morocco	15	10	Pakistan	915	12
Nigeria	45	4	CD	1 185	8	Afghanistan	10	7	Eritrea	890	11
Somalia	40	4	Albania	1 150	7	Pakistan	10	5	Mali	615	8
Other	420	39	Other	9 305	59	Other	60	35	Other	3 475	0

CYPRUS			LATVIA			LITHUANIA			LUXEMBOURG		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Syria	145	48	Georgia	80	88	Georgia	30	29	Kosovo	65	22
Egypt	45	16	Russia	5	4	Afghanistan	25	24	Montenegro	45	15
Vietnam	20	7	Egypt	5	3	Russia	20	17	Bosnia and Herzegovina	35	12
Bangladesh	20	6	Syria	*	2	Vietnam	10	8	Nigeria	15	5
Sri Lanka	10	4	Eritrea	*	1	Syria	5	5	Tunisia	15	4
Other	55	19	Other	0	1	Other	20	16	Other	125	41

HUNGARY			MALTA			NETHERLANDS			AUSTRIA		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Pakistan	1 130	26	Somalia	720	49	Somalia	895	20	Russia	880	20
Kosovo	745	17	Eritrea	460	31	Syria	730	17	Afghanistan	545	12
Afghanistan	365	8	Nigeria	80	5	Afghanistan	340	8	Syria	400	9
Nigeria	260	6	Syria	65	4	Eritrea	335	8	Kosovo	295	7
Syria	260	6	Ghana	30	2	Iraq	310	7	Pakistan	260	6
Other	1 645	37	Other	115	8	Other	1 765	40	Other	2 120	47

POLAND			PORTUGAL			ROMANIA			SLOVENIA		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Russia	2 860	84	Guinea	30	25	Syria	320	70	Kosovo	10	21
Georgia	220	6	Senegal	25	19	Iraq	15	3	Syria	10	18
Syria	65	2	Mali	15	13	Georgia	15	3	Russia	5	9
Kazakhstan	35	1	Nigeria	15	11	Afghanistan	10	3	Albania	5	7
Armenia	35	1	Guinea-Bissau	5	5	Iran	10	2	Cuba	5	7
Other	170	5	Other	35	27	Other	90	20	Other	20	38

SLOVAKIA			FINLAND			SWEDEN			UNITED KINGDOM		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Afghanistan	45	47	Iraq	220	24	Syria	4 945	30	Pakistan	1 125	15
Somalia	5	7	Russia	90	10	Stateless	2 930	18	Iran	705	9
Armenia	5	7	Nigeria	60	6	Eritrea	1 805	11	Syria	635	8
Russia	5	6	Somalia	60	6	Somalia	1 035	6	Sri Lanka	575	7
Eritrea	5	5	Syria	55	6	Afghanistan	790	5	Afghanistan	440	6
Other	30	29	Other	445	48	Other	5 190	31	Other	4 250	55

ICELAND			LIECHTENSTEIN			NORWAY			SWITZERLAND		
	#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)		#	(%)
Albania	15	48	Kosovo	5	35	Eritrea	1 635	39	Eritrea	765	16
Somalia	5	10	Belarus	0	12	Somalia	530	13	Syria	355	7
United States of America	0	6	Russia	*	12	Syria	300	7	Nigeria	295	6
Iran	0	6	Morocco	*	12	Stateless	225	5	Tunisia	250	5
Iraq	*	6	Somalia	*	12	Afghanistan	180	4	Kosovo	240	5
Other	5	23	Other	5	18	Other	1 365	32	Other	2 895	60

<sup>(1)</sup> Citiznships selected here are those with the highest number of asylum applicants registered during Q3 2013 in the EU-28

# Absolute number of asylum applications

\* 2 or fewer asylum applicants recorded in the reference period

CD – Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; Kosovo – see methodological notes; MK – Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

## Almost 90 per cent of Serbians sought asylum in Germany in Q3 2013

**Table 6: Thirty main citizenships of asylum applicants by destination country in the EU-28, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013 <sup>(1)</sup>**

