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## *Asylum Levels and Trends in Industrialized Countries*

Statistical overview of  
asylum applications lodged in  
Europe and selected  
non-European countries



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# Trends at a Glance

## 2011 in review

327,200

The **38 countries in Europe** received **327,200** claims, an increase of 19 per cent compared to 2010 (274,700 claims).

↘ 10%

In the **Nordic countries**, the number of newly registered asylum-seekers decreased by 10 per cent to 45,700, a similar level to those of 2007 and 2008. The decrease was uniform across all countries.

↗ 20%

An estimated **441,300 asylum applications** were registered in 2011 in the 44 countries included in this report, some 73,300 claims or 20 per cent more than in 2010 (368,000). The 2011 level is the highest since 2003 when 505,000 asylum applications were lodged in the industrialized countries.



+19%

↗ 15%

The **27 Member States of the European Union** registered **277,400** asylum claims in 2011, a 15 per cent increase compared to 2010 (240,400). The EU-27 together accounted for 85 per cent of all asylum claims in Europe.

↗ 87%

In Europe, the largest relative increase in annual asylum levels occurred in the eight **Southern European countries** which received **66,800 asylum requests** during 2011, an 87 per cent increase compared to 2010. This increase is due mainly to boat arrivals in **Italy** and **Malta** and to the registration of greater numbers of individual requests for international protection in **Turkey (+74%)**.

↗ 77%

Japan and the Republic of Korea registered a combined number of **2,900** new asylum claims in 2011, a 77 per cent increase compared to 2010 (1,600 claims) and the highest on record.

13,000

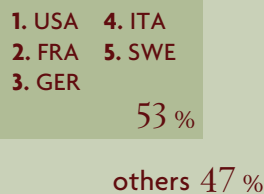
11,800

The number of asylum-seekers in **Australia** and **New Zealand** decreased by 9 per cent during 2011 (11,800 claims) compared to the previous year (13,000). This is the first decrease in six years.



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In **North America**, an estimated **99,400** new asylum applications were submitted in 2011, almost a quarter (+20,700 claims) more than in 2010. The figures for Canada and the United States of America show a similar trend.



With an estimated **74,000** asylum applications, the **United States of America** was the largest single recipient of new asylum claims among the 44 industrialized countries. France was second with 51,900 asylum applications, followed by Germany (45,700), Italy (34,100)<sup>1)</sup>, and Sweden (29,600). The top five receiving countries together accounted for more than half (53%) of all asylum claims received in the countries included in this report.

16,700

For asylum-seekers from **Côte d'Ivoire**, **Libya**, the **Syrian Arab Republic**, and **Tunisia**, levels were at a record high among the industrialized countries. Asylum-seekers originating from these four countries submitted in total 16,700 claims more than in 2010.

## Who is an asylum-seeker?

An **asylum-seeker** is an individual who has sought international protection and whose claim for refugee status has not been determined yet.

As part of its obligation to protect refugees on its territory, the country of asylum is normally responsible for determining whether an asylum-seeker is a refugee or not. This responsibility is often incorporated in national legislation of the country and, for State Parties, is derived from the *1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees*. ●

Top 5

1. AFGHANISTAN
2. CHINA
3. IRAQ
4. SERBIA (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))
5. PAKISTAN

With 35,700 asylum claims lodged in 2011, Afghanistan was the most important **source country** of asylum-seekers in the 44 industrialized countries, followed by China (24,400 claims), Iraq (23,500), Serbia (and Kosovo: Security Council resolution 1244 (1999))<sup>2)</sup> (21,200), and Pakistan (18,100).

Slightly less than **half of all asylum claims** were submitted by individuals originating from **Asia** (45%). Africa was the second most important source continent (27% of all claims), followed by Europe (15%), and the Americas (8%).

<sup>1)</sup> This figure is provisional and subject to change since the Government of Italy is still processing asylum claims received in 2011.

<sup>2)</sup> Henceforth referred to in this document as "Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))".





**Refugees in the Loran reception centre**  
on the Italian island of Lampedusa.

# Introduction

*This report summarizes patterns and trends in the number of individual asylum claims<sup>(3)</sup> submitted in Europe and selected non-European countries during 2011. The data presented are based on information available as of **14 March 2012**, unless otherwise indicated. The report covers the 38 European and six non-European States that currently provide monthly asylum statistics to UNHCR. Figures are mostly based on official asylum statistics, reflecting national laws and procedures. In addition, UNHCR conducted refugee status determination under its mandate in a number of countries included in this report.<sup>(4)</sup> **Annex Table 2** provides trends in selected Eastern European countries, based on annual data.*

**T**HE GROUP OF COUNTRIES ANALYSED is referred to collectively as “**the 44 industrialized countries**” and is defined as such for the purposes of this report only. The 44 countries are: 27 Member States of the European Union<sup>(5)</sup>, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Norway, Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)), Switzerland, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and Turkey, as well as Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand, the Republic of Korea and the United States of America. The group of 44 countries received an estimated 441,300 asylum applications in 2011.

The numbers in this report reflect asylum claims made at the first instance of asylum procedures. Applications on appeal or review are not included, nor is information on the outcome of asylum procedures or on the admission of refugees through resettle-

ment programmes, as such details are available in other UNHCR reports.<sup>(6)</sup>

To the extent possible, the statistics presented reflect the number of individuals lodging an asylum application for the first time. However, some of the figures quoted in this report are likely to include repeat applications, and therefore may not reflect the actual number of new asylum-seekers. Also, the number of asylum applications may not reflect the number of asylum-seekers, as some individuals seek asylum in more than one country during the same year.<sup>(7)</sup>

All data refer to the number of individuals with the exception of asylum-seekers in the United States of America where figures are available only for the number of cases (which may include several individuals) for applications submitted to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS). However, applications submitted to the United States Department of Jus-

tice, Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR), are recorded as individuals. To allow comparability across countries of asylum, UNHCR uses a figure of 1.4 individuals per case to estimate the number of people reported by DHS, because historical data suggest that, on average, one asylum case contains 1.4 individuals. In the country of origin tables, figures for the United States of America are a combination of the number of cases (DHS) and the number of individuals (EOIR), owing to the large variation in family size by nationality.

**All figures in this report should be considered as provisional and subject to change.** Due to retroactive changes and adjustments, some of the data included in this publication may differ slightly from that reported in previous UNHCR documents or from the official figures published by States. ■

<sup>3</sup> An asylum-seeker is an individual who has sought international protection and whose claim for refugee status has not yet been determined. As part of its obligation to protect refugees on its territory, the country of asylum is normally responsible for determining whether an asylum-seeker is a refugee or not. This responsibility is often incorporated in national legislation of the country and, for State Parties, is derived from the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.

<sup>4</sup> During the period 2007–2011, UNHCR conducted refugee status determination under its mandate in Cyprus (northern part of Cyprus only), Montenegro, Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)), and Turkey (see notes in **Annex Table 1** for more details).

<sup>5</sup> See **Annex Table 1** for a list of countries.

<sup>6</sup> See UNHCR's 2010 Statistical Yearbook at <http://www.unhcr.org/statistics>.

<sup>7</sup> According to EURODAC's Central Unit, the verification of asylum claims in 2010 showed that 24.2 per cent of all asylum claims registered in the system were multiple claims, i.e. the applicant had submitted at least one previous application in the same or another Member State of the European Union. (Source: [http://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/doc\\_centre/asylum/asylum\\_identification\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/doc_centre/asylum/asylum_identification_en.htm))





**People queuing outside the Belgian Department of Immigration in Brussels waiting to file an asylum application.** The Department takes photos, fingerprints and a chest-x-ray. Personal data are also registered.

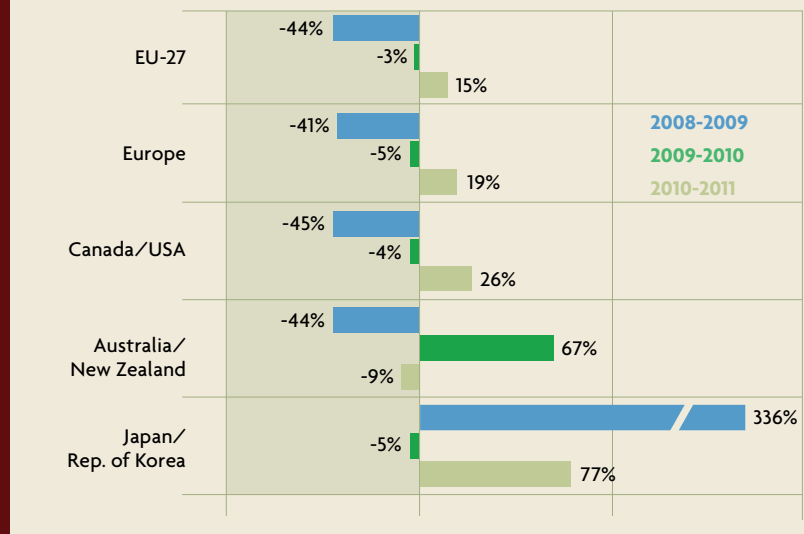
# Global and Regional Trends <sup>(8)</sup>

The year 2011 was characterized by a significant number of people seeking asylum or refugee status from countries experiencing recent or ongoing conflict, turmoil or security concerns. This applies in particular to asylum-seekers originating from Afghanistan, Côte d'Ivoire, Libya, the Syrian Arab Republic, and Tunisia.

**F**OLLOWING AVERAGES of roughly 370,000 asylum applications per year in the 44 industrialized countries since 2008, significant increases were registered in 2011. An estimated 441,300 asylum applications were recorded in the 44 countries, representing some 73,300 claims (+20%) more than in 2010 (368,000). The 2011 level was the highest since 2003 when more than 505,000 asylum applications were lodged in the industrialized countries. As shown in **Figure 1**, the overall increase observed in 2011 applies to most major regions analysed in this report.

Out of a total of 441,300 asylum applications registered in 2011, the 38 countries in **Europe** <sup>(9)</sup> received 327,200 claims, an increase of 19 per cent compared to 2010 (274,700 claims). However, the figures show variations in asylum trends at the regional and country level. For example, the 27 Member States of the European Union registered 277,400 asylum claims in 2011, a 15 per cent increase compared to 2010 (240,400). Within this group, the 15 pre-2004 ('old') EU Member States registered 37,300 more claims during 2011 (+17%), while the 12 'new' EU

**Fig. 1** Change in asylum claims in selected regions



Member States, who joined the EU in or after 2004, registered 400 fewer claims, a drop of 2 per cent. The EU-27 together accounted for 85 per cent of all asylum claims in Europe.

Among the European regions, the largest relative increase in annual asylum levels was reported by the eight

**Southern European countries** <sup>(10)</sup> which received 66,800 asylum requests during 2011, an 87 per cent increase compared to 2010. This increase is mainly due to boat arrivals in Italy and Malta and the registration of more individual requests for international protection in Turkey (+74%). Despite this recent increase,

<sup>8</sup> See notes in **Annex Table 1** for a list of countries included under each regional grouping.

<sup>9</sup> When including the countries listed in **Annex Table 2**, the total number of asylum claims in 2011 amounts to 444,000, compared to 372,400 the previous year.

<sup>10</sup> Refers to Albania, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain and Turkey.

When comparing the share of the **44 industrialized countries** to the global number of registered asylum-seekers between 2007 and 2010, the relative importance of the 44 countries as a destination region has declined. In 2007, the 44 countries received roughly **65 per cent** of all new asylum applications worldwide. By 2010, this percentage had fallen to about **50**, with sub-Saharan Africa emerging as a major destination region for people seeking international protection.<sup>(a)</sup> The global number of asylum applications registered in 2011 is not yet available. ●

<sup>a</sup> See UNHCR's 2010 Statistical Yearbook

**TABLE 1** Asylum claims lodged in selected regions

| Regions               | 2009           | 2010           | 2011           | Change '11-'10 |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Europe                | 287,830        | 274,710        | 327,190        | 19%            |
| - EU-total            | 247,330        | 240,410        | 277,370        | 15%            |
| - EU-"old"            | 222,130        | 224,850        | 262,190        | 17%            |
| - EU-"new"            | 25,200         | 15,560         | 15,180         | -2%            |
| USA/Canada            | 82,270         | 78,690         | 99,370         | 26%            |
| Australia/New Zealand | 7,760          | 12,980         | 11,820         | -9%            |
| Japan/Rep. of Korea   | 1,710          | 1,630          | 2,880          | 77%            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>379,570</b> | <b>368,010</b> | <b>441,260</b> | <b>20%</b>     |

See notes in Annex Table 1 for list of countries included.

levels remain below the latest peak in 2008 (74,400 claims). Italy was the main recipient of asylum applications in the region (34,100 claims)<sup>(11)</sup>, followed by Turkey (16,000) and Greece (9,300).

In the **Nordic countries**<sup>(12)</sup>, on the other hand, the number of newly registered asylum-seekers decreased by 10 per cent to 45,700, almost the 2007 and 2008 levels. With the exception of Iceland, the decrease was uniform among all countries. Overall, Sweden remained the most important destination for asylum-seekers in the region with 29,600 asylum applications, followed by Norway (9,100) and Denmark (3,800).

The number of asylum-seekers in **Australia** and **New Zealand** decreased by 9 per cent during 2011 (11,800 claims) compared to the previous year (13,000). It is primarily in Australia that the decrease occurred with 11,500 claims, down 9 per cent from 2010. It is the first decrease observed in six years, and is due to fewer asylum-seekers arriving to Australia by boat. One third of asylum-seekers in Australia originate from Afghanistan or the Islamic Republic of Iran. Asylum levels in Australia remain below those recorded by many other industrialized and non-industrialized countries. In New Zealand, levels have remained fairly stable in the past six years

(on average 300 new claims per year).

**Japan** and the **Republic of Korea** registered a combined number of 2,900 new asylum claims in 2011, a 77 per cent increase compared to 2010 (1,600 claims). Although it is the highest level on record in both countries, numbers continue to be modest in comparison with other industrialized countries. Japan registered 1,900<sup>(13)</sup> new asylum applications (+56%) and the Republic of Korea 1,000 claims (+135%) in 2011. People seeking international protection in Japan were predominantly from Myanmar while Pakistan was the main country of origin of asylum-seekers in the Republic of Korea.

In **North America**, an estimated 99,400 new asylum applications were submitted in 2011, one quarter (+20,700 claims) more than in 2010. The figures show a similar trend for Canada and the United States of America. The former registered 25,300 new applications, 9 per cent more than in 2010 (23,200), while the latter recorded approximately 74,000<sup>(14)</sup> claims, a 33 per cent increase (55,500 claims in 2010). Although 2011 is the highest level in almost a decade for this region, it is two thirds that of 2001 when close to 150,000 applications in total were lodged in Canada and the United States of America. ■

<sup>11</sup> This figure is provisional and subject to change since the Government of Italy is still processing asylum claims received in 2011.

<sup>12</sup> Refers to Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

<sup>13</sup> Monthly asylum data for Japan is available from 2002. Figures for Japan are UNHCR estimates.

<sup>14</sup> Estimated number of individuals based on the number of new cases (37,100) and multiplied by 1.4 to reflect the average number of individuals per case (Source: US Department of Homeland Security); and the number of new "defensive" asylum requests lodged with the Executive Office of Immigration Review (22,100; reported by individuals).

### III

## Levels and Patterns in Countries of Asylum

*With 235,400 registered asylum claims in 2011, the **United States of America, France, Germany, Italy, and Sweden** were the top five receiving countries, together accounting for more than half (53%) of all new asylum claims submitted in the 44 industrialized countries covered by this report. In comparison, some 186,800 claims were registered in these five countries in 2010.*



**F**OR THE SIXTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR, the **United States of America** remained the largest single recipient of new asylum claims, accounting for one out of six claims lodged in the 44 countries included in Annex Table 1. An estimated 74,000 individuals submitted an application, 18,500 claims more than the year before. Asylum-seekers from China (+20%), Mexico (+94%) and India (+241%) accounted primarily for this increase. Almost half of all asylum claims in the country were lodged by asylum-seekers from China (26%), Mexico (14%), or El Salvador (7%). The annual share of the United States of America in the number of asylum claims received among the group of industrialized countries

has fluctuated in recent years, ranging between 13 and 17 per cent.

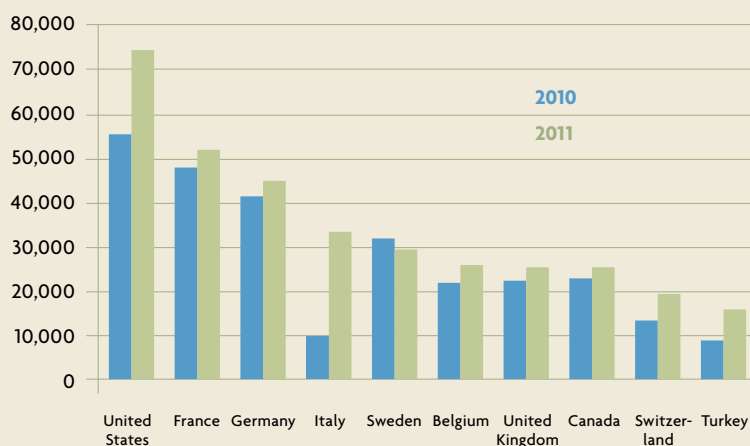
**France** was the second largest recipient of applications among the group of 44 countries with 51,900 new applications registered during 2011. This is not only an 8 per cent increase over 2010 (48,100 claims), but also the fourth consecutive rise. The higher level in 2011 is partly attributable to a doubling of asylum claims from Armenians: from 1,800 in 2010 to more than 3,600 claims a year later. Similarly, asylum claims from citizens of Côte d'Ivoire tripled, from 500 to almost 1,700 during the same period. The Russian Federation was the top country of origin of asylum-seekers in France, with 4,000 asylum claims registered in 2011, followed by

the Democratic Republic of the Congo (3,800 claims) and Armenia (3,600 claims). On average, every eighth application in the 44 industrialized countries was received by France.

**Germany** was the third largest recipient of applications among the 44 countries, with 45,700 new asylum requests registered during 2011. This is an 11 per cent increase compared to 2010 (41,300 claims) and the highest value since 2003 (50,600 claims). The increase in 2011 is partly attributed to a higher number of asylum-seekers from Afghanistan (+32%), the Syrian Arab Republic (+77%), and Pakistan (+202%). Afghanistan was also the top country of origin of asylum-seekers in Germany with 7,800 claims registered in 2011. On average, three out of ten applications in the country were lodged by Afghans.

