



Immigratie- en Naturalisatiedienst
Ministerie van Veiligheid en Justitie

Asylum Trends

Monthly Report on Asylum Applications in The Netherlands and Europe

November 2015

Colophon

Title	Asylum Trends
Subtitle	Monthly Report on Asylum Applications in The Netherlands and Europe Recent trends
Author	Ministry of Security and Justice Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND) IND Business Information Centre (BIC) Dr. H. Colijnlaan 341 2283 XL Rijswijk Postbus 5800 2280 HV Rijswijk

Contents

<i>Colophon</i>	2
Asylum applications in The Netherlands	
Total asylum applications in The Netherlands	4
First asylum applications in The Netherlands	5
Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands	6
Family reunification in The Netherlands	7
Unaccompanied minor asylum seekers in The Netherlands	8
Monthly first asylum applications in The Netherlands	9
First asylum applications in Europe (EU, Norway and Switzerland)	
Monthly asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland	12
First asylum applications in the EU	
Monthly asylum applications in the EU	12
Special Theme:	
First Asylum Applications in Europe related to country area, population and GDP	
First asylum applications compared to country area, population and GDP	13
First asylum applications related to country area size	14
First asylum applications related to population size	15
First asylum applications related to GDP size	16
Overview of all indicators of country size related first asylum applications	17



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

Top 10 Last twelve months **total** asylum applications in the Netherlands

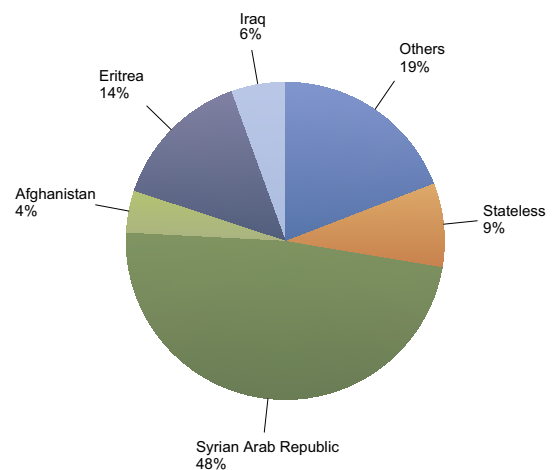
Total 2013	Total 2014	Country of citizenship	2014			2015												Last 12 months	Perc
			Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total		
2,621	11,595	Syrian Arab Republic	957	1,064	2,021	724	514	555	647	1,161	1,681	2,272	3,837	5,260	6,441	3,079	26,171	27,235	48%
1,054	4,100	Eritrea	92	76	168	88	47	112	405	1,115	1,289	1,056	1,397	923	1,209	413	8,054	8,130	14%
310	3,045	Stateless	290	238	528	134	119	111	119	269	303	451	615	855	1,019	588	4,583	4,821	9%
1,410	1,570	Iraq	89	136	225	108	89	64	58	48	78	108	199	433	1,094	721	3,000	3,136	6%
1,520	977	Afghanistan	90	92	182	92	79	70	83	83	74	97	159	184	473	914	2,308	2,400	4%
1,080	746	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	47	71	118	52	63	37	36	42	45	58	82	113	426	735	1,689	1,760	3%
3,184	1,527	Somalia	87	111	198	97	103	72	54	51	54	71	65	74	75	82	798	909	2%
37	89	Albania	5	15	20	8	17	10	13	26	40	71	79	173	285	145	867	882	2%
37	271	Ukraine	18	34	52	25	41	42	49	52	77	50	64	42	108	107	657	691	1%
330	753	Unknown	52	55	107	43	32	48	44	48	42	54	47	53	110	87	608	663	1%
5,141	5,218	Others	422	413	835	393	433	426	386	474	620	501	540	494	648	574	5,489	5,902	10%
16,724	29,891	Total	2,149	2,305	4,454	1,764	1,537	1,547	1,894	3,369	4,303	4,789	7,084	8,604	11,888	7,445	54,224	56,529	100%

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

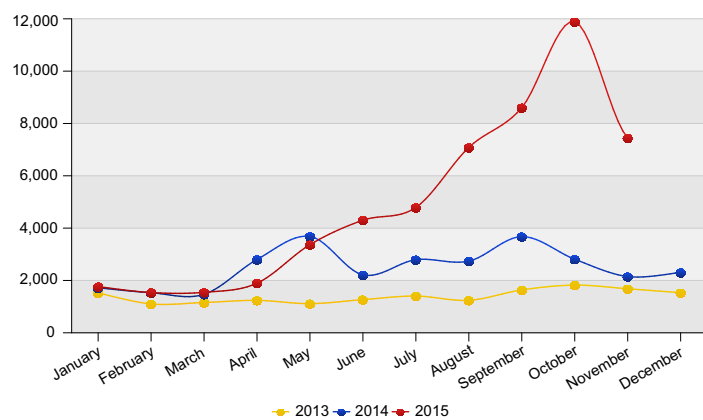
Top Total asylum applications in The Netherlands
November 2015

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	3,079	41%
2	Afghanistan	914	12%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	735	10%
4	Iraq	721	10%
5	Stateless	588	8%
6	Eritrea	413	6%
7	Albania	145	2%
8	Ukraine	107	1%
9	Unknown	87	1%
10	Somalia	82	1%
	Others	574	8%
Total November 2015		7,445	100%
Percentage			92%

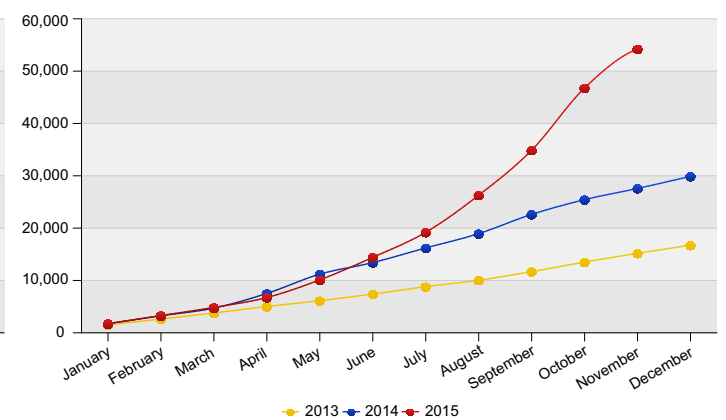
Top Nationalities total applications last twelve months
Period: Dec 2014 - Nov 2015
Number of total asylum applications: 56,529