		NON-EU28					
		#	(%)				
<b>GERMANY - (DE)</b>		35 925	30	<b>NON-EU28</b>		#	(%)
<b>SWEDEN - (SE)</b>		16 695	14	Germany	35 925	30	
<b>FRANCE - (FR)</b>		15 670	13	Sweden	16 695	14	
<b>ITALY - (IT)</b>		7 875	7	France	15 670	13	
<b>UNITED KINGDOM - (UK)</b>		7 730	7	Italy	7 875	7	
<b>OTHER</b>		33 905	29	United Kingdom	7 730	7	
				Other	33 905	29	
<b>SYRIA - (SY)</b>		#	(%)	<b>RUSSIA - (RU)</b>		#	(%)
Sweden	4 945	35		Germany	3 590	35	
Germany	3 550	25		Poland	2 860	28	
Bulgaria	1 305	9		France	1 250	12	
Netherlands	730	5		Austria	880	9	
United Kingdom	635	4		Belgium	675	7	
Other	2 970	21		Other	965	9	
<b>AFGHANISTAN - (AF)</b>		#	(%)	<b>PAKISTAN - (PK)</b>		#	(%)
Germany	2 110	34		Germany	1 315	23	
Sweden	790	13		Hungary	1 130	20	
Austria	545	9		United Kingdom	1 125	20	
United Kingdom	440	7		Italy	915	16	
Italy	435	7		France	455	8	
Other	1 840	30		Other	820	14	
<b>ERITREA - (ER)</b>		#	(%)	<b>KOSOVO - (XK)</b>		#	(%)
Sweden	1 805	35		Germany	1 590	32	
Germany	990	19		France	1 460	29	
Italy	890	17		Hungary	745	15	
Malta	460	9		Sweden	435	9	
United Kingdom	430	8		Belgium	315	6	
Other	580	11		Other	495	10	
<b>STATELESS</b>		#	(%)	<b>NIGERIA - (NG)</b>		#	(%)
Sweden	2 930	80		Italy	935	29	
Bulgaria	145	4		Germany	500	16	
Germany	140	4		United Kingdom	390	12	
Denmark	105	3		France	335	10	
Austria	95	3		Hungary	260	8	
Other	235	6		Other	810	25	
<b>IRAQ - (IQ)</b>		#	(%)	<b>ALBANIA - (AL)</b>		#	(%)
Germany	1 000	35		France	1 150	45	
Sweden	410	14		United Kingdom	365	14	
Netherlands	310	11		Sweden	305	12	
Belgium	295	10		Germany	250	10	
Finland	220	8		Greece	230	9	
Other	620	22		Other	275	11	
<b>GEORGIA - (GE)</b>		#	(%)	<b>BA - (BA)</b>		#	(%)
France	735	31		Germany	1 755	77	
Germany	605	26		France	175	8	
Poland	220	9		Sweden	160	7	
Sweden	185	8		Italy	50	2	
Greece	170	7		Luxembourg	35	2	
Other	425	18		Other	110	5	
<b>CD - (CD)</b>		#	(%)	<b>MALI - (ML)</b>		#	(%)
France	1 185	61		Italy	615	36	
Belgium	390	20		France	465	27	
Germany	70	4		Spain	305	18	
Greece	55	3		Germany	130	8	
United Kingdom	50	3		Hungary	55	3	
Other	175	9		Other	155	9	
<b>GUINEA - (GN)</b>		#	(%)	<b>SRI LANKA - (LK)</b>		#	(%)
France	605	37		France	605	41	
Germany	390	24		United Kingdom	575	39	
Belgium	370	23		Germany	150	10	
Italy	55	3		Netherlands	45	3	
Netherlands	50	3		Belgium	25	2	
Other	160	10		Other	75	5	
<b>TURKEY - (TR)</b>		#	(%)	<b>MOROCCO - (MA)</b>		#	(%)
Germany	390	33		Germany	300	26	
France	340	29		Sweden	145	13	
Italy	105	9		Austria	135	12	
Belgium	75	6		Hungary	135	12	
United Kingdom	70	6		Italy	70	6	
Other	195	17		Other	350	31	
<b>GAMBIA - (GM)</b>		#	(%)	<b>INDIA - (IN)</b>		#	(%)
Italy	555	56		Germany	345	39	
Germany	200	20		United Kingdom	300	34	
United Kingdom	75	8		Austria	100	11	
Sweden	30	3		Hungary	50	6	
France	25	3		Belgium	20	2	
Other	110	11		Other	65	7	
				<b>SERBIA - (RS)</b>		#	(%)
				Germany	5 900	86	
				Sweden	450	7	
				Belgium	195	3	
				France	155	2	
				Netherlands	70	1	
				Other	130	2	
				<b>SOMALIA - (SO)</b>		#	(%)
				Italy	1 045	19	
				Sweden	1 035	19	
				Germany	995	18	
				Netherlands	895	16	
				Malta	720	13	
				Other	880	16	
				<b>MK - (MK)</b>		#	(%)
				Germany	3 475	91	
				Sweden	130	3	
				Belgium	90	2	
				France	65	2	
				Netherlands	25	1	
				Other	50	1	
				<b>IRAN - (IR)</b>		#	(%)
				Germany	1 060	35	
				United Kingdom	705	23	
				Sweden	320	11	
				Netherlands	270	9	
				Austria	160	5	
				Other	510	17	
				<b>BANGLADESH - (BD)</b>		#	(%)
				France	1 315	54	
				United Kingdom	320	13	
				Germany	200	8	
				Hungary	135	6	
				Austria	125	5	
				Other	360	15	
				<b>EGYPT - (EG)</b>		#	(%)
				Germany	880	45	
				Italy	365	19	
				France	120	6	
				Sweden	115	6	
				Greece	90	5	
				Other	400	20	
				<b>ALGERIA - (DZ)</b>		#	(%)
				France	340	20	
				Germany	280	16	
				Hungary	240	14	
				Austria	220	13	
				Bulgaria	200	12	
				Other	445	26	
				<b>CHINA - (CN)</b>		#	(%)
				France	660	47	
				United Kingdom	290	21	
				Belgium	150	11	
				Germany	100	7	
				Austria	60	4	
				Other	125	9	
				<b>ARMENIA - (AM)</b>		#	(%)
				France	380	34	
				Germany	295	26	
				Belgium	115	10	
				Sweden	80	7	
				Austria	50	5	
				Other	200	18	
				<b>SENEGAL - (SN)</b>		#	(%)
				Italy	270	31	
				Germany	200	23	
				Hungary	110	13	
				Belgium	100	12	
				France	80	10	
				Other	100	12	

