

Immigration and Naturalisation Service Ministry of Justice and Security

Annual overview 2020

Regular residence

FAMILY ¹	2020	2019	2018	approve Family
Applications	32,730	40,830	37,580	1. Indian
Decisions	32,460	40,320	39,050	2. Turkish
Approved	80%	85%	80%	3. Syrian

¹ Including Family reunification based on art. 8 ECHR for unaccompanied minors (AMV) (2020: 3,400 applications, 3,420 decisions, 33% grants).

KNOWLEDGE AND TALENT	2020	2019	2018	Knowledge and talent
Applications	13,710	20,970	19,840	1. Indian
Decisions	13,760	21,390	19.350	2. Chinese
Approved	91%	94%	94%	3. American
Start-ups	2020	2019	2018	Start-ups
Applications	100	150	130	1. Indian
Decisions	120	140	130	2. Russian
Approved	64%	68%	70%	3. American
Students	2020	2019	2018	Students
Applications	12,310	20,430	18,640	1. Chinese
Decisions	12,640	20,630	18,670	2. Indian
Approved	96%	99%	98%	3. American
Labour migrants	2020	2019	2018	Labour migrants
Applications	2,480	3,710	2,960	1. Chinese
Decisions	2,600	3,610	2,900	2. American
Approved	70%	78%	78%	3. Indian
Brexit	2020			
Applications	34,790			
Decisions	32,920			
Approved	99%			
Naturalisation				
NATURALISATION	2020	2019	2018	Naturalisation
Applications	43.660	44.400	26.080	1. Syrian
Decisions	50.870	27.090	22.410	2. Eritrean
Approved	97%	97%	96%	3. Stateless
Asylum				
FIRST ASYLUM APPLICATIONS	2020	2019	2018	1st applications
Applications	13,670	22,530	20,350	1. Syrian
Decisions	17,350	18,190	14,970	2. Turkish
Approved	49%	25%	21%	3. Yemeni
Second and subsequent applications for asylum	2020	2019	2018	2nd and subsequent applications
Applications	1,600	2,720	3,560	1. Syrian
Decisions	1,540	3,680	2,400	2. Afghan
Approved	12%	10%	15%	3. Iraqi
Family reunification ^{2,3}	2020	2019	2018	Family reunification
Applications	9,300	6,130	6,580	1. Syrian
Decisions	5,970	5,250	9,410	2. Yemeni
Approved	70%	66%	52%	3. Eritrean
Family members who joined the asylum seekers and entered the	e country ⁴ 3,860	4,180	6,460	
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² Family members of asylum status holders may qualify for an asylum permit under certain conditions.

³ Excluding Family reunification based on art. 8 ECHR for unaccompanied minors (AMV) (2020: 3,400 applications, 3,420 decisions, 33% grants).

⁴ This concerns the number of people who came to the Netherlands as part of family reunification based on asylum permit.

Top 3 nationalities approved Family

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS	2020	2019	2018
Number of legal proceedings received	41,150	54,940	46,590
Number of legal proceedings concluded	39,880	51,280	44,640
Percentage asylum upheld	91%	92%	90%
Percentage regular residence upheld	86%	83%	84%
Services			
TELEPHONE	2020	2019	2018
Total number of calls handled	448,670 5	464,240	442,600
Total number of e-mails per year handled	88,380	38,570	48,250
Average number of e-mails per month handled	7,370	3,210	4,020
⁵ The number of calls handled includes 41,677 calls from the appointment line.			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
The number of cans narrated includes 41,077 cans from the appointment line.			
COOPERATING SERVICE	2020	2019	2018
Total number of calls handled	160,000	158,700	150,580
Total number of e-mails per year handled	3,760	6,210	5,100
Average number of e-mails per month handled	315	520	430
DOCUMENTS	2020	2019	2018
Temporary regular residence permit	125,830	157,600	140,730
Permanent regular residence permit	10,510	8,560	13,440
Temporary asylum residence permit	25,850	21,280	21,050
Permanent asylum residence permit	23,160	19,870	9,510
W document	30,770	32,630	25,760
W2 document	1,020	1,310	1,030
EU/EEA citizens residence document	5,630	7,370	9,420
EU/EEA family members residence document	5,370	7,470	5,210
Long-term residents residence	9,030	12,440	11,650
Type of EU/EEA, Withdrawal agreement fixed-term 6	16,160		
Type EU/EEA, Withdrawal agreement indefinite term 6	17,400		
Document "frontier worker" under the Withdrawal Agreement ⁷	40		
⁶ This concerns residence documents for a definite period and for an indefinite peri Agreement. This application can be made by UK nationals or family members of U than five years or five years or longer, respectively.			

