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## **Asylum Trends**

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

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

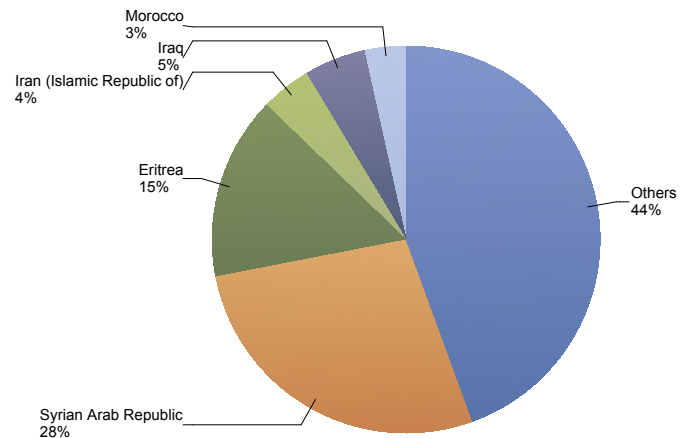
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018				Last 12 months	Perc
			Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total			
10.604	10.829	Syrian Arab Republic	1.410	1.178	1.075	772	692	601	610	699	493	532	8.062	420	426	420	1.266	7.918	28%	
2.870	4.038	Eritrea	317	337	360	224	251	297	296	345	454	540	3.421	463	403	420	1.286	4.390	15%	
1.166	1.418	Iraq	93	109	116	127	122	141	130	124	133	130	1.225	106	126	114	346	1.478	5%	
1.037	1.015	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	65	55	69	79	98	91	89	97	150	114	907	139	98	121	358	1.200	4%	
1.283	1.020	Morocco	95	86	79	55	82	115	84	69	84	89	838	93	73	95	261	1.004	3%	
1.471	1.611	Stateless	333	218	179	91	74	71	67	56	46	60	1.195	32	38	37	107	969	3%	
618	916	Unknown	98	102	121	88	75	88	52	72	62	62	820	99	72	59	230	952	3%	
991	924	Algeria	86	59	63	23	62	71	78	82	85	90	699	92	94	114	300	913	3%	
1.447	872	Afghanistan	74	82	81	83	101	58	48	73	46	57	703	61	102	94	257	886	3%	
259	509	Turkey	23	38	29	47	38	37	44	42	81	55	434	61	64	64	189	600	2%	
9.896	8.175	Others	702	600	616	722	761	692	659	718	670	780	6.920	836	654	754	2.244	8.462	29%	
31.642	31.327	Total	3.296	2.864	2.788	2.311	2.356	2.262	2.157	2.377	2.304	2.509	25.224	2.402	2.150	2.292	6.844	28.772	100%	

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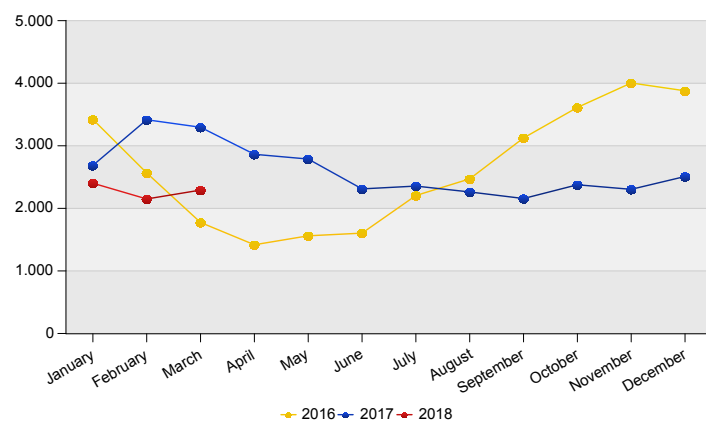
Top Total asylum applications in The Netherlands  
March 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Eritrea	420	18%
2	Syrian Arab Republic	420	18%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	121	5%
4	Algeria	114	5%
5	Iraq	114	5%
6	Morocco	95	4%
7	Afghanistan	94	4%
8	Turkey	64	3%
9	Moldova, Republic of	63	3%
10	Unknown	59	3%
11	Tunisia	57	2%
12	Georgia	55	2%
	Others	616	27%
<b>Total March 2018</b>		<b>2.292</b>	<b>100%</b>