<sup>(1)</sup> Citizenships selected here are those with the highest number of asylum applicants registered during Q3 2013 in the EU-28

# Absolute number of asylum applications

Kosovo – see methodological notes; CD – Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; MK – the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; BA – Bosnia and Herzegovina

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asyappctzm](#))

Table 7: New asylum applicants, Q3 2012 – Q3 2013

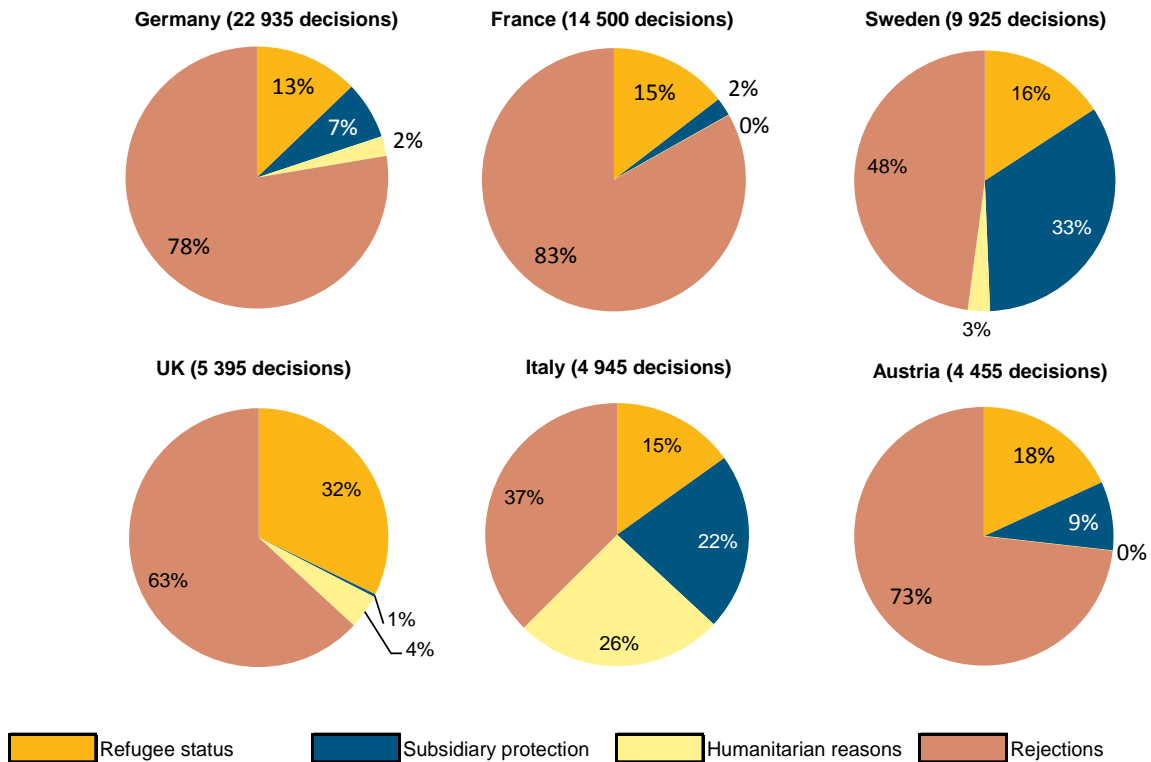
	Q3 2012			Q4 2012			Q1 2013			Q2 2013			Q3 2013			Last 12 months				
	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.					
EU-28	1 550	1 460	1 660	1 725	1 390	1 345	1 185	1 020	950	885	860	1 080	975	1 225	3 285	24	-30	285	13 535	
EU-27	55	105	105	190	200	255	245	215	410	250	275	410	435	695	2 065	121	674	285	4 510	
Belgium	25	50	30	60	35	45	45	30	50	35	40	35	40	65	135	26	29	15	510	
Bulgaria	560	490	515	610	640	595	745	545	575	535	475	500	610	670	1 925	28	23	345	7 150	
Czech Republic	4 745	5 480	6 915	10 195	8 965	4 870	7 320	5 795	5 565	7 540	7 465	8 395	9 500	9 490	30 440	30	78	380	96 550	
Denmark	*	5	*	5	*	5	10	10	5	10	15	*	10	*	20	-31	100	15	80	
Germany	90	85	65	105	70	70	80	80	65	90	80	70	70	65	215	-11	-11	46	930	
Ireland	590	750	745	1 255	1 030	850	755	705	610	745	595	530	760	575	1 965	5	-6	180	9 035	
Greece	170	190	185	230	245	160	270	425	415	385	430	435	410	290	1 045	-16	91	20	4 030	
Spain	4 750	4 405	4 175	5 680	4 650	5 310	4 470	4 945	5 140	5 210	4 460	4 945	5 480	4 400	14 275	-2	7	220	59 085	
France	1 535	1 530	1 425	2 170	1 985	1 270	1 690	1 240	1 920	1 830	1 770	2 210	2 475	2 550	7 510	29	67	125	23 590	
Croatia	155	150	155	150	130	85	95	130	75	70	75	70	70	95	90	160	153	45	180	
Italy	5	10	20	10	15	5	5	5	15	15	10	10	35	30	55	12	-63	20	320	
Cyprus	65	35	50	35	50	70	20	25	15	15	10	25	0	45	280	18	-41	525	1 075	
Latvia	225	130	120	165	115	65	75	70	70	90	65	85	95	75	4 305	-54	435	435	1 075	
Lithuania	170	175	345	40	335	60	25	20	60	160	130	55	435	740	1 460	325	111	3 465	2 340	
Luxembourg	710	790	720	1 040	905	935	1 285	960	965	1 025	900	1 035	1 180	1 060	3 735	26	68	225	12 785	
Hungary	805	870	1 255	1 205	945	970	615	700	1 280	1 915	2 855	2 295	1 485	880	3 075	-56	5	80	15 860	
Malta	30	50	15	10	25	20	25	25	25	70	25	35	40	30	120	-5	27	10	375	
Netherlands	220	230	255	155	75	55	120	85	115	125	130	100	170	95	435	24	-39	20	1 390	
Poland	25	20	25	30	25	50	50	15	30	20	30	20	15	15	45	-40	-36	20	315	
Portugal	105	55	60	60	50	45	15	15	15	25	35	35	20	35	60	-34	-72	10	360	
Romania	255	300	325	300	320	220	250	200	225	225	210	215	250	315	895	38	2	165	3 055	
Slovenia	4 110	4 355	4 910	5 490	4 560	4 080	3 790	2 960	2 960	3 040	3 080	2 975	4 120	4 800	16 690	84	25	1 745	49 620	
Slovakia	2 445	2 355	2 575	2 845	2 750	2 250	2 390	2 245	2 290	2 420	2 340	2 355	2 665	2 310	7 510	6	2	120	29 400	
Sweden																				
United Kingdom																				
Iceland																				
Liechtenstein																				
Norway	830	905	890	955	825	840	935	645	810	760	730	885	1 225	1 560	4 115	73	57	815	11 495	
Switzerland	2 610	2 600	2 075	2 195	2 185	1 460	1 935	1 625	1 655	1 875	1 500	1 410	1 660	1 400	4 350	-9	-40	540	20 185	

