



Asylum Trends

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First asylum applications in the EU, Norway and Switzerland in 2018 and 2019

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

		2018							2019							Total 2018	
		Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul		Total
EU	Germany	14.985	14.595	12.435	14.245	13.150	8.900	78.310	15.570	13.250	11.940	11.725	12.190	9.335	13.340	87.350	161.930
	France	9.395	9.420	8.485	11.380	9.810	10.775	59.265	8.650	9.625	9.785	10.260	9.285	9.030	11.080	67.715	111.415
	Spain	4.340	3.800	4.530	5.505	5.415	4.210	27.800	6.480	8.950	10.335	8.990	10.430	8.745	9.780	63.710	52.745
	Greece	5.900	4.940	5.830	7.065	6.900	5.065	35.700	5.335	5.300	5.305	4.455	4.720	4.160	5.560	34.835	64.985
	United Kingdom	3.435	3.135	3.310	3.385	3.890	3.690	20.845	3.730	3.320	4.095	3.425	3.170	2.875	3.775	24.390	38.485
	Italy	4.420	2.400	3.240	3.595	3.535	2.430	19.620	3.140	2.650	2.600	2.545	3.105	2.825	3.060	19.925	53.440
	Netherlands	1.930	2.020	2.240	2.220	1.840	1.770	12.020	1.855	1.660	1.875	1.870	1.620	1.695	1.965	12.540	20.465
	Belgium	1.810	1.770	1.990	2.205	1.670	1.080	10.525	2.270	1.665	1.755	1.785	1.500	1.630	1.935	12.540	18.160
	Sweden	1.580	1.695	1.595	1.790	1.510	1.490	9.660	1.595	1.415	1.510	1.460	1.515	1.720	2.390	11.605	18.110
	Cyprus	545	710	890	1.045	980	680	4.850	1.085	805	1.070	1.220	1.170	1.185	1.125	7.660	7.610
	Austria	1.005	920	915	955	885	770	5.450	855	745	855	800	865	830	995	5.945	11.610
	Ireland	300	325	360	375	305	345	2.010	400	340	360	340	385	385	445	2.655	3.655
	Slovenia	280	370	250	190	160	140	1.390	185	200	340	320	385	265	370	2.065	2.800
	Malta	150	170	225	260	250	160	1.215	240	120	230	180	315	245	520	1.850	2.035
	Poland	190	175	220	250	200	160	1.195	305	135	240	200	195	205	210	1.490	2.405
	Finland	225	270	280	255	200	245	1.475	205	170	190	155	205	200	265	1.390	2.955
	Luxembourg	235	215	205	180	245	275	1.355	240	200	225	185	135	135	150	1.270	2.225
	Denmark	350	385	365	345	300	185	1.930	230	180	175	150	165	185	185	1.270	3.495
	Bulgaria	145	350	305	485	340	280	1.905	135	75	75	105	265	195	245	1.095	2.465
	Czech Republic	125	120	115	115	150	140	765	170	200	165	125	135	100	135	1.030	1.360
Portugal	135	110	130	150	135	120	780	115	130	115	130	145	100	140	875	1.240	
Romania	140	180	250	205	195	175	1.145	105	100	100	130	180	100	0	715	1.945	
Croatia	45	95	45	85	25	30	325	30	20	30	35	65	60	120	360	675	
Lithuania	50	50	45	40	45	30	260	50	25	40	35	40	45	45	280	385	
Hungary	55	25	30	40	30	25	205	45	35	40	35	40	35	50	280	635	
Slovak Republic	10	5	15	10	15	10	65	25	15	20	10	20	10	30	130	155	
Latvia	30	15	10	20	10	10	95	5	5	10	10	5	25	25	85	175	
Estonia	30	10	10	10	5	5	70	5	5	5	5	10	15	10	55	90	
	Total	51.840	48.275	48.320	56.405	52.195	43.195	300.230	53.055	51.340	53.485	50.685	52.260	46.335	57.950	365.110	587.650
Not EU	Switzerland	1.235	1.030	970	1.295	1.140	895	6.565	1.050	1.100	1.100	995	1.085	880	1.160	7.370	13.535
	Norway	385	285	255	230	160	165	1.480	180	155	150	155	125	175	180	1.120	2.550
	Total	1.620	1.315	1.225	1.525	1.300	1.060	8.045	1.230	1.255	1.250	1.150	1.210	1.055	1.340	8.490	16.085
Total		53.460	49.590	49.545	57.930	53.495	44.255	308.275	54.285	52.595	54.735	51.835	53.470	47.390	59.290	373.600	603.735