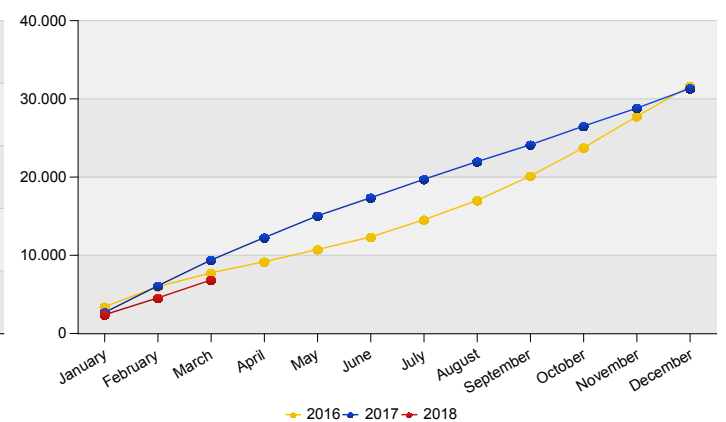
Top Nationalities total applications last twelve months  
Period: Apr 2017 - Mar 2018  
Number of total asylum applications: 28.772



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
			Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total			
2.158	2.202	Syrian Arab Republic	173	131	187	174	207	195	219	243	150	232	1.911	200	199	188	587	2.325	15%	
1.497	1.095	Eritrea	97	67	80	76	92	113	105	71	49	77	827	110	104	145	359	1.089	7%	
1.271	977	Morocco	95	85	78	48	79	109	82	62	80	80	798	87	68	90	245	948	6%	
980	891	Algeria	86	57	59	22	57	69	77	78	81	89	675	89	91	111	291	880	6%	
884	718	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	43	45	48	63	76	75	65	66	83	69	633	89	72	68	229	819	5%	
888	724	Iraq	54	61	58	74	73	74	59	56	63	52	624	63	47	47	157	727	5%	
457	550	Unknown	40	31	72	51	57	53	36	56	49	41	486	68	55	25	148	594	4%	
235	481	Turkey	23	35	25	46	36	35	39	40	78	54	411	59	58	60	177	565	4%	
15	342	Moldova, Republic of	17	*	34	64	86	38	21	16	20	37	334	65	29	63	157	474	3%	
578	487	Georgia	74	38	33	38	45	18	20	14	30	25	335	11	26	54	91	352	2%	
9.208	6.249	Others	515	471	481	541	576	551	497	577	502	580	5.291	672	439	514	1.625	6.401	42%	
18.171	14.716	Total	1.217	1.022	1.155	1.197	1.384	1.330	1.220	1.279	1.185	1.336	12.325	1.513	1.188	1.365	4.066	15.174	100%	

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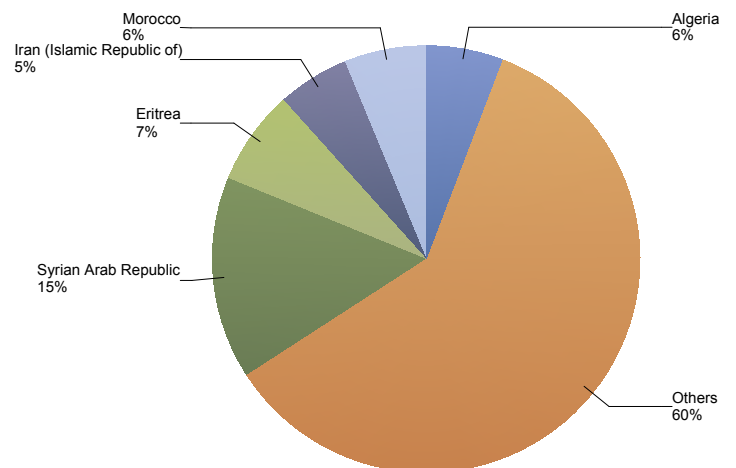
\*\* In May 2017 the IND has adjusted its systems to remove a small discrepancy that caused some cases to not be included in figures of (earlier versions of) this report. This adjustment may result in some small inconsistencies with reports dating from April 2017 and before. Considering the limited size 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  
March 2018