(<sup>1</sup>) Relative to population as of 1st of January 2013

\* 2 or fewer asylum applicants recorded in the reference period  
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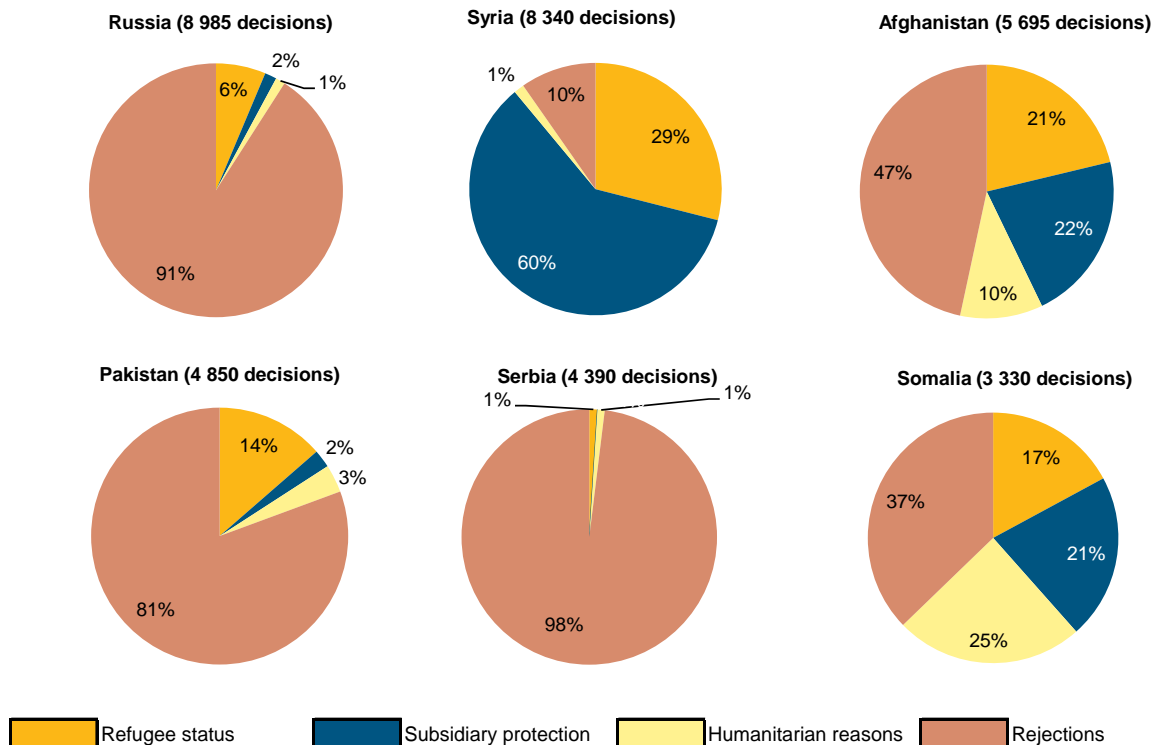
Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr.asyabpctzlm](http://migr.asyabpctzlm))