Following significantly increased numbers of new asylum applicants in 2008 (30,300 claims), many of them arriving by sea, the number of persons requesting international protection in Italy descended to a five-year low in 2010 (10,000 claims). However, in 2011, this trend was reversed with an estimated 34,100<sup>15</sup> asylum applications registered (+240%). This figure constitutes an all-time-high for Italy, making it the fourth largest recipient of asylum-seekers in the industrialized world in 2011. Tunisia became the main country of origin of asylum-seekers in Italy

**Fig. 2** Asylum claims submitted in 10 major receiving countries | 2011



<sup>15</sup> This figure is provisional and subject to change since the Government of Italy is still processing asylum claims received in 2011. The country of origin breakdown is available for 18,100 out of the 34,100 asylum applications.



**A Chechen asylum-seeker women** in the Linin Reception Centre in Linin, Poland.





rise, due to a more than doubling of asylum claims from 1,100 in 2010 to close to 2,800 one year later. The number of Albanian asylum-seekers quintupled from 210 claims in 2010 to more than 1,100 in 2011. Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) remained the leading country of origin of asylum-seekers in Belgium with roughly 3,100 claims registered.

The **United Kingdom** was the seventh largest recipient of new asylum-seekers in 2011 with 25,400 claims. This was the second lowest level in two decades. Compared to 2010, figures increased by 12 per cent. The United Kingdom was followed by **Canada** (25,300 claims), **Switzerland** (19,400 claims), **Turkey** (16,000 claims), and **Austria** (14,400). All four countries witnessed increases during the year ranging from 9 per cent (Canada) to 74 per cent (Turkey).

TABLE 2

### Changes in the ranking of the top-15 receiving countries

| Countries      | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| United States  | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| France         | 3    | 3    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Germany        | 7    | 7    | 5    | 3    | 3    |
| Italy          | 8    | 5    | 7    | 14   | 4    |
| Sweden         | 2    | 6    | 6    | 4    | 5    |
| Belgium        | 10   | 14   | 9    | 7    | 6    |
| United Kingdom | 5    | 4    | 4    | 6    | 7    |
| Canada         | 4    | 2    | 3    | 5    | 8    |
| Switzerland    | 11   | 9    | 13   | 8    | 9    |
| Turkey         | 13   | 12   | 15   | 15   | 10   |
| Austria        | 9    | 13   | 11   | 11   | 11   |
| Netherlands    | 15   | 11   | 12   | 9    | 12   |
| Australia      | 19   | 16   | 16   | 10   | 13   |
| Greece         | 6    | 8    | 10   | 12   | 14   |
| Norway         | 17   | 10   | 8    | 13   | 15   |

#### RANKING OF COUNTRIES

The numbers of people requesting international protection have fluctuated significantly between countries and years, largely depending on political developments in countries of origin or changes in asylum policies in receiving countries. However, other factors may also be of relevance, including the existence of social networks of certain communities in destination countries, improved capacity to register asylum-seekers, and the fact that some countries are perceived as being more likely

to grant refugee status than others.

These factors are reflected in the current and past rankings of some of the countries included in this report. Italy, for instance, saw a sharp increase in new asylum applicants in 2008 (30,300 claims), many arriving by sea. In 2008, Italy was the fifth largest recipient of asylum-seekers among the group of 44 industrialized countries. In 2009, Italy and Libya concluded an agreement to turn boats back to the latter. As a consequence, the numbers of people requesting international protection in Italy dropped by almost half between 2008 and 2009 (17,600 applications). In 2010, this trend continued, with only 10,400 individuals seeking asylum in Italy and the country then ranked as the 14<sup>th</sup> most popular destination among the group of industrialized countries. Following the 'Arab Spring' in North Africa in early 2011, arrivals by boat in Italy resumed, resulting in triple the number of asylum applications in 2011 (34,100 claims)<sup>16</sup>. As a result, the country moved up in its ranking to become the 4<sup>th</sup> highest destination country.

Greece introduced special procedures at the end of 2006 to clear the backlog of asylum-seekers waiting to register claims. As a consequence, the number of applicants registered rose sharply in 2007, making Greece the 6<sup>th</sup> largest receiving country that year (25,100 claims). Since then, the number has decreased steadily to 9,300 applications in 2011, partly due to the slow pace of registration of claims. As a consequence, Greece dropped to 14<sup>th</sup> place.

In 2008 and 2009, Canada was, respectively, the second and third highest destination country for asylum-seekers among the group of industrialized countries. The relatively high number of Czech asylum applications during this period partly contributed to Canada's high ranking. In the second half of 2009, Canada introduced visa requirements for Czech citizens. As a result, the number of asylum-seekers from the Czech Republic dropped from more than 2,000 in 2009, to almost zero in both 2010 and 2011. Canada's ranking subsequently dropped to 8<sup>th</sup> place in 2011.

<sup>16</sup> Provisional figure subject to change.

TABLE 3

### Share of main receiving countries of asylum-seekers in total number of applications

| Countries      | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| United States  | 15%  | 13%  | 13%  | 15%  | 17%  |
| France         | 9%   | 9%   | 11%  | 13%  | 12%  |
| Germany        | 6%   | 6%   | 7%   | 11%  | 10%  |
| Italy          | 4%   | 8%   | 5%   | 3%   | 8%   |
| Sweden         | 11%  | 6%   | 6%   | 9%   | 7%   |
| Belgium        | 3%   | 3%   | 5%   | 6%   | 6%   |
| United Kingdom | 8%   | 8%   | 8%   | 6%   | 6%   |
| Canada         | 8%   | 10%  | 9%   | 6%   | 6%   |
| Switzerland    | 3%   | 4%   | 4%   | 4%   | 4%   |
| Turkey         | 2%   | 3%   | 2%   | 3%   | 4%   |
| Austria        | 4%   | 3%   | 4%   | 3%   | 3%   |
| Netherlands    | 2%   | 4%   | 4%   | 4%   | 3%   |
| Australia      | 1%   | 1%   | 2%   | 3%   | 3%   |
| Greece         | 8%   | 5%   | 4%   | 3%   | 2%   |
| Norway         | 2%   | 4%   | 5%   | 3%   | 2%   |

#### TRENDS OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS

Between 2007 and 2011, the **United States of America** received the largest number of new asylum-seekers (278,800 claims), followed by **France** (206,900 claims), **Germany** (156,000 claims), **Canada** (147,000 claims), and **Sweden** (146,400 claims). Together, the three leading asylum countries received one-third of all asylum requests submitted in the 44 industrialized countries listed in **Annex Table 1**.

The countries' individual share in the total number of applications received reveals a changing pattern over time. As a result of significantly more people seeking asylum in the **United States of America**, the country's share as the main recipient over the five-year period from 2007 to 2011 increased from 13 per cent in 2008-2009 to 17 per cent in 2011. A similar trend has been observed for **Germany** and **Belgium** where both countries' shares have gradually increased: in the case of Germany, from 6 per cent in 2007 to 10 per cent in 2011; in the case of Belgium, from 3 to 6 per cent.

The share of **Italy**, on the other hand, stood at 8 per cent in 2008 as a result of major arrivals of asylum-seekers by boat. Two years later, it had dropped to 3 per cent. With asylum levels in Italy picking up again in 2011, the country's share increased to 8 per cent.



During 2007, **Greece's** share had increased to 8 per cent following the introduction of special procedures at the end of 2006 to clear the backlog of asylum-seekers waiting to register asylum claims. However, by the end of 2011, its share was down to 2 per cent.

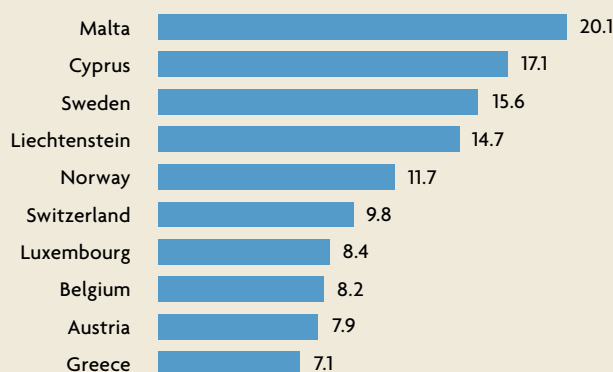
The trends described above are based on the absolute numbers of reported asylum claims. The analysis changes when comparing the number of asylum-seekers to the size of the national population or the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (PPP)<sup>(17)</sup>. These measures may allow for a better comparison among countries as they may more accurately reflect the capacity of a country to host asylum-seekers.<sup>(18)</sup>

Based on the first indicator (national population), between 2007 and 2011 the two Mediterranean islands of **Malta** and **Cyprus** received, on average, the highest number of asylum-seekers compared to their national population: 20.1 and 17.1 applicants per 1,000 inhabitants, respectively. **Sweden** ranked third (15.6 applicants per 1,000 inhabitants), followed by **Liechtenstein** (14.7 applicants per 1,000 inhabitants), **Norway** (11.7 applicants per 1,000 inhabitants), and **Switzerland** (9.8 applicants per 1,000 inhabitants) [see **Figure 3**]. The **United States of America** and **France**, the two main recipients of new asylum-seekers during this period, were ranked respectively 24<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, with an average of one and three asylum-seekers per 1,000 inhabitants.

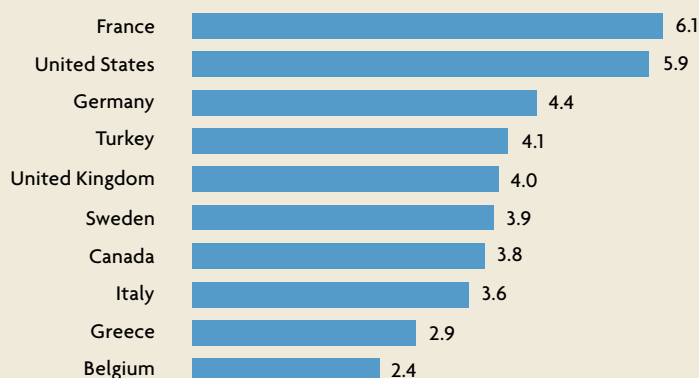
Comparing the number of asylum-seekers to the Gross Domestic Product (PPP) of a country reveals a different picture. Here, the **United States of America** and **France** are the countries with the highest number of asylum-seekers (5.9 and 6.1 applicants per capita each) compared to the national economy, followed by **Germany** (4.4 applicants per capita), **Turkey** (4.1 applicants per capita), and the **United Kingdom** (4.0 applicants per capita) [see **Figure 4**].<sup>(19)</sup>

It is interesting to note that out of the five main destination countries of asylum-seekers in 2011 (United States of America, France, Germany, Italy, and Sweden), only Sweden features among the top ten when compared against population size. But all five feature when compared against GDP (PPP) per capita.

**Fig. 3** Number of asylum-seekers per 1,000 inhabitants | 2007-2011



**Fig. 4** Number of asylum-seekers per 1 USD GDP (PPP) per capita | 2007-2011



This may be explained by the relatively large variation in national population size among the industrialized countries. The top five destination countries have a significantly larger population size compared to Cyprus, Malta, or Liechtenstein. In the case of the GDP (PPP) per capita ratio, the countries in-

cluded can be considered as all having highly developed economies and the variation in GDP figures between them is not that significant. With this important difference in mind, the GDP indicator might be more meaningful and interesting when making comparisons among these 44 countries. ■

<sup>17</sup> In order to compare countries, the Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) GDP is considered (Source: International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook Database, April 2011). Source for national population: United Nations Population Division, World Population Prospects: The 2010 Revision, New York, 2011.

<sup>18</sup> For the purposes of this type of analysis, the number of asylum applications registered over a five-year period has been considered to account for some extreme fluctuations in the values.

<sup>19</sup> Among the 44 countries included in this report, the number of asylum-seekers per 1 USD GDP (PPP) per capita appears as rather modest when compared to the 'burden' some developing countries shoulder in receiving asylum-seekers. For instance, Ghana and Uganda, two major asylum-seeker receiving countries with 20,100 and 12,700 asylum applications respectively registered in 2011, received 8 and 10 asylum-seekers respectively per 1 USD GDP (PPP) per capita in 2011 only.



**An Afghan asylum-seeking family** in the Radauti Reception Centre in Radauti, Romania.



# Origin of asylum-seekers

In 2011, people from 200 different countries or territories submitted asylum claims in one of the 44 countries presented in this report. Slightly less than half of all asylum applications were submitted by individuals from **Asia** (45%). **Africa** was the second most important source continent (27% of all claims), followed by **Europe** (15%), and the **Americas** (8%).<sup>[20]</sup> The country of origin of some 19,500 asylum-seekers was unknown. All major source regions of asylum applications showed either an increase or remained stable in 2011. Because significantly fewer people from Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia requested refugee status in 2011, Europe was the only continent to show a decrease as a source region of asylum applications in 2011 (-9%).

**O**UT OF THE 40 MAIN ASYLUM-SEEKER NATIONALITIES, 32 registered a rise during 2011 amounting to 68,000 claims. This is significantly more than in 2010 when 17 asylum-seeker nationalities recorded an increase. The eight nationalities registering a decline in 2011 submitted a total of 14,000 claims less than in 2010. Among the major countries of origin of asylum-seekers, significant increases were registered from **Tunisia** (+769%), **Pakistan** (+66%), **Mexico** (+62%), and **Afghanistan** (+34%). Conversely, of the eight nationalities that recorded a decrease in 2011 as compared to 2010, only two registered a drop of more than 10 per cent: **Serbia**

**TABLE 4** Distribution of asylum claims by region of origin

| Regions  | 2008  | 2009  | 2010  | 2011  |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Africa   | 29.9% | 28.4% | 25.7% | 26.7% |
| Americas | 10.9% | 8.8%  | 7.8%  | 8.0%  |
| Asia     | 44.8% | 45.1% | 45.3% | 45.4% |
| Europe   | 12.7% | 15.4% | 19.2% | 14.6% |
| Oceania  | 0.1%  | 0.1%  | 0.2%  | 0.1%  |
| Unknown* | 1.5%  | 2.2%  | 1.9%  | 5.2%  |

\* Includes stateless asylum-seekers.

(and **Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)**) (-28%) and **The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia** (-11%).

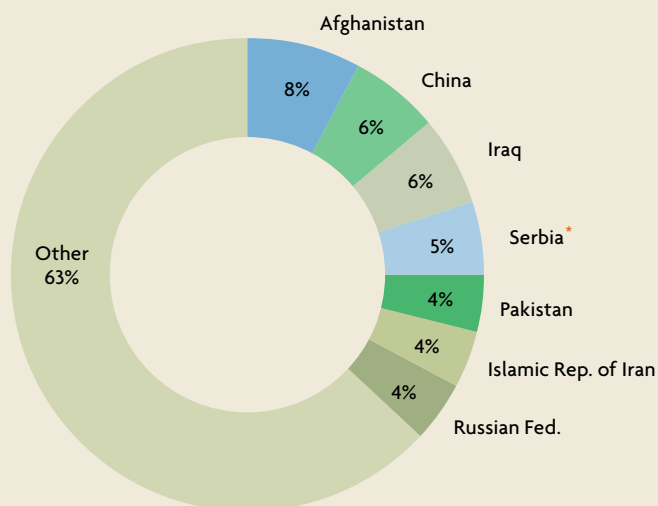
**Afghanistan, China, Iraq, Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))** and **Pakistan** were the five top source countries of asylum-seekers in the 44 industrialized

countries in 2011. This is comparable to 2010, when Serbia, Afghanistan, China, Iraq, and the Russian Federation were the top-ranking source countries.

In 2011, **Afghanistan** again became the main country of origin of asylum-seekers in industrialized countries.

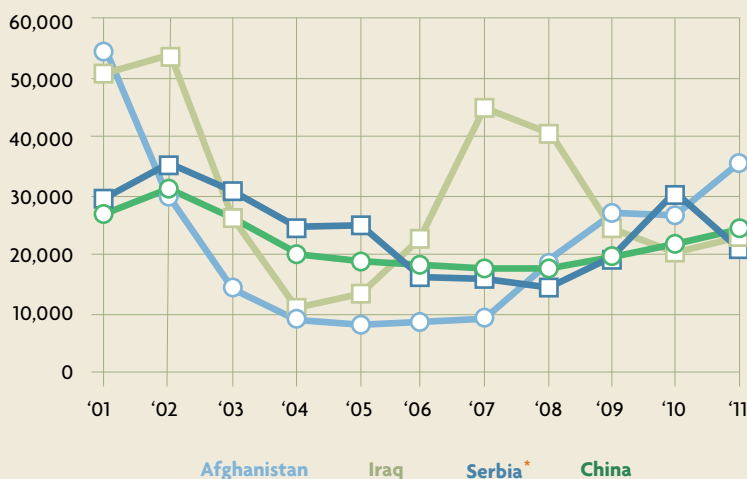
20 The geographical regions used are those of the UN Statistics Division (<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/methods/m49/m49.htm>)

Fig. 5 Main nationalities of asylum-seekers | 2011



\* Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))

Fig. 6 Asylum requests from Afghanistan, China, Iraq and Serbia | 2001 - 2011



\* Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))

The last time Afghanistan was at the top of the list was in 2009 when some 27,200 Afghan citizens sought asylum. Provisional data indicate that some 35,700 Afghans requested refugee status in 2011. This was 34 per cent more than in 2010 (26,600 claims). It is believed that the continued volatile situation in the country may be one reason why Afghans increasingly seek asylum abroad. The share of asylum-seekers from Afghanistan in the total number of asylum claims has remained stable between

2009 and 2010 (7% each). However, in 2011, they constituted almost 9 per cent of all asylum applications lodged in the 44 industrialized countries [see Figure 5].

Afghan asylum-seekers sought international protection in 42 out of the 44 industrialized countries. The levels were highest in Germany (7,800 claims) and Sweden (4,100 claims). In Germany, the number of Afghan asylum claims went up by 32 per cent while in Sweden by 72 per cent. Other important destination countries were Austria (3,600

claims), Belgium (2,800), and Turkey (2,500; UNHCR procedure). In all three cases, figures more than doubled in 2011. Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) emerged as a new destination country for Afghan asylum-seekers: 1,700 asylum claims were lodged in 2011 compared to only 320 a year earlier (+432%). In contrast, significant decreases in the number of Afghan asylum applications were registered in Australia (-45%) due to fewer boat arrivals.