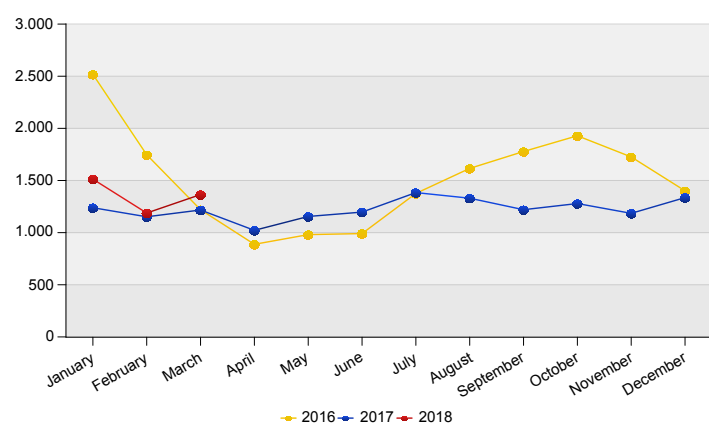
	Country of citizenship		%
1	Syrian Arab Republic	188	14%
2	Eritrea	145	11%
3	Algeria	111	8%
4	Morocco	90	7%
5	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	68	5%
6	Moldova, Republic of	63	5%
7	Turkey	60	4%
8	Tunisia	56	4%
9	Georgia	54	4%
10	Iraq	47	3%
	Others	483	35%
<b>Total March 2018</b>		<b>1.365</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

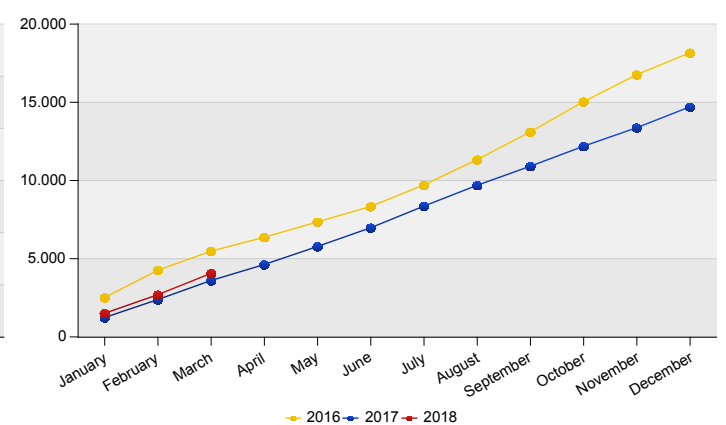
Number of first asylum applications: 15.174



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

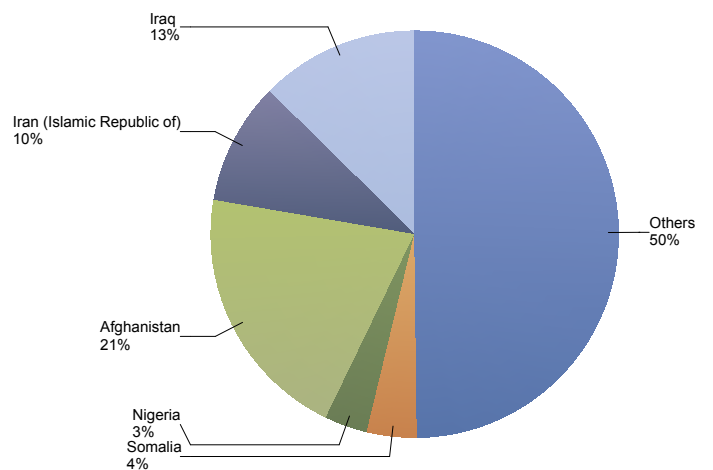
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018				Last 12 months	Perc
			Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total			
358	464	Afghanistan	38	40	35	41	70	29	37	33	28	23	374	28	71	36	135	471	21%	
156	249	Iraq	20	12	24	16	20	25	30	25	19	23	214	25	36	35	96	290	13%	
110	176	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	16	*	13	12	14	10	17	16	35	24	161	28	19	30	77	222	10%	
93	76	Somalia	7	5	5	*	10	9	9	8	9	*	67	5	14	12	31	91	4%	
75	77	Nigeria	*	*	*	6	10	7	11	6	8	7	64	6	7	*	16	78	3%	
49	45	Syrian Arab Republic	*	*	*	6	10	6	7	*	5	*	44	14	8	6	28	72	3%	
46	82	Armenia	5	10	*	*	7	*	*	14	9	6	65	*	5	5	12	72	3%	
59	61	Unknown	6	10	*	6	*	11	*	*	*	6	55	7	*	7	18	67	3%	
61	62	Eritrea	8	6	*	*	6	7	*	7	5	*	51	*	13	*	18	61	3%	
25	40	Ethiopia	*	*	*	*	5	6	5	*	*	*	35	*	6	7	17	49	2%	
625	789	Others	66	66	65	78	53	65	65	74	59	78	669	71	74	74	219	822	36%	
1.657	2.121	Total	171	157	160	177	209	179	193	191	184	178	1.799	194	257	216	667	2.295	100%	

