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Monthly Report on Asylum Applications in The Netherlands

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**Total asylum influx in The Netherlands (first applications, repeated applications, family reunification influx)**  
Source: METIS

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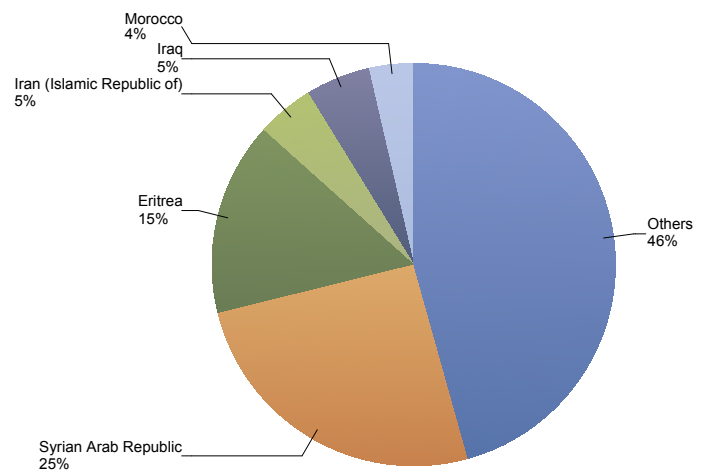
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017										2018					Last 12 months	Perc
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total		
10.604	10.829	Syrian Arab Republic	1.178	1.075	772	692	601	610	699	493	532	6.652	420	422	423	455	1.720	7.194	25%
2.870	4.038	Eritrea	337	360	224	251	297	296	345	454	540	3.104	463	403	424	314	1.604	4.371	15%
1.166	1.418	Iraq	109	116	127	122	141	130	124	133	130	1.132	107	126	114	92	439	1.462	5%
1.037	1.015	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	55	69	79	98	91	89	97	150	114	842	139	98	121	149	507	1.294	5%
1.283	1.020	Morocco	86	79	55	82	115	84	69	84	89	743	93	73	96	102	364	1.021	4%
991	924	Algeria	59	63	23	62	71	78	82	85	90	613	91	94	116	95	396	950	3%
618	916	Unknown	102	121	88	75	88	52	72	62	62	722	99	72	60	74	305	925	3%
1.447	872	Afghanistan	82	81	83	101	58	48	73	46	57	629	62	102	94	96	354	901	3%
1.471	1.611	Stateless	218	179	91	74	71	67	56	46	60	862	34	38	39	21	132	776	3%
259	509	Turkey	38	29	47	38	37	44	42	81	55	411	61	64	64	110	299	672	2%
9.896	8.175	Others	600	616	722	761	692	659	718	670	780	6.218	839	660	758	788	3.045	8.663	31%
31.642	31.327	Total	2.864	2.788	2.311	2.356	2.262	2.157	2.377	2.304	2.509	21.928	2.408	2.152	2.309	2.296	9.165	28.229	100%

\* To conceal the lowest figures, all values between 0 and 4 are replaced by asterisk.

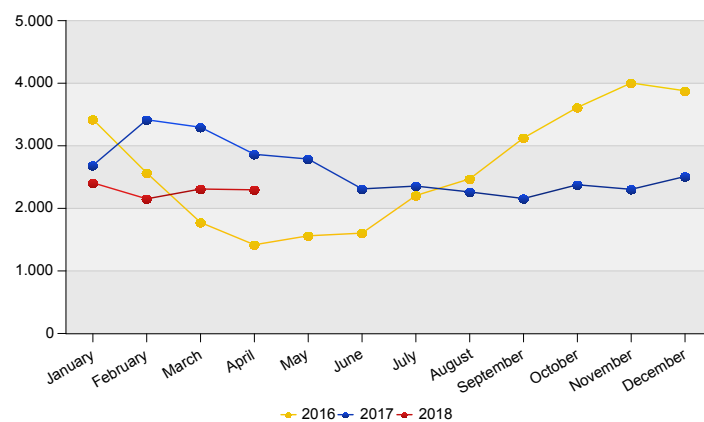
Top Total asylum applications in The Netherlands  
April 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	455	20%
2	Eritrea	314	14%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	149	6%
4	Turkey	110	5%
5	Morocco	102	4%
6	Afghanistan	96	4%
7	Algeria	95	4%
8	Iraq	92	4%
9	Unknown	74	3%
10	Moldova, Republic of	70	3%
	Others	739	32%
<b>Total April 2018</b>		2.296	100%