With 24,400 asylum applications submitted by Chinese asylum-seekers in 2011, the figure is at its highest since 2003 (25,600 claims). The number increased by 13 per cent compared to 2010 (21,600 claims). This made China the second highest-ranking source country of asylum-seekers among the 44 industrialized countries. Similar to previous years, the United States of America registered more than half of all Chinese asylum applications (15,450). France was the second largest recipient with 2,200 Chinese asylum requests, slightly more than a year earlier (1,900 claims) [see Figure 6].

After having constituted the main group of asylum-seekers in industrialized countries in 2008 (40,400 claims), the number of Iraqis seeking asylum had halved by 2010 (20,600 claims). This trend was reversed in 2011 with 23,500 Iraqis requesting international protection, 2,900 claims more (+14%) than the year before [see Figure 6]. Iraq thus became the third highest country of origin of asylum-seekers among the group of industrialized countries. The increase was particularly significant in Turkey where UNHCR conducts refugee status determination under its mandate. Here, the figure more than doubled from 3,700 in 2010 to 7,900 in 2011. Germany registered 5,800 new Iraqi asylum claims, virtually unchanged from 2010. Sweden, on the other hand, experienced a rather dramatic decrease in Iraqi claims in the past years, with figures having fallen from as high as 18,600 in 2006. Sweden registered 1,600 Iraqi claims in 2011. Other important destination countries were Belgium (2,000 claims) and the Netherlands (1,400 claims).

**Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))** was the main country of origin of asy-





**Children in a playing field at the Fedasil asylum centre in Bovigny, Belgium.** Belgium has 45 reception centres for asylum-seekers. They are managed by Fedasil or the Belgian Red Cross.

lum-seekers in 2010 with 29,600 asylum claims registered, 50 per cent higher than in 2009. This significant increase was widely attributed to the European Union's introduction as of 19 December 2009 of visa-free entry for holders of Serbian passports. In 2011, however, Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) dropped to fourth place with 21,200 registered claims during the year [see **Figure 6**]. This constituted a decrease of 8,400 claims (-28%) when compared to 2010. The drop was particularly significant in Sweden and France. In the former, 4,000 fewer claims were lodged in 2011 (-50%) while in the latter, there were 2,300 fewer claims submitted (-40%). In Luxembourg, however, the number of asylum claims from people originating from Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) more than tripled from 300 in

2010 to 1,100 a year later, stretching reception facilities for asylum-seekers to a maximum. Overall, Germany was the prime destination for asylum-seekers from Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) in 2011 (6,000 claims).

About four-fifths of the countries reporting monthly asylum statistics to UNHCR distinguish applicants originating from Kosovo (S/RES/1244 (1999)) in their data. The available evidence shows that the proportion of asylum-seekers from Kosovo in these countries has decreased over the past three years. In 2009, on average, 74 per cent of applicants from Serbia came from Kosovo. This figure dropped to 45 per cent in 2010 and to a further 41 per cent in 2011. Among the main receiving countries, the proportion of people from Serbia originating from Kosovo is highest in

France (84%), Austria (66%), and Belgium (48%). It is relatively low in Luxembourg (13%), Germany (23%), Sweden (31%), and Switzerland (35%).

With 18,100 applications submitted by asylum-seekers from **Pakistan** in 2011, the figure is the highest on record. The number increased by two-thirds (+66%) compared to 2010 (11,000 claims). This made Pakistan the fifth highest source country of asylum-seekers in the industrialized world. The increase was particularly significant in the United Kingdom and Germany, the two main destination countries. In the former, close to 4,000 asylum applications were registered, up 86 per cent from 2,100 the year earlier. In the latter, figures tripled from 840 claims to more than 2,500 during the same period. Among the 19 countries registering 100 or more

**TABLE 5** Changes in the ranking of the top-15 countries of origin

| Countries of origin  | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Afghanistan          | 8    | 4    | 1    | 2    | 1    |
| China                | 3    | 5    | 5    | 3    | 2    |
| Iraq                 | 1    | 1    | 2    | 4    | 3    |
| Serbia*              | 4    | 6    | 6    | 1    | 4    |
| Pakistan             | 5    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 5    |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 9    | 11   | 9    | 7    | 6    |
| Russian Federation   | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 7    |
| Somalia              | 6    | 2    | 3    | 6    | 8    |
| Eritrea              | 12   | 9    | 12   | 11   | 9    |
| Nigeria              | 13   | 7    | 7    | 9    | 10   |
| Mexico               | 7    | 10   | 13   | 17   | 11   |
| Sri Lanka            | 10   | 12   | 11   | 10   | 12   |
| Syrian Arab Rep.     | 17   | 20   | 19   | 20   | 13   |
| Tunisia              | 77   | 71   | 66   | 66   | 14   |
| Bangladesh           | 16   | 15   | 17   | 15   | 15   |

\* Serbia (and Kosovo: SC/RES/1244 (1999)).

“ For asylum-seekers from Côte d’Ivoire, Libya, the Syrian Arab Republic, and Tunisia, levels were at a record high among the industrialized countries. ”

asylum claims by Pakistani citizens in 2011, 16 reported an increase. With 2,300 claims registered, Greece was the only major destination country showing a drop in Pakistani asylum claims (-16%).

The number of asylum-seekers originating from the **Islamic Republic of Iran** increased by one fifth in 2011 (+19%), the highest for more than a decade. Some 18,100 asylum-seekers were registered during the year in the 44 countries covered by this report. Turkey remained the prime destination with 3,400 asylum claims or almost one fifth of all Iranian requests being lodged. Germany and the United Kingdom also received a significant number of Iranian asylum-seekers with 3,400 and 3,000 claims respectively. In both cases, the numbers went up by about one third compared to 2010.

Other significant source countries of asylum-seekers in the 44 industrialized countries in 2011 were the **Russian Federation** (17,000 claims), **Somalia** (15,500), **Eritrea** (10,600), **Nigeria** (10,500), and **Mexico** (8,900).

For asylum-seekers from **Côte d’Ivoire**, **Libya**, the **Syrian Arab Republic**, and **Tunisia**, levels were at a record high among the industrialized countries.

For Tunisia, figures went up nine-fold, from 900 in 2010 to 7,900 in 2011. Italy and Switzerland together received three quarters of those claims. In the case of Côte d’Ivoire, figures stood at 5,200 asylum applications during 2011 (+180%) with France being the prime destination (1,700 claims). Out of the 8,400 Syrian asylum claims in 2011 (+68%), one third were submitted in Germany alone. The almost five-fold increase in Libyan asylum-seekers (3,800 claims) was concentrated in the United Kingdom which registered one third of all claims.

Over the last five years, some changes have occurred in the ranking of the main countries of origin of asylum applicants. In 2007, Afghanistan ranked as the 8<sup>th</sup> highest source country. Over the last three years, it has moved up the list occupying either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> position. The Russian Federation was the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest source country in 2007 but fell to 7<sup>th</sup> place in 2011, while the Islamic Republic of Iran moved up from 11<sup>th</sup> in 2008 to 6<sup>th</sup> place in 2011. Tunisia saw a significant change, moving from 66<sup>th</sup> in 2010 to 14<sup>th</sup> place in 2011, only one year later. ■





**TABLE 1 Asylum applications submitted in Europe and selected non-European countries**

| 2007-2011

For country notes and regional classification, see next page.

| Country/region of asylum               | 2007           | 2008           | 2009           | 2010           | 2011           | Total            | Annual change '11-'10 | Share |         | Rank    |         | Per 1,000 inhabitants |            |         |         | Per 1 USD/GDP per capita |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------------|------------|---------|---------|--------------------------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|------|---------|
|  |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                       | 2011  |         | '07-'11 |         | 2011                  |            | '07-'11 |         | Total                    |         | Rank |         | Total |         | Rank |         |
|  |                |                |                |                |                |                  |                       | 2011  | '07-'11 | 2011    | '07-'11 | 2011                  | '07-'11    | 2011    | '07-'11 | 2011                     | '07-'11 | 2011 | '07-'11 | 2011  | '07-'11 | 2011 | '07-'11 |
| Albania                                | 30             | 10             | -              | 10             | 20             | 70               | 100%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 44      | 44      | 0.0                   | 0.0        | 44      | 44      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 42   | 41      |       |         |      |         |
| Australia                              | 3,980          | 4,770          | 7,420          | 12,640         | 11,510         | 40,320           | -9%                   | 3%    | 2%      | 13      | 15      | 0.5                   | 1.8        | 18      | 19      | 0.3                      | 1.0     | 14   | 16      |       |         |      |         |
| Austria                                | 11,920         | 12,840         | 15,820         | 11,010         | 14,430         | 66,020           | 31%                   | 3%    | 3%      | 11      | 11      | 1.7                   | 7.9        | 8       | 9       | 0.4                      | 1.7     | 12   | 13      |       |         |      |         |
| Belgium                                | 11,120         | 12,250         | 17,190         | 21,760         | 25,980         | 88,300           | 19%                   | 6%    | 5%      | 6       | 8       | 2.4                   | 8.2        | 5       | 8       | 0.7                      | 2.4     | 8    | 10      |       |         |      |         |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 570            | 100            | 50             | 50             | 40             | 810              | -20%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 43      | 38      | 0.0                   | 0.2        | 43      | 39      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 40   | 31      |       |         |      |         |
| Bulgaria                               | 980            | 750            | 850            | 1,030          | 890            | 4,500            | -14%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 29      | 29      | 0.1                   | 0.6        | 33      | 28      | 0.1                      | 0.3     | 26   | 25      |       |         |      |         |
| Canada                                 | 28,340         | 36,900         | 33,250         | 23,160         | 25,350         | 147,000          | 9%                    | 6%    | 8%      | 8       | 4       | 0.7                   | 4.3        | 12      | 11      | 0.6                      | 3.8     | 9    | 7       |       |         |      |         |
| Croatia                                | 200            | 160            | 150            | 290            | 810            | 1,610            | 179%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 30      | 32      | 0.2                   | 0.4        | 27      | 35      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 28   | 33      |       |         |      |         |
| Cyprus                                 | 6,790          | 3,920          | 3,200          | 3,160          | 1,770          | 18,840           | -44%                  | 0%    | 1%      | 24      | 18      | 1.6                   | 17.1       | 9       | 2       | 0.1                      | 0.9     | 23   | 17      |       |         |      |         |
| Czech Rep.                             | 1,880          | 1,710          | 1,360          | 490            | 490            | 5,930            | 0%                    | 0%    | 0%      | 32      | 25      | 0.0                   | 0.6        | 39      | 29      | 0.0                      | 0.2     | 36   | 28      |       |         |      |         |
| Denmark                                | 1,850          | 2,360          | 3,820          | 4,970          | 3,810          | 16,810           | -23%                  | 1%    | 1%      | 17      | 20      | 0.7                   | 3.0        | 14      | 16      | 0.1                      | 0.5     | 20   | 22      |       |         |      |         |
| Estonia                                | 10             | 10             | 40             | 30             | 70             | 160              | 133%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 40      | 43      | 0.1                   | 0.1        | 38      | 40      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 41   | 42      |       |         |      |         |
| Finland                                | 1,430          | 4,020          | 5,910          | 4,020          | 3,090          | 18,470           | -23%                  | 1%    | 1%      | 20      | 19      | 0.6                   | 3.4        | 15      | 13      | 0.1                      | 0.5     | 22   | 21      |       |         |      |         |
| France                                 | 29,390         | 35,400         | 42,120         | 48,070         | 51,910         | 206,890          | 8%                    | 12%   | 11%     | 2       | 2       | 0.8                   | 3.3        | 10      | 14      | 1.5                      | 6.1     | 2    | 1       |       |         |      |         |
| Germany                                | 19,160         | 22,090         | 27,650         | 41,330         | 45,740         | 155,970          | 11%                   | 10%   | 8%      | 3       | 3       | 0.6                   | 1.9        | 17      | 18      | 1.3                      | 4.4     | 3    | 3       |       |         |      |         |
| Greece                                 | 25,110         | 19,880         | 15,930         | 10,270         | 9,310          | 80,500           | -9%                   | 2%    | 4%      | 14      | 9       | 0.8                   | 7.1        | 11      | 10      | 0.3                      | 2.9     | 13   | 9       |       |         |      |         |
| Hungary                                | 3,430          | 3,120          | 4,670          | 2,100          | 1,690          | 15,010           | -20%                  | 0%    | 1%      | 26      | 21      | 0.2                   | 1.5        | 28      | 21      | 0.1                      | 0.8     | 21   | 18      |       |         |      |         |
| Iceland                                | 40             | 80             | 40             | 50             | 70             | 280              | 40%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 40      | 41      | 0.2                   | 0.9        | 26      | 25      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 43   | 43      |       |         |      |         |
| Ireland                                | 3,990          | 3,870          | 2,690          | 1,940          | 1,290          | 13,780           | -34%                  | 0%    | 1%      | 27      | 22      | 0.3                   | 3.1        | 23      | 15      | 0.0                      | 0.4     | 29   | 24      |       |         |      |         |
| Italy                                  | 14,050         | 30,320         | 17,600         | 10,050         | 34,120         | 106,140          | 240%                  | 8%    | 6%      | 4       | 7       | 0.6                   | 1.8        | 16      | 20      | 1.2                      | 3.6     | 5    | 8       |       |         |      |         |
| Japan                                  | 820            | 1,600          | 1,390          | 1,200          | 1,870          | 6,880            | 56%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 22      | 24      | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 42      | 43      | 0.1                      | 0.2     | 27   | 29      |       |         |      |         |
| Latvia                                 | 30             | 50             | 50             | 60             | 340            | 530              | 467%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 35      | 39      | 0.2                   | 0.2        | 30      | 38      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 33   | 39      |       |         |      |         |
| Liechtenstein                          | 30             | 30             | 290            | 110            | 70             | 530              | -36%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 40      | 39      | 1.9                   | 14.7       | 6       | 4       | ..                       | ..      | ..   | ..      |       |         |      |         |
| Lithuania                              | 130            | 220            | 210            | 370            | 410            | 1,340            | 11%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 34      | 35      | 0.1                   | 0.4        | 32      | 34      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 32   | 34      |       |         |      |         |
| Luxembourg                             | 430            | 460            | 480            | 740            | 2,160          | 4,270            | 192%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 21      | 30      | 4.3                   | 8.4        | 2       | 7       | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 31   | 36      |       |         |      |         |
| Malta                                  | 1,380          | 2,610          | 2,390          | 140            | 1,850          | 8,370            | 1221%                 | 0%    | 0%      | 23      | 23      | 4.4                   | 20.1       | 1       | 1       | 0.1                      | 0.3     | 25   | 26      |       |         |      |         |
| Montenegro                             | -              | 10             | 20             | 10             | 240            | 280              | 2300%                 | 0%    | 0%      | 39      | 41      | 0.4                   | 0.4        | 20      | 33      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 34   | 40      |       |         |      |         |
| Netherlands                            | 7,100          | 13,400         | 14,910         | 13,330         | 11,590         | 60,330           | -13%                  | 3%    | 3%      | 12      | 12      | 0.7                   | 3.6        | 13      | 12      | 0.3                      | 1.5     | 15   | 14      |       |         |      |         |
| New Zealand                            | 250            | 250            | 340            | 340            | 310            | 1,490            | -9%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 36      | 33      | 0.1                   | 0.3        | 37      | 36      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 38   | 35      |       |         |      |         |
| Norway                                 | 6,530          | 14,430         | 17,230         | 10,060         | 9,050          | 57,300           | -10%                  | 2%    | 3%      | 15      | 13      | 1.9                   | 11.7       | 7       | 5       | 0.2                      | 1.1     | 17   | 15      |       |         |      |         |
| Poland                                 | 7,210          | 7,200          | 10,590         | 6,530          | 5,190          | 36,720           | -21%                  | 1%    | 2%      | 16      | 16      | 0.1                   | 1.0        | 31      | 23      | 0.3                      | 1.9     | 16   | 11      |       |         |      |         |
| Portugal                               | 220            | 160            | 140            | 160            | 280            | 960              | 75%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 38      | 37      | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 40      | 41      | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 37   | 38      |       |         |      |         |
| Rep. of Korea                          | 720            | 360            | 320            | 430            | 1,010          | 2,840            | 135%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 28      | 31      | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 41      | 42      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 30   | 32      |       |         |      |         |
| Romania                                | 660            | 1,170          | 840            | 860            | 1,720          | 5,250            | 100%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 25      | 27      | 0.1                   | 0.2        | 35      | 37      | 0.1                      | 0.4     | 18   | 23      |       |         |      |         |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 60             | 80             | 310            | 790            | 3,320          | 4,560            | 320%                  | 1%    | 0%      | 19      | 28      | 0.3                   | 0.5        | 22      | 32      | 0.4                      | 0.6     | 11   | 20      |       |         |      |         |
| - of which Kosovo                      | 70             | -              | 30             | 270            | 190            | 500              | -30%                  | ..    | ..      | ..      | ..      | ..                    | ..         | ..      | ..      | ..                       | ..      | ..   | ..      |       |         |      |         |
| Slovakia                               | 2,640          | 910            | 820            | 540            | 450            | 5,360            | -17%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 33      | 26      | 0.1                   | 1.0        | 34      | 22      | 0.0                      | 0.2     | 35   | 27      |       |         |      |         |
| Slovenia                               | 430            | 240            | 180            | 250            | 310            | 1,410            | 24%                   | 0%    | 0%      | 36      | 34      | 0.2                   | 0.7        | 29      | 27      | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 39   | 37      |       |         |      |         |
| Spain                                  | 7,660          | 4,520          | 3,010          | 2,740          | 3,410          | 21,340           | 24%                   | 1%    | 1%      | 18      | 17      | 0.1                   | 0.5        | 36      | 31      | 0.1                      | 0.7     | 19   | 19      |       |         |      |         |
| Sweden                                 | 36,370         | 24,350         | 24,190         | 31,820         | 29,650         | 146,380          | -7%                   | 7%    | 8%      | 5       | 5       | 3.2                   | 15.6       | 3       | 3       | 0.8                      | 3.9     | 6    | 6       |       |         |      |         |
| Switzerland                            | 10,840         | 16,610         | 14,490         | 13,520         | 19,440         | 74,900           | 44%                   | 4%    | 4%      | 9       | 10      | 2.5                   | 9.8        | 4       | 6       | 0.5                      | 1.8     | 10   | 12      |       |         |      |         |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 30             | 50             | 90             | 180            | 740            | 1,090            | 311%                  | 0%    | 0%      | 31      | 36      | 0.4                   | 0.5        | 21      | 30      | 0.1                      | 0.1     | 24   | 30      |       |         |      |         |
| Turkey                                 | 7,650          | 12,980         | 7,830          | 9,230          | 16,020         | 53,710           | 74%                   | 4%    | 3%      | 10      | 14      | 0.2                   | 0.7        | 25      | 26      | 1.2                      | 4.1     | 4    | 4       |       |         |      |         |
| United Kingdom                         | 28,300         | 31,320         | 30,670         | 22,640         | 25,420         | 138,350          | 12%                   | 6%    | 7%      | 7       | 6       | 0.4                   | 2.2        | 19      | 17      | 0.7                      | 4.0     | 7    | 5       |       |         |      |         |
| United States                          | 50,720         | 49,560         | 49,020         | 55,530         | 74,020         | 278,850          | 33%                   | 17%   | 15%     | 1       | 1       | 0.2                   | 0.9        | 24      | 24      | 1.6                      | 5.9     | 1    | 2       |       |         |      |         |
| EU-"Old" <sup>(15)</sup>               | 198,100        | 217,240        | 222,130        | 224,850        | 262,190        | 1,124,510        | 17%                   | 59%   | 59%     |         |         | 0.7                   | 2.8        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| EU-"New" <sup>(12)</sup>               | 25,570         | 21,910         | 25,200         | 15,560         | 15,180         | 103,420          | -2%                   | 3%    | 5%      |         |         | 0.1                   | 1.0        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| EU-Total <sup>(27)</sup>               | 223,670        | 239,150        | 247,330        | 240,410        | 277,370        | 1,227,930        | 15%                   | 63%   | 65%     |         |         | 0.6                   | 2.5        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Nordic countries <sup>(5)</sup>        | 46,220         | 45,240         | 51,190         | 50,920         | 45,670         | 239,240          | -10%                  | 10%   | 13%     |         |         | 1.8                   | 9.4        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Western Europe <sup>(19)</sup>         | 215,540        | 248,390        | 254,180        | 248,590        | 290,820        | 1,257,520        | 17%                   | 66%   | 66%     |         |         | 0.7                   | 3.1        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Southern Europe <sup>(8)</sup>         | 62,890         | 74,400         | 50,100         | 35,760         | 66,780         | 289,930          | 87%                   | 15%   | 15%     |         |         | 0.3                   | 1.4        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Former Yugoslavia <sup>(6)</sup>       | 1,280          | 640            | 770            | 1,300          | 5,270          | 9,260            | 305%                  | 1%    | 0%      |         |         | 0.2                   | 0.4        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Total Europe <sup>(38)</sup>           | 249,650        | 283,690        | 287,830        | 274,710        | 327,190        | 1,423,090        | 19%                   | 74%   | 75%     |         |         | 0.5                   | 2.3        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Canada/USA                             | 79,060         | 86,460         | 82,270         | 78,690         | 99,370         | 425,850          | 26%                   | 23%   | 22%     |         |         | 0.3                   | 1.2        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Australia/New Zealand                  | 4,230          | 5,020          | 7,760          | 12,980         | 11,820         | 41,810           | -9%                   | 3%    | 2%      |         |         | 0.4                   | 1.6        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| Japan/Rep. of Korea                    | 1,540          | 1,960          | 1,710          | 1,630          | 2,880          | 9,720            | 77%                   | 1%    | 1%      |         |         | 0.0                   | 0.1        |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |
| <b>Total <sup>(44)</sup></b>           | <b>334,480</b> | <b>377,130</b> | <b>379,570</b> | <b>368,010</b> | <b>441,260</b> | <b>1,900,470</b> | <b>20%</b>            |       |         |         |         | <b>0.4</b>            | <b>1.6</b> |         |         |                          |         |      |         |       |         |      |         |