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 twelve months **first** asylum applications in the Netherlands

Total 2013	Total 2014	Country of citizenship	2014			2015												Last 12 months	Perc
			Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total		
2,232	8,748	Syrian Arab Republic	514	509	1,023	315	190	195	256	445	733	1,123	2,825	4,062	5,251	2,402	17,797	18,306	45%
851	3,833	Eritrea	54	32	86	28	17	85	367	1,074	1,251	990	1,272	765	1,098	277	7,224	7,256	18%
534	616	Iraq	51	59	110	47	32	32	36	39	53	79	135	390	1,046	693	2,582	2,641	6%
273	2,704	Stateless	184	161	345	62	20	18	38	103	125	127	292	372	668	404	2,229	2,390	6%
453	452	Afghanistan	30	33	63	34	34	29	46	42	51	67	140	158	443	885	1,929	1,962	5%
596	505	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	36	52	88	36	38	24	23	30	32	47	61	85	414	720	1,510	1,562	4%
32	86	Albania	5	15	20	8	17	10	13	25	40	71	76	172	285	140	857	872	2%
33	249	Ukraine	13	30	43	24	33	40	47	51	72	45	63	33	100	104	612	642	2%
50	58	Kosovo / UNSCR 1244	9	6	15	7	21	5	20	64	162	112	107	50	58	28	634	640	2%
102	445	Mongolia	64	41	105	43	13	40	41	31	67	51	15	11	40	10	362	403	1%
4,682	4,115	Others	293	291	584	288	321	327	253	349	339	270	344	342	584	580	3,997	4,288	10%
9,838	21,811	Total	1,253	1,229	2,482	892	736	805	1,140	2,253	2,925	2,982	5,330	6,440	9,987	6,243	39,733	40,962	100%

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

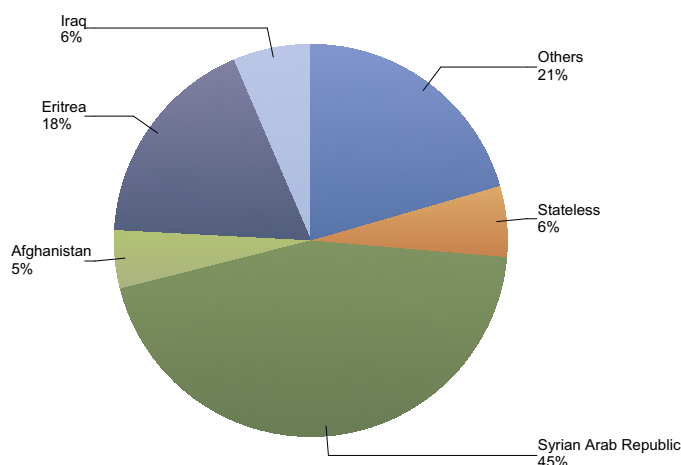
Top First asylum applications in The Netherlands
November 2015

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	2,402	38%
2	Afghanistan	885	14%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	720	12%
4	Iraq	693	11%
5	Stateless	404	6%
6	Eritrea	277	4%
7	Albania	140	2%
8	Ukraine	104	2%
9	Serbia	81	1%
10	Unknown	79	1%
	Others	458	7%
Total November 2015		6,243	100%
Percentage			93%

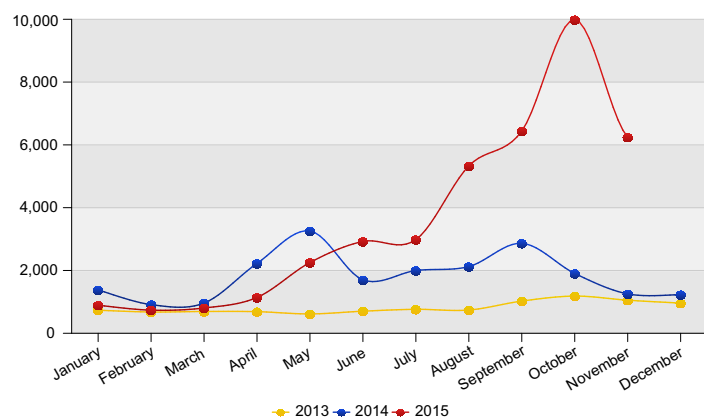
Top Nationalities first applications last twelve months

Period: Dec 2014 - Nov 2015

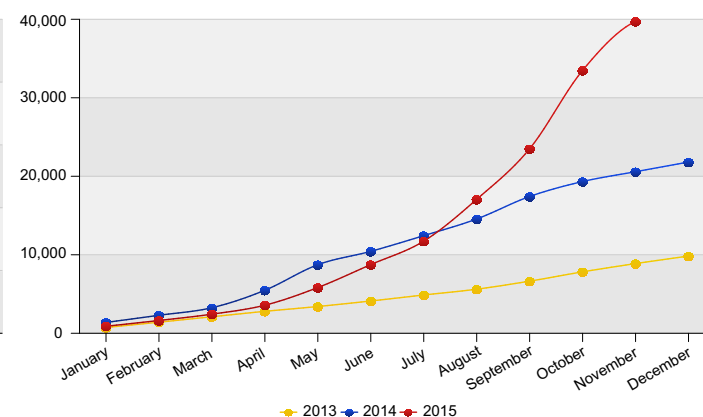
Number of first asylum applications: 40,962



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 twelve months repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands

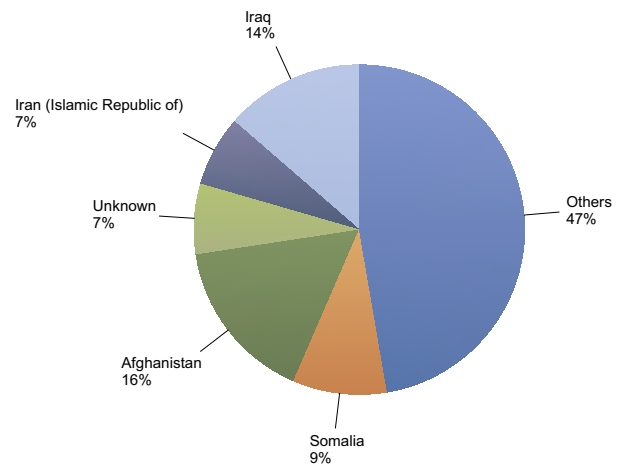
Total 2013	Total 2014	Country of citizenship	2014			2015												Last 12 months	Perc
			Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total		
912	427	Afghanistan	52	32	84	36	37	37	32	33	19	28	11	21	25	18	297	329	16%
420	706	Iraq	31	59	90	36	42	23	14	6	15	14	22	16	18	14	220	279	14%
248	247	Somalia	19	19	38	16	20	15	18	13	14	14	6	25	16	13	170	189	9%
91	202	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	*	10	13	10	20	10	9	7	12	9	11	21	9	13	131	141	7%
422	162	Unknown	18	25	43	11	13	12	17	5	6	18	11	11	*	8	116	141	7%
28	46	Pakistan	*	7	11	9	10	5	6	*	*	*	8	11	*	*	57	64	3%
69	75	Eritrea	7	7	14	*	*	*	7	*	*	*	9	5	6	9	55	62	3%
41	43	Nigeria	7	*	8	5	*	*	5	*	*	5	9	15	7	*	58	59	3%
23	46	Sierra Leone	10	5	15	*	6	7	*	5	*	5	*	7	*	5	47	52	3%
33	41	Syrian Arab Republic	*	*	*	*	6	7	5	*	*	*	*	8	*	*	48	51	2%
66	38	Egypt	*	*	6	*	6	*	5	6	*	7	*	*	*	*	45	47	2%
904	690	Others	47	59	106	39	56	57	62	39	54	52	47	54	63	51	574	633	31%
3,257	2,723	Total	202	229	431	170	222	185	184	122	135	162	145	196	160	137	1,818	2,047	100%

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

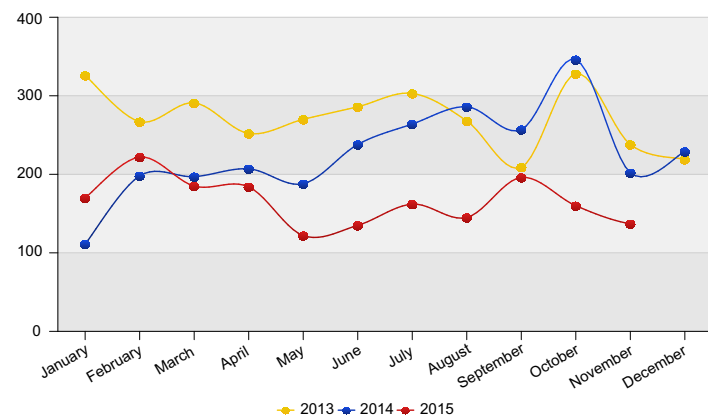
Top Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands
November 2015

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Afghanistan	18	13%
2	Iraq	14	10%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13	9%
4	Somalia	13	9%
5	Eritrea	9	7%
6	Unknown	8	6%
7	Albania	5	4%
8	Sierra Leone	5	4%
9	Jamaica	5	4%
10	Sudan	*	3%
11	Uganda	*	3%
	Others	39	28%
Total November 2015		137	100%
Percentage			72%

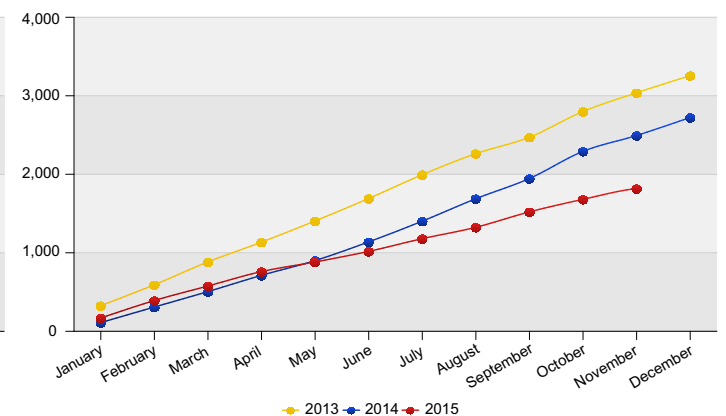
Top Nationalities repeated asylum applications last twelve months
Period: Dec 2014 - Nov 2015
Number of repeated asylum applications: 2,047



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 twelve months Influx of family reunification* in The Netherlands

Total 2013	Total 2014	Country of citizenship	2014			2015												Last 12 months	Perc
			Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total		
356	2,806	Syrian Arab Republic	443	552	995	406	318	353	386	713	944	1,145	1,009	1,190	1,187	675	8,326	8,878	66%
20	324	Stateless	103	74	177	72	98	84	79	165	176	321	314	482	348	183	2,322	2,396	18%
134	192	Eritrea	31	37	68	57	26	23	31	39	36	62	116	153	105	127	775	812	6%
1,971	931	Somalia	57	69	126	61	68	37	27	15	30	45	41	37	21	19	401	470	3%
456	248	Iraq	7	18	25	25	15	9	8	*	10	15	42	27	30	14	198	216	2%
155	98	Afghanistan	8	27	35	22	8	*	5	8	*	*	8	5	5	11	82	109	1%
7	200	Unknown	10	13	23	19	7	18	8	11	10	*	8	*	*	*	90	103	1%
32	32	Uganda	*	6	8	16	8	8	6	*	*	*	*	8	7	*	65	71	1%
62	79	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	8	9	17	6	5	*	*	5	*	*	10	7	*	*	48	57	0%
*	*	Jordan	*	*	*	*	*	5	*	*	*	10	7	10	*	*	45	46	0%
436	438	Others	25	41	66	18	25	13	15	32	27	38	51	45	31	26	321	362	3%
3,629	5,357	Total	694	847	1,541	702	579	557	570	994	1,243	1,645	1,609	1,968	1,741	1,065	12,673	13,520	100%

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

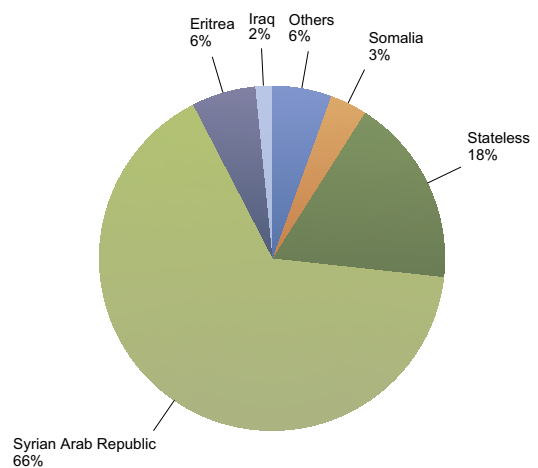
Top Influx of family reunification* in The Netherlands November 2015