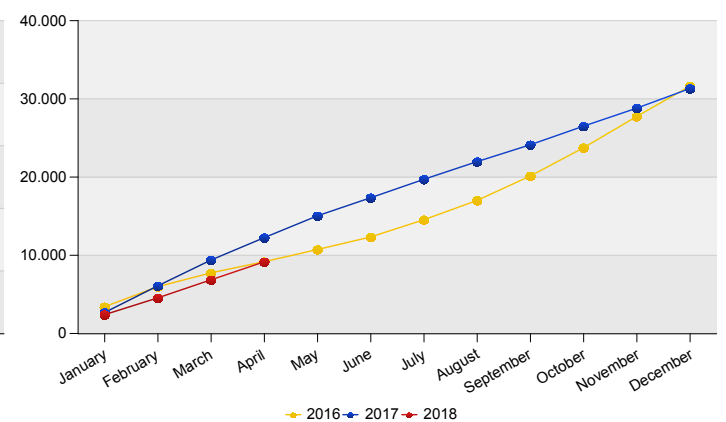
Top Nationalities total applications last twelve months  
Period: May 2017 - Apr 2018  
Number of total asylum applications: 28.229



Total asylum applications in The Netherlands



Cumulative development of total asylum applications in The Netherlands





First asylum applications in The Netherlands

Source: METIS

Top 10 Last thirteen months **first** asylum applications in The Netherlands

Total 2016	Total 2017 **	Country of citizenship	2017										2018					Last 12 months	Perc
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total		
2.158	2.202	Syrian Arab Republic	131	187	174	207	195	219	243	150	232	1.738	200	194	187	214	795	2.402	15%
1.497	1.095	Eritrea	67	80	76	92	113	105	71	49	77	730	110	104	145	127	486	1.149	7%
1.271	977	Morocco	85	78	48	79	109	82	62	80	80	703	87	68	90	96	341	959	6%
980	891	Algeria	57	59	22	57	69	77	78	81	89	589	89	91	111	90	381	913	6%
884	718	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	45	48	63	76	75	65	66	83	69	590	89	72	68	105	334	879	6%
888	724	Iraq	61	58	74	73	74	59	56	63	52	570	63	47	47	52	209	718	5%
235	481	Turkey	35	25	46	36	35	39	40	78	54	388	59	58	60	105	282	635	4%
457	550	Unknown	31	72	51	57	53	36	56	49	41	446	68	55	25	52	200	615	4%
15	342	Moldova, Republic of	*	34	64	86	38	21	16	20	37	317	65	29	63	70	227	543	3%
341	357	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	27	23	21	22	23	35	37	24	40	252	51	42	40	42	175	400	3%
9.445	6.379	Others	482	491	558	599	546	482	554	508	565	4.785	631	423	527	495	2.076	6.379	41%
18.171	14.716	Total	1.022	1.155	1.197	1.384	1.330	1.220	1.279	1.185	1.336	11.108	1.512	1.183	1.363	1.448	5.506	15.592	100%

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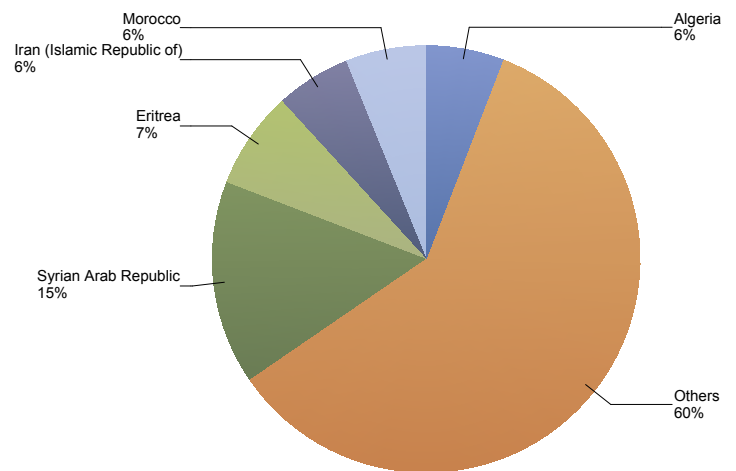
\*\* In May 2017 the IND has adjusted its systems to remove a small discrepancy that caused some cases to not be included in figures of (earlier versions of) this report. This adjustment may result in some small inconsistencies with reports dating from April 2017 and before. Considering the limited size of the discrepancy and to ensure consistency between reports, figures published before January 1st, 2017, will not be updated. Notwithstanding these figures, the total influx of first asylum applications in 2016 was 18,246.