## Notes

Source: Governments, UNHCR.

This table includes final data for 2007 to 2010. In the following tables, the 2010 figures are based on the monthly database. This results in some discrepancies.

All figures in this table have been rounded to the closest ten.

\* This refers to Gross Domestic Product (GDP), Purchasing Power Parity (PPP), per capita.

### Table 1. Notes

#### a. Country notes

**Australia.** Figures for 2007-2008 are based on the number of applications for protection visas lodged, not asylum applications.

**Belgium.** Figures include accompanying children since 2009. Data include repeat applications (2,800 in 2007; 3,330 in 2008; 4,260 in 2009).

**Canada.** Source: Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

**Cyprus.** In addition, UNHCR registered asylum applications in the northern part of Cyprus in 2007 (44) and 2008 (19).

**Denmark.** Figures for 2007-2008 exclude Iraqi interpreters who worked for the Danish Forces in Iraq.

**France.** Includes asylum applications of minors.

**Japan.** Figures are UNHCR estimates.

**Italy.** The 2011 figure is provisional and subject to change since the Government of Italy is still processing asylum claims received in 2011.

**Montenegro.** Data prior to 2008 are UNHCR figures.

**Poland.** Data excludes a significant number of repeat applications. December 2011 data estimated by UNHCR.

**Serbia.** Source: UNHCR (2007-2010).

**Spain.** Includes applications lodged at Spanish embassies.

**Switzerland.** Figures exclude repeat applications.

**Turkey.** Source: UNHCR.

**United States.** Figures include (1) statistics from the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS), based on the number of cases and multiplied by 1.4 to reflect the estimated number of individuals; and (2) the number of new («defensive») requests lodged with the Department of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), based on the number of individuals.

#### b. Regional classification

**EU-“old” (15).** Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden and United Kingdom.

**EU-“new” (12).** Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

**EU-Total (27).** EU-“old” and EU-“new”.

**Nordic countries (5).** Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden.

**Western Europe (19).** EU-“old” plus Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein and Switzerland.

**Southern Europe (8).** Albania, Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Spain and Turkey.

**Former Yugoslavia (6).** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)), Slovenia, and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

**Total Europe (38).** All European countries listed.

Source for national population: United Nations, Population Division, “World Population Prospects: The 2010 Revision”, New York, 2011.

Source for Gross Domestic Product (PPP): International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook Database, April 2011.

## TABLE 2 Asylum applications submitted in selected countries in Eastern Europe

| 2007-2011

All figures are based on annual data

| Country of asylum  | 2007         | 2008         | 2009         | 2010         | 2011         | Total         | Annual change '11-'10 | Share |         | Rank |         | Per 1,000 inhabitants |            |      |         | Per 1 USD/GDP per capita |         |      |         |      |         |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------|---------|------|---------|-----------------------|------------|------|---------|--------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|
|                    |              |              |              |              |              |               |                       | 2011  | '07-'11 | 2011 | '07-'11 | 2011                  | '07-'11    | 2011 | '07-'11 | 2011                     | '07-'11 | 2011 | '07-'11 | 2011 | '07-'11 |
|                    |              |              |              |              |              |               |                       |       |         |      |         |                       |            |      |         |                          |         |      |         |      |         |
| Armenia            | 300          | 210          | 70           | 50           | 70           | 700           | 40%                   | 3%    | 3%      | 6    | 4       | 0.0                   | 0.2        | 4    | 1       | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 6    | 5       |      |         |
| Azerbaijan         | 540          | 380          | 250          | 270          | 220          | 1,660         | -19%                  | 8%    | 6%      | 3    | 3       | 0.0                   | 0.2        | 3    | 3       | 0.0                      | 0.2     | 4    | 3       |      |         |
| Belarus            | 50           | 90           | 160          | 150          | 90           | 540           | -40%                  | 3%    | 2%      | 4    | 5       | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 6    | 7       | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 7    | 7       |      |         |
| Georgia            | 20           | 40           | 40           | 70           | 80           | 250           | 14%                   | 3%    | 1%      | 5    | 7       | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 5    | 6       | 0.0                      | 0.0     | 5    | 6       |      |         |
| Rep. of Moldova    | 80           | 60           | 90           | 130          | 70           | 430           | -46%                  | 3%    | 2%      | 6    | 6       | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 1    | 4       | 0.0                      | 0.1     | 3    | 4       |      |         |
| Russian Federation | 3,370        | 5,420        | 2,710        | 2,180        | 1,270        | 14,950        | -42%                  | 47%   | 56%     | 1    | 1       | 0.0                   | 0.1        | 7    | 5       | 0.1                      | 1.0     | 2    | 2       |      |         |
| Ukraine            | 2,270        | 2,240        | 1,360        | 1,500        | 890          | 8,260         | -41%                  | 33%   | 31%     | 2    | 2       | 0.0                   | 0.2        | 2    | 2       | 0.1                      | 1.2     | 1    | 1       |      |         |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>6,630</b> | <b>8,440</b> | <b>4,680</b> | <b>4,350</b> | <b>2,690</b> | <b>26,790</b> | <b>-38%</b>           |       |         |      |         | <b>0.0</b>            | <b>0.1</b> |      |         |                          |         |      |         |      |         |

## Notes

Source: Governments, UNHCR

All figures in this table have been rounded to the closest ten.

**Azerbaijan.** Source: Government and UNHCR.

**Russian Federation.** In addition, 2,990 persons applied for temporary asylum in 2009, 1,710 in 2010 and 1,030 in 2011.

Source for national population: United Nations, Population Division, “World Population Prospects: The 2010 Revision”, New York, 2011.

Source for Gross Domestic Product (PPP): International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook Database, April 2011.

**TABLE 3** **Origin of asylum applications lodged in 44 industrialized countries | 2010 and 2011**

Covering all 44 countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.  
Ranking based on 2011 data.

| Origin                                | 2010           | 2011           | Total          | Annual change | Share        |              |              | Rank |      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|------|
|                                       |                |                |                |               | 2010         | 2011         | Total        | 2010 | 2011 |
| Afghanistan                           | 26,619         | 35,729         | 62,348         | 34%           | 7.5          | 8.4          | 8.0          | 2    | 1    |
| China                                 | 21,597         | 24,446         | 46,043         | 13%           | 6.1          | 5.7          | 5.9          | 3    | 2    |
| Iraq                                  | 20,572         | 23,469         | 44,041         | 14%           | 5.8          | 5.5          | 5.6          | 4    | 3    |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | 29,605         | 21,246         | 50,851         | -28%          | 8.3          | 5.0          | 6.5          | 1    | 4    |
| Pakistan                              | 10,959         | 18,141         | 29,100         | 66%           | 3.1          | 4.3          | 3.7          | 8    | 5    |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | 15,185         | 18,128         | 33,313         | 19%           | 4.3          | 4.3          | 4.3          | 7    | 6    |
| Russian Federation                    | 18,542         | 16,977         | 35,519         | -8%           | 5.2          | 4.0          | 4.5          | 5    | 7    |
| Somalia                               | 17,005         | 15,482         | 32,487         | -9%           | 4.8          | 3.6          | 4.2          | 6    | 8    |
| Eritrea                               | 8,521          | 10,616         | 19,137         | 25%           | 2.4          | 2.5          | 2.5          | 11   | 9    |
| Nigeria                               | 9,668          | 10,498         | 20,166         | 9%            | 2.7          | 2.5          | 2.6          | 9    | 10   |
| Mexico                                | 5,497          | 8,906          | 14,403         | 62%           | 1.5          | 2.1          | 1.8          | 17   | 11   |
| Sri Lanka                             | 9,073          | 8,521          | 17,594         | -6%           | 2.6          | 2.0          | 2.3          | 10   | 12   |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | 4,996          | 8,383          | 13,379         | 68%           | 1.4          | 2.0          | 1.7          | 20   | 13   |
| Tunisia                               | 910            | 7,907          | 8,817          | 769%          | 0.3          | 1.9          | 1.1          | 39   | 14   |
| Bangladesh                            | 6,195          | 7,644          | 13,839         | 23%           | 1.7          | 1.8          | 1.8          | 15   | 15   |
| India                                 | 4,899          | 6,772          | 11,671         | 38%           | 1.4          | 1.6          | 1.5          | 21   | 16   |
| Georgia                               | 7,381          | 6,700          | 14,081         | -9%           | 2.1          | 1.6          | 1.8          | 12   | 17   |
| Turkey                                | 6,509          | 6,688          | 13,197         | 3%            | 1.8          | 1.6          | 1.7          | 13   | 18   |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | 5,834          | 6,574          | 12,408         | 13%           | 1.6          | 1.5          | 1.6          | 16   | 19   |
| Armenia                               | 5,288          | 6,220          | 11,508         | 18%           | 1.5          | 1.5          | 1.5          | 19   | 20   |
| Guinea                                | 5,352          | 6,113          | 11,465         | 14%           | 1.5          | 1.4          | 1.5          | 18   | 21   |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia | 6,289          | 5,607          | 11,896         | -11%          | 1.8          | 1.3          | 1.5          | 14   | 22   |
| Côte d'Ivoire                         | 1,852          | 5,192          | 7,044          | 180%          | 0.5          | 1.2          | 0.9          | 35   | 23   |
| Algeria                               | 3,917          | 4,982          | 8,899          | 27%           | 1.1          | 1.2          | 1.1          | 23   | 24   |
| El Salvador                           | 3,366          | 4,610          | 7,976          | 37%           | 0.9          | 1.1          | 1.0          | 25   | 25   |
| Hungary                               | 2,424          | 4,488          | 6,912          | 85%           | 0.7          | 1.1          | 0.9          | 29   | 26   |
| Haiti                                 | 4,176          | 3,915          | 8,091          | -6%           | 1.2          | 0.9          | 1.0          | 22   | 27   |
| Egypt                                 | 2,135          | 3,841          | 5,976          | 80%           | 0.6          | 0.9          | 0.8          | 32   | 28   |
| Libya                                 | 823            | 3,825          | 4,648          | 365%          | 0.2          | 0.9          | 0.6          | 40   | 29   |
| Guatemala                             | 2,562          | 3,656          | 6,218          | 43%           | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.8          | 28   | 30   |
| Stateless                             | 3,731          | 3,344          | 7,075          | -10%          | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.9          | 24   | 31   |
| Albania                               | 2,227          | 3,330          | 5,557          | 50%           | 0.6          | 0.8          | 0.7          | 31   | 32   |
| Sudan                                 | 2,694          | 3,236          | 5,930          | 20%           | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 27   | 33   |
| Ethiopia                              | 3,092          | 3,180          | 6,272          | 3%            | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.8          | 26   | 34   |
| Nepal                                 | 2,118          | 2,913          | 5,031          | 38%           | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 33   | 35   |
| Ghana                                 | 1,757          | 2,817          | 4,574          | 60%           | 0.5          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 36   | 36   |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                | 2,326          | 2,732          | 5,058          | 17%           | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 30   | 37   |
| Morocco                               | 1,369          | 2,696          | 4,065          | 97%           | 0.4          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 37   | 38   |
| Mali                                  | 1,255          | 2,363          | 3,618          | 88%           | 0.4          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 38   | 39   |
| Azerbaijan                            | 1,996          | 2,363          | 4,359          | 18%           | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 34   | 39   |
| Other*                                | 65,189         | 82,134         | 147,323        | 26%           | 18.3         | 19.3         | 18.8         |      |      |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>355,505</b> | <b>426,384</b> | <b>781,889</b> | <b>20%</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |      |      |

\* The country of origin of 16,000 asylum-seekers in Italy in 2011 is unknown.



TABLE 4

## Origin of asylum applications lodged in Europe | 2010 and 2011

Covering 38 European countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.  
Ranking based on 2011 data.

| Origin                                | 2010           | 2011           | Total          | Annual change | Share        |              |              | Rank |      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|------|
|                                       |                |                |                |               | 2010         | 2011         | Total        | 2010 | 2011 |
| Afghanistan                           | 22,922         | 33,317         | 56,239         | 45%           | 8.4          | 10.2         | 9.4          | 2    | 1    |
| Iraq                                  | 19,142         | 22,315         | 41,457         | 17%           | 7.0          | 6.8          | 6.9          | 3    | 2    |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | 29,266         | 20,910         | 50,176         | -29%          | 10.7         | 6.4          | 8.4          | 1    | 3    |
| Russian Federation                    | 17,257         | 15,667         | 32,924         | -9%           | 6.3          | 4.8          | 5.5          | 4    | 4    |
| Pakistan                              | 9,227          | 15,212         | 24,439         | 65%           | 3.4          | 4.7          | 4.1          | 7    | 5    |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | 12,923         | 14,985         | 27,908         | 16%           | 4.7          | 4.6          | 4.7          | 6    | 6    |
| Somalia                               | 16,070         | 14,778         | 30,848         | -8%           | 5.9          | 4.5          | 5.1          | 5    | 7    |
| Eritrea                               | 7,865          | 9,739          | 17,604         | 24%           | 2.9          | 3.0          | 2.9          | 9    | 8    |
| Nigeria                               | 8,517          | 9,406          | 17,923         | 10%           | 3.1          | 2.9          | 3.0          | 8    | 9    |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | 4,782          | 7,845          | 12,627         | 64%           | 1.7          | 2.4          | 2.1          | 19   | 10   |
| Tunisia                               | 865            | 7,786          | 8,651          | 800%          | 0.3          | 2.4          | 1.4          | 39   | 11   |
| Sri Lanka                             | 6,669          | 6,917          | 13,586         | 4%            | 2.4          | 2.1          | 2.3          | 11   | 12   |
| Bangladesh                            | 5,716          | 6,905          | 12,621         | 21%           | 2.1          | 2.1          | 2.1          | 15   | 13   |
| Georgia                               | 7,263          | 6,592          | 13,855         | -9%           | 2.7          | 2.0          | 2.3          | 10   | 14   |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | 5,406          | 6,065          | 11,471         | 12%           | 2.0          | 1.9          | 1.9          | 16   | 15   |
| Armenia                               | 5,059          | 6,037          | 11,096         | 19%           | 1.8          | 1.9          | 1.8          | 17   | 16   |
| Turkey                                | 5,888          | 5,941          | 11,829         | 1%            | 2.1          | 1.8          | 2.0          | 14   | 17   |
| China                                 | 5,928          | 5,907          | 11,835         | 0%            | 2.2          | 1.8          | 2.0          | 13   | 18   |
| Guinea                                | 4,876          | 5,712          | 10,588         | 17%           | 1.8          | 1.8          | 1.8          | 18   | 19   |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia | 6,251          | 5,562          | 11,813         | -11%          | 2.3          | 1.7          | 2.0          | 12   | 20   |
| Algeria                               | 3,777          | 4,784          | 8,561          | 27%           | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.4          | 20   | 21   |
| Côte d'Ivoire                         | 1,545          | 4,571          | 6,116          | 196%          | 0.6          | 1.4          | 1.0          | 32   | 22   |
| Libya                                 | 761            | 3,277          | 4,038          | 331%          | 0.3          | 1.0          | 0.7          | 40   | 23   |
| Sudan                                 | 2,474          | 2,941          | 5,415          | 19%           | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 23   | 24   |
| Albania                               | 1,861          | 2,915          | 4,776          | 57%           | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.8          | 28   | 25   |
| India                                 | 3,085          | 2,732          | 5,817          | -11%          | 1.1          | 0.8          | 1.0          | 21   | 26   |
| Stateless                             | 2,606          | 2,707          | 5,313          | 4%            | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.9          | 22   | 27   |
| Morocco                               | 1,296          | 2,604          | 3,900          | 101%          | 0.5          | 0.8          | 0.6          | 34   | 28   |
| Ghana                                 | 1,585          | 2,587          | 4,172          | 63%           | 0.6          | 0.8          | 0.7          | 31   | 29   |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                | 2,182          | 2,515          | 4,697          | 15%           | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 24   | 30   |
| Azerbaijan                            | 1,928          | 2,274          | 4,202          | 18%           | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 27   | 31   |
| Egypt                                 | 1,147          | 2,118          | 3,265          | 85%           | 0.4          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 36   | 32   |
| Haiti                                 | 2,041          | 2,048          | 4,089          | 0%            | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 26   | 33   |
| Mali                                  | 957            | 2,037          | 2,994          | 113%          | 0.3          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 37   | 34   |
| Ethiopia                              | 1,656          | 1,811          | 3,467          | 9%            | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 30   | 35   |
| Senegal                               | 1,260          | 1,671          | 2,931          | 33%           | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 35   | 36   |
| Cameroon                              | 1,463          | 1,609          | 3,072          | 10%           | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 33   | 37   |
| Viet Nam                              | 2,163          | 1,560          | 3,723          | -28%          | 0.8          | 0.5          | 0.6          | 25   | 38   |
| Mongolia                              | 1,670          | 1,559          | 3,229          | -7%           | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 29   | 39   |
| Belarus                               | 941            | 1,441          | 2,382          | 53%           | 0.3          | 0.4          | 0.4          | 38   | 40   |
| Other*                                | 35,609         | 49,807         | 85,416         | 40%           | 13.0         | 15.2         | 14.2         |      |      |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>273,899</b> | <b>327,166</b> | <b>601,065</b> | <b>19%</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |      |      |