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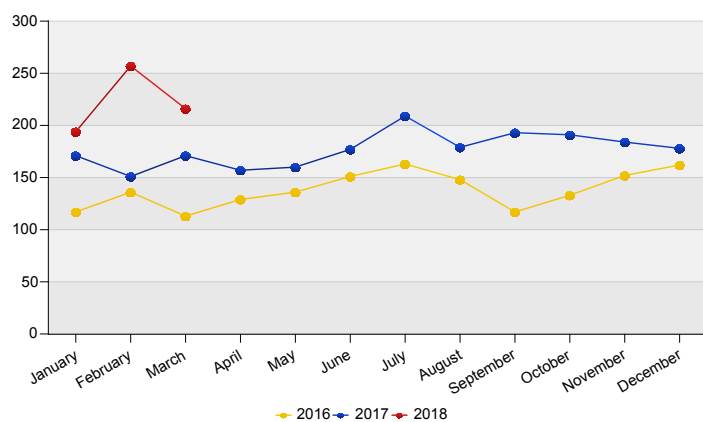
Top Repeated asylum applications in The Netherlands  
March 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Afghanistan	36	17%
2	Iraq	35	16%
3	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	30	14%
4	Somalia	12	6%
5	Azerbaijan	9	4%
	Others	94	44%
<b>Total March 2018</b>		<b>216</b>	<b>100%</b>

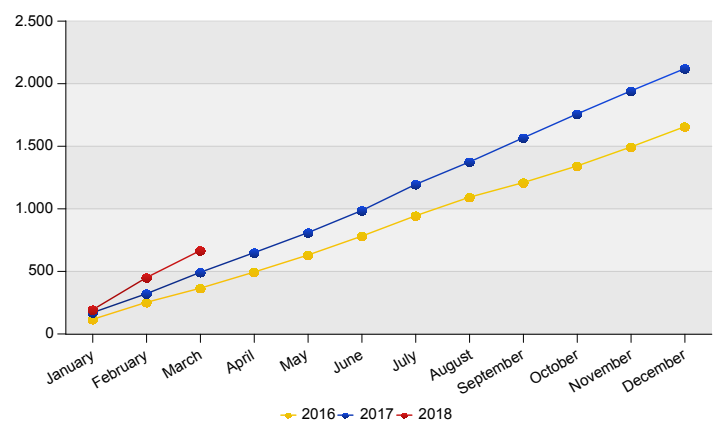
Top Nationalities repeated asylum applications last twelve months  
Period: Apr 2017 - Mar 2018  
Number of repeated asylum applications: 2.295



