



Asylum Trends

Appendix: Eurostat data

Contents

<i>Colophon</i>	2
First asylum applications in Europe (EU, Norway and Switzerland)	
Monthly asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland	3
First asylum applications in the EU	
Monthly asylum applications in the EU	3
Special Theme:	
First Asylum Applications in Europe related to country area, population and GDP	
First asylum applications compared to country area, population and GDP	4
First asylum applications related to country area size	5
First asylum applications related to population size	6
First asylum applications related to GDP size	7
Overview of all indicators of country size related first asylum applications	8

First asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland in 2016 and 2017

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

		2016											2017			Total 2016	
		Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb		Total
EU	Germany	72,835	65,275	66,265	59,705	78,630	76,550	92,115	76,515	32,390	25,895	18,965	665,140	16,055	14,950	31,005	722,365
	Italy	7,595	7,295	7,785	9,080	9,815	10,870	11,290	12,295	13,315	13,435	11,020	113,795	11,570	11,820	23,390	121,185
	France	6,380	6,220	5,950	5,945	6,075	6,075	7,120	6,910	6,980	6,150	7,080	70,885	7,000	6,975	13,975	76,790
	Greece	1,320	2,820	3,615	4,215	4,185	3,940	3,450	5,040	6,160	7,470	6,615	48,830	6,260	5,525	11,785	49,875
	United Kingdom	3,260	3,135	3,510	3,220	3,060	2,880	3,105	3,240	2,910	3,090	3,285	34,695	2,820	2,475	5,295	38,380
	Austria	4,875	3,160	3,970	3,740	3,075	2,950	3,115	2,470	2,460	2,190	2,230	34,235	2,035	1,850	3,885	39,905
	Sweden	2,250	1,735	1,540	1,470	1,440	1,530	1,700	1,795	1,880	1,730	1,575	18,645	1,545	1,315	2,860	22,385
	Netherlands	1,785	1,215	980	980	1,110	1,530	1,755	1,875	2,035	1,920	1,540	16,725	1,245	1,160	2,405	19,285
	Belgium	1,315	1,015	930	835	780	1,035	1,255	1,100	1,295	1,175	1,155	11,890	1,150	1,080	2,230	14,290
	Spain	925	885	1,155	1,315	1,500	1,005	1,220	1,305	1,705	1,905	1,555	14,475	2,080	0	2,080	15,570
	Bulgaria	1,155	990	1,045	1,080	1,385	1,505	2,790	2,065	2,550	1,730	795	17,090	375	355	730	18,990
	Poland	785	1,010	1,095	1,330	1,425	1,045	765	620	395	390	395	9,255	345	300	645	9,785
	Finland	825	340	365	315	335	335	460	480	310	275	270	4,310	240	360	600	5,295
	Luxembourg	135	105	125	115	170	120	195	195	275	165	200	1,800	230	225	455	2,065
	Denmark	900	460	395	360	465	395	290	300	345	275	255	4,440	220	205	425	6,070
	Ireland	190	140	155	140	155	160	195	220	185	225	260	2,025	165	225	390	2,235
	Malta	135	145	105	120	170	130	175	165	220	145	110	1,620	120	105	225	1,735
	Romania	80	95	85	50	80	115	140	190	415	275	290	1,815	90	125	215	1,855
	Czech Republic	150	110	115	75	90	85	90	115	120	80	75	1,105	110	90	200	1,205
	Portugal	40	50	50	50	60	70	60	70	80	65	60	655	65	70	135	710
Latvia	15	10	40	5	45	25	30	25	55	60	30	340	55	45	100	345	
Slovenia	270	200	30	55	30	35	120	110	85	185	130	1,250	30	30	60	1,265	
Slovak Republic	0	10	5	5	5	0	20	15	5	20	15	100	25	20	45	100	
Estonia	0	10	15	25	10	10	10	20	20	25	5	150	25	15	40	150	
Lithuania	10	20	10	15	45	35	65	40	100	50	15	405	0	10	10	415	
Hungary	2,065	4,430	5,685	4,625	4,605	1,750	1,260	1,055	1,155	675	580	27,885	0	0	0	28,215	
Cyprus	230	185	185	170	160	225	215	265	340	405	250	2,630	0	0	0	2,840	
Croatia	50	160	190	100	90	90	230	360	395	260	175	2,100	0	0	0	2,150	
Total	109,575	101,225	105,395	99,140	118,995	114,495	133,235	118,855	78,180	70,265	58,930	1,108,290	53,855	49,330	103,185	1,205,455	
Not EU	Switzerland	2,545	1,895	1,625	1,790	2,215	2,370	2,315	2,090	2,010	1,845	1,660	22,360	1,490	1,385	2,875	25,875
	Norway	235	270	225	200	250	255	295	265	260	225	410	2,890	465	305	770	3,275
	Total	2,780	2,165	1,850	1,990	2,465	2,625	2,610	2,355	2,270	2,070	2,070	25,250	1,955	1,690	3,645	29,150
Total	112,355	103,390	107,245	101,130	121,460	117,120	135,845	121,210	80,450	72,335	61,000	1,133,540	55,810	51,020	106,830	1,234,605	

First asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland from March 2016 - February 2017

	2016											2017		Total
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb		
Syrian Arab Republic	35,175	34,470	30,055	33,015	29,830	32,755	29,115	13,745	11,890	9,730	7,330	7,295	274,405	
Afghanistan	13,975	16,635	17,255	22,435	21,060	24,720	18,660	10,230	7,145	5,095	4,425	3,550	165,185	
Iraq	12,755	12,780	10,920	13,070	11,580	14,190	12,215	6,425	5,125	4,210	3,300	3,540	110,110	
Nigeria	2,280	2,790	3,005	4,205	4,620	5,825	5,585	5,105	5,355	4,085	4,120	3,820	50,795	
Pakistan	4,330	4,170	4,175	4,770	4,185	5,350	4,570	2,995	3,155	2,575	2,385	2,460	45,120	
Eritrea	1,880	2,275	2,545	4,160	4,490	4,440	4,050	3,910	3,925	3,400	2,660	2,310	40,045	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	3,570	3,480	3,270	3,985	4,520	4,765	4,270	2,740	1,985	1,700	1,665	1,325	37,275	
Albania	2,020	2,230	1,960	2,450	2,635	2,900	3,630	2,375	2,560	2,200	1,795	1,530	28,285	
Russian Federation	1,575	2,095	2,545	3,310	2,755	2,725	2,130	1,465	1,210	1,230	1,060	1,035	23,135	
Somalia	1,305	1,850	1,735	2,245	2,195	2,200	2,215	1,875	1,475	1,230	1,150	1,055	20,530	
Others	24,510	24,505	23,695	27,805	29,275	36,010	34,935	29,745	28,740	25,640	25,970	23,035	333,865	
Total	103,375	107,280	101,160	121,450	117,145	135,880	121,375	80,610	72,565	61,095	55,860	50,955	1,128,750	

Figures are sorted by total in 2017. Figures are rounded to the nearest multiple of 5. Figures include applications from EU citizens. "0" means data not yet available. The last column in the uppermost table is based on yearly data from Eurostat. Because of the aforementioned rounding to multiples of 5 there are small differences with the monthly data.

In 2017 Germany registered the highest number of applications, followed by Italy and France. Figures for march, april and may 2017 are not yet available for all EU countries. Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq are the most important countries of origin in the influx of first asylum applications in the EU.

Special Theme: First Asylum Applications in Europe (2nd half of 2016) related to country Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

Introduction

Biannually the influx of asylum seekers in Europe is related to three indicators of country size: Area, Population and GDP. This way, it's easier to compare the asylum influx between small, medium, and large countries.