\* The country of origin of 16,000 asylum-seekers in Italy in 2011 is unknown.

TABLE 5

## Origin of asylum applications lodged in the European Union (27) | 2010 and 2011

Covering 27 European Union countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.  
Ranking based on 2011 data.

| Origin                                 | 2010           | 2011           | Total          | Annual change | Share        |              |              | Rank |      |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------|------|
|  |                |                |                |               | 2010         | 2011         | Total        | 2010 | 2011 |
| Afghanistan                            | 19,442         | 26,159         | 45,601         | 35%           | 8.1          | 9.5          | 8.8          | 2    | 1    |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 27,429         | 19,072         | 46,501         | -30%          | 11.4         | 6.9          | 9.0          | 1    | 2    |
| Russian Federation                     | 16,266         | 15,045         | 31,311         | -8%           | 6.8          | 5.4          | 6.1          | 3    | 3    |
| Pakistan                               | 8,936          | 14,386         | 23,322         | 61%           | 3.7          | 5.2          | 4.5          | 7    | 4    |
| Iraq                                   | 14,448         | 13,623         | 28,071         | -6%           | 6.0          | 4.9          | 5.4          | 4    | 5    |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 9,291          | 10,789         | 20,080         | 16%           | 3.9          | 3.9          | 3.9          | 6    | 6    |
| Somalia                                | 13,844         | 10,656         | 24,500         | -23%          | 5.8          | 3.9          | 4.7          | 5    | 7    |
| Nigeria                                | 6,536          | 7,824          | 14,360         | 20%           | 2.7          | 2.8          | 2.8          | 9    | 8    |
| Bangladesh                             | 5,659          | 6,787          | 12,446         | 20%           | 2.4          | 2.5          | 2.4          | 12   | 9    |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 4,228          | 6,725          | 10,953         | 59%           | 1.8          | 2.4          | 2.1          | 19   | 10   |
| Sri Lanka                              | 5,699          | 6,431          | 12,130         | 13%           | 2.4          | 2.3          | 2.4          | 11   | 11   |
| Georgia                                | 6,641          | 6,252          | 12,893         | -6%           | 2.8          | 2.3          | 2.5          | 8    | 12   |
| Armenia                                | 4,965          | 5,929          | 10,894         | 19%           | 2.1          | 2.1          | 2.1          | 16   | 13   |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 5,080          | 5,800          | 10,880         | 14%           | 2.1          | 2.1          | 2.1          | 15   | 14   |
| Turkey                                 | 5,345          | 5,376          | 10,721         | 1%            | 2.2          | 1.9          | 2.1          | 14   | 15   |
| Guinea                                 | 4,555          | 5,340          | 9,895          | 17%           | 1.9          | 1.9          | 1.9          | 17   | 16   |
| Tunisia                                | 519            | 5,248          | 5,767          | 911%          | 0.2          | 1.9          | 1.1          | 40   | 17   |
| Eritrea                                | 4,406          | 5,208          | 9,614          | 18%           | 1.8          | 1.9          | 1.9          | 18   | 18   |
| China                                  | 5,392          | 5,084          | 10,476         | -6%           | 2.3          | 1.8          | 2.0          | 13   | 19   |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 5,711          | 4,699          | 10,410         | -18%          | 2.4          | 1.7          | 2.0          | 10   | 20   |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 1,419          | 4,262          | 5,681          | 200%          | 0.6          | 1.5          | 1.1          | 30   | 21   |
| Algeria                                | 3,296          | 4,062          | 7,358          | 23%           | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.4          | 20   | 22   |
| Albania                                | 1,820          | 2,822          | 4,642          | 55%           | 0.8          | 1.0          | 0.9          | 28   | 23   |
| Libya                                  | 690            | 2,710          | 3,400          | 293%          | 0.3          | 1.0          | 0.7          | 39   | 24   |
| India                                  | 3,012          | 2,612          | 5,624          | -13%          | 1.3          | 0.9          | 1.1          | 21   | 25   |
| Sudan                                  | 2,177          | 2,558          | 4,735          | 18%           | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 22   | 26   |
| Stateless                              | 2,129          | 2,418          | 4,547          | 14%           | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 24   | 27   |
| Ghana                                  | 1,408          | 2,381          | 3,789          | 69%           | 0.6          | 0.9          | 0.7          | 31   | 28   |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 1,998          | 2,275          | 4,273          | 14%           | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 26   | 29   |
| Azerbaijan                             | 1,850          | 2,190          | 4,040          | 18%           | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 27   | 30   |
| Haiti                                  | 2,032          | 2,043          | 4,075          | 1%            | 0.8          | 0.7          | 0.8          | 25   | 31   |
| Egypt                                  | 1,079          | 1,994          | 3,073          | 85%           | 0.5          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 35   | 32   |
| Mali                                   | 905            | 1,980          | 2,885          | 119%          | 0.4          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 37   | 33   |
| Morocco                                | 1,061          | 1,859          | 2,920          | 75%           | 0.4          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 36   | 34   |
| Viet Nam                               | 2,135          | 1,527          | 3,662          | -28%          | 0.9          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 23   | 35   |
| Senegal                                | 1,141          | 1,501          | 2,642          | 32%           | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 34   | 36   |
| Cameroon                               | 1,359          | 1,468          | 2,827          | 8%            | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 32   | 37   |
| Mongolia                               | 1,559          | 1,456          | 3,015          | -7%           | 0.7          | 0.5          | 0.6          | 29   | 38   |
| Comoros                                | 756            | 1,390          | 2,146          | 84%           | 0.3          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 38   | 39   |
| Mauritania                             | 1,196          | 1,378          | 2,574          | 15%           | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 33   | 40   |
| Other*                                 | 32,194         | 46,024         | 78,218         | 43%           | 13.4         | 16.6         | 15.1         |      |      |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>239,608</b> | <b>277,343</b> | <b>516,951</b> | <b>16%</b>    | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |      |      |

\* The country of origin of 16,000 asylum-seekers in Italy in 2011 is unknown.

TABLE 6

## Applications submitted by country of asylum and origin | 2010

Covering all 44 asylum countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

Top-20 ranking of countries based on applications lodged in all countries. An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Origin                                | Albania | Australia | Austria | Belgium | Bosnia and H. | Bulgaria | Canada | Croatia | Cyprus | Czech Rep. | Denmark | Estonia | Finland | France | Germany |
|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | *       | 5         | 972     | 4,545   | 10            | *        | 183    | 11      | *      | 6          | 402     | -       | 325     | 5,754  | 6,546   |
| Afghanistan                           | -       | 3,129     | 1,582   | 1,124   | 11            | 58       | 392    | 107     | 41     | 6          | 1,476   | 9       | 265     | 770    | 5,905   |
| China                                 | -       | 1,191     | 217     | 176     | -             | *        | 1,582  | -       | 123    | 6          | 14      | -       | 20      | 1,933  | 367     |
| Iraq                                  | *       | 856       | 336     | 1,637   | *             | 452      | 151    | 9       | 343    | 5          | 237     | -       | 575     | 439    | 5,555   |
| Russian Federation                    | -       | 5         | 2,322   | 1,141   | -             | 11       | 459    | 5       | 17     | 36         | 340     | 7       | 436     | 4,302  | 1,199   |
| Somalia                               | -       | 17        | 190     | 237     | -             | *        | 365    | 11      | *      | *          | 110     | -       | 571     | 419    | 2,235   |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | *       | 1,354     | 387     | 261     | *             | 61       | 331    | 21      | 118    | 8          | 597     | -       | 142     | 396    | 2,475   |
| Pakistan                              | -       | 470       | 276     | 309     | *             | 17       | 492    | 5       | 155    | 5          | 26      | *       | 5       | 890    | 840     |
| Nigeria                               | -       | 31        | 573     | 119     | -             | 9        | 860    | *       | 133    | 25         | 24      | *       | 84      | 738    | 716     |
| Sri Lanka                             | -       | 796       | 14      | 121     | -             | 6        | 1,203  | -       | 187    | -          | 28      | *       | 21      | 2,827  | 435     |
| Eritrea                               | -       | 24        | 11      | 106     | *             | *        | 76     | -       | *      | -          | 26      | -       | 14      | 721    | 642     |
| Georgia                               | -       | *         | 370     | 336     | -             | 14       | 58     | *       | 41     | 5          | 15      | -       | 61      | 1,354  | 664     |
| Turkey                                | -       | 119       | 369     | 241     | -             | 10       | 283    | *       | 114    | 17         | 51      | *       | 117     | 1,402  | 1,340   |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia | *       | *         | 194     | 980     | -             | *        | 14     | *       | -      | -          | 21      | -       | 20      | 590    | 2,466   |
| Bangladesh                            | -       | 104       | 116     | 178     | -             | 6        | 118    | -       | 148    | -          | 32      | -       | 11      | 3,140  | 92      |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | -       | *         | 28      | 813     | -             | 6        | 314    | -       | *      | 7          | 17      | -       | 47      | 3,395  | 152     |
| Mexico                                | -       | -         | -       | 8       | -             | -        | 1,198  | -       | -      | -          | -       | -       | -       | 5      | *       |
| Guinea                                | -       | *         | 35      | 1,455   | -             | *        | 84     | -       | 17     | -          | 8       | -       | 10      | 2,012  | 229     |
| Armenia                               | -       | *         | 278     | 1,266   | -             | 62       | 17     | -       | 7      | 9          | 31      | *       | 11      | 1,766  | 296     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | -       | 22        | 194     | 302     | *             | 52       | 126    | *       | 96     | 6          | 821     | -       | 41      | 192    | 1,490   |

| Origin                                | Greece | Hungary | Iceland | Ireland | Italy | Japan | Latvia | Liechtenstein | Lithuania | Luxembourg | Malta | Montenegro | Netherlands | New Zealand | Norway |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|--------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | 11     | 637     | -       | 19      | 795   | -     | -      | 6             | *         | 301        | -     | -          | 106         | -           | 444    |
| Afghanistan                           | 524    | 796     | 7       | 69      | 873   | *     | 23     | -             | 26        | 12         | -     | -          | 1,364       | *           | 979    |
| China                                 | 549    | 10      | -       | 228     | 18    | 17    | -      | -             | -         | -          | *     | -          | 302         | 22          | 192    |
| Iraq                                  | 342    | 55      | 5       | 29      | 380   | *     | -      | *             | *         | 79         | 7     | -          | 1,383       | 10          | 460    |
| Russian Federation                    | 100    | 26      | -       | 14      | 21    | *     | 7      | 32            | 40        | 25         | -     | *          | 207         | *           | 628    |
| Somalia                               | 141    | 53      | 5       | 38      | 84    | -     | -      | *             | -         | 29         | 34    | -          | 3,372       | *           | 1,397  |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | 125    | 72      | 6       | 36      | 269   | 35    | *      | *             | *         | 31         | *     | -          | 785         | 42          | 429    |
| Pakistan                              | 2,748  | 41      | *       | 200     | 929   | 83    | -      | -             | *         | -          | 16    | -          | 60          | 7           | 99     |
| Nigeria                               | 393    | 42      | *       | 387     | 1,385 | 34    | *      | 11            | -         | 5          | 8     | -          | 168         | *           | 354    |
| Sri Lanka                             | 36     | 6       | -       | 9       | 87    | 173   | -      | -             | -         | *          | -     | -          | 197         | 23          | 71     |
| Eritrea                               | 59     | -       | *       | 15      | 181   | -     | -      | -             | -         | 12         | 6     | -          | 392         | *           | 1,711  |
| Georgia                               | 1,162  | 76      | *       | 53      | 80    | -     | *      | -             | 235       | 7          | -     | -          | 587         | *           | 85     |
| Turkey                                | 71     | 95      | -       | *       | 854   | 127   | -      | -             | -         | 19         | *     | *          | 92          | *           | 74     |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia | *      | 8       | *       | *       | 98    | -     | -      | 38            | -         | 14         | -     | -          | 389         | -           | 93     |
| Bangladesh                            | 987    | 7       | -       | 51      | 222   | 27    | -      | -             | *         | *          | -     | -          | 14          | 6           | 17     |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | 15     | *       | -       | 70      | 57    | 12    | *      | -             | -         | 8          | *     | -          | 40          | *           | 86     |
| Mexico                                | -      | *       | -       | -       | *     | *     | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | *           | *           | 13     |
| Guinea                                | 31     | 5       | -       | *       | 167   | *     | *      | -             | -         | *          | -     | -          | 230         | -           | 59     |
| Armenia                               | 71     | 11      | -       | 9       | 53    | *     | -      | -             | 21        | *          | -     | -          | 611         | -           | 17     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | 167    | 26      | *       | *       | 48    | -     | -      | *             | -         | 19         | 8     | -          | 125         | *           | 119    |

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Covering all 44 asylum countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

Top-20 ranking of countries based on applications lodged in all countries. An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Origin                                | Poland | Portugal | Rep. of Korea | Romania | Serbia <sup>1)</sup> | Slovakia | Slovenia | Spain | Sweden | Switzerland | Tfyr Macedonia <sup>2)</sup> | Turkey | United Kingdom | United States <sup>3)</sup> |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|---------------|---------|----------------------|----------|----------|-------|--------|-------------|------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | -      | -        | -             | 11      | *                    | 10       | 28       | 7     | 7,907  | 1,358       | *                            | -      | 30             | 151                         |
| Afghanistan                           | 25     | *        | 15            | 120     | 425                  | 76       | 23       | 41    | 2,397  | 632         | 71                           | 1,248  | 1,835          | 156                         |
| China                                 | 9      | *        | 7             | 67      | -                    | 35       | *        | 6     | 90     | 333         | -                            | 11     | 1,215          | 12,850                      |
| Iraq                                  | 27     | -        | *             | 75      | 53                   | 7        | 7        | 21    | 1,978  | 501         | *                            | 3,656  | 475            | 409                         |
| Russian Federation                    | 4,796  | 5        | -             | 12      | *                    | 65       | 8        | 44    | 987    | 315         | *                            | 5      | 100            | 817                         |
| Somalia                               | 5      | *        | *             | 13      | 42                   | 23       | 8        | 39    | 5,560  | 302         | 18                           | 448    | 675            | 550                         |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | 7      | 6        | 6             | 35      | 12                   | 12       | 9        | 63    | 1,183  | 276         | *                            | 2,881  | 2,210          | 494                         |
| Pakistan                              | 27     | *        | 129           | 62      | 30                   | 34       | -        | 63    | 111    | 92          | 21                           | 42     | 2,115          | 551                         |
| Nigeria                               | 19     | 7        | 19            | 22      | *                    | 6        | 11       | 237   | 321    | 1,597       | -                            | 12     | 1,100          | 206                         |
| Sri Lanka                             | 6      | *        | *             | 16      | -                    | 6        | -        | 32    | 34     | 892         | -                            | 7      | 1,625          | 205                         |
| Eritrea                               | *      | -        | -             | *       | -                    | -        | *        | 8     | 1,444  | 1,708       | 5                            | 33     | 760            | 555                         |
| Georgia                               | 1,083  | *        | -             | 9       | *                    | 66       | *        | 48    | 291    | 531         | -                            | -      | 75             | 58                          |
| Turkey                                | 19     | *        | -             | 68      | *                    | 9        | 27       | 19    | 235    | 462         | -                            | -      | 170            | 88                          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia | *      | *        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | *        | 12    | 908    | 403         | -                            | -      | 5              | 22                          |
| Bangladesh                            | 18     | -        | 41            | 11      | *                    | 7        | -        | 12    | 107    | 25          | -                            | 14     | 495            | 183                         |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | *      | 9        | 9             | 12      | 13                   | *        | *        | 88    | 86     | 161         | -                            | 66     | 215            | 87                          |
| Mexico                                | -      | -        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | -        | 17    | 8      | *           | -                            | -      | 10             | 4,225                       |
| Guinea                                | 6      | 43       | *             | *       | *                    | *        | -        | 166   | 28     | 239         | -                            | 21     | 105            | 384                         |
| Armenia                               | 107    | -        | -             | -       | -                    | 12       | -        | 37    | 278    | 77          | -                            | -      | 25             | 210                         |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | 8      | -        | -             | 19      | *                    | 5        | *        | 19    | 427    | 387         | *                            | 37     | 160            | 63                          |