**Figure 9: First instance decisions by outcome, selected Member States (<sup>1</sup>), 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013**



(<sup>1</sup>) Member States selected here are those reporting the highest number of first instance decisions issued during Q3 2013  
 Humanitarian reasons not applicable for FR and AT  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asydcfstq](#))

**Figure 10: First instance decisions in the EU-28 by outcome, selected citizenships (<sup>1</sup>), 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013**



(<sup>1</sup>) Citizenships selected here are those for which the highest number of first instance decisions was issued during Q3 2013  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asydcfstq](#))

1 out of 3 first instance decisions issued in the EU-28 in Q3 2013 were positive and half of them were granted by Germany, Sweden and Italy

**Table 8: First instance decisions by citizenship and outcome, selected Member States, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013 <sup>(1)</sup>**

First instance decisions					First instance decisions										
Refugee status	Subsidiary protection	Humanitarian reasons	Rejections		Refugee status	Subsidiary protection	Humanitarian reasons	Rejections							
<b>GERMANY (22 935 decisions)</b>					<b>FRANCE (14 500 decisions)</b>										
Syria	680	Syria	1 305	Afghanistan	350	Russia	5 500	Russia	245	Syria	130	Not applicable	Albania	1 105	
Iraq	550	Afghanistan	90	Iraq	20	Serbia	3 585	Syria	240	Afghanistan	85		Bangladesh	895	
Iran	540	Somalia	25	Somalia	20	MK	1 850	CD	230	Albania	15		CD	890	
Other	1 165	Other	205	Other	165	Other	6 880	Other	1 400	Other	100		Other	9 165	
<b>SWEDEN (9 925 decisions)</b>					<b>UNITED KINGDOM (5 395 decisions)</b>										
Syria	415	Syria	1 965	Afghanistan	85	Somalia	545	Syria	355	Afghanistan	5	Albania	30	Pakistan	615
Somalia	210	Stateless	490	Iraq	30	Serbia	330	Iran	245	Nigeria	5	Pakistan	30	Sri Lanka	350
Afghanistan	195	Eritrea	460	Stateless	30	Afghanistan	260	Pakistan	220	Russia	*	Nigeria	25	Nigeria	275
Other	745	Other	420	Other	130	Other	3 620	Other	920	Other	10	Other	150	Other	2 165
<b>ITALY (4 945 decisions)</b>					<b>OTHER (24 655 decisions)</b>										
Eritrea	250	Afghanistan	325	Mali	210	Nigeria	410	Syria	645	Syria	1 575	Somalia	760	Pakistan	2 185
Syria	80	Somalia	250	Nigeria	170	Pakistan	265	Afghanistan	440	Afghanistan	545	Iraq	135	Russia	1 660
Afghanistan	70	Iraq	110	Pakistan	125	Tunisia	160	Iran	340	Somalia	275	Afghanistan	115	Afghanistan	1 225
Other	350	Other	395	Other	760	Other	1 020	Other	1 625	Other	1 030	Other	550	Other	11 545
<b>EU-28 (82 355 decisions)</b>					<b>EU-27 (82 315 decisions)</b>										
Syria	2 415	Syria	5 005	Somalia	810	Russia	8 170	Syria	2 415	Syria	4 995	Somalia	810	Russia	8 165
Iran	1 350	Afghanistan	1 230	Afghanistan	600	Serbia	4 305	Iran	1 350	Afghanistan	1 230	Afghanistan	600	Serbia	4 305
Afghanistan	1 210	Eritrea	765	Nigeria	220	Pakistan	3 915	Afghanistan	1 210	Eritrea	765	Nigeria	220	Pakistan	3 915
Other	7 170	Other	2 825	Other	2 260	Other	40 110	Other	7 165	Other	2 825	Other	2 260	Other	40 090

<sup>(1)</sup> Member States selected here are those reporting the highest number of first instance decisions issued during Q3 2013  
 CD – Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; MK - The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; BA - Bosnia and Herzegovina  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asydcfstq](#))