Table 1: Number of first asylum applications compared to country area, population and GDP in the 2nd half of 2016

	Rank	Country of asylum	Number of Applications	% share in EU	Country area (sq km)	% share in EU	Inhabitants (million)	% share in EU	GDP	% share in EU
EU	1	Germany	322,430	56%	357.134	8%	82,2	16%	2,624	20%
	2	Italy	72,225	13%	301.339	7%	60,7	12%	1,541	12%
	3	France	40,315	7%	543.965	12%	66,8	13%	1,830	14%
	4	Greece	32,675	6%	131.957	3%	10,8	2%	213	2%
	5	United Kingdom	18,510	3%	248.484	6%	65,4	13%	1,742	13%
	6	Austria	15,415	3%	83.879	2%	8,7	2%	281	2%
	7	Bulgaria	11,435	2%	110.900	3%	7,2	1%	87	1%
	8	Netherlands	10,655	2%	37.369	1%	17,0	3%	548	4%
	9	Sweden	10,210	2%	438.576	10%	9,9	2%	314	2%
	10	Spain	8,695	2%	498.511	11%	46,4	9%	1,125	9%
	11	Belgium	7,015	1%	30.527	1%	11,3	2%	339	3%
	12	Hungary	6,475	1%	93.024	2%	9,8	2%	170	1%
	13	Poland	3,610	1%	312.679	7%	38,0	7%	673	5%
	14	Finland	2,130	0%	338.433	8%	5,5	1%	156	1%
	15	Denmark	1,860	0%	42.895	1%	5,7	1%	180	1%
	16	Cyprus	1,700	0%	9.251	0%	0,8	0%	19	0%
	17	Croatia	1,510	0%	87.661	2%	4,2	1%	66	1%
	18	Romania	1,425	0%	238.392	5%	19,8	4%	278	2%
	19	Ireland	1,245	0%	69.797	2%	4,7	1%	149	1%
	20	Luxembourg	1,150	0%	2.586	0%	0,6	0%	37	0%
	21	Malta	945	0%	316	0%	0,4	0%	10	0%
	22	Slovenia	665	0%	20.273	0%	2,1	0%	44	0%
	23	Czech Republic	565	0%	78.865	2%	10,6	2%	216	2%
	24	Portugal	405	0%	89.089	2%	10,3	2%	203	2%
	25	Lithuania	305	0%	65.300	1%	2,9	1%	56	0%
	26	Latvia	225	0%	64.562	1%	2,0	0%	35	0%
	27	Estonia	90	0%	45.227	1%	1,3	0%	25	0%
	28	Slovak Republic	75	0%	49.036	1%	5,4	1%	106	1%
EU - Total			573,960	100%	4.390.027	100%	510,3	100%	13,068.743	100%
Not EU		Switzerland	12,290	2%	41.285	1%	8,3	2%	326	2%
		Norway	1,710	0%	323.779	7%	5,2	1%	250	2%
Not EU - Total			14,000	2%	365.064	8%	13,5	3%	575.674	4%

Table 1 shows the number of first asylum applications, country area size, inhabitants and GDP per country. The table is arranged by the number of asylum applications in decreasing order. In the last six months of 2016 Germany received the highest number of first asylum applications in the EU, followed by Italy and France. The Netherlands ranked 8th within the EU.

It is clear from table 1 that there are substantial differences in ranking when one takes into account the respective country area, inhabitants and GDP of the European countries. In the next subsection, these differences will be related to the number of asylum applications in more detail.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (2nd half of 2016) related to area size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

Table 2: Number of first asylum applications 2nd half of 2016 related to country area size