1 Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999))

2 The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

3 Combination of number of persons (EOIR) and cases (DHS).

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|--|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Afghanistan                            | -       | 1,721     | 3,623   | 2,773   | *             | 92       | 397    | 487     | 16     | 25         | 903     | 8       | 292     | 651    | 7,767   |
| China                                  | *       | 1,188     | 238     | 292     | -             | 6        | 1,853  | -       | 30     | *          | 26      | -       | 26      | 2,184  | 339     |
| Iraq                                   | *       | 491       | 484     | 2,004   | -             | 344      | 164    | 7       | 52     | 8          | 115     | *       | 588     | 252    | 5,831   |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 8       | *         | 541     | 3,067   | 8             | *        | 142    | 5       | -      | *          | 325     | -       | 160     | 3,458  | 5,974   |
| Pakistan                               | *       | 817       | 952     | 924     | *             | 27       | 828    | 70      | 148    | 6          | 57      | -       | 23      | 1,432  | 2,539   |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | -       | 2,156     | 457     | 367     | *             | 37       | 319    | 40      | 68     | 7          | 461     | -       | 125     | 193    | 3,352   |
| Russian Federation                     | -       | 7         | 2,319   | 1,747   | -             | *        | 433    | 15      | 12     | 25         | 304     | *       | 294     | 4,042  | 1,689   |
| Somalia                                | *       | 15        | 611     | 454     | *             | 42       | 409    | 42      | -      | -          | 107     | *       | 365     | 755    | 984     |
| Eritrea                                | -       | 11        | 27      | 83      | -             | -        | 100    | 9       | *      | 10         | 20      | -       | 7       | 924    | 632     |
| Nigeria                                | -       | 58        | 411     | 165     | *             | 18       | 685    | *       | 22     | 16         | 52      | -       | 105     | 799    | 759     |
| Mexico                                 | -       | *         | *       | *       | -             | -        | 653    | -       | -      | *          | -       | -       | *       | -      | -       |
| Sri Lanka                              | -       | 370       | 13      | 129     | -             | *        | 629    | -       | 114    | -          | 22      | -       | 25      | 3,183  | 521     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | -       | 94        | 423     | 494     | -             | 85       | 176    | 9       | 187    | 7          | 428     | -       | 109     | 119    | 2,634   |
| Tunisia                                | -       | -         | 182     | 100     | *             | 9        | 76     | 14      | *      | *          | 56      | -       | 25      | 198    | 473     |
| Bangladesh                             | *       | 127       | 87      | 493     | -             | 6        | 115    | *       | 182    | -          | 32      | *       | 20      | 3,568  | 143     |
| India                                  | -       | 765       | 463     | 157     | -             | *        | 751    | *       | 134    | *          | 32      | *       | 10      | 42     | 822     |
| Georgia                                | -       | 10        | 261     | 347     | -             | 7        | 26     | *       | 17     | 6          | 19      | 6       | 70      | 1,646  | 471     |
| Turkey                                 | -       | 91        | 414     | 430     | -             | *        | 331    | 9       | 33     | 17         | 25      | *       | 74      | 1,737  | 1,578   |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | -       | 7         | 49      | 1,084   | -             | -        | 370    | -       | *      | 6          | 15      | 11      | 39      | 3,804  | 190     |
| Armenia                                | -       | *         | 218     | 556     | -             | 37       | 22     | -       | 11     | 7          | 36      | 7       | 11      | 3,638  | 335     |

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| Origin                                 | Greece | Hungary | Iceland | Ireland | Italy <sup>1)</sup> | Japan <sup>2)</sup> | Latvia | Liechtenstein | Lithuania | Luxembourg | Malta | Montenegro | Netherlands | New Zealand | Norway |
|--|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Afghanistan                            | 637    | 649     | *       | 67      | 880                 | *                   | *      | *             | 45        | 21         | -     | 8          | 1,885       | 11          | 979    |
| China                                  | 406    | 8       | -       | 142     | 28                  | 20                  | -      | *             | *         | *          | *     | -          | 276         | 20          | 101    |
| Iraq                                   | 257    | 54      | 5       | 18      | 219                 | *                   | *      | -             | -         | 43         | *     | *          | 1,435       | 11          | 357    |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 5      | 238     | *       | 10      | 146                 | -                   | -      | 31            | -         | 1,097      | -     | -          | 120         | -           | 240    |
| Pakistan                               | 2,309  | 121     | *       | 175     | 1,150               | 170                 | *      | -             | -         | *          | 45    | *          | 94          | 22          | 92     |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 247    | 33      | *       | 13      | 160                 | 48                  | 16     | *             | -         | 35         | *     | 7          | 929         | 29          | 355    |
| Russian Federation                     | 69     | 12      | 7       | 17      | 9                   | -                   | 18     | 14            | 58        | 49         | -     | -          | 451         | *           | 365    |
| Somalia                                | 68     | 61      | *       | 21      | 513                 | -                   | -      | *             | -         | 13         | 454   | *          | 1,415       | *           | 2,216  |
| Eritrea                                | 37     | *       | *       | 8       | 183                 | -                   | -      | -             | -         | 12         | 306   | -          | 458         | -           | 1,256  |
| Nigeria                                | 362    | 22      | 6       | 182     | 2,876               | 51                  | -      | *             | *         | 11         | 246   | *          | 129         | *           | 240    |
| Mexico                                 | *      | -       | -       | *       | *                   | *                   | -      | -             | -         | *          | -     | -          | *           | -           | 8      |
| Sri Lanka                              | 45     | *       | -       | *       | 58                  | 226                 | *      | -             | -         | *          | -     | -          | 124         | 19          | 40     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 352    | 91      | *       | 9       | 195                 | *                   | 16     | -             | *         | 11         | 122   | *          | 168         | *           | 198    |
| Tunisia                                | 23     | 30      | -       | -       | 3,531               | 5                   | -      | -             | -         | 42         | 6     | 31         | 22          | *           | 76     |
| Bangladesh                             | 615    | *       | *       | 22      | 734                 | 98                  | *      | -             | -         | *          | 33    | -          | 23          | 8           | 75     |
| India                                  | 179    | 11      | *       | 9       | 20                  | 51                  | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | 22          | *           | 56     |
| Georgia                                | 1,121  | 21      | *       | 15      | 26                  | -                   | 176    | *             | 202       | 16         | -     | *          | 189         | -           | 49     |
| Turkey                                 | 34     | 25      | -       | -       | 492                 | 235                 | 5      | -             | *         | 22         | -     | *          | 96          | *           | 42     |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 11     | 15      | *       | 70      | 51                  | *                   | 39     | -             | *         | 10         | -     | -          | 18          | *           | 47     |
| Armenia                                | 52     | 12      | -       | 8       | 18                  | -                   | *      | *             | 28        | *          | -     | -          | 471         | -           | 15     |

| Origin                                 | Poland | Portugal | Rep. of Korea | Romania | Serbia <sup>3)</sup> | Slovakia | Slovenia | Spain | Sweden | Switzerland | TfYR Macedonia <sup>4)</sup> | Turkey | United Kingdom | United States <sup>5)</sup> |
|--|--------|----------|---------------|---------|----------------------|----------|----------|-------|--------|-------------|------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Afghanistan                            | 29     | *        | 60            | 107     | 1,757                | 73       | 57       | 30    | 4,120  | 1,006       | 427                          | 2,486  | 1,525          | 219                         |
| China                                  | 7      | -        | 8             | 47      | -                    | 12       | -        | *     | 101    | 688         | -                            | 32     | 920            | 15,450                      |
| Iraq                                   | 20     | 5        | *             | 59      | 16                   | 6        | 7        | 19    | 1,634  | 378         | 13                           | 7,912  | 365            | 480                         |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | -      | 0        | -             | 6       | -                    | 10       | 35       | -     | 3,915  | 1,539       | 5                            | -      | 25             | 193                         |
| Pakistan                               | 9      | 11       | 434           | 144     | 356                  | 11       | 26       | 78    | 183    | 97          | 172                          | 29     | 3,945          | 658                         |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 8      | 11       | *             | 31      | 37                   | 13       | 8        | 62    | 1,118  | 326         | 10                           | 3,411  | 3,045          | 590                         |
| Russian Federation                     | 2,784  | 8        | *             | 8       | *                    | 35       | *        | 65    | 930    | 217         | *                            | -      | 95             | 865                         |
| Somalia                                | 9      | 26       | -             | 24      | 501                  | 76       | 17       | 59    | 3,979  | 558         | 53                           | 744    | 660            | 279                         |
| Eritrea                                | 12     | -        | -             | -       | 11                   | -        | -        | 12    | 1,649  | 3,224       | *                            | 27     | 835            | 766                         |
| Nigeria                                | 12     | 22       | 39            | 7       | *                    | *        | 5        | 259   | 340    | 1,303       | -                            | 23     | 1,055          | 257                         |
| Mexico                                 | -      | -        | -             | *       | -                    | -        | -        | 17    | 8      | 5           | -                            | -      | 10             | 8,186                       |
| Sri Lanka                              | *      | *        | 100           | -       | 6                    | *        | -        | 36    | 24     | 433         | *                            | 5      | 2,125          | 260                         |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 10     | -        | *             | 36      | 33                   | 7        | 10       | 97    | 646    | 688         | *                            | 188    | 500            | 262                         |
| Tunisia                                | *      | -        | *             | 218     | 77                   | *        | 24       | 5     | 266    | 2,324       | *                            | 13     | 40             | 35                          |
| Bangladesh                             | 5      | *        | 38            | 19      | 12                   | 6        | -        | 12    | 116    | 23          | -                            | 5      | 665            | 353                         |
| India                                  | *      | -        | 15            | 18      | 27                   | 19       | *        | 15    | 45     | 13          | 11                           | 7      | 610            | 2,457                       |
| Georgia                                | 1,240  | 5        | -             | 22      | -                    | 57       | *        | 12    | 280    | 281         | *                            | -      | 40             | 72                          |
| Turkey                                 | 11     | *        | -             | 28      | *                    | 10       | 39       | 12    | 139    | 508         | -                            | -      | 180            | 86                          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 5      | 14       | 6             | -       | *                    | *        | *        | 70    | 109    | 139         | -                            | 76     | 200            | 121                         |
| Armenia                                | 162    | -        | -             | 19      | -                    | 9        | -        | 29    | 262    | 92          | -                            | -      | 15             | 159                         |

1 This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy due to lack of breakdown by country of origin.

2 UNHCR estimates.

3 Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)).

4 The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

5 Combination of number of persons (EOIR) and cases (DHS).

TABLE 8

# Quarterly asylum applications lodged in 44 industrialized countries | 2010-2011

Covering 44 countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Asylum country                         | 2010          |               |               |                | 2011          |                |                |                | Quarterly change 2011 |             |             |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | Q1            | Q2            | Q3            | Q4             | Q1            | Q2             | Q3             | Q4             | Q2-Q1                 | Q3-Q2       | Q4-Q3       |
| Albania                                | 3             | 2             | 5             | 2              | 12            | 1              | 3              | 1              | -92%                  | 200%        | -67%        |
| Australia                              | 2,375         | 3,762         | 3,274         | 3,262          | 2,623         | 2,332          | 2,769          | 3,789          | -11%                  | 19%         | 37%         |
| Austria                                | 2,464         | 2,565         | 3,109         | 2,874          | 2,757         | 3,055          | 4,547          | 4,067          | 11%                   | 49%         | -11%        |
| Belgium                                | 5,655         | 3,807         | 5,491         | 6,803          | 6,260         | 5,719          | 6,816          | 7,189          | -9%                   | 19%         | 5%          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 5             | 11            | 10            | 12             | 10            | 7              | 18             | 9              | -30%                  | 157%        | -50%        |
| Bulgaria                               | 283           | 213           | 264           | 265            | 274           | 192            | 224            | 200            | -30%                  | 17%         | -11%        |
| Canada                                 | 6,086         | 5,048         | 6,029         | 5,994          | 5,949         | 5,567          | 6,368          | 7,463          | -6%                   | 14%         | 17%         |
| Croatia                                | 8             | 41            | 132           | 109            | 127           | 199            | 170            | 311            | 57%                   | -15%        | 83%         |
| Cyprus                                 | 611           | 622           | 574           | 1,052          | 458           | 436            | 446            | 425            | -5%                   | 2%          | -5%         |
| Czech Rep.                             | 129           | 108           | 119           | 129            | 110           | 104            | 145            | 133            | -5%                   | 39%         | -8%         |
| Denmark                                | 1,194         | 1,058         | 1,340         | 1,373          | 959           | 825            | 873            | 1,154          | -14%                  | 6%          | 32%         |
| Estonia                                | 6             | 14            | 8             | 5              | 15            | 19             | 25             | 8              | 27%                   | 32%         | -68%        |
| Finland                                | 1,191         | 1,047         | 965           | 815            | 712           | 662            | 844            | 867            | -7%                   | 27%         | 3%          |
| France                                 | 12,261        | 11,368        | 11,154        | 13,008         | 13,386        | 13,499         | 12,065         | 12,963         | 1%                    | -11%        | 7%          |
| Germany                                | 7,885         | 7,768         | 12,250        | 13,429         | 10,896        | 9,787          | 11,811         | 13,247         | -10%                  | 21%         | 12%         |
| Greece                                 | 2,194         | 2,507         | 3,186         | 2,386          | 2,529         | 1,953          | 2,428          | 2,401          | -23%                  | 24%         | -1%         |
| Hungary                                | 760           | 649           | 706           | 349            | 341           | 427            | 356            | 569            | 25%                   | -17%        | 60%         |
| Iceland                                | 7             | 10            | 19            | 15             | 9             | 23             | 21             | 20             | 156%                  | -9%         | -5%         |
| Ireland                                | 532           | 494           | 491           | 422            | 385           | 301            | 319            | 285            | -22%                  | 6%          | -11%        |
| Italy*                                 | 2,721         | 2,647         | 2,139         | 2,545          | 3,987         | 6,873          | 4,184          | 3,065          | 72%                   | -39%        | -27%        |
| Japan**                                | 232           | 239           | 356           | 384            | 404           | 466            | 482            | 515            | 15%                   | 3%          | 7%          |
| Latvia                                 | 8             | 20            | 17            | 16             | 25            | 80             | 163            | 67             | 220%                  | 104%        | -59%        |
| Liechtenstein                          | 59            | 17            | 12            | 25             | 27            | 18             | 22             | 7              | -33%                  | 22%         | -68%        |
| Lithuania                              | 49            | 58            | 85            | 180            | 66            | 43             | 136            | 161            | -35%                  | 216%        | 18%         |
| Luxembourg                             | 118           | 138           | 186           | 304            | 500           | 395            | 691            | 576            | -21%                  | 75%         | -17%        |
| Malta                                  | 30            | 19            | 62            | 28             | 45            | 1,587          | 57             | 164            | 3427%                 | -96%        | 188%        |
| Montenegro                             | 2             | 1             | -             | 6              | 23            | 73             | 66             | 73             | 217%                  | -10%        | 11%         |
| Netherlands                            | 3,803         | 2,598         | 3,137         | 3,795          | 2,862         | 2,848          | 3,083          | 2,797          | -0%                   | 8%          | -9%         |
| New Zealand                            | 78            | 96            | 74            | 77             | 75            | 90             | 76             | 64             | 20%                   | -16%        | -16%        |
| Norway                                 | 2,516         | 2,014         | 2,909         | 2,625          | 2,143         | 2,359          | 2,436          | 2,115          | 10%                   | 3%          | -13%        |
| Poland***                              | 1,403         | 1,521         | 1,826         | 1,790          | 716           | 1,036          | 1,487          | 1,951          | 45%                   | 44%         | 31%         |
| Portugal                               | 36            | 41            | 49            | 34             | 43            | 53             | 92             | 87             | 23%                   | 74%         | -5%         |
| Rep. of Korea                          | 55            | 63            | 146           | 159            | 158           | 228            | 233            | 392            | 44%                   | 2%          | 68%         |
| Romania                                | 230           | 225           | 215           | 189            | 258           | 295            | 579            | 588            | 14%                   | 96%         | 2%          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 118           | 150           | 204           | 321            | 552           | 973            | 1,149          | 646            | 76%                   | 18%         | -44%        |
| - of which Kosovo                      | 37            | 42            | 92            | 100            | 110           | 42             | 13             | 23             | -62%                  | -69%        | 77%         |
| Slovakia                               | 123           | 175           | 153           | 90             | 105           | 98             | 121            | 123            | -7%                   | 23%         | 2%          |
| Slovenia                               | 30            | 35            | 45            | 101            | 92            | 82             | 65             | 68             | -11%                  | -21%        | 5%          |
| Spain                                  | 632           | 578           | 790           | 738            | 937           | 1,010          | 825            | 642            | 8%                    | -18%        | -22%        |
| Sweden                                 | 8,117         | 5,933         | 8,517         | 9,252          | 6,214         | 6,381          | 7,425          | 9,628          | 3%                    | 16%         | 30%         |
| Switzerland                            | 3,283         | 3,101         | 3,359         | 3,778          | 3,722         | 4,758          | 4,727          | 6,232          | 28%                   | -1%         | 32%         |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 51            | 15            | 26            | 82             | 148           | 217            | 213            | 162            | 47%                   | -2%         | -24%        |
| Turkey                                 | 1,701         | 1,634         | 2,593         | 3,298          | 2,653         | 2,528          | 4,013          | 6,827          | -5%                   | 59%         | 70%         |
| United Kingdom                         | 5,405         | 5,460         | 5,465         | 5,755          | 6,075         | 6,100          | 6,450          | 6,790          | 0%                    | 6%          | 5%          |
| United States                          | 12,427        | 14,670        | 14,336        | 14,099         | 17,301        | 19,364         | 18,912         | 18,443         | 12%                   | -2%         | -2%         |
| <b>EU-"Old" (15)</b>                   | <b>54,208</b> | <b>48,009</b> | <b>58,269</b> | <b>63,533</b>  | <b>58,502</b> | <b>59,461</b>  | <b>62,453</b>  | <b>65,758</b>  | <b>2%</b>             | <b>5%</b>   | <b>5%</b>   |
| <b>EU-"New" (12)</b>                   | <b>3,662</b>  | <b>3,659</b>  | <b>4,074</b>  | <b>4,194</b>   | <b>2,505</b>  | <b>4,399</b>   | <b>3,804</b>   | <b>4,457</b>   | <b>76%</b>            | <b>-14%</b> | <b>17%</b>  |
| <b>EU-Total (27)</b>                   | <b>57,870</b> | <b>51,668</b> | <b>62,343</b> | <b>67,727</b>  | <b>61,007</b> | <b>63,860</b>  | <b>66,257</b>  | <b>70,215</b>  | <b>5%</b>             | <b>4%</b>   | <b>6%</b>   |
| <b>Nordic countries (5)</b>            | <b>13,025</b> | <b>10,062</b> | <b>13,750</b> | <b>14,080</b>  | <b>10,037</b> | <b>10,250</b>  | <b>11,599</b>  | <b>13,784</b>  | <b>2%</b>             | <b>13%</b>  | <b>19%</b>  |
| <b>Western Europe (19)</b>             | <b>60,073</b> | <b>53,151</b> | <b>64,568</b> | <b>69,976</b>  | <b>64,403</b> | <b>66,619</b>  | <b>69,659</b>  | <b>74,132</b>  | <b>4%</b>             | <b>5%</b>   | <b>7%</b>   |
| <b>Southern Europe (8)</b>             | <b>6,227</b>  | <b>6,416</b>  | <b>6,805</b>  | <b>6,785</b>   | <b>8,011</b>  | <b>11,913</b>  | <b>8,035</b>   | <b>6,785</b>   | <b>49%</b>            | <b>-33%</b> | <b>-16%</b> |
| <b>Total Europe (38)</b>               | <b>65,623</b> | <b>58,664</b> | <b>71,612</b> | <b>78,000</b>  | <b>70,433</b> | <b>75,016</b>  | <b>79,095</b>  | <b>86,618</b>  | <b>7%</b>             | <b>5%</b>   | <b>10%</b>  |
| <b>Canada/USA</b>                      | <b>18,513</b> | <b>19,718</b> | <b>20,365</b> | <b>20,093</b>  | <b>23,250</b> | <b>24,931</b>  | <b>25,280</b>  | <b>25,906</b>  | <b>7%</b>             | <b>1%</b>   | <b>2%</b>   |
| <b>Australia/New Zealand</b>           | <b>2,453</b>  | <b>3,858</b>  | <b>3,348</b>  | <b>3,339</b>   | <b>2,698</b>  | <b>2,422</b>   | <b>2,845</b>   | <b>3,853</b>   | <b>-10%</b>           | <b>17%</b>  | <b>35%</b>  |
| <b>Japan/Rep. of Korea</b>             | <b>287</b>    | <b>302</b>    | <b>502</b>    | <b>543</b>     | <b>562</b>    | <b>694</b>     | <b>715</b>     | <b>907</b>     | <b>23%</b>            | <b>3%</b>   | <b>27%</b>  |
| <b>Total non-Europe (6)</b>            | <b>21,253</b> | <b>23,878</b> | <b>24,215</b> | <b>23,975</b>  | <b>26,510</b> | <b>28,047</b>  | <b>28,840</b>  | <b>30,666</b>  | <b>6%</b>             | <b>3%</b>   | <b>6%</b>   |
| <b>Total (44)</b>                      | <b>86,876</b> | <b>82,542</b> | <b>95,827</b> | <b>101,975</b> | <b>96,943</b> | <b>103,063</b> | <b>107,935</b> | <b>117,284</b> | <b>6%</b>             | <b>5%</b>   | <b>9%</b>   |