Top First asylum applications in The Netherlands April 2018

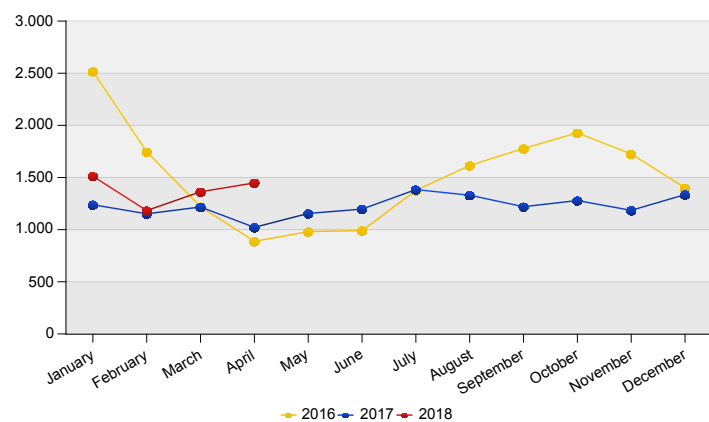
	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	214	15%
2	Eritrea	127	9%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	105	7%
4	Turkey	105	7%
5	Morocco	96	7%
6	Algeria	90	6%
7	Moldova, Republic of	70	5%
8	Iraq	52	4%
9	Unknown	52	4%
10	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	42	3%
11	Tunisia	37	3%
12	Gambia	33	2%
	Others	425	29%
<b>Total April 2018</b>		<b>1.448</b>	<b>100%</b>

Top Nationalities first applications last twelve months  
Period: May 2017 - Apr 2018

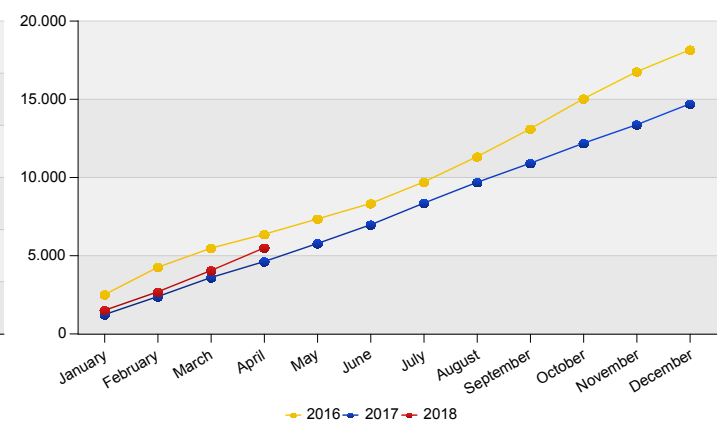
Number of first asylum applications: 15.592



First asylum applications in The Netherlands



Cumulative development of first asylum applications in The Netherlands





**Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands**  
Source: METIS

Top 10 Last thirteen months repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands

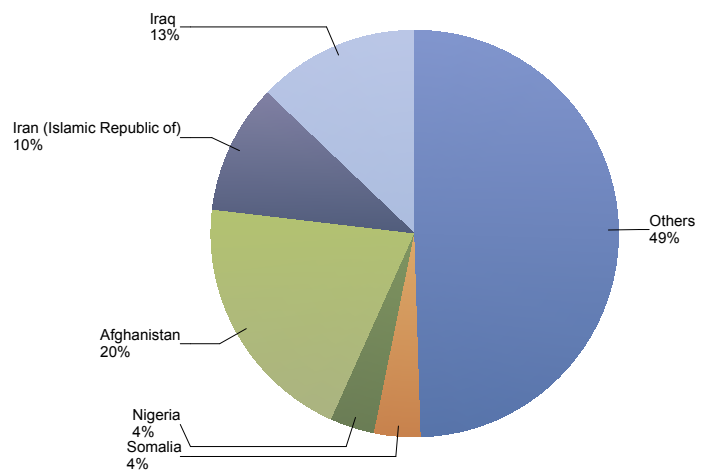
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018					Last 12 months	Perc
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total				
358	464	Afghanistan	40	35	41	70	29	37	33	28	23	336	30	71	36	48	185	481	20%		
156	249	Iraq	12	24	16	20	25	30	25	19	23	194	26	36	35	28	125	307	13%		
110	176	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	*	13	12	14	10	17	16	35	24	145	28	19	30	27	104	245	10%		
93	76	Somalia	5	5	*	10	9	9	8	9	*	60	5	14	12	*	33	88	4%		
75	77	Nigeria	*	*	6	10	7	11	6	8	7	62	6	8	*	9	26	84	4%		
49	45	Syrian Arab Republic	*	*	6	10	6	7	*	5	*	44	14	9	6	*	31	75	3%		
46	82	Armenia	10	*	*	7	*	*	14	9	6	60	*	6	*	*	14	64	3%		
59	61	Eritrea	6	*	*	6	7	*	7	5	*	43	*	13	*	6	24	61	3%		
61	62	Unknown	10	*	6	*	11	*	*	*	6	49	7	*	7	*	22	61	3%		
9	36	Morocco	*	*	7	*	*	*	*	*	9	33	6	5	6	6	23	55	2%		
641	793	Others	65	66	75	55	67	68	74	59	73	602	73	79	78	98	328	865	36%		
1.657	2.121	Total	157	160	177	209	179	193	191	184	178	1.628	201	264	218	232	915	2.386	100%		

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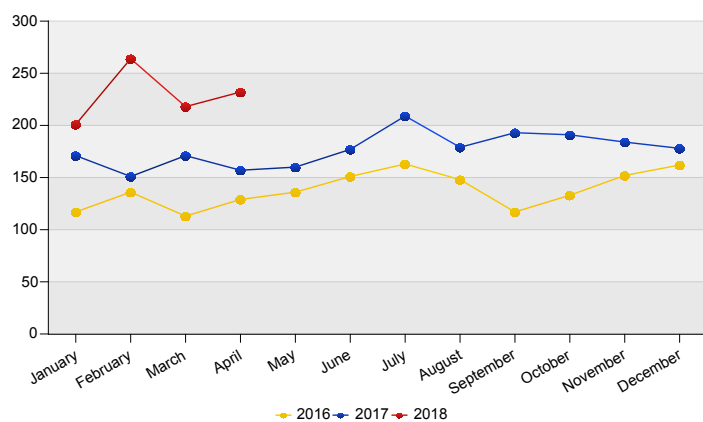
Top Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands April 2018

Country of citizenship		%
1 Afghanistan	48	21%
2 Iraq	28	12%
3 Iran (Islamic Republic of)	27	12%
4 Uganda	12	5%
5 Nigeria	9	4%
Others	108	47%
<b>Total April 2018</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>100%</b>

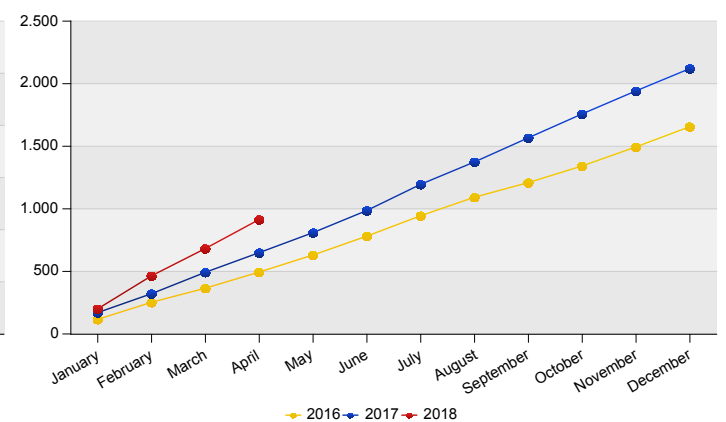
Top Nationalities repeated asylum applications last twelve months  
Period: May 2017 - Apr 2018  
Number of repeated asylum applications: 2.386



Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands



Cumulative development of repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands





**Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands (Council Directive 2003/86/EC Chapter V)**  
Source: METIS

Top 10 Last thirteen months Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands

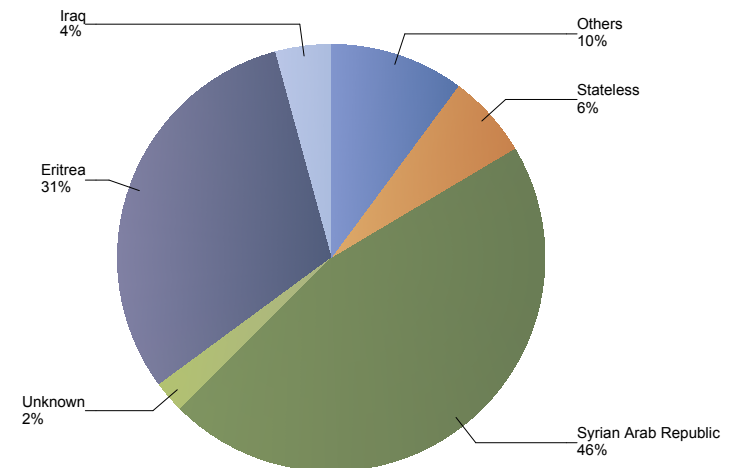
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018					Last 12 months	Perc
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total				
8.397	8.582	Syrian Arab Republic	1.047	884	592	475	400	384	453	338	297	4.870	206	219	230	239	894	4.717	46%		
1.312	2.881	Eritrea	264	276	145	153	177	187	267	400	462	2.331	349	286	278	181	1.094	3.161	31%		
1.139	1.458	Stateless	208	160	82	61	60	56	45	35	50	757	25	30	30	14	99	648	6%		
122	445	Iraq	36	34	37	29	42	41	43	51	55	368	18	43	32	12	105	437	4%		
102	305	Unknown	61	47	31	14	24	12	14	9	15	227	24	13	28	18	83	249	2%		
43	121	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	6	8	*	8	6	7	15	32	21	107	22	7	23	17	69	170	2%		
63	86	Afghanistan	11	17	7	*	*	*	14	*	15	71	10	13	33	27	83	143	1%		
249	107	Somalia	20	8	*	*	*	*	9	*	9	58	7	16	21	36	80	118	1%		
31	86	Pakistan	*	11	11	*	7	*	11	6	19	73	18	8	*	7	36	109	1%		
34	48	Ethiopia	7	*	*	*	*	7	*	13	*	41	*	13	16	10	43	77	1%		
322	371	Others	25	26	23	15	33	39	34	45	49	289	12	57	34	55	158	422	4%		
11.814	14.490	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.685</b>	<b>1.473</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>995</b>	<b>9.192</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>2.744</b>	<b>10.251</b>	<b>100%</b>		

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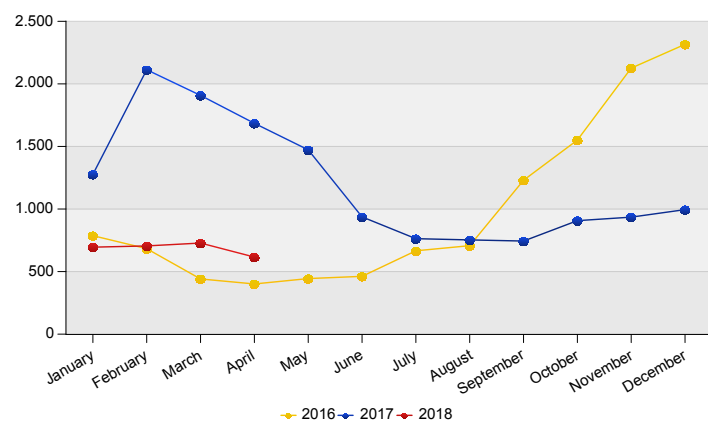
Top Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands  
April 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	239	39%
2	Eritrea	181	29%
3	Somalia	36	6%
4	Afghanistan	27	4%
5	Sudan	24	4%
	Others	109	18%
<b>Total April 2018</b>		<b>616</b>	<b>100%</b>