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⁷ British frontier workers who worked as frontier workers in the Netherlands before 1 January 2021 and who want to continue these activities as a frontier worker in the Netherlands after 31 December 2020 are eligible for this document.

CUSTOMER CONTACTS IND DESKS	2020	2019	2018
IND desk (incl. biometrics, issuing documents, counter appointments) ⁸	270,540	350,410	354,980
Extra location in Utrecht and Amsterdam (Brexit biometrics)	10,000		
Total number of documents delivered via IPKD ⁹	28,960		
Total number of documents delivered via PostNL	9,320		
Total	318,820	350,410	354,980

⁸ These figures do not include the activities of the expat centres. Customer contacts for DNA testing and the info desk virtually came to a standstill in 2020 as a result of Corona measures.

⁹ Interdepartmental Post and Courier Service.

Legal Cases

IND CARIBBEAN NETHERLANDS	2020	2019	2018
Applications and requests Handled	4,640 5,170	5,440 4,610	4,980 5,920
Notices of default and complaints			
NOTICES OF DEFAULT	2020	2019	2018
Number received Processed on time ¹⁰	8,420 20%	10,250 37%	7,230 50%

¹⁰ In 2020, the percentage of default notices dealt with on time decreased to 20% because due to the applicable Corona measures no interviews could take place in the spring of 2020 and it was therefore practically impossible to take a decision within 14 days of submitting a notice of default. The total amount of penalties paid (notices of default and appeals not being decided on time) for 2020 is € 13 million.

COMPLAINTS	2020	2019	2018
Number received	2,900	1,880	2,010
Processed on time	85%	82%	81%

INCOME 2020

€ 495.9 million

This amount consists to a large extent (85%) of a contribution from the department. The remaining amount consists of proceeds from fees and other proceeds.

COSTS 2020

The IND's costs consist of \leq 365.6 million for human resources (67% of the total). The remaining amount concerns material costs such as premises and automation.

Number of applications and proceedings

EXPENDITURE 2020

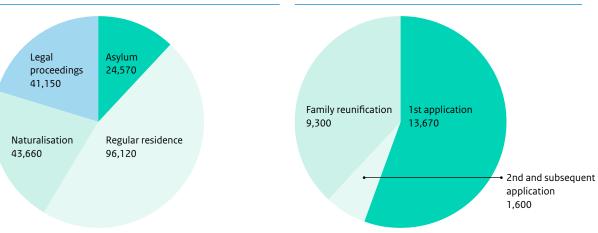
€ 543.8 million

As a result, this represents a negative result of \notin 47.9 million. The main cause of this is the substantially lower production (as a result of the Corona crisis) where the costs have not dropped as strongly.

STAFFING 2020

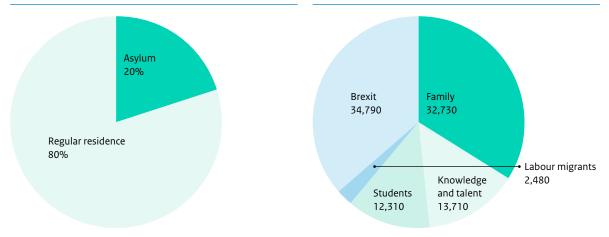
At the end of 2020, official staffing levels were 3.914 fte. As of 31 December 2020, the number of external colleagues was 848 fte. (including the Task Force).

Applications for asylum



Number of applications for residence in the Netherlands

Applications for regular residence



Number of decisions