\* Italy: This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy in 2011 due to lack of detailed data.

\*\* Japan: UNHCR estimate.

\*\*\* Poland: December 2011 data estimated by UNHCR.



**TABLE 9** Origin of asylum applicants in 44 industrialized countries by quarter | 2010

Covering 44 countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                    | No. of applications |               |               |               |                | Change (%) |            |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|---|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total          | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2      | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Serbia<br>(and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 6,202               | 4,785         | 7,642         | 10,976        | 29,605         | -23%       | 60%        | 44%       | 7.4          | 6.0          | 8.2          | 11.1         |
| Afghanistan                               | 6,533               | 6,315         | 7,109         | 6,662         | 26,619         | -3%        | 13%        | -6%       | 7.7          | 7.9          | 7.7          | 6.7          |
| China                                     | 4,819               | 5,377         | 5,637         | 5,764         | 21,597         | 12%        | 5%         | 2%        | 5.7          | 6.8          | 6.1          | 5.8          |
| Iraq                                      | 4,883               | 4,212         | 5,467         | 6,010         | 20,572         | -14%       | 30%        | 10%       | 5.8          | 5.3          | 5.9          | 6.1          |
| Russian Federation                        | 4,507               | 4,288         | 4,943         | 4,804         | 18,542         | -5%        | 15%        | -3%       | 5.3          | 5.4          | 5.3          | 4.9          |
| Somalia                                   | 4,168               | 3,828         | 5,129         | 3,880         | 17,005         | -8%        | 34%        | -24%      | 4.9          | 4.8          | 5.5          | 3.9          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                      | 3,099               | 2,982         | 4,283         | 4,821         | 15,185         | -4%        | 44%        | 13%       | 3.7          | 3.8          | 4.6          | 4.9          |
| Pakistan                                  | 2,103               | 2,429         | 3,102         | 3,325         | 10,959         | 16%        | 28%        | 7%        | 2.5          | 3.1          | 3.3          | 3.4          |
| Nigeria                                   | 2,511               | 2,332         | 2,292         | 2,533         | 9,668          | -7%        | -2%        | 11%       | 3.0          | 2.9          | 2.5          | 2.6          |
| Sri Lanka                                 | 2,134               | 2,059         | 2,468         | 2,412         | 9,073          | -4%        | 20%        | -2%       | 2.5          | 2.6          | 2.7          | 2.4          |
| Eritrea                                   | 1,773               | 1,834         | 2,534         | 2,380         | 8,521          | 3%         | 38%        | -6%       | 2.1          | 2.3          | 2.7          | 2.4          |
| Georgia                                   | 2,061               | 1,858         | 1,814         | 1,648         | 7,381          | -10%       | -2%        | -9%       | 2.4          | 2.3          | 2.0          | 1.7          |
| Turkey                                    | 1,504               | 1,476         | 1,714         | 1,815         | 6,509          | -2%        | 16%        | 6%        | 1.8          | 1.9          | 1.8          | 1.8          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep.<br>of Macedonia  | 1,262               | 536           | 1,781         | 2,710         | 6,289          | -58%       | 232%       | 52%       | 1.5          | 0.7          | 1.9          | 2.7          |
| Bangladesh                                | 1,233               | 1,576         | 1,569         | 1,817         | 6,195          | 28%        | -0%        | 16%       | 1.5          | 2.0          | 1.7          | 1.8          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                    | 1,389               | 1,411         | 1,536         | 1,498         | 5,834          | 2%         | 9%         | -2%       | 1.6          | 1.8          | 1.7          | 1.5          |
| Mexico                                    | 1,228               | 1,414         | 1,397         | 1,458         | 5,497          | 15%        | -1%        | 4%        | 1.5          | 1.8          | 1.5          | 1.5          |
| Guinea                                    | 1,484               | 1,174         | 1,257         | 1,437         | 5,352          | -21%       | 7%         | 14%       | 1.8          | 1.5          | 1.4          | 1.5          |
| Armenia                                   | 1,401               | 947           | 1,335         | 1,605         | 5,288          | -32%       | 41%        | 20%       | 1.7          | 1.2          | 1.4          | 1.6          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                          | 1,257               | 1,066         | 1,310         | 1,363         | 4,996          | -15%       | 23%        | 4%        | 1.5          | 1.3          | 1.4          | 1.4          |
| India                                     | 1,054               | 1,123         | 1,319         | 1,403         | 4,899          | 7%         | 17%        | 6%        | 1.2          | 1.4          | 1.4          | 1.4          |
| Haiti                                     | 1,206               | 1,202         | 884           | 884           | 4,176          | -0%        | -26%       | 0%        | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.0          | 0.9          |
| Algeria                                   | 987                 | 875           | 936           | 1,119         | 3,917          | -11%       | 7%         | 20%       | 1.2          | 1.1          | 1.0          | 1.1          |
| Stateless                                 | 732                 | 831           | 1,006         | 1,162         | 3,731          | 14%        | 21%        | 16%       | 0.9          | 1.0          | 1.1          | 1.2          |
| El Salvador                               | 793                 | 876           | 854           | 843           | 3,366          | 10%        | -3%        | -1%       | 0.9          | 1.1          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Ethiopia                                  | 759                 | 736           | 825           | 772           | 3,092          | -3%        | 12%        | -6%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.8          |
| Sudan                                     | 638                 | 606           | 734           | 716           | 2,694          | -5%        | 21%        | -2%       | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Zimbabwe                                  | 827                 | 790           | 528           | 464           | 2,609          | -4%        | -33%       | -12%      | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Guatemala                                 | 591                 | 620           | 691           | 660           | 2,562          | 5%         | 11%        | -4%       | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.7          | 0.7          |
| Colombia                                  | 706                 | 617           | 583           | 575           | 2,481          | -13%       | -6%        | -1%       | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Hungary                                   | 844                 | 497           | 378           | 705           | 2,424          | -41%       | -24%       | 87%       | 1.0          | 0.6          | 0.4          | 0.7          |
| Viet Nam                                  | 560                 | 626           | 620           | 572           | 2,378          | 12%        | -1%        | -8%       | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                    | 678                 | 552           | 404           | 692           | 2,326          | -19%       | -27%       | 71%       | 0.8          | 0.7          | 0.4          | 0.7          |
| Albania                                   | 583                 | 602           | 540           | 502           | 2,227          | 3%         | -10%       | -7%       | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Egypt                                     | 487                 | 514           | 523           | 611           | 2,135          | 6%         | 2%         | 17%       | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Nepal                                     | 433                 | 488           | 575           | 622           | 2,118          | 13%        | 18%        | 8%        | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Cameroon                                  | 522                 | 475           | 563           | 492           | 2,052          | -9%        | 19%        | -13%      | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Azerbaijan                                | 630                 | 401           | 443           | 522           | 1,996          | -36%       | 10%        | 18%       | 0.7          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Mongolia                                  | 491                 | 478           | 448           | 517           | 1,934          | -3%        | -6%        | 15%       | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                             | 454                 | 477           | 483           | 438           | 1,852          | 5%         | 1%         | -9%       | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Other                                     | 14,798              | 14,171        | 15,093        | 15,787        | 59,849         | -4%        | 7%         | 5%        | 17.5         | 17.8         | 16.3         | 16.0         |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>84,324</b>       | <b>79,456</b> | <b>92,749</b> | <b>98,976</b> | <b>355,505</b> | <b>-6%</b> | <b>17%</b> | <b>7%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 10** Origin of asylum applicants in 44 industrialized countries by quarter | 2011

Covering 44 countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |                |                |                | Change (%) |           |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3             | Q4             | Total          | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Afghanistan                            | 6,995               | 8,415         | 10,514         | 9,805          | 35,729         | 20%        | 25%       | -7%       | 7.5          | 8.5          | 10.1         | 8.7          |
| China                                  | 5,685               | 6,031         | 6,491          | 6,239          | 24,446         | 6%         | 8%        | -4%       | 6.1          | 6.1          | 6.3          | 5.5          |
| Iraq                                   | 5,421               | 4,639         | 5,865          | 7,544          | 23,469         | -14%       | 26%       | 29%       | 5.8          | 4.7          | 5.6          | 6.7          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 6,383               | 4,015         | 3,347          | 7,501          | 21,246         | -37%       | -17%      | 124%      | 6.8          | 4.1          | 3.2          | 6.6          |
| Pakistan                               | 3,459               | 3,915         | 5,238          | 5,529          | 18,141         | 13%        | 34%       | 6%        | 3.7          | 4.0          | 5.0          | 4.9          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 4,015               | 3,571         | 4,630          | 5,912          | 18,128         | -11%       | 30%       | 28%       | 4.3          | 3.6          | 4.5          | 5.2          |
| Russian Federation                     | 3,822               | 3,688         | 4,820          | 4,647          | 16,977         | -4%        | 31%       | -4%       | 4.1          | 3.7          | 4.6          | 4.1          |
| Somalia                                | 2,917               | 3,940         | 4,155          | 4,470          | 15,482         | 35%        | 5%        | 8%        | 3.1          | 4.0          | 4.0          | 3.9          |
| Eritrea                                | 2,369               | 3,360         | 2,563          | 2,324          | 10,616         | 42%        | -24%      | -9%       | 2.5          | 3.4          | 2.5          | 2.1          |
| Nigeria                                | 2,128               | 3,299         | 2,546          | 2,525          | 10,498         | 55%        | -23%      | -1%       | 2.3          | 3.3          | 2.5          | 2.2          |
| Mexico                                 | 1,935               | 2,237         | 2,297          | 2,437          | 8,906          | 16%        | 3%        | 6%        | 2.1          | 2.3          | 2.2          | 2.2          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 2,302               | 2,042         | 1,957          | 2,220          | 8,521          | -11%       | -4%       | 13%       | 2.5          | 2.1          | 1.9          | 2.0          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 1,403               | 1,629         | 2,600          | 2,751          | 8,383          | 16%        | 60%       | 6%        | 1.5          | 1.6          | 2.5          | 2.4          |
| Tunisia                                | 2,768               | 1,869         | 1,736          | 1,534          | 7,907          | -32%       | -7%       | -12%      | 3.0          | 1.9          | 1.7          | 1.4          |
| Bangladesh                             | 1,689               | 2,303         | 1,823          | 1,829          | 7,644          | 36%        | -21%      | 0%        | 1.8          | 2.3          | 1.8          | 1.6          |
| India                                  | 1,613               | 1,666         | 1,840          | 1,653          | 6,772          | 3%         | 10%       | -10%      | 1.7          | 1.7          | 1.8          | 1.5          |
| Georgia                                | 1,353               | 1,455         | 1,971          | 1,921          | 6,700          | 8%         | 35%       | -3%       | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.9          | 1.7          |
| Turkey                                 | 1,840               | 1,553         | 1,432          | 1,863          | 6,688          | -16%       | -8%       | 30%       | 2.0          | 1.6          | 1.4          | 1.6          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 1,596               | 1,571         | 1,636          | 1,771          | 6,574          | -2%        | 4%        | 8%        | 1.7          | 1.6          | 1.6          | 1.6          |
| Armenia                                | 1,331               | 1,641         | 1,633          | 1,615          | 6,220          | 23%        | -0%       | -1%       | 1.4          | 1.7          | 1.6          | 1.4          |
| Guinea                                 | 1,624               | 1,416         | 1,531          | 1,542          | 6,113          | -13%       | 8%        | 1%        | 1.7          | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.4          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 1,532               | 2,075         | 822            | 1,178          | 5,607          | 35%        | -60%      | 43%       | 1.6          | 2.1          | 0.8          | 1.0          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 1,326               | 2,028         | 1,035          | 803            | 5,192          | 53%        | -49%      | -22%      | 1.4          | 2.0          | 1.0          | 0.7          |
| Algeria                                | 1,038               | 1,127         | 1,376          | 1,441          | 4,982          | 9%         | 22%       | 5%        | 1.1          | 1.1          | 1.3          | 1.3          |
| El Salvador                            | 1,181               | 1,183         | 1,141          | 1,105          | 4,610          | 0%         | -4%       | -3%       | 1.3          | 1.2          | 1.1          | 1.0          |
| Hungary                                | 711                 | 904           | 1,015          | 1,858          | 4,488          | 27%        | 12%       | 83%       | 0.8          | 0.9          | 1.0          | 1.6          |
| Haiti                                  | 1,156               | 1,094         | 823            | 842            | 3,915          | -5%        | -25%      | 2%        | 1.2          | 1.1          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Egypt                                  | 786                 | 806           | 1,005          | 1,244          | 3,841          | 3%         | 25%       | 24%       | 0.8          | 0.8          | 1.0          | 1.1          |
| Libya                                  | 477                 | 1,485         | 1,292          | 571            | 3,825          | 211%       | -13%      | -56%      | 0.5          | 1.5          | 1.2          | 0.5          |
| Guatemala                              | 819                 | 861           | 939            | 1,037          | 3,656          | 5%         | 9%        | 10%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Stateless                              | 903                 | 776           | 875            | 790            | 3,344          | -14%       | 13%       | -10%      | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Albania                                | 496                 | 584           | 776            | 1,474          | 3,330          | 18%        | 33%       | 90%       | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 1.3          |
| Sudan                                  | 700                 | 845           | 882            | 809            | 3,236          | 21%        | 4%        | -8%       | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Ethiopia                               | 741                 | 813           | 881            | 745            | 3,180          | 10%        | 8%        | -15%      | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Nepal                                  | 648                 | 650           | 826            | 789            | 2,913          | 0%         | 27%       | -4%       | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Ghana                                  | 405                 | 1,213         | 712            | 487            | 2,817          | 200%       | -41%      | -32%      | 0.4          | 1.2          | 0.7          | 0.4          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 377                 | 413           | 758            | 1,184          | 2,732          | 10%        | 84%       | 56%       | 0.4          | 0.4          | 0.7          | 1.0          |
| Morocco                                | 496                 | 538           | 786            | 876            | 2,696          | 8%         | 46%       | 11%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.8          | 0.8          |
| Mali                                   | 320                 | 921           | 718            | 404            | 2,363          | 188%       | -22%      | -44%      | 0.3          | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.4          |
| Azerbaijan                             | 597                 | 480           | 609            | 677            | 2,363          | -20%       | 27%       | 11%       | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Other *                                | 16,317              | 16,194        | 16,115         | 17,500         | 66,126         | -1%        | -0%       | 9%        | 17.4         | 16.3         | 15.5         | 15.4         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>93,674</b>       | <b>99,245</b> | <b>104,011</b> | <b>113,446</b> | <b>410,376</b> | <b>6%</b>  | <b>5%</b> | <b>9%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

\* This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy due to lack of breakdown by country of origin.