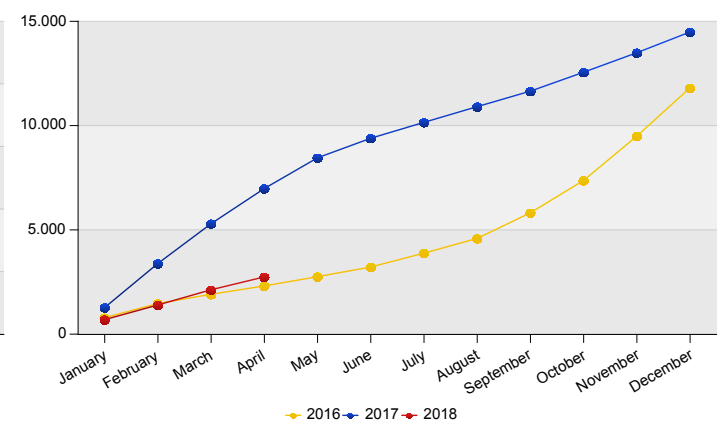
Top Nationalities Influx of family reunification last twelve months  
Period: May 2017 - Apr 2018  
Number of influx family reunification: 10.251



Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands



Cumulative development of Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands





**Influx of indicated unaccompanied minor asylum seekers in The Netherlands**  
Source: METIS

Top 10 Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands

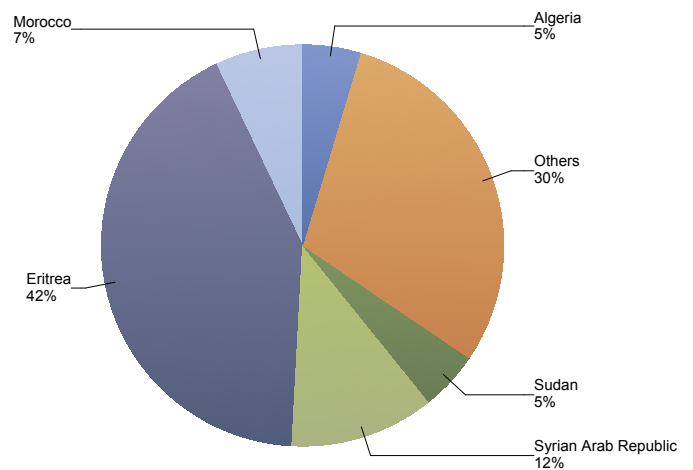
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018					Last 12 months	Perc
			Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Total				
773	479	Eritrea	16	39	18	41	45	48	23	17	40	287	45	29	83	88	245	516	42%		
181	135	Syrian Arab Republic	8	7	12	11	18	18	13	11	7	105	15	7	12	12	46	143	12%		
68	74	Morocco	9	6	*	*	7	11	8	11	10	66	6	6	12	6	30	87	7%		
23	59	Sudan	*	5	*	*	7	12	8	*	*	48	*	*	6	*	12	58	5%		
61	54	Algeria	*	*	*	*	5	*	9	10	13	45	*	*	7	*	14	57	5%		
34	47	Guinea	5	*	6	6	*	*	7	6	6	42	*	*	5	*	15	52	4%		
195	65	Afghanistan	7	7	*	8	*	*	5	6	*	46	*	*	*	*	6	45	4%		
35	22	Iraq	*	*	*	*	*	*	6	*	*	19	*	*	*	*	13	32	3%		
38	30	Albania	*	*	7	*	*	*	5	*	*	22	*	*	*	*	5	26	2%		
21	20	Gambia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	17	*	*	*	*	5	22	2%		
15	18	Unknown	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	19	*	*	*	*	*	21	2%		
36	23	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	17	*	*	*	*	5	21	2%		
227	155	Others	11	13	10	11	14	19	18	15	14	125	*	8	8	13	33	147	12%		
1.707	1.181	<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>1.227</b>	<b>100%</b>		

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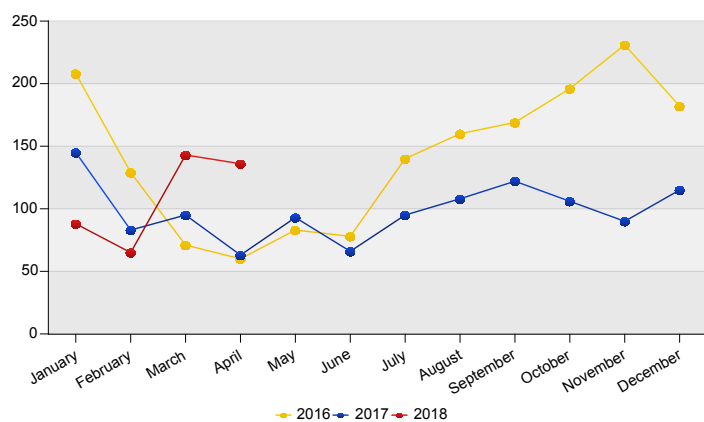
Top Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands April 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Eritrea	88	65%
2	Syrian Arab Republic	12	9%
3	Morocco	6	4%
4	Guinea	*	3%
5	Algeria	*	2%
6	Iraq	*	2%
7	Nigeria	*	2%
	Others	17	12%
<b>Total April 2018</b>		<b>136</b>	<b>100%</b>