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

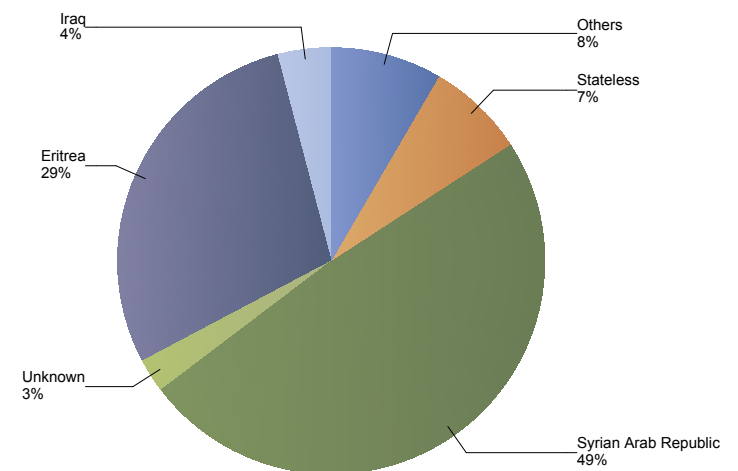
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018				Last 12 months	Perc
			Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total			
8.397	8.582	Syrian Arab Republic	1.237	1.047	884	592	475	400	384	453	338	297	6.107	206	219	226	651	5.521	49%	
1.312	2.881	Eritrea	212	264	276	145	153	177	187	267	400	462	2.543	349	286	274	909	3.240	29%	
1.139	1.458	Stateless	318	208	160	82	61	60	56	45	35	50	1.075	25	30	28	83	840	7%	
122	445	Iraq	19	36	34	37	29	42	41	43	51	55	387	18	43	32	93	461	4%	
102	305	Unknown	52	61	47	31	14	24	12	14	9	15	279	24	13	27	64	291	3%	
43	121	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	6	6	8	*	8	6	7	15	32	21	113	22	7	23	52	159	1%	
63	86	Afghanistan	6	11	17	7	*	*	*	14	*	15	77	10	13	33	56	127	1%	
249	107	Somalia	27	20	8	*	*	*	*	9	*	9	85	7	16	21	44	102	1%	
31	86	Pakistan	*	*	11	11	*	7	*	11	6	19	76	18	8	*	29	102	1%	
34	48	Ethiopia	6	7	*	*	*	*	7	*	13	*	47	*	13	11	28	69	1%	
322	371	Others	22	25	26	23	15	33	39	34	45	49	311	12	57	33	102	391	3%	
11.814	14.490	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.908</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>11.100</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>2.111</b>	<b>11.303</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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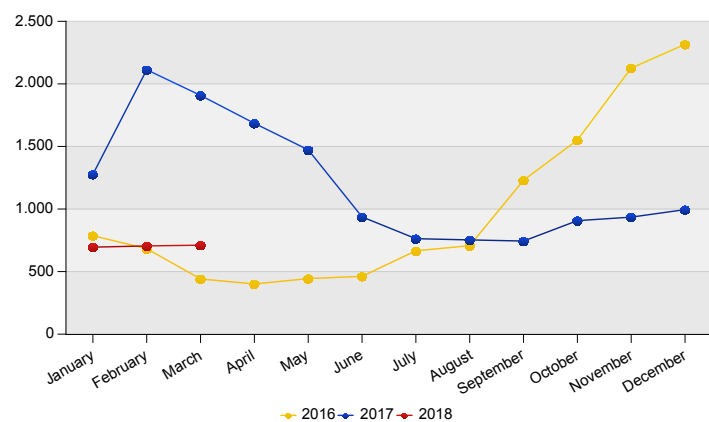
Top Influx of family reunification in The Netherlands  
March 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Eritrea	274	39%
2	Syrian Arab Republic	226	32%
3	Afghanistan	33	5%
4	Iraq	32	5%
5	Stateless	28	4%
	Others	118	17%
<b>Total March 2018</b>		<b>711</b>	<b>100%</b>

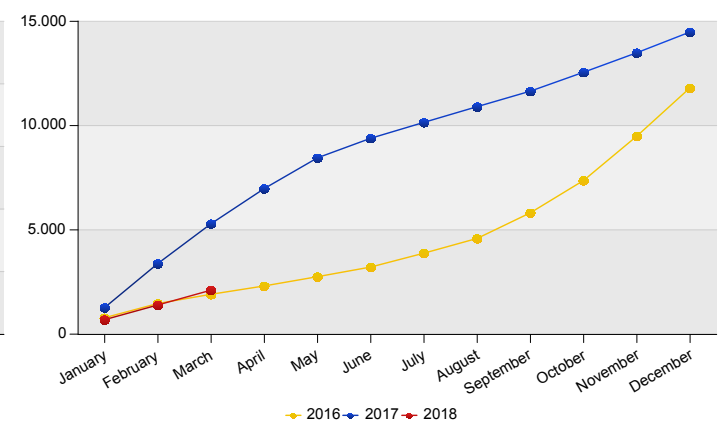
Top Nationalities Influx of family reunification last twelve months  
Period: Apr 2017 - Mar 2018  
Number of influx family reunification: 11.303