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	675	63%
2	Stateless	183	17%
3	Eritrea	127	12%
4	Somalia	19	2%
5	Iraq	14	1%
6	Afghanistan	11	1%
7	Sierra Leone	5	0%
8	Guinea	5	0%
9	Jordan	*	0%
10	Uganda	*	0%
	Others	18	2%
Total November 2015		1,065	100%
Percentage			98%

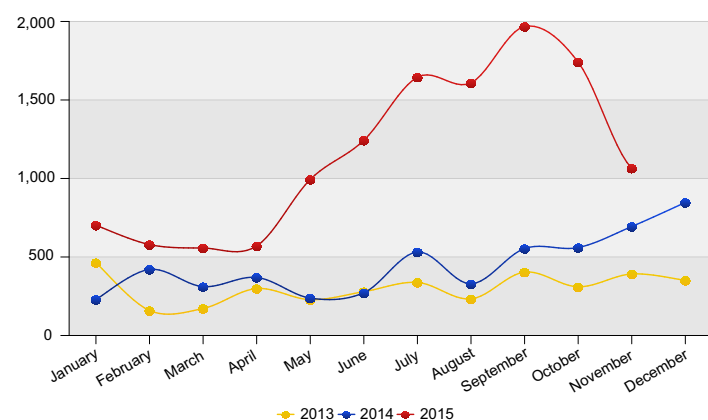
Top Nationalities Influx of family reunification* last twelve months

Period: Dec 2014 - Nov 2015

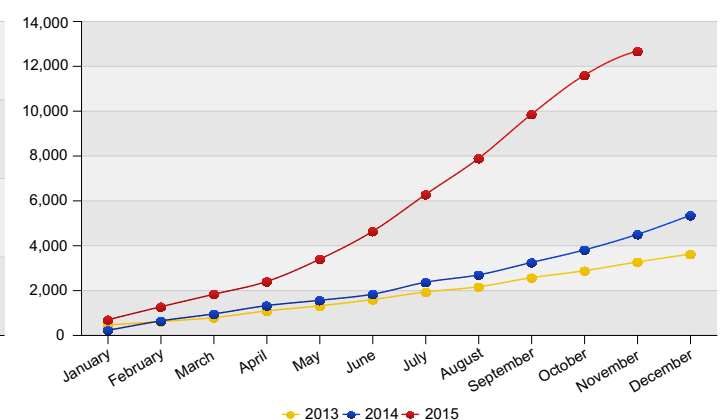
Number of influx family reunification: 13,520



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

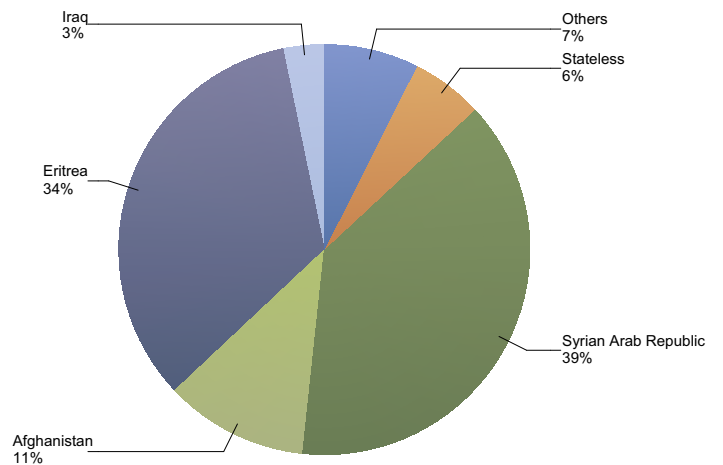
Total 2013	Total 2014	Country of citizenship	2014			2015												Last 12 months	Perc
			Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total		
23	156	Syrian Arab Republic	18	25	43	11	7	8	5	13	35	75	210	412	358	235	1,369	1,394	39%
34	528	Eritrea	6	*	9	*	*	11	54	164	218	183	178	155	203	48	1,216	1,219	34%
54	30	Afghanistan	*	*	5	5	*	5	*	5	13	18	31	32	97	194	407	408	11%
5	49	Stateless	*	10	14	5	*	*	*	*	9	8	26	47	56	34	194	204	6%
9	16	Iraq	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	8	10	32	34	22	115	117	3%
12	35	Somalia	*	5	8	*	*	*	*	5	*	*	*	*	*	10	36	41	1%
8	7	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11	21	22	1%
*	*	Albania	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7	*	*	20	20	1%
*	*	Guinea	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	19	19	1%
32	12	Sudan	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	19	19	1%
123	121	Others	*	7	11	9	5	11	10	14	14	11	13	16	16	21	140	147	4%
301	962	Total	41	54	95	33	21	45	81	212	299	311	479	715	781	579	3,556	3,610	100%

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

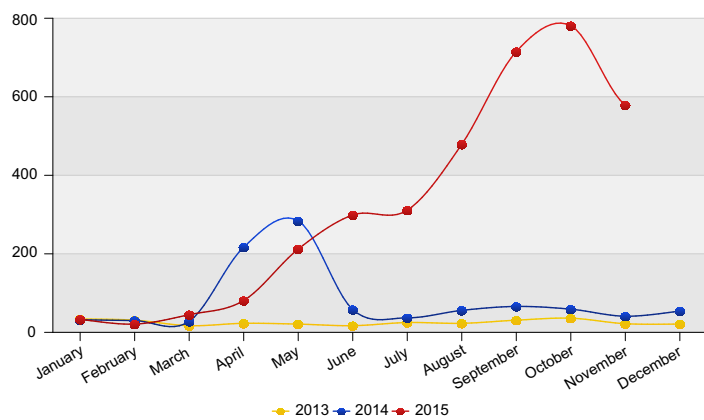
Top Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands November 2015

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	235	41%
2	Afghanistan	194	34%
3	Eritrea	48	8%
4	Stateless	34	6%
5	Iraq	22	4%
	Others	46	8%
Total November 2015		579	100%
Percentage			92%