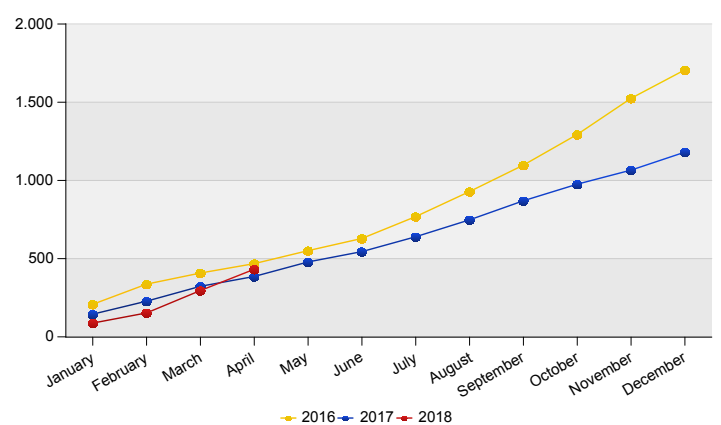
Top Nationalities unaccompanied minor asylum applications last twelve months  
Period: May 2017 - Apr 2018  
Number of unaccompanied minor asylum applications: 1.227



Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands



Cumulative development of Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands







## Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2018

Source: METiS

Country of citizenships	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Afghanistan	22	18	25	21	86	322	1.026
Albania	21	8	18	24	71	365	1.664
Algeria	89	91	111	90	381	891	980
Angola	*	6	7	*	17	27	15
Argentina	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Armenia	*	*	5	8	18	109	48
Azerbaijan	13	12	21	22	68	113	66
Bahamas	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Bahrain	*	*	*	*	*	8	*
Bangladesh	*	*	*	*	6	18	21
Belarus	*	*	12	*	16	103	21
Belgium	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Benin	*	*	*	*	*	13	7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	5	*	*	*	13	67	295
Botswana	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Brazil	*	*	*	*	*	10	*
Bulgaria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Burkina Faso	*	*	*	*	*	8	11
Burundi	*	*	*	*	*	29	24
Cambodia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cameroon	*	*	5	*	12	39	18
Canada	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cape Verde	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Central African Republic	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Chad	*	*	*	*	6	30	5
Chile	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
China (including Hong Kong)	7	*	9	10	27	149	97
Colombia	*	*	*	*	*	36	36
Comoros	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Congo, the Democratic Republic of the	*	*	*	*	6	13	*
Congo, the Republic of the	*	5	*	*	12	43	50
Cote d'Ivoire	7	6	*	6	21	41	30
Croatia	*	*	*	*	*	*	5
Cuba	155	*	*	*	157	256	23
Cyprus	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Djibouti	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Dominican Republic	*	*	*	*	*	9	*
Ecuador	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Egypt	12	11	11	*	38	178	112
El Salvador	*	*	*	6	8	18	19
Eritrea	110	104	145	127	486	1.095	1.497
Ethiopia	9	5	*	*	22	124	156
Finland	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Gabon	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Gambia	22	24	20	33	99	214	131
Georgia	11	26	54	27	118	487	578
Germany	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ghana	*	10	*	6	22	39	15



## Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2018

Source: METiS

Country of citizenships	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Greece	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Grenada	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Guinea	20	16	22	15	73	330	111
Guinea-Bissau	*	*	*	*	9	29	11
Guyana	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Haiti	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Honduras	5	*	*	*	5	12	7
Hungary	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
India	*	*	8	*	15	37	45
Indonesia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	89	72	68	105	334	718	884
Iraq	63	47	47	52	209	724	888
Israel	*	*	*	*	*	6	*
Italy	*	*	*	*	*	*	5
Jamaica	*	*	*	*	6	14	34
Jordan	7	*	10	11	32	34	27
Kazakhstan	*	*	*	*	*	15	23
Kenya	*	*	*	5	6	10	6
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Kosovo / UNSCR 1244	*	5	*	*	9	36	465
Kuwait	*	*	*	*	*	6	8
Kyrgyzstan	5	*	*	*	6	9	9
Lao People's Democratic Republic	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latvia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Lebanon	7	*	*	*	14	61	55
Liberia	*	*	5	*	8	15	11
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	51	42	40	42	175	357	341
Lithuania	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Malaysia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Maldives	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mali	5	6	*	*	15	60	26
Mauritania	*	*	*	*	*	18	11
Mauritius	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mexico	*	*	*	*	*	5	*
Moldova, Republic of	65	29	63	70	227	342	15
Mongolia	5	*	*	*	8	19	403
Montenegro	*	*	*	*	*	5	25
Morocco	87	68	90	96	341	977	1.271
Myanmar	5	*	*	*	9	28	55
Nepal	*	*	*	*	*	*	13
Netherlands	*	*	*	*	*	7	13
Nicaragua	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Niger	*	*	*	*	*	13	*
Nigeria	36	24	22	17	99	245	197
Oman	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pakistan	12	9	19	24	64	181	161
Palestinian Territory, Occupied	*	6	5	14	29	74	30
Panama	*	*	*	*	*	*	*



## Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2018

Source: METiS

Country of citizenships	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Peru	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Philippines	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Poland	*	*	*	*	*	*	8
Portugal	*	*	*	*	*	*	7
Romania	*	*	*	*	*	7	7
Russian Federation	24	8	32	17	81	316	124
Rwanda	*	*	*	*	*	*	15
Saudi Arabia	*	*	*	*	*	6	11
Senegal	*	*	*	5	14	81	47
Serbia	15	8	8	13	44	174	938
Sierra Leone	13	7	*	7	31	67	33
Singapore	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Somalia	8	9	6	6	29	124	157
South Africa	*	*	*	*	*	12	10
South Sudan	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Spain	*	*	*	*	*	7	*
Sri Lanka	*	5	*	6	11	46	28
Stateless	5	*	*	*	12	120	310
Sudan	12	9	25	23	69	260	191
Suriname	*	*	*	*	*	8	8
Sweden	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Syrian Arab Republic	200	194	187	214	795	2.202	2.158
Taiwan	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Tajikistan	24	16	17	8	65	59	19
Tanzania, United Republic of	*	*	*	*	*	14	10
Thailand	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	9	8	*	*	20	112	430
Togo	*	*	*	*	*	10	*
Trinidad and Tobago	*	*	*	6	9	34	22
Tunisia	35	41	56	37	169	172	205
Turkey	59	58	60	105	282	481	235
Turkmenistan	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Uganda	9	6	11	*	29	72	87
Ukraine	11	7	5	12	35	139	317
United Arab Emirates	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
United Kingdom	*	*	*	*	*	5	*
United States of America	*	5	*	6	12	20	5
Unknown	68	55	25	52	200	550	457
Uruguay	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Uzbekistan	*	*	*	*	*	5	6
Venezuela	5	14	15	12	46	77	27
Viet Nam	*	*	*	*	7	27	61
Yemen	16	22	13	14	65	171	45
Zambia	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Zimbabwe	*	*	*	*	*	17	12
Other	*	*	*	*	*	*	17
<b>Totaal</b>	<b>1.512</b>	<b>1.183</b>	<b>1.363</b>	<b>1.448</b>	<b>5.506</b>	<b>14.716</b>	<b>18.171</b>

\* To conceal the lowest figures, all values between 0 and 4 are replaced by asterisk.



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*\*\* In May 2017 the IND has adjusted its systems to remove a small discrepancy that caused some cases to not be included in figures of (earlier versions of) this report. This adjustment may result in some small inconsistencies with reports dating from April 2017 and before. Considering the limited size of the discrepancy and to ensure consistency between reports, figures published before January 1st, 2017, will not be updated. Notwithstanding these figures, the total influx of first asylum applications in 2016 was 18,246.*

*Selection criterion for this table: all nationalities with at least 1 application in the current year.*