**Table 9: First instance decisions by outcome, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013**

	Total decisions	Total positive decisions	Refugee status	Subsidiary protection	Humanitarian reasons	Rejected
<b>EU-28</b>	82 355	25 855	12 145	9 820	3 890	56 500
<b>EU-27</b>	82 315	25 840	12 140	9 810	3 890	56 475
<b>Belgium</b>	4 420	1 630	1 045	585	-	2 790
<b>Bulgaria</b>	670	575	10	565	-	95
<b>Czech Republic</b>	230	90	20	65	10	135
<b>Denmark</b>	1 705	555	340	210	5	1 155
<b>Germany</b>	22 935	5 125	2 935	1 630	555	17 810
<b>Estonia</b>	20	*	*	0	*	15
<b>Ireland</b>	170	35	30	*	-	135
<b>Greece</b>	3 895	55	20	20	15	3 840
<b>Spain</b>	465	90	30	55	*	375
<b>France</b>	14 500	2 440	2 110	330	-	12 060
<b>Croatia</b>	40	15	5	10	-	25
<b>Italy</b>	4 945	3 090	745	1 080	1 265	1 855
<b>Cyprus</b>	175	65	10	50	*	115
<b>Latvia</b>	10	5	*	5	-	5
<b>Lithuania</b>	55	20	10	10	-	35
<b>Luxembourg</b>	280	45	35	10	-	230
<b>Hungary</b>	1 510	80	50	35	0	1 430
<b>Malta</b>	340	290	5	255	30	50
<b>Netherlands</b>	3 905	2 375	310	775	1 290	1 530
<b>Austria</b>	4 455	1 195	810	385	-	3 260
<b>Poland</b>	960	205	60	40	105	755
<b>Portugal</b>	85	30	5	25	-	55
<b>Romania</b>	365	240	115	125	*	125
<b>Slovenia</b>	45	15	5	10	-	30
<b>Slovakia</b>	50	20	*	10	5	30
<b>Finland</b>	810	420	135	185	100	395
<b>Sweden</b>	9 925	5 170	1 565	3 335	275	4 755
<b>United Kingdom</b>	5 395	1 990	1 735	20	235	3 405
<b>Iceland</b>	25	5	5	*	*	20
<b>Liechtenstein</b>	10	5	0	5	0	10
<b>Norway</b>	2 760	1 265	1 035	185	45	1 495
<b>Switzerland</b>	3 820	1 400	675	205	520	2 425

- data are not applicable  
 \* represents 2 or fewer first instance decisions recorded in the reference period  
 Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asydcfstq](#))

Only 1 out of 10 first instance decisions issued for applications of Syrians was negative in Q3 2013, while those of Serbians and Russians were more than 9 out of 10

**Table 10: First instance decisions by destination country and outcome in the EU-28, selected citizenships of asylum applicants, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013 <sup>(1)</sup>**

First instance decisions					
Refugee status	Subsidiary protection	Humanitarian reasons	Rejections		
<b>RUSSIA - RU</b>					
France	245 Austria	40 Sweden	15 Germany	5 500	
Austria	150 Denmark	35 Germany	10 France	845	
Belgium	75 Poland	25 Finland	5 Poland	595	
Other	105 Other	35 Other	55 Other	1 230	
<b>AFGHANISTAN - AF</b>					
Germany	350 Italy	325 Netherlands	100 Germany	850	
Sweden	195 Belgium	210 Sweden	85 Austria	380	
Belgium	175 Sweden	180 Italy	35 Sweden	260	
Other	485 Other	515 Other	130 Other	1 170	
<b>SERBIA - RS</b>					
France	35 Belgium	0 Czech Republic	0 Germany	3 585	
Belgium	5 Bulgaria	0 Denmark	0 Sweden	330	
Austria	5 Czech Republi	0 Estonia	0 France	155	
Other	0 Other	* Other	* Other	240	
<b>OTHER</b>					
France	1 490 Sweden	1 030 Italy	1 065 France	10 450	
Germany	1 435 Italy	385 Netherlands	365 Germany	7 225	
UK	1 035 Netherlands	305 UK	190 Sweden	3 250	
Other	2 720 Other	915 Other	2 270 Other	14 480	
<b>SYRIA - SY</b>					
Germany	680 Sweden	1 965 Malta	20 Sweden	195	
Sweden	415 Germany	1 305 Czech Republic	5 Germany	110	
UK	355 Bulgaria	420 Sweden	* Netherlands	100	
Other	965 Other	1 310 Other	60 Other	405	
<b>PAKISTAN - PK</b>					
Germany	345 Italy	95 UK	30 Greece	1 180	
UK	220 Netherlands	5 Germany	10 UK	615	
Italy	35 France	5 Netherlands	5 Germany	425	
Other	55 Other	* Other	85 Other	1 700	
<b>SOMALIA - SO</b>					
Sweden	210 Italy	250 Finland	20 Sweden	545	
Germany	95 Sweden	155 Sweden	20 Denmark	190	
Italy	65 Malta	105 Germany	20 Germany	125	
Other	200 Other	205 Other	675 Other	380	
<b>NON-EU</b>					
Germany	2 935 Sweden	3 335 Netherlands	1 290 Germany	17 810	
France	2 110 Germany	1 630 Italy	1 265 France	12 060	
UK	1 735 Italy	1 080 Germany	555 Sweden	4 755	
Other	5 360 Other	3 780 Other	780 Other	21 875	