Rank	Country of asylum	Application per 1000 sq km	In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Number of Applications	Country area (sq km)
1	Malta	2.991	23,3	945	316
2	Germany	903	7,0	322,430	357.134
3	Luxembourg	445	3,5	1,150	2.586
4	Netherlands	285	2,2	10,655	37.369
5	Greece	248	1,9	32,675	131.957
6	Italy	240	1,9	72,225	301.339
7	Belgium	230	1,8	7,015	30.527
8	Austria	184	1,4	15,415	83.879
9	Cyprus	184	1,4	1,700	9.251
	TOTAL EU-28	131	1,0	573,960	4.477.688
10	Bulgaria	103	0,8	11,435	110.900
11	United Kingdom	74	0,6	18,510	248.484
12	France	74	0,6	40,315	543.965
13	Hungary	70	0,5	6,475	93.024
14	Denmark	43	0,3	1,860	42.895
15	Slovenia	33	0,3	665	20.273
16	Sweden	23	0,2	10,210	438.576
17	Ireland	18	0,1	1,245	69.797
18	Spain	17	0,1	8,695	498.511
19	Croatia	17	0,1	1,510	87.661
20	Poland	12	0,1	3,610	312.679
21	Czech Republic	7	0,1	565	78.865
22	Finland	6	0,0	2,130	338.433
23	Romania	6	0,0	1,425	238.392
24	Lithuania	5	0,0	305	65.300
25	Portugal	5	0,0	405	89.089
26	Latvia	3	0,0	225	64.562
27	Estonia	2	0,0	90	45.227
28	Slovak Republic	2	0,0	75	49.036
	Norway	5	0,0	1,710	323.779
	Switzerland	298	2,3	12,290	41.285

Table 2 relates the number of first asylum applications to the area size of the European countries and is arranged in decreasing order. By indexing the Total EU-28 figure as 1, it shows how many times more or less applications a country received relative to the EU average.

The largest number of asylum applications in Europe in relation to its area size is Malta (2.991 per 1.000 sq km) which receives 23,3 times more applicants than the EU average (131 per 1.000 sq km). Germany and Luxembourg ranked second and third at some distance with 7 and 3,5 times more applications than the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 4th in the EU with 2,2 times the EU average.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (2nd half of 2016) related to population size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

Table 3: Number of first asylum applications 2nd half of 2016 related to population size

Rank	Country of asylum	Application per million inhabitants	In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Number of Applications	Inhabitants (million)
1	Germany	3,924	3,5	322,430	82,2
2	Greece	3,030	2,7	32,675	10,8
3	Malta	2,175	1,9	945	0,4
4	Cyprus	2,004	1,8	1,700	0,8
5	Luxembourg	1,996	1,8	1,150	0,6
6	Austria	1,774	1,6	15,415	8,7
7	Bulgaria	1,598	1,4	11,435	7,2
8	Italy	1,191	1,1	72,225	60,7
	TOTAL EU-28	1,125	1,0	573,960	510,3
9	Sweden	1,036	0,9	10,210	9,9
10	Hungary	659	0,6	6,475	9,8
11	Netherlands	628	0,6	10,655	17,0
12	Belgium	620	0,6	7,015	11,3
13	France	604	0,5	40,315	66,8
14	Finland	388	0,3	2,130	5,5
15	Croatia	360	0,3	1,510	4,2
16	Denmark	326	0,3	1,860	5,7
17	Slovenia	322	0,3	665	2,1
18	United Kingdom	283	0,3	18,510	65,4
19	Ireland	264	0,2	1,245	4,7
20	Spain	187	0,2	8,695	46,4
21	Latvia	114	0,1	225	2,0
22	Lithuania	106	0,1	305	2,9
23	Poland	95	0,1	3,610	38,0
24	Romania	72	0,1	1,425	19,8
25	Estonia	68	0,1	90	1,3
26	Czech Republic	54	0,0	565	10,6
27	Portugal	39	0,0	405	10,3
28	Slovak Republic	14	0,0	75	5,4
	Norway	328	0,3	1,710	5,2
	Switzerland	1,476	1,3	12,290	8,3

Table 3 provides an overview of the number of first asylum applications in relation to population size.