First asylum applications in the EU , Norway and Switzerland from August 2018 - July 2019

	2018					2019							Total
	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
Syrian Arab Republic	7.005	6.800	7.220	6.110	4.575	6.475	5.560	5.520	5.620	5.630	5.380	7.035	72.930
Afghanistan	3.660	3.780	4.625	4.505	3.425	3.795	3.260	3.955	3.310	3.735	3.485	4.710	46.245
Iraq	3.750	3.195	3.625	3.495	2.780	3.185	2.845	2.660	2.775	2.770	2.110	2.775	35.965
Venezuela	1.400	1.540	1.985	2.165	1.755	2.635	3.950	4.235	3.570	3.960	3.185	3.785	34.165
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2.325	2.640	3.095	2.975	1.980	2.175	1.775	1.865	1.880	2.025	1.545	2.030	26.310
Turkey	2.725	2.595	2.800	2.220	1.660	1.975	1.990	1.630	2.070	1.975	1.695	2.635	25.970
Pakistan	1.840	2.390	2.590	2.565	2.030	2.320	1.815	1.735	1.830	2.040	1.730	2.440	25.325
Albania	1.695	1.765	2.340	1.995	1.995	1.835	1.795	1.980	1.675	1.790	1.600	1.800	22.265
Georgia	1.310	1.245	1.740	1.910	2.050	2.315	1.985	2.015	2.030	1.880	1.570	1.795	21.845
Nigeria	1.580	1.450	1.760	1.530	1.300	2.050	2.120	2.280	1.960	2.100	1.490	1.750	21.370
Others	22.300	22.450	26.235	24.295	20.785	25.670	25.740	27.125	25.430	25.740	23.720	28.685	298.175
Total	49.590	49.850	58.015	53.765	44.335	54.430	52.835	55.000	52.150	53.645	47.510	59.440	630.565

Figures are sorted by total in 2019. 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 2019 Germany registered the highest number of applications, followed by France and Spain. Figures for August, September and October 2019 are not yet available for all EU countries. Syrian Arab Republic, 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 (1st half of 2019) related to country Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

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 2019

	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	74.010	24%	358.327	8%	82,8	16%	2.624	20%
	2	France	56.635	18%	549.060	13%	66,9	13%	1.830	14%
	3	Spain	53.930	18%	498.504	11%	46,7	9%	1.125	9%
	4	Greece	29.275	10%	131.912	3%	10,7	2%	213	2%
	5	United Kingdom	20.615	7%	247.763	6%	66,3	13%	1.742	13%
	6	Italy	16.865	5%	301.291	7%	60,5	12%	1.541	12%
	7	Belgium	10.605	3%	30.668	1%	11,4	2%	339	3%
	8	Netherlands	10.575	3%	37.824	1%	17,2	3%	548	4%
	9	Sweden	9.215	3%	449.896	10%	10,1	2%	314	2%
	10	Cyprus	6.535	2%	9.249	0%	0,9	0%	19	0%
	11	Austria	4.950	2%	83.944	2%	8,8	2%	281	2%
	12	Ireland	2.210	1%	70.601	2%	4,8	1%	149	1%
	13	Slovenia	1.695	1%	20.277	0%	2,1	0%	44	0%
	14	Malta	1.330	0%	315	0%	0,5	0%	10	0%
	15	Poland	1.280	0%	313.851	7%	38,0	7%	673	5%
	16	Finland	1.125	0%	337.547	8%	5,5	1%	156	1%
	17	Luxembourg	1.120	0%	2.595	0%	0,6	0%	37	0%
	18	Denmark	1.085	0%	43.162	1%	5,8	1%	180	1%
	19	Czech Republic	895	0%	78.874	2%	10,6	2%	216	2%
	20	Bulgaria	850	0%	110.995	3%	7,1	1%	87	1%
	21	Portugal	735	0%	88.847	2%	10,3	2%	203	2%
	22	Romania	715	0%	239.068	5%	19,5	4%	278	2%
	23	Croatia	240	0%	56.539	1%	4,1	1%	66	1%
	24	Lithuania	235	0%	65.412	1%	2,8	1%	56	0%
	25	Hungary	230	0%	93.013	2%	9,8	2%	170	1%
	26	Slovak Republic	100	0%	49.026	1%	5,4	1%	106	1%
	27	Latvia	60	0%	65.519	1%	1,9	0%	35	0%
	28	Estonia	45	0%	45.347	1%	1,3	0%	25	0%
EU - Total			307.160	100%	4.379.426	100%	512,4	100%	13.069	100%
Not EU		Switzerland	6.210	2%	41.285	1%	8,5	2%	326	2%
		Norway	940	0%	323.787	7%	5,3	1%	250	2%
Not EU - Total			7.150	2%	365.072	8%	13,8	3%	576	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 first six months of 2019 Germany received the highest number of first asylum applications in the EU, followed by France and Spain. 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 (1st half of 2019) related to area size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