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

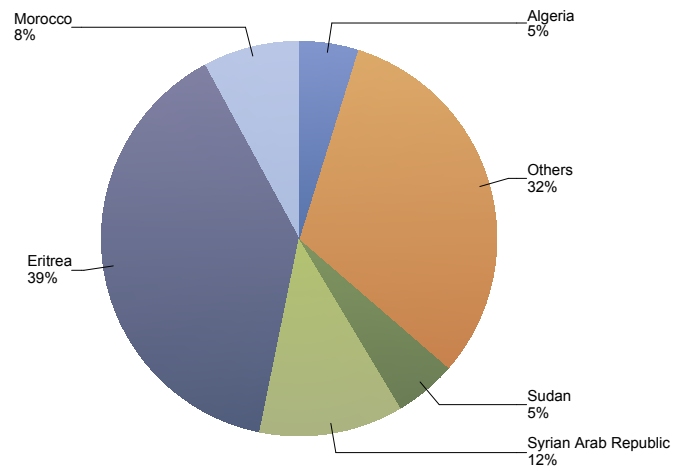
Total 2016	Total 2017	Country of citizenship	2017												2018				Last 12 months	Perc
			Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total			
773	479	Eritrea	46	16	39	18	41	45	48	23	17	40	333	45	40	89	174	461	39%	
181	135	Syrian Arab Republic	13	8	7	12	11	18	18	13	11	7	118	15	7	13	35	140	12%	
68	74	Morocco	*	9	6	*	*	7	11	8	11	10	66	6	8	14	28	94	8%	
23	59	Sudan	7	*	5	*	*	7	12	8	*	*	55	*	*	8	12	60	5%	
61	54	Algeria	*	*	*	*	*	5	*	9	10	13	48	*	*	8	12	57	5%	
34	47	Guinea	*	5	*	6	6	*	*	7	6	6	46	*	*	5	11	53	4%	
195	65	Afghanistan	6	7	7	*	8	*	*	5	6	*	52	*	*	*	6	52	4%	
35	22	Iraq	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6	*	*	21	*	*	*	10	29	2%	
38	30	Albania	*	*	*	7	*	*	*	5	*	*	23	*	*	*	*	26	2%	
36	23	Unknown	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	21	*	*	*	*	22	2%	
263	193	Others	11	12	16	11	13	16	24	21	21	25	170	7	13	13	33	192	16%	
1.707	1.181	Total	95	63	93	66	95	108	122	106	90	115	953	90	80	158	328	1.186	100%	

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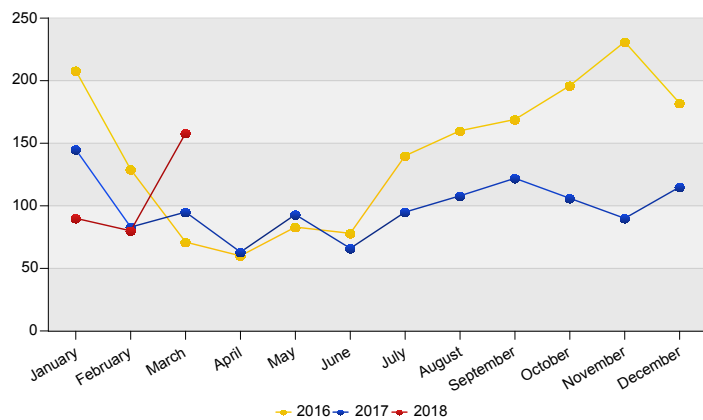
Top Unaccompanied minor asylum applications in The Netherlands March 2018