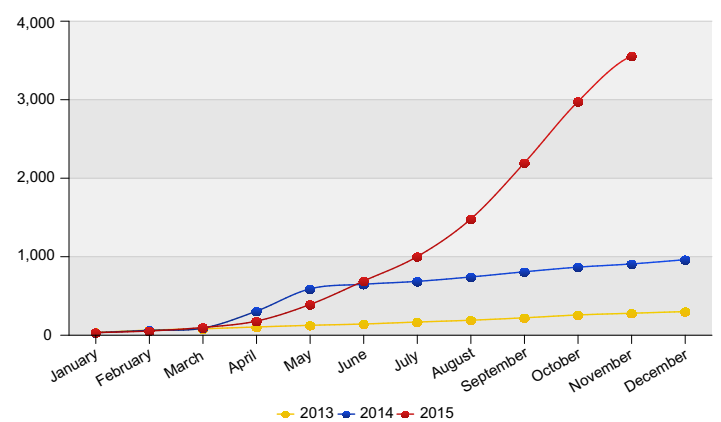
Top Nationalities unaccompanied minor asylum applications last twelve months
Period: Dec 2014 - Nov 2015
Number of unaccompanied minor asylum applications: 3,610



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 2015

Source: METiS

Country of citizenship	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Juli	Augustus	September	Oktober	November	Total 2013	Total 2014	Total 2015
Afghanistan	34	34	29	46	42	51	67	140	158	443	885	453	452	1,929
Albania	8	17	10	13	25	40	71	76	172	285	140	32	86	857
Algeria	9	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	8	7	29	15	39
Angola	*			5				*	*	*		18	7	13
Armenia	*	9	*	9	6	*	*	5	*	12	8	181	147	63
Australia							*						*	*
Austria											*	*		*
Azerbaijan	*	5	*	*	*			*	5	*	*	61	46	30
Bangladesh	*	*			*		*	*	7	*	*	20	11	24
Belarus	*	*	*	*	5	*	*	8	5	*	5	50	44	42
Benin					*				*		*	5	*	*
Bolivia					*			*						*
Bosnia and Herzegovina	6	8	7	6	*	8		7	*	10	19	87	126	75
Brazil		*								*			5	5
Bulgaria	*	*										*	*	*
Burkina Faso		*								*		10	9	*
Burundi		*	*	*	5	*	*	*			*	*	8	20
Cambodia		*											*	*
Cameroon	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		17	36	23
Canada				*								*	*	*
Cape Verde					*							*		*
Central African Republic										*		*	6	*
Chad			*			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6
Chile						*			*			*	*	*
China (including Hong Kong)	17	60	29	14	8	27	*	*	12	10	14	105	104	196
Colombia	*	*						*	*	*	*	9	11	6
Congo, the Democratic Republic of the				*				*		*		33	7	*
Congo, the Republic of the	5	*	10	*	*	*		*	*	*	5	72	73	37
Cote d'Ivoire	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			38	20	15
Croatia				*							*	*	*	*
Cuba	*		*			*				*	*	8	14	9
Djibouti									*				*	*
Dominican Republic			*				*						*	*
Ecuador								*				5	*	*
Egypt	6	8	10	*	*	*	*	*	6	6	6	164	94	59
El Salvador						*			*			7	*	*
Equatorial Guinea	*													*
Eritrea	28	17	85	367	1,074	1,251	990	1,272	765	1,098	277	851	3,833	7,224
Ethiopia	5	*	5	14	11	11	22	20	6	19	10	60	93	125
France			*						*	*		*	*	5



Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2015

Source: METiS

Country of citizenship	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Juli	Augustus	September	Oktober	November	Total 2013	Total 2014	Total 2015
Gabon								*		*		*	*	*
Gambia	*	*	6	7	*	*		*	6	*	8	26	20	46
Georgia	21	22	30	20	18	24	13	19	14	31	23	183	319	235
Germany								*				*	*	*
Ghana		*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	6	29	27	22
Greece	*									*		*	*	5
Guinea	6	7	10	*	*	5	7	5	7	9	6	137	67	68
Guinea-Bissau				*								7	*	*
Guyana								*		*				*
Haiti		*										*	*	*
Honduras		*	5					*		*				8
India	*		*		*	*		*		*		14	18	12
Indonesia						*						*	6	*
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	36	38	24	23	30	32	47	61	85	414	720	596	505	1,510
Iraq	47	32	32	36	39	53	79	135	390	1,046	693	534	616	2,582
Israel								*		*		*	6	*
Italy											*	*	*	*
Jamaica	*	5	*	*	5	*	*	*	14	13	9	28	41	60
Japan							*					*	*	*
Jordan				*			*	*	*	*		*	19	7
Kazakhstan		7		*			*	*			6	21	13	19
Kenya		*			*	*			*		*	5	15	7
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of					*							135	8	*
Kosovo / UNSCR 1244	7	21	5	20	64	162	112	107	50	58	28	50	58	634
Kuwait	*						*	9			*	*		12
Kyrgyzstan	*				*				*			*	9	6
Latvia	*								*			*	*	*
Lebanon	*	5		*	*	*	*	*	*	14	31	16	33	64
Liberia	*					*		*	*	*		7	12	5
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	7	*	*	6	5	6	*	8	8	8	5	124	102	64
Madagascar								*						*
Mali	*		*		*	*	*		*	*		52	33	7
Mauritania		*										*	*	*
Mexico	*								*	*		*	*	*
Moldova, Republic of	*						*			*	*	*	*	*
Mongolia	43	13	40	41	31	67	51	15	11	40	10	102	445	362
Montenegro			*				*				7	10	7	9
Morocco	*	9	7	7	7	12	6	5	*	*	9	59	57	71
Myanmar	*	*	6	*	*		*	*	6	5	5	40	11	37
Namibia										*			*	*
Nepal	*	*			5	*	*	*		*	*	34	46	23
Netherlands			*					*				*	6	*



Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2015

Source: METiS

Country of citizenship	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Juli	Augustus	September	Oktober	November	Total 2013	Total 2014	Total 2015
Niger		*		*	*	*						8	10	*
Nigeria	13	19	23	18	22	17	9	13	21	20	20	130	223	195
Pakistan	29	12	10	*	8	26	7	8	6	14	22	105	185	143
Palestinian Territory, Occupied	*			*	*	*	*	9	9	29	22	93	72	77
Peru							*					*		*
Philippines					*						*	*	5	*
Poland				*			*				*	*	*	*
Portugal					*									*
Romania						*							*	*
Russian Federation	14	14	9	6	5	11	8	6	13	17	8	231	163	111
Rwanda		*	*	*	*	*			*		*	7	12	9
Saint Kitts and Nevis										*				*
Senegal		*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	34	11	16
Serbia	25	19	27	16	35	24	26	14	28	82	81	247	189	377
Sierra Leone	*	*	*	*	6	*	*	*	8	*	*	81	80	38
Somalia	20	15	20	9	23	10	12	18	12	38	50	965	349	227
South Africa	*		*			*	*	*	*	*		*	*	10
Spain											*	*	*	*
Sri Lanka	5	*	6	7	*	*	*	*	*		*	85	54	34
Stateless	62	20	18	38	103	125	127	292	372	668	404	273	2,704	2,229
Sudan	5	*	6	12	44	30	32	34	30	15	11	113	180	223
Suriname		*					*		*		*	*	*	5
Swaziland								*						*
Syrian Arab Republic	315	190	195	256	445	733	1,123	2,825	4,062	5,251	2,402	2,232	8,748	17,797
Tajikistan	*		*	*	*	*		11			*	*	*	24
Tanzania, United Republic of	*						*		*			11	13	*
the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	*	10	8		8	20	12	13	6	12	8	93	112	98
Togo	*	*	*		*		*					9	*	8
Trinidad and Tobago			*			*			*		*	5	8	9
Tunisia	*	*	5	*	*			*	*	*	*	19	16	25
Turkey	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	12	6	43	46	40
Turkmenistan									*		*		*	*
Uganda	7	5	*	16	15	5	9	16	9	10	13	122	114	109
Ukraine	24	33	40	47	51	72	45	63	33	100	104	33	249	612
United Arab Emirates											*			*
United Kingdom		*										*	*	*
United States of America			*	*	*				*	*	5	*	11	15
Unknown	13	12	18	19	32	26	32	28	38	105	79	232	351	402
Uruguay										*				*



Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2015

Source: METiS

Country of citizenship	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Juli	Augustus	September	Oktober	November	Total 2013	Total 2014	Total 2015
Uzbekistan	*				*		*					*	12	*
Venezuela			*			*				*	*	*	*	*
Viet Nam	*	*	6	7	*	5	5	7	9	*	12	*	17	64
Yemen	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	7	12	9	34	32	48
Zambia	*	*						*		*		*	*	8
Zimbabwe	*				*			*	*	*		10	11	7
Other												18	19	
Totaal	892	736	805	1,140	2,253	2,925	2,982	5,330	6,440	9,987	6,243	9,838	21,811	39,733

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

* Selection criterium for this table: all nationalities with at least 1 application in 2015.



First asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland in 2014 and 2015

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by December 9th

		2014					2015										Total 2014
		Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total	
EU	Germany	17,085	19,230	19,030	17,060	72,405	21,680	22,775	28,680	24,505	23,760	32,705	34,385	33,445	40,485	262,420	173,070
	Hungary	4,770	5,250	8,885	13,790	32,695	11,655	16,405	4,750	6,485	9,800	16,385	30,870	46,720	30,495	173,565	41,215
	Sweden	9,410	7,550	5,525	6,315	28,800	4,345	3,520	3,570	3,405	4,850	6,055	7,525	11,290	23,735	68,295	75,090
	Italy	7,220	8,890	6,785	5,610	28,505	4,740	5,075	5,430	4,500	5,130	5,265	8,510	8,775	11,105	58,530	63,655
	Austria	3,090	2,975	3,540	4,050	13,655	3,875	3,065	2,770	3,715	6,195	7,490	8,555	8,500	10,545	54,710	25,700
	France	4,815	5,580	4,555	5,380	20,330	4,025	5,135	5,610	5,175	4,355	5,150	5,330	5,240	7,070	47,090	58,845
	United Kingdom	3,180	3,270	2,635	2,525	11,610	2,750	2,225	2,420	1,935	2,545	3,045	4,280	3,620	4,030	26,850	32,345
	Netherlands	2,865	1,905	1,255	1,230	7,255	885	740	800	1,085	2,250	2,935	2,990	5,355	6,430	23,470	21,810
	Belgium	1,730	1,545	1,160	1,410	5,845	1,215	1,070	1,170	1,115	1,615	2,325	3,140	5,165	6,360	23,175	14,130
	Finland	390	405	310	385	1,490	305	310	345	335	510	760	1,455	2,865	10,805	17,690	3,495
	Bulgaria	1,195	1,400	1,355	1,480	5,430	1,055	1,025	1,110	1,120	1,325	1,605	1,850	1,435	2,060	12,585	10,805
	Spain	530	720	630	600	2,480	835	850	1,220	1,330	1,060	1,290	1,145	1,030	1,405	10,165	5,460
	Denmark	3,070	1,840	1,110	755	6,775	630	430	455	550	870	1,075	1,030	1,810	2,680	9,530	14,565
	Greece	555	745	580	790	2,670	925	895	790	855	1,005	1,000	1,065	880	940	8,355	7,590
	Poland	695	600	535	520	2,350	485	470	485	540	525	700	985	1,235	1,490	6,915	5,610
	Ireland	140	130	155	170	595	215	200	210	265	255	335	290	330	405	2,505	1,440
	Cyprus	165	185	140	120	610	155	125	150	145	120	135	155	120	335	1,440	1,480
	Malta	180	125	75	115	495	65	160	120	105	160	115	145	115	170	1,155	1,275
	Luxembourg	125	125	110	85	445	85	95	85	70	85	95	90	165	365	1,135	1,030
	Romania	260	185	80	95	620	100	75	160	205	85	85	85	110	75	980	1,500
	Czech Republic	125	100	70	115	410	95	95	170	105	85	85	75	85	100	895	915
	Portugal	40	40	60	40	180	40	80	60	80	80	90	70	75	70	645	445
	Latvia	45	30	15	30	120	15	15	15	25	30	50	30	20	45	245	365
Estonia	15	25	10	5	55	5	15	30	30	10	25	20	10	45	190	145	
Lithuania	35	30	65	65	195	15	25	5	25	25	10	35	30	20	190	385	
Slovenia	50	40	15	35	140	15	10	20	15	10	15	10	20	40	155	355	
Croatia	30	40	25	15	110	10	15	15	10	5	5	10	5	20	95	380	
Slovak Republic	10	25	30	35	100	15	10	25	5	20	5	5	5	5	95	230	
Total	61,820	62,985	58,740	62,825	246,370	60,235	64,910	60,670	57,735	66,765	88,835	114,135	138,455	161,330	813,070	563,330	
Not EU	Switzerland	2,240	2,265	1,580	1,380	7,465	1,450	1,310	1,380	1,270	2,080	3,670	3,785	3,790	4,415	23,150	22,130
	Norway	1,275	1,015	830	735	3,855	570	485	485	520	1,165	1,075	1,335	2,285	4,895	12,815	10,970
	Total	3,515	3,280	2,410	2,115	11,320	2,020	1,795	1,865	1,790	3,245	4,745	5,120	6,075	9,310	35,965	33,100
Total	65,335	66,265	61,150	64,940	257,690	62,255	66,705	62,535	59,525	70,010	93,580	119,255	144,530	170,640	849,035	596,430	