Table 2: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2019 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	4.222	61,3	1.330	315
2	Cyprus	707	10,3	6.535	9.249
3	Luxembourg	432	6,3	1.120	2.595
4	Belgium	346	5,0	10.605	30.668
5	Netherlands	280	4,1	10.575	37.824
6	Greece	222	3,2	29.275	131.912
7	Germany	207	3,0	74.010	358.327
8	Spain	108	1,6	53.930	498.504
9	France	103	1,5	56.635	549.060
10	Slovenia	84	1,2	1.695	20.277
11	United Kingdom	83	1,2	20.615	247.763
	TOTAL EU-28	70	1,0	307.515	4.467.087
12	Austria	59	0,9	4.950	83.944
13	Italy	56	0,8	16.865	301.291
14	Ireland	31	0,5	2.210	70.601
15	Denmark	25	0,4	1.085	43.162
16	Sweden	20	0,3	9.215	449.896
17	Czech Republic	11	0,2	895	78.874
18	Portugal	8	0,1	735	88.847
19	Bulgaria	8	0,1	850	110.995
20	Croatia	4	0,1	240	56.539
21	Poland	4	0,1	1.280	313.851
22	Lithuania	4	0,1	235	65.412
23	Finland	3	0,0	1.125	337.547
24	Romania	3	0,0	715	239.068
25	Hungary	2	0,0	230	93.013
26	Slovak Republic	2	0,0	100	49.026
27	Estonia	1	0,0	45	45.347
28	Latvia	1	0,0	60	65.519
	Norway	3	0,0	940	323.787
	Switzerland	150	2,2	6.210	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 (4.222 per 1.000 sq km) which receives 61,3 times more applicants than the EU average (70 per 1.000 sq km). Cyprus and Luxembourg ranked second and third at some distance with 10,3 and 6,3 times more applications than the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 5th in the EU with 4,1 times the EU average.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2019) related to population size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

Table 3: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2019 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	Cyprus	7.562	12,6	6.535	0,9
2	Malta	2.796	4,7	1.330	0,5
3	Greece	2.725	4,5	29.275	10,7
4	Luxembourg	1.860	3,1	1.120	0,6
5	Spain	1.156	1,9	53.930	46,7
6	Belgium	930	1,6	10.605	11,4
7	Sweden	911	1,5	9.215	10,1
8	Germany	894	1,5	74.010	82,8
9	France	846	1,4	56.635	66,9
10	Slovenia	820	1,4	1.695	2,1
11	Netherlands	616	1,0	10.575	17,2
	TOTAL EU-28	600	1,0	307.515	512,8
12	Austria	561	0,9	4.950	8,8
13	Ireland	458	0,8	2.210	4,8
14	United Kingdom	311	0,5	20.615	66,3
15	Italy	279	0,5	16.865	60,5
16	Finland	204	0,3	1.125	5,5
17	Denmark	188	0,3	1.085	5,8
18	Bulgaria	121	0,2	850	7,1
19	Czech Republic	84	0,1	895	10,6
20	Lithuania	84	0,1	235	2,8
21	Portugal	71	0,1	735	10,3
22	Croatia	58	0,1	240	4,1
23	Romania	37	0,1	715	19,5
24	Estonia	34	0,1	45	1,3
25	Poland	34	0,1	1.280	38,0
26	Latvia	31	0,1	60	1,9
27	Hungary	24	0,0	230	9,8
28	Slovak Republic	18	0,0	100	5,4
	Norway	178	0,3	940	5,3
	Switzerland	732	1,2	6.210	8,5

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

Cyprus received the most applications in the EU in relation to its population size: 7.562 applications per million inhabitants, 12,6 times the EU average (600 applications per million inhabitants). Malta and Greece ranked second and third (4,7 and 4,5 times the EU average). The Netherlands ranked 11th in the EU with 616 applications per million inhabitants.