	Country of citizenship		%
1	Eritrea	89	56%
2	Morocco	14	9%
3	Syrian Arab Republic	13	8%
4	Algeria	8	5%
5	Sudan	8	5%
6	Guinea	5	3%
	Others	21	13%
<b>Total March 2018</b>		<b>158</b>	<b>100%</b>

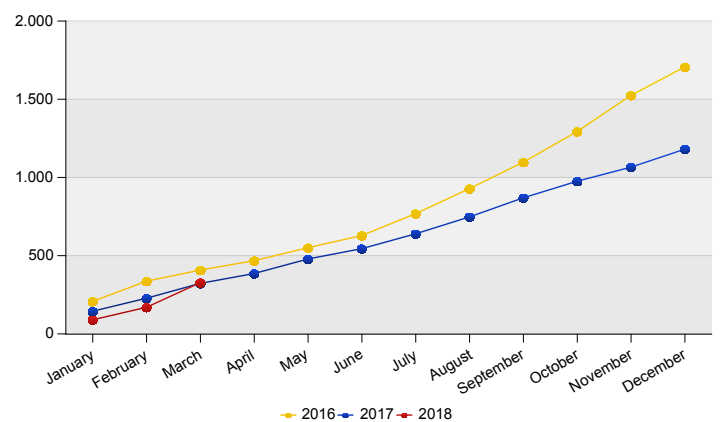
Top Nationalities unaccompanied minor asylum applications last twelve months  
Period: Apr 2017 - Mar 2018  
Number of unaccompanied minor asylum applications: 1.186



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	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Afghanistan	23	18	25	66	322	1.026
Albania	21	8	18	47	365	1.664
Algeria	89	91	111	291	891	980
Angola	*	6	7	15	27	15
Argentina	*	*	*	*	*	*
Armenia	*	*	5	10	109	48
Azerbaijan	13	12	21	46	113	66
Bahamas	*	*	*	*	*	*
Bahrain	*	*	*	*	8	*
Bangladesh	*	*	*	*	18	21
Belarus	*	*	12	16	103	21
Belgium	*	*	*	*	*	*
Benin	*	*	*	*	13	7
Bosnia and Herzegovina	5	*	*	9	67	295
Botswana	*	*	*	*	*	*
Brazil	*	*	*	*	10	*
Bulgaria	*	*	*	*	*	*
Burkina Faso	*	*	*	*	8	11
Burundi	*	*	*	5	29	24
Cambodia	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cameroon	*	*	5	9	39	18
Canada	*	*	*	*	*	*
Cape Verde	*	*	*	*	*	*
Central African Republic	*	*	*	*	*	*
Chad	*	*	*	5	30	5
Chile	*	*	*	*	*	*
China (including Hong Kong)	7	*	9	17	149	97
Colombia	*	*	*	*	36	36
Comoros	*	*	*	*	*	*
Congo, the Democratic Republic of the	*	*	*	6	13	*
Congo, the Republic of the	*	5	*	10	43	50
Cote d'Ivoire	7	6	*	15	41	30
Croatia	*	*	*	*	*	5
Cuba	155	*	*	157	256	23
Cyprus	*	*	*	*	*	*
Djibouti	*	*	*	*	*	*
Dominican Republic	*	*	*	*	9	*
Ecuador	*	*	*	*	*	*
Egypt	12	11	11	34	178	112
El Salvador	*	*	*	*	18	19
Eritrea	110	104	145	359	1.095	1.497
Ethiopia	9	5	*	18	124	156
Finland	*	*	*	*	*	*
Gabon	*	*	*	*	*	*
Gambia	22	24	20	66	214	131
Georgia	11	26	54	91	487	578
Germany	*	*	*	*	*	*



## Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2018

Source: METiS

Country of citizenships	Jan	Feb	Mar	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Ghana	*	10	*	16	39	15
Greece	*	*	*	*	*	*
Grenada	*	*	*	*	*	*
Guinea	20	16	22	58	330	111
Guinea-Bissau	*	*	*	5	29	11
Guyana	*	*	*	*	*	*
Haiti	*	*	*	*	*	*
Honduras	5	*	*	5	12	7
India	*	*	8	12	37	45
Indonesia	*	*	*	*	*	*
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	89	72	68	229	718	884
Iraq	63	47	47	157	724	888
Israel	*	*	*	*	6	*
Italy	*	*	*	*	*	5
Jamaica	*	*	*	*	14	34
Jordan	7	*	10	21	34	27
Kazakhstan	*	*	*	*	15	23
Kenya	*	*	*	*	10	6
Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	*	*	*	*	*	*
Kosovo / UNSCR 1244	*	5	*	9	36	465
Kuwait	*	*	*	*	6	8
Kyrgyzstan	5	*	*	5	9	9
Lao People's Democratic Republic	*	*	*	*	*	*
Latvia	*	*	*	*	*	*
Lebanon	7	*	*	10	61	55
Liberia	*	*	5	6	15	11
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	51	42	40	133	357	341
Lithuania	*	*	*	*	*	*
Malaysia	*	*	*	*	*	*
Maldives	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mali	5	6	*	13	60	26
Mauritania	*	*	*	*	18	11
Mauritius	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mexico	*	*	*	*	5	*
Moldova, Republic of	65	29	63	157	342	15
Mongolia	5	*	*	7	19	403
Montenegro	*	*	*	*	5	25
Morocco	87	68	90	245	977	1.271
Myanmar	5	*	*	9	28	55
Nepal	*	*	*	*	*	13
Netherlands	*	*	*	*	7	13
Nicaragua	*	*	*	*	*	*
Niger	*	*	*	*	13	*
Nigeria	36	24	22	82	245	197
Oman	*	*	*	*	*	*
Pakistan	12	9	19	40	181	161
Palestinian Territory, Occupied	*	6	5	15	74	30



## Monthly First Asylum Applications in The Netherlands in 2018

Source: METiS

Country of citizenships	Jan	Feb	Mar	2018	Total 2017	Total 2016 **
Panama	*	*	*	*	*	*
Peru	*	*	*	*	*	*
Philippines	*	*	*	*	*	*
Poland	*	*	*	*	*	8
Portugal	*	*	*	*	*	7
Romania	*	*	*	*	7	7
Russian Federation	24	8	32	64	316	124
Rwanda	*	*	*	*	*	15
Saudi Arabia	*	*	*	*	6	11
Senegal	*	*	*	9	81	47
Serbia	15	8	8	31	174	938
Sierra Leone	13	7	*	24	67	33
Singapore	*	*	*	*	*	*
Somalia	8	9	6	23	124	157
South Africa	*	*	*	*	12	10
South Sudan	*	*	*	*	*	*
Spain	*	*	*	*	7	*
Sri Lanka	*	5	*	5	46	28
Stateless	5	*	*	10	120	310
Sudan	12	9	25	46	260	191
Suriname	*	*	*	*	8	8
Sweden	*	*	*	*	*	*
Syrian Arab Republic	200	199	188	587	2.202	2.158
Taiwan	*	*	*	*	*	*
Tajikistan	24	16	17	57	59	19
Tanzania, United Republic of	*	*	*	*	14	10
Thailand	*	*	*	*	*	*
the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	9	8	*	18	112	430
Togo	*	*	*	*	10	*
Trinidad and Tobago	*	*	*	*	34	22
Tunisia	35	41	56	132	172	205
Turkey	59	58	60	177	481	235
Turkmenistan	*	*	*	*	*	*
Uganda	9	6	11	26	72	87
Ukraine	11	7	5	23	139	317
United Arab Emirates	*	*	*	*	*	*
United Kingdom	*	*	*	*	5	*
United States of America	*	5	*	6	20	5
Unknown	68	55	25	148	550	457
Uruguay	*	*	*	*	*	*
Uzbekistan	*	*	*	*	5	6
Venezuela	5	14	15	34	77	27
Viet Nam	*	*	*	*	27	61
Yemen	16	22	13	51	171	45
Zambia	*	*	*	*	*	*
Zimbabwe	*	*	*	*	17	12
Other	*	*	*	*	*	18



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Totaal	1.513	1.188	1.365	4.066	14.716	18.171
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\* To conceal the lowest figures, all values between 0 and 4 are replaced by asterisk.

\*\* 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.