First asylum applications in the EU from October 2014 - September 2015

	2014			2015									Total
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	
Syrian Arab Republic	15,405	13,575	12,760	11,360	8,630	9,980	11,155	12,940	20,615	31,455	49,010	62,825	259,710
Afghanistan	4,465	4,345	5,725	4,715	4,230	4,340	5,505	9,065	13,215	18,610	19,725	21,080	115,020
Kosovo / UNSCR 1244	3,605	7,555	13,160	13,995	22,575	12,625	5,365	2,585	2,240	1,915	1,270	1,425	88,315
Iraq	2,085	2,080	1,895	2,220	2,300	2,900	3,380	4,490	6,180	7,940	11,790	25,900	73,160
Albania	1,335	1,625	1,625	2,190	2,355	3,690	5,495	5,660	6,700	8,990	9,505	8,410	57,580
Eritrea	4,155	2,655	1,730	1,480	1,070	1,280	1,845	4,920	6,535	6,550	6,185	5,155	43,560
Pakistan	2,145	1,900	1,735	1,750	1,705	1,915	2,240	2,700	3,975	6,655	9,360	5,330	41,410
Nigeria	2,450	1,750	1,785	1,535	1,495	1,435	1,525	2,210	2,640	3,665	3,660	4,085	28,235
Serbia	2,330	2,395	2,320	2,310	2,105	1,965	1,660	1,630	1,600	1,690	1,515	1,400	22,920
Ukraine	2,210	1,845	1,465	1,390	1,855	2,020	2,055	1,685	2,110	1,785	1,465	1,930	21,815
Others	26,090	21,395	20,740	19,280	18,375	20,390	19,285	22,145	27,735	29,975	31,050	33,085	289,545
Total	66,275	61,120	64,940	62,225	66,695	62,540	59,510	70,030	93,545	119,230	144,535	170,625	1,041,270

Figures are sorted by total in 2015. Figures are rounded to 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 the first 9 months of 2015, Germany received the highest number of first asylum applications in the EU, followed by Hungary. Figures for October are not yet available for all EU countries. Syria, Afghanistan and Kosovo are the most important countries of origin in the influx of first asylum applications in the EU.



Special Theme: First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2015) related to country Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th

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 1st half of 2015

	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	154,105	39%	357.134	8%	80,8	16%	2,624	20%
	2	Hungary	65,480	16%	93.023	2%	9,9	2%	170	1%
	3	Italy	30,140	8%	301.339	7%	60,8	12%	1,541	12%
	4	France	29,450	7%	543.966	12%	65,8	13%	1,830	14%
	5	Austria	27,110	7%	83.880	2%	8,5	2%	281	2%
	6	Sweden	25,745	6%	438.575	10%	9,6	2%	314	2%
	7	United Kingdom	14,920	4%	248.530	6%	64,3	13%	1,742	13%
	8	Netherlands	8,695	2%	41.542	1%	16,8	3%	548	4%
	9	Belgium	8,510	2%	30.526	1%	11,2	2%	339	3%
	10	Bulgaria	7,240	2%	110.898	3%	7,2	1%	87	1%
	11	Spain	6,585	2%	498.511	11%	46,5	9%	1,125	9%
	12	Greece	5,470	1%	131.958	3%	10,9	2%	213	2%
	13	Denmark	4,010	1%	42.895	1%	5,6	1%	180	1%
	14	Poland	3,205	1%	312.679	7%	38,0	8%	673	5%
	15	Finland	2,565	1%	338.433	8%	5,5	1%	156	1%
	16	Ireland	1,480	0%	69.798	2%	4,6	1%	149	1%
	17	Cyprus	830	0%	9.251	0%	0,9	0%	19	0%
	18	Malta	725	0%	316	0%	0,4	0%	10	0%
	19	Romania	710	0%	238.394	5%	19,9	4%	278	2%
	20	Czech Republic	635	0%	78.865	2%	10,5	2%	216	2%
	21	Luxembourg	515	0%	2.586	0%	0,5	0%	37	0%
	22	Portugal	430	0%	89.089	2%	10,4	2%	203	2%
	23	Latvia	150	0%	64.562	1%	2,0	0%	35	0%
	24	Estonia	115	0%	45.227	1%	1,3	0%	25	0%
	25	Lithuania	105	0%	65.300	1%	2,9	1%	56	0%
	26	Slovenia	85	0%	20.272	0%	2,1	0%	44	0%
	27	Slovak Republic	80	0%	49.037	1%	5,4	1%	106	1%
	28	Croatia	60	0%	87.661	2%	4,2	1%	66	1%
EU - Total			399,150	100%	4.394.247	100%	506,8	100%	13,068.743	100%
Not EU		Switzerland	11,160	3%	41.285	1%	8,1	2%	326	2%
		Norway	4,300	1%	323.779	7%	5,1	1%	250	2%
Not EU - Total			15,460	4%	365.064	8%	13,2	3%	575.674	4%

Table 1 shows the number of first asylum applications, country area size, population in Europe. The table is arranged by the number of asylum applications in decreasing order. Germany registered the highest number of applications, followed by Hungary and Italy. The Netherlands ranked 8th within the EU.