Germany received the most applications in the EU in relation to its population size: 3,924 applications per million inhabitants, 3,5 times the EU average (1,125 applications per million inhabitants). Greece and Malta ranked second and third (2,7 and 1,9 times the EU average). The Netherlands ranked 11th in the EU with 628 applications per million inhabitants.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (2nd half of 2016) related to GDP size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

Table 4: Number of first asylum applications 2nd half of 2016 related to GDP size

Rank	Country of asylum	Application per billion PPS	In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Number of Applications	GDP
1	Greece	153,8	3,5	32,675	213
2	Bulgaria	131,5	3,0	11,435	87
3	Germany	122,9	2,8	322,430	2,624
4	Malta	98,4	2,2	945	10
5	Cyprus	88,6	2,0	1,700	19
6	Austria	54,9	1,2	15,415	281
7	Italy	46,9	1,1	72,225	1,541
	TOTAL EU-28	44,0	1,0	573,960	13,069
8	Hungary	38,1	0,9	6,475	170
9	Sweden	32,6	0,7	10,210	314
10	Luxembourg	31,1	0,7	1,150	37
11	Croatia	22,7	0,5	1,510	66
12	France	22,0	0,5	40,315	1,830
13	Belgium	20,7	0,5	7,015	339
14	Netherlands	19,5	0,4	10,655	548
15	Slovenia	15,2	0,3	665	44
16	Finland	13,6	0,3	2,130	156
17	United Kingdom	10,6	0,2	18,510	1,742
18	Denmark	10,3	0,2	1,860	180
19	Ireland	8,3	0,2	1,245	149
20	Spain	7,7	0,2	8,695	1,125
21	Latvia	6,5	0,1	225	35
22	Lithuania	5,4	0,1	305	56
23	Poland	5,4	0,1	3,610	673
24	Romania	5,1	0,1	1,425	278
25	Estonia	3,6	0,1	90	25
26	Czech Republic	2,6	0,1	565	216
27	Portugal	2,0	0,0	405	203
28	Slovak Republic	0,7	0,0	75	106
	Norway	6,8	0,2	1,710	250
	Switzerland	37,7	0,9	12,290	326

Table 4 shows the number of first asylum applications related to GDP size in PPS arranged in decreasing order. PPS stands for Purchasing Power Standard, this is a mathematical method used to compare GDP sizes of different countries by eliminating the different price levels. Due to rounding in the calculation of the results for "TOTAL EU-28" the value can diverge somewhat from the expected (non-rounded) result.

Greece, Bulgaria and Germany were the number one, two and three with respectively 3,5, 3,0 and 2,8 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 14th with 0,4 times the EU average.

Overview of indicators: Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by June 2nd

Table 5: Overview of all indicators of country size related to number of first asylum applications 2nd half of 2016

Rank	Country of asylum	Average	Index figure area In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Index figure population In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Index figure GDP In relation to Total EU 28 = 1
1	Malta	9,2	23,3	1,9	2,2
2	Germany	4,4	7,0	3,5	2,8
3	Greece	2,7	1,9	2,7	3,5
4	Luxembourg	2,0	3,5	1,8	0,7
5	Cyprus	1,7	1,4	1,8	2,0
6	Bulgaria	1,7	0,8	1,4	3,0
7	Austria	1,4	1,4	1,6	1,2
8	Italy	1,3	1,9	1,1	1,1
9	Netherlands	1,1	2,2	0,6	0,4
	TOTAL EU-28	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0
10	Belgium	0,9	1,8	0,6	0,5
11	Hungary	0,7	0,5	0,6	0,9
12	Sweden	0,6	0,2	0,9	0,7
13	France	0,5	0,6	0,5	0,5
14	United Kingdom	0,4	0,6	0,3	0,2
15	Croatia	0,3	0,1	0,3	0,5
16	Slovenia	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,3
17	Denmark	0,3	0,3	0,3	0,2
18	Finland	0,2	0,0	0,3	0,3
19	Ireland	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,2
20	Spain	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,2
21	Poland	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1
22	Latvia	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1
23	Lithuania	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1
24	Romania	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1
25	Czech Republic	0,1	0,1	0,0	0,1
26	Estonia	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1
27	Portugal	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
28	Slovak Republic	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
	Norway	0,2	0,0	0,3	0,2
	Switzerland	1,5	2,3	1,3	0,9

Table 5 shows an overview of asylum influx by averaging (equally weighted) the three indexes from tables 2-4.

Malta received 9,2 times the EU average number of asylum applications in relation to its country size – area, population and GDP. Germany followed with 4,4 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 9th, receiving 1,1 times as many applications than the EU average.