TABLE 11

## Origin of asylum applicants in Europe by quarter | 2010

Covering 38 European countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |               |               |                | Change (%)  |            |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total          | Q2-Q1       | Q3-Q2      | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 6,121               | 4,678         | 7,561         | 10,906        | 29,266         | -24%        | 62%        | 44%       | 9.3          | 8.0          | 10.6         | 14.0         |
| Afghanistan                            | 5,858               | 4,772         | 6,136         | 6,156         | 22,922         | -19%        | 29%        | 0%        | 8.9          | 8.1          | 8.6          | 7.9          |
| Iraq                                   | 4,580               | 3,917         | 5,084         | 5,561         | 19,142         | -14%        | 30%        | 9%        | 7.0          | 6.7          | 7.1          | 7.1          |
| Russian Federation                     | 4,216               | 3,848         | 4,674         | 4,519         | 17,257         | -9%         | 21%        | -3%       | 6.4          | 6.6          | 6.5          | 5.8          |
| Somalia                                | 3,986               | 3,572         | 4,842         | 3,670         | 16,070         | -10%        | 36%        | -24%      | 6.1          | 6.1          | 6.8          | 4.7          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 2,761               | 2,524         | 3,661         | 3,977         | 12,923         | -9%         | 45%        | 9%        | 4.2          | 4.3          | 5.1          | 5.1          |
| Pakistan                               | 1,720               | 2,085         | 2,664         | 2,758         | 9,227          | 21%         | 28%        | 4%        | 2.6          | 3.6          | 3.7          | 3.5          |
| Nigeria                                | 2,244               | 2,071         | 1,977         | 2,225         | 8,517          | -8%         | -5%        | 13%       | 3.4          | 3.5          | 2.8          | 2.9          |
| Eritrea                                | 1,615               | 1,694         | 2,388         | 2,168         | 7,865          | 5%          | 41%        | -9%       | 2.5          | 2.9          | 3.3          | 2.8          |
| Georgia                                | 2,026               | 1,826         | 1,787         | 1,624         | 7,263          | -10%        | -2%        | -9%       | 3.1          | 3.1          | 2.5          | 2.1          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 1,720               | 1,469         | 1,531         | 1,949         | 6,669          | -15%        | 4%         | 27%       | 2.6          | 2.5          | 2.1          | 2.5          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 1,253               | 528           | 1,768         | 2,702         | 6,251          | -58%        | 235%       | 53%       | 1.9          | 0.9          | 2.5          | 3.5          |
| China                                  | 1,287               | 1,374         | 1,599         | 1,668         | 5,928          | 7%          | 16%        | 4%        | 2.0          | 2.3          | 2.2          | 2.1          |
| Turkey                                 | 1,359               | 1,342         | 1,548         | 1,639         | 5,888          | -1%         | 15%        | 6%        | 2.1          | 2.3          | 2.2          | 2.1          |
| Bangladesh                             | 1,130               | 1,434         | 1,454         | 1,698         | 5,716          | 27%         | 1%         | 17%       | 1.7          | 2.4          | 2.0          | 2.2          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 1,318               | 1,325         | 1,383         | 1,380         | 5,406          | 1%          | 4%         | -0%       | 2.0          | 2.3          | 1.9          | 1.8          |
| Armenia                                | 1,342               | 866           | 1,288         | 1,563         | 5,059          | -35%        | 49%        | 21%       | 2.0          | 1.5          | 1.8          | 2.0          |
| Guinea                                 | 1,334               | 1,035         | 1,162         | 1,345         | 4,876          | -22%        | 12%        | 16%       | 2.0          | 1.8          | 1.6          | 1.7          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 1,211               | 1,002         | 1,259         | 1,310         | 4,782          | -17%        | 26%        | 4%        | 1.8          | 1.7          | 1.8          | 1.7          |
| Algeria                                | 957                 | 848           | 903           | 1,069         | 3,777          | -11%        | 6%         | 18%       | 1.5          | 1.4          | 1.3          | 1.4          |
| India                                  | 641                 | 726           | 798           | 920           | 3,085          | 13%         | 10%        | 15%       | 1.0          | 1.2          | 1.1          | 1.2          |
| Stateless                              | 661                 | 537           | 672           | 736           | 2,606          | -19%        | 25%        | 10%       | 1.0          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Sudan                                  | 588                 | 547           | 682           | 657           | 2,474          | -7%         | 25%        | -4%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 1.0          | 0.8          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 654                 | 526           | 371           | 631           | 2,182          | -20%        | -29%       | 70%       | 1.0          | 0.9          | 0.5          | 0.8          |
| Viet Nam                               | 514                 | 586           | 572           | 491           | 2,163          | 14%         | -2%        | -14%      | 0.8          | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.6          |
| Zimbabwe                               | 674                 | 631           | 430           | 389           | 2,124          | -6%         | -32%       | -10%      | 1.0          | 1.1          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Haiti                                  | 457                 | 692           | 476           | 416           | 2,041          | 51%         | -31%       | -13%      | 0.7          | 1.2          | 0.7          | 0.5          |
| Azerbaijan                             | 612                 | 382           | 427           | 507           | 1,928          | -38%        | 12%        | 19%       | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Albania                                | 483                 | 508           | 446           | 424           | 1,861          | 5%          | -12%       | -5%       | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Mongolia                               | 427                 | 396           | 396           | 451           | 1,670          | -7%         | 0%         | 14%       | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Ethiopia                               | 410                 | 380           | 439           | 427           | 1,656          | -7%         | 16%        | -3%       | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Ghana                                  | 398                 | 465           | 356           | 366           | 1,585          | 17%         | -23%       | 3%        | 0.6          | 0.8          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Occupied Palestinian Territory         | 380                 | 395           | 386           | 393           | 1,554          | 4%          | -2%        | 2%        | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 385                 | 391           | 398           | 371           | 1,545          | 2%          | 2%         | -7%       | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Rwanda                                 | 436                 | 311           | 358           | 410           | 1,515          | -29%        | 15%        | 15%       | 0.7          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Cameroon                               | 381                 | 330           | 409           | 343           | 1,463          | -13%        | 24%        | -16%      | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.4          |
| Gambia                                 | 337                 | 305           | 319           | 375           | 1,336          | -9%         | 5%         | 18%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.5          |
| Kyrgyzstan                             | 87                  | 161           | 444           | 622           | 1,314          | 85%         | 176%       | 40%       | 0.1          | 0.3          | 0.6          | 0.8          |
| Morocco                                | 284                 | 277           | 319           | 416           | 1,296          | -2%         | 15%        | 30%       | 0.4          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.5          |
| Angola                                 | 375                 | 285           | 300           | 322           | 1,282          | -24%        | 5%         | 7%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Other                                  | 8,399               | 7,622         | 7,946         | 8,448         | 32,415         | -9%         | 4%         | 6%        | 12.8         | 13.0         | 11.1         | 10.8         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>65,621</b>       | <b>58,663</b> | <b>71,613</b> | <b>78,002</b> | <b>273,899</b> | <b>-11%</b> | <b>22%</b> | <b>9%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 12** **Origin of asylum applicants in Europe by quarter | 2011**

Covering 38 European countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |               |               |                | Change (%) |           |            | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total          | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3      | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Afghanistan                            | 6,640               | 7,935         | 9,997         | 8,745         | 33,317         | 20%        | 26%       | -13%       | 9.5          | 10.6         | 12.7         | 10.1         |
| Iraq                                   | 5,075               | 4,397         | 5,595         | 7,248         | 22,315         | -13%       | 27%       | 30%        | 7.2          | 5.9          | 7.1          | 8.4          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 6,314               | 3,926         | 3,271         | 7,399         | 20,910         | -38%       | -17%      | 126%       | 9.0          | 5.2          | 4.1          | 8.6          |
| Russian Federation                     | 3,536               | 3,268         | 4,499         | 4,364         | 15,667         | -8%        | 38%       | -3%        | 5.0          | 4.4          | 5.7          | 5.0          |
| Pakistan                               | 2,845               | 3,256         | 4,483         | 4,628         | 15,212         | 14%        | 38%       | 3%         | 4.1          | 4.4          | 5.7          | 5.4          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 3,255               | 2,981         | 3,837         | 4,912         | 14,985         | -8%        | 29%       | 28%        | 4.6          | 4.0          | 4.9          | 5.7          |
| Somalia                                | 2,742               | 3,786         | 3,951         | 4,299         | 14,778         | 38%        | 4%        | 9%         | 3.9          | 5.1          | 5.0          | 5.0          |
| Eritrea                                | 2,069               | 3,107         | 2,363         | 2,200         | 9,739          | 50%        | -24%      | -7%        | 3.0          | 4.2          | 3.0          | 2.5          |
| Nigeria                                | 1,868               | 3,051         | 2,277         | 2,210         | 9,406          | 63%        | -25%      | -3%        | 2.7          | 4.1          | 2.9          | 2.6          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 1,343               | 1,526         | 2,443         | 2,533         | 7,845          | 14%        | 60%       | 4%         | 1.9          | 2.0          | 3.1          | 2.9          |
| Tunisia                                | 2,730               | 1,852         | 1,702         | 1,502         | 7,786          | -32%       | -8%       | -12%       | 3.9          | 2.5          | 2.2          | 1.7          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 1,926               | 1,648         | 1,591         | 1,752         | 6,917          | -14%       | -3%       | 10%        | 2.7          | 2.2          | 2.0          | 2.0          |
| Bangladesh                             | 1,515               | 2,144         | 1,595         | 1,651         | 6,905          | 42%        | -26%      | 4%         | 2.2          | 2.9          | 2.0          | 1.9          |
| Georgia                                | 1,321               | 1,427         | 1,946         | 1,898         | 6,592          | 8%         | 36%       | -2%        | 1.9          | 1.9          | 2.5          | 2.2          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 1,455               | 1,453         | 1,494         | 1,663         | 6,065          | -0%        | 3%        | 11%        | 2.1          | 1.9          | 1.9          | 1.9          |
| Armenia                                | 1,277               | 1,603         | 1,585         | 1,572         | 6,037          | 26%        | -1%       | -1%        | 1.8          | 2.1          | 2.0          | 1.8          |
| Turkey                                 | 1,647               | 1,393         | 1,265         | 1,636         | 5,941          | -15%       | -9%       | 29%        | 2.3          | 1.9          | 1.6          | 1.9          |
| China                                  | 1,462               | 1,407         | 1,561         | 1,477         | 5,907          | -4%        | 11%       | -5%        | 2.1          | 1.9          | 2.0          | 1.7          |
| Guinea                                 | 1,516               | 1,321         | 1,437         | 1,438         | 5,712          | -13%       | 9%        | 0%         | 2.2          | 1.8          | 1.8          | 1.7          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 1,517               | 2,068         | 816           | 1,161         | 5,562          | 36%        | -61%      | 42%        | 2.2          | 2.8          | 1.0          | 1.3          |
| Algeria                                | 992                 | 1,084         | 1,337         | 1,371         | 4,784          | 9%         | 23%       | 3%         | 1.4          | 1.4          | 1.7          | 1.6          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 1,191               | 1,787         | 891           | 702           | 4,571          | 50%        | -50%      | -21%       | 1.7          | 2.4          | 1.1          | 0.8          |
| Libya                                  | 417                 | 1,253         | 1,088         | 519           | 3,277          | 200%       | -13%      | -52%       | 0.6          | 1.7          | 1.4          | 0.6          |
| Sudan                                  | 631                 | 778           | 806           | 726           | 2,941          | 23%        | 4%        | -10%       | 0.9          | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.8          |
| Albania                                | 399                 | 486           | 667           | 1,363         | 2,915          | 22%        | 37%       | 104%       | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.8          | 1.6          |
| India                                  | 651                 | 688           | 743           | 650           | 2,732          | 6%         | 8%        | -13%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.8          |
| Stateless                              | 681                 | 723           | 721           | 582           | 2,707          | 6%         | -0%       | -19%       | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.9          | 0.7          |
| Morocco                                | 476                 | 510           | 758           | 860           | 2,604          | 7%         | 49%       | 13%        | 0.7          | 0.7          | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Ghana                                  | 348                 | 1,156         | 652           | 431           | 2,587          | 232%       | -44%      | -34%       | 0.5          | 1.5          | 0.8          | 0.5          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 311                 | 338           | 707           | 1,159         | 2,515          | 9%         | 109%      | 64%        | 0.4          | 0.5          | 0.9          | 1.3          |
| Azerbaijan                             | 576                 | 454           | 582           | 662           | 2,274          | -21%       | 28%       | 14%        | 0.8          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.8          |
| Egypt                                  | 389                 | 425           | 573           | 731           | 2,118          | 9%         | 35%       | 28%        | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.8          |
| Haiti                                  | 573                 | 594           | 454           | 427           | 2,048          | 4%         | -24%      | -6%        | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Mali                                   | 221                 | 822           | 658           | 336           | 2,037          | 272%       | -20%      | -49%       | 0.3          | 1.1          | 0.8          | 0.4          |
| Ethiopia                               | 367                 | 520           | 527           | 397           | 1,811          | 42%        | 1%        | -25%       | 0.5          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.5          |
| Senegal                                | 428                 | 359           | 369           | 515           | 1,671          | -16%       | 3%        | 40%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.6          |
| Cameroon                               | 386                 | 362           | 363           | 498           | 1,609          | -6%        | 0%        | 37%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.6          |
| Viet Nam                               | 427                 | 389           | 421           | 323           | 1,560          | -9%        | 8%        | -23%       | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Mongolia                               | 337                 | 356           | 394           | 472           | 1,559          | 6%         | 11%       | 20%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Belarus                                | 275                 | 221           | 444           | 501           | 1,441          | -20%       | 101%      | 13%        | 0.4          | 0.3          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Other *                                | 8,303               | 8,163         | 8,230         | 9,103         | 33,799         | -2%        | 1%        | 11%        | 11.8         | 10.9         | 10.4         | 10.5         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>70,432</b>       | <b>75,017</b> | <b>79,093</b> | <b>86,616</b> | <b>311,158</b> | <b>7%</b>  | <b>5%</b> | <b>10%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

\* This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy due to lack of breakdown by country of origin.



**TABLE 13** Origin of asylum applicants in the European Union (27) by quarter | 2010

Covering 27 European Union countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |               |               |                | Change (%)  |            |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total          | Q2-Q1       | Q3-Q2      | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 5,697               | 4,189         | 7,200         | 10,343        | 27,429         | -26%        | 72%        | 44%       | 9.8          | 8.1          | 11.5         | 15.3         |
| Afghanistan                            | 5,106               | 4,034         | 5,089         | 5,213         | 19,442         | -21%        | 26%        | 2%        | 8.8          | 7.8          | 8.2          | 7.7          |
| Russian Federation                     | 3,941               | 3,629         | 4,418         | 4,278         | 16,266         | -8%         | 22%        | -3%       | 6.8          | 7.0          | 7.1          | 6.3          |
| Iraq                                   | 3,689               | 3,164         | 3,851         | 3,744         | 14,448         | -14%        | 22%        | -3%       | 6.4          | 6.1          | 6.2          | 5.5          |
| Somalia                                | 3,495               | 3,141         | 4,222         | 2,986         | 13,844         | -10%        | 34%        | -29%      | 6.0          | 6.1          | 6.8          | 4.4          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 2,030               | 1,827         | 2,641         | 2,793         | 9,291          | -10%        | 45%        | 6%        | 3.5          | 3.5          | 4.2          | 4.1          |
| Pakistan                               | 1,677               | 2,023         | 2,576         | 2,660         | 8,936          | 21%         | 27%        | 3%        | 2.9          | 3.9          | 4.1          | 3.9          |
| Georgia                                | 1,857               | 1,655         | 1,616         | 1,513         | 6,641          | -11%        | -2%        | -6%       | 3.2          | 3.2          | 2.6          | 2.2          |
| Nigeria                                | 1,756               | 1,617         | 1,500         | 1,663         | 6,536          | -8%         | -7%        | 11%       | 3.0          | 3.1          | 2.4          | 2.5          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 910                 | 465           | 1,727         | 2,609         | 5,711          | -49%        | 271%       | 51%       | 1.6          | 0.9          | 2.8          | 3.9          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 1,457               | 1,241         | 1,298         | 1,703         | 5,699          | -15%        | 5%         | 31%       | 2.5          | 2.4          | 2.1          | 2.5          |
| Bangladesh                             | 1,119               | 1,420         | 1,442         | 1,678         | 5,659          | 27%         | 2%         | 16%       | 1.9          | 2.7          | 2.3          | 2.5          |
| China                                  | 1,180               | 1,264         | 1,441         | 1,507         | 5,392          | 7%          | 14%        | 5%        | 2.0          | 2.4          | 2.3          | 2.2          |
| Turkey                                 | 1,221               | 1,230         | 1,406         | 1,488         | 5,345          | 1%          | 14%        | 6%        | 2.1          | 2.4          | 2.3          | 2.2          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 1,241               | 1,252         | 1,291         | 1,296         | 5,080          | 1%          | 3%         | 0%        | 2.1          | 2.4          | 2.1          | 1.9          |
| Armenia                                | 1,311               | 848           | 1,271         | 1,535         | 4,965          | -35%        | 50%        | 21%       | 2.3          | 1.6          | 2.0          | 2.3          |
| Guinea                                 | 1,252               | 976           | 1,081         | 1,246         | 4,555          | -22%        | 11%        | 15%       | 2.2          | 1.9          | 1.7          | 1.8          |
| Eritrea                                | 940                 | 949           | 1,257         | 1,260         | 4,406          | 1%          | 32%        | 0%        | 1.6          | 1.8          | 2.0          | 1.9          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 1,060               | 906           | 1,115         | 1,147         | 4,228          | -15%        | 23%        | 3%        | 1.8          | 1.8          | 1.8          | 1.7          |
| Algeria                                | 863                 | 760           | 756           | 917           | 3,296          | -12%        | -1%        | 21%       | 1.5          | 1.5          | 1.2          | 1.4          |
| India                                  | 629                 | 712           | 772           | 899           | 3,012          | 13%         | 8%         | 16%       | 1.1          | 1.4          | 1.2          | 1.3          |
| Sudan                                  | 534                 | 491           | 592           | 560           | 2,177          | -8%         | 