<sup>(1)</sup> Citizenships selected here are those for which the highest number of first instance decisions was issued during Q3 2013

\* represents 2 or fewer first instance decisions recorded in the reference period

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [migr\\_asydcfstq](#))

**Table 11: First instance decisions by outcome, 30 main citizenships of asylum applicants granted decisions in the EU-28, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2013 <sup>(1)</sup>**

	Total decisions	Total positive decisions	Refugee status	Subsidiary protection	Humanitarian reasons	Rejected
<b>Non-EU</b>	<b>82 355</b>	<b>25 855</b>	<b>12 145</b>	<b>9 820</b>	<b>3 890</b>	<b>56 500</b>
Russia - (RU)	8 985	815	570	135	110	8 170
Syria - (SY)	8 340	7 525	2 415	5 005	110	810
Afghanistan - (AF)	5 695	3 035	1 210	1 230	600	2 655
Pakistan - (PK)	4 850	935	660	110	170	3 915
Serbia - (RS)	4 390	85	45	*	40	4 305
Somalia - (SO)	3 330	2 090	570	710	810	1 240
Kosovo - (XK)	2 660	65	30	10	25	2 595
Iran - (IR)	2 640	1 495	1 350	75	70	1 145
Iraq - (IQ)	2 440	1 325	775	350	205	1 115
MK - (MK)	2 165	25	5	*	25	2 140
Nigeria - (NG)	2 155	380	90	75	220	1 770
Albania - (AL)	2 125	135	65	30	40	1 990
Bangladesh - (BD)	2 100	140	90	5	45	1 960
Eritrea - (ER)	2 070	1 555	730	765	65	510
CD - (CD)	1 845	415	360	30	30	1 430
Georgia - (GE)	1 510	65	35	5	25	1 445
Sri Lanka - (LK)	1 480	380	335	15	30	1 100
BA - (BA)	1 420	65	20	5	40	1 355
Stateless	1 380	1 000	285	675	40	385
China - (CN)	1 330	230	195	10	20	1 100
Guinea - (GN)	1 320	360	300	30	30	960
Armenia - (AM)	1 205	85	40	10	35	1 120
Algeria - (DZ)	1 140	30	20	5	10	1 105
Turkey - (TR)	1 130	235	120	25	90	890
Mali - (ML)	760	335	65	60	210	420
Morocco - (MA)	755	60	25	5	30	695
Sudan - (SD)	660	235	195	25	10	425
Ivory Coast - (CI)	660	155	70	25	55	505
Egypt - (EG)	585	240	130	45	60	345
India - (IN)	580	15	5	5	5	565
<b>Other</b>	<b>10 665</b>	<b>2 335</b>	<b>1 345</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>8 330</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Citizenships selected here are those for which the highest number of first instance decisions was issued during Q3 2013

\* represents 2 or fewer first instance decisions recorded in the reference period

CD – Congo, the Democratic Republic of the; Kosovo – see methodological notes; MK – the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; BA – Bosnia and Herzegovina

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# Methodology

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## COMMENTS

All data presented in this publication are rounded to the nearest 5.

All data presented in this publication are provisional (except as otherwise stated) and may be a subject to change.

As part of Eurostat's guidelines for the dissemination of data when the EU is enlarged, the aggregate data series commented on in this publication refer to the official composition of the EU in the most recent month for which data is available. Thus publications with data for months up to June 2013 will comment on EU27 series, while publications with data for July 2013 onwards will comment on EU28 series.

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## COUNTRY INFORMATION

In **France** data on pending applications do not include accompanied minors aged less than 16 whose application is examined jointly with their parent's application. According to France, these missing pending applications are estimated to be about 20 per cent of the total number of pending applications.

**Kosovo - XK**: this designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

## DATA SOURCES

The data used for this publication are provided to Eurostat by the Ministries of Interior, Justice or immigration agencies of the Member States. Data are based entirely on relevant administrative sources. Apart from statistics on new asylum applicants, these data are supplied by Member States according to the provisions of Article 4 of the [Regulation \(EC\) 862/2007](#) of 11 July 2007 on Community statistics on migration and international protection.