It is clear from table 1 that the ranking of countries when compared by the three indicators of country size is not the same as the ranking ordered by the number of asylum applications. There are substantial differences for most European countries between their share of the EU-28 total of asylum applications, country area, inhabitants and GDP. In the next subsection, the different indicators of country size will be related to the number of asylum applications in more detail.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2015) related to area size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th

Table 2: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2015 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	2.294	25,8	725	316
2	Hungary	704	7,9	65,480	93.023
3	Germany	432	4,8	154,105	357.134
4	Austria	323	3,6	27,110	83.880
5	Belgium	279	3,1	8,510	30.526
6	Netherlands	209	2,4	8,695	41.542
7	Luxembourg	199	2,2	515	2.586
8	Italy	100	1,1	30,140	301.339
9	Denmark	93	1,0	4,010	42.895
	TOTAL EU-28	91	1,0	399,150	4.481.908
10	Cyprus	90	1,0	830	9.251
11	Bulgaria	65	0,7	7,240	110.898
12	United Kingdom	60	0,7	14,920	248.530
13	Sweden	59	0,7	25,745	438.575
14	France	54	0,6	29,450	543.966
15	Greece	41	0,5	5,470	131.958
16	Ireland	21	0,2	1,480	69.798
17	Spain	13	0,1	6,585	498.511
18	Poland	10	0,1	3,205	312.679
19	Czech Republic	8	0,1	635	78.865
20	Finland	8	0,1	2,565	338.433
21	Portugal	5	0,1	430	89.089
22	Slovenia	4	0,0	85	20.272
23	Romania	3	0,0	710	238.394
24	Estonia	3	0,0	115	45.227
25	Latvia	2	0,0	150	64.562
26	Slovak Republic	2	0,0	80	49.037
27	Lithuania	2	0,0	105	65.300
28	Croatia	1	0,0	60	87.661
	Norway	13	0,1	4,300	323.779
	Switzerland	270	3,0	11,160	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 (2.294 per 1.000 sq km) which receives 25,8 times more applicants than the EU average (80 per 1000 sq km). Hungary and Germany ranked second and third at some distance with 7,9 and 4,8 times more applications than the EU average. The Netherlands is ranked 6th in the EU with 2,4 times the EU average.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2015) related to population size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th

Table 3: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2015 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	Hungary	6,629	8,4	65,480	9,9
2	Austria	3,187	4,0	27,110	8,5
3	Sweden	2,669	3,4	25,745	9,6
4	Germany	1,908	2,4	154,105	80,8
5	Malta	1,704	2,2	725	0,4
6	Bulgaria	999	1,3	7,240	7,2
7	Cyprus	967	1,2	830	0,9
8	Luxembourg	937	1,2	515	0,5
	TOTAL EU-28	788	1,0	399,150	506,8
9	Belgium	760	1,0	8,510	11,2
10	Denmark	713	0,9	4,010	5,6
11	Netherlands	517	0,7	8,695	16,8
12	Greece	501	0,6	5,470	10,9
13	Italy	496	0,6	30,140	60,8
14	Finland	471	0,6	2,565	5,5
15	France	447	0,6	29,450	65,8
16	Ireland	321	0,4	1,480	4,6
17	United Kingdom	232	0,3	14,920	64,3
18	Spain	142	0,2	6,585	46,5
19	Estonia	87	0,1	115	1,3
20	Poland	84	0,1	3,205	38,0
21	Latvia	75	0,1	150	2,0
22	Czech Republic	60	0,1	635	10,5
23	Slovenia	41	0,1	85	2,1
24	Portugal	41	0,1	430	10,4
25	Lithuania	36	0,0	105	2,9
26	Romania	36	0,0	710	19,9
27	Slovak Republic	15	0,0	80	5,4
28	Croatia	14	0,0	60	4,2
	Norway	842	1,1	4,300	5,1
	Switzerland	1,371	1,7	11,160	8,1

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

Hungary received the most applications in the EU in relation to its population size: 6.629 applications per million inhabitants, 8,4 times the EU average (788 applications per million inhabitants). Austria and Sweden ranked second and third at some distance (4,0 and 3,4 times the EU average). The Netherlands ranked 11th in the EU with 517 applications per million inhabitants. Italy (3rd place in absolute number of applications) received 0,6 times as much applications per million inhabitants as the EU average.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2015) related to GDP size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th

Table 4: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2015 related to GDP size

Rank	Country of asylum	Application per billion PPS	In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Number of Applications	GDP
1	Hungary	385,1	12,6	65,480	170
2	Austria	96,5	3,2	27,110	281
3	Bulgaria	83,2	2,7	7,240	87
4	Sweden	82,1	2,7	25,745	314
5	Malta	75,5	2,5	725	10
6	Germany	58,7	1,9	154,105	2,624
7	Cyprus	43,2	1,4	830	19
	TOTAL EU-28	31,0	1,0	399,150	13,069
8	Greece	25,7	0,8	5,470	213
9	Belgium	25,1	0,8	8,510	339
10	Denmark	22,2	0,7	4,010	180
11	Italy	19,6	0,6	30,140	1,541
12	Finland	16,4	0,5	2,565	156
13	France	16,1	0,5	29,450	1,830
14	Netherlands	15,9	0,5	8,695	548
15	Luxembourg	13,9	0,5	515	37
16	Ireland	9,9	0,3	1,480	149
17	United Kingdom	8,6	0,3	14,920	1,742
18	Spain	5,9	0,2	6,585	1,125
19	Poland	4,8	0,2	3,205	673
20	Estonia	4,6	0,1	115	25
21	Latvia	4,3	0,1	150	35
22	Czech Republic	2,9	0,1	635	216
23	Romania	2,6	0,1	710	278
24	Portugal	2,1	0,1	430	203
25	Slovenia	1,9	0,1	85	44
26	Lithuania	1,9	0,1	105	56
27	Croatia	0,9	0,0	60	66
28	Slovak Republic	0,8	0,0	80	106
	Norway	17,2	0,6	4,300	250
	Switzerland	34,3	1,1	11,160	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 currency 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. We are working on a solution.

Hungary, Austria and Bulgaria were the number one, two and three with respectively 12,6, 3,2 and 2,7 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 14th with half as much applications in relation to GDP compared to the EU average.



Overview of indicators: Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th

Table 5: Overview of all indicators of country size related to number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2015

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

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

Malta received the 10,1 times the EU average number of asylum applications in relation to its country size – area, population and GDP. Hungary followed with 9,6 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 10th, receiving 1,2 times more applications than the EU average.