First Asylum Applications in Europe (1st half of 2019) related to GDP size

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

Table 4: Number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2019 related to GDP size

Rank	Country of asylum	Application per billion PPS	In relation to Total EU 28 = 1	Number of Applications	GDP
1	Cyprus	340,5	14,5	6.535	19
2	Malta	138,5	5,9	1.330	10
3	Greece	137,8	5,9	29.275	213
4	Spain	48,0	2,0	53.930	1.125
5	Slovenia	38,7	1,6	1.695	44
6	Belgium	31,3	1,3	10.605	339
7	France	30,9	1,3	56.635	1.830
8	Luxembourg	30,2	1,3	1.120	37
9	Sweden	29,4	1,2	9.215	314
10	Germany	28,2	1,2	74.010	2.624
	TOTAL EU-28	24,0	1,0	307.515	13.078
11	Netherlands	19,3	0,8	10.575	548
12	Austria	17,6	0,7	4.950	281
13	Ireland	14,8	0,6	2.210	149
14	United Kingdom	11,8	0,5	20.615	1.742
15	Italy	10,9	0,5	16.865	1.541
16	Bulgaria	9,8	0,4	850	87
17	Finland	7,2	0,3	1.125	156
18	Denmark	6,0	0,3	1.085	180
19	Lithuania	4,2	0,2	235	56
20	Czech Republic	4,1	0,2	895	216
21	Portugal	3,6	0,2	735	203
22	Croatia	3,6	0,2	240	66
23	Romania	2,6	0,1	715	278
24	Poland	1,9	0,1	1.280	673
25	Estonia	1,8	0,1	45	25
26	Latvia	1,7	0,1	60	35
27	Hungary	1,4	0,1	230	170
28	Slovak Republic	0,9	0,0	100	106
	Norway	3,8	0,2	940	250
	Switzerland	19,1	0,8	6.210	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.

Cyprus, Malta and Greece were the number one, two and three with respectively 14,5, 5,9 and 5,9 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 11th with 0,8 times the EU average.



Overview of indicators: Area, Population and GDP

Source: EUROSTAT, situation by November 4th 2019

Table 5: Overview of all indicators of country size related to number of first asylum applications 1st half of 2019

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	24,0	61,3	4,7	5,9
2	Cyprus	12,5	10,3	12,6	14,5
3	Greece	4,5	3,2	4,5	5,9
4	Luxembourg	3,6	6,3	3,1	1,3
5	Belgium	2,6	5,0	1,6	1,3
6	Netherlands	2,0	4,1	1,0	0,8
7	Germany	1,9	3,0	1,5	1,2
8	Spain	1,8	1,6	1,9	2,0
9	Slovenia	1,4	1,2	1,4	1,6
10	France	1,4	1,5	1,4	1,3
11	Sweden	1,0	0,3	1,5	1,2
	TOTAL EU-28	1,0	1,0	1,0	1,0
12	Austria	0,8	0,9	0,9	0,7
13	United Kingdom	0,7	1,2	0,5	0,5
14	Ireland	0,6	0,5	0,8	0,6
15	Italy	0,6	0,8	0,5	0,5
16	Denmark	0,3	0,4	0,3	0,3
17	Bulgaria	0,2	0,1	0,2	0,4
18	Finland	0,2	0,0	0,3	0,3
19	Czech Republic	0,2	0,2	0,1	0,2
20	Portugal	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2
21	Lithuania	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2
22	Croatia	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,2
23	Romania	0,1	0,0	0,1	0,1
24	Poland	0,1	0,1	0,1	0,1
25	Estonia	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1
26	Latvia	0,0	0,0	0,1	0,1
27	Hungary	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,1
28	Slovak Republic	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
	Norway	0,2	0,0	0,3	0,2
	Switzerland	1,4	2,2	1,2	0,8

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

Malta received 24,0 times the EU average number of asylum applications in relation to its country size – area, population and GDP. Cyprus followed with 12,5 times the EU average. The Netherlands ranked 6th, receiving 2,0 times as many applications than the EU average.