## DEFINITIONS AND COVERAGE

**'Asylum applicant'** means a person having submitted an application for international protection or having been included in such application as a family member during the reference period. 'Application for international protection' means an application for international protection as defined in Art.2(g) of [Council Directive 2004/83/EC](#), i.e. including requests for refugee status or for subsidiary protection status, irrespective of whether the application was lodged on arrival at border, or from inside the country, and irrespective of whether the person entered the territory legally (e.g. as a tourist) or illegally. In deciding when to regard an asylum application as having been lodged, the principles expressed in Article 4(1) of Council Regulation 2003/343/EC should be applied, i.e. 'An application for asylum shall be deemed to have been lodged once a form submitted by the applicant for asylum or a report prepared by the authorities has reached the competent authorities of the Member State concerned. Where an application is not made in writing, the time elapsing between the statement of intention and the preparation of a report should be as short as possible'. Applications submitted by persons who are subsequently found to be a subject of a Dublin procedure (Council Regulation (EC) No 343/2003) are included in the number of asylum applications. Within the same reference period every person being a subject of asylum application is counted only once, therefore repeat applications are not recorded if the first application has been lodged in the same reference period. However, such a repeat application will be recorded if lodged in a different reference month. It means that the aggregation of the monthly figures may overestimate the number of persons applying for international protection within the aggregated period (quarter or year).

In some Member States (**MT** and **DK**) due to restrictions of the asylum procedure (e.g. time limits for lodging repeat application) repeat applications may be very rare. Therefore the number of new asylum applicants may equal or almost equal the number of asylum applicants.

The number of asylum applicants and the number of first instance decisions during the same reference period differs. This is due to the time lag between the date of asylum application and the date of the decision on asylum application. The duration of this time lag may vary considerably depending on the national asylum procedure and the administrative workload. Asylum application lodged in one reference period may therefore result in a decision in a later period, while some asylum decisions reported for that period may relate to the applications lodged in previous reference periods.

**'New asylum applicant'** means a person having submitted an application for international protection for the first time. Applications submitted by persons who are subsequently found to be a subject of a Dublin

procedure are included in the statistics on new asylum applicants if such persons are also a subject of first asylum application. All Member States are requested to supply these data but their provision is voluntary. As persons are counted once only, statistics on new asylum applicants may be used for preparation of annual aggregates.

Person being a subject of **'a pending application'** means a person who is the subject of application for international protection under consideration by the responsible national authority at the end of the reference period. It includes the number of persons with pending applications at all instances of the administrative and/or judicial procedure.

**'Rejected applicant'** means a person covered by a first instance decision rejecting an application for international protection, including decisions considering applications as inadmissible or as unfounded and decisions under priority and accelerated procedures, taken by administrative or judicial bodies during the reference period.

**'Person granted refugee status at first instance'** means a person covered by a first instance decision granting refugee status, taken by administrative or judicial bodies during the reference period. Refugee status means status as defined in Art.2 (d) of Directive 2004/83/EC within the meaning of Art.1 of the Geneva Convention relating to the Status of Refugees of 28 July 1951, as amended by the New York Protocol of 31 January 1967. According to the Art.2(c) of that Directive refugee means a third country national who, owing to a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership of a particular social group, is outside the country of nationality and is unable or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself or herself of the protection of that country, or a stateless person, who, being outside of the country of former habitual residence for the same reasons as mentioned above, is unable or, owing to such fear, unwilling to return to it.

**'Person granted subsidiary protection status at first instance'** means a person covered by a first instance decision granting subsidiary protection status, taken by administrative or judicial bodies during the reference period. Subsidiary protection status means status as defined in Art.2 (f) of Directive 2004/83/EC. According to the Art.2(e) of that Directive a person eligible for subsidiary protection means a third country national or a stateless person who does not qualify as a refugee but in respect of whom substantial grounds have been shown for believing that the person concerned, if returned to his or her country of origin, or in the case of a stateless person, to his or her country of former habitual residence, would face a real risk of suffering serious harm and is unable, or, owing to such risk, unwilling to avail himself or herself of the protection of that country.

**'Person granted authorisation to stay for humanitarian reasons at first instance'** means a person covered by another first instance decision granting authorisation to stay for humanitarian reasons under national law concerning international protection, taken by administrative or judicial bodies during the reference period. **It includes persons** who are not eligible for international protection as currently defined law but are nonetheless protected against removal under the obligations that are imposed on all Member States by international refugee or human rights instruments or on the basis of principles flowing from such instruments. Examples of such categories include persons who are not removable on ill health grounds and unaccompanied minors.

**'Dublin procedure'** means a procedure according to the Council Regulation (EC) No 343/2003, establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an asylum application lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national.

#### ABBREVIATIONS

Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), Czech Republic (CZ), Denmark (DK), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Greece (EL), Spain (ES), France (FR), Croatia (HR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Hungary (HU), Malta (MT), the Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Poland (PL), Portugal (PT), Romania (RO), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK), Finland (FI), Sweden (SE), the United Kingdom (UK), Iceland (IS), Lichtenstein (LI), Norway (NO) and Switzerland (CH).

#### EU ASYLUM POLICY

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[http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/home-affairs/index_en.htm)

## Further information

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Eurostat website: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat>

Data on Population and Social conditions, Asylum:

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/population/data/database>  
(Select "International Migration and asylum" and "Asylum")

Further information about Population and social conditions:

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/population/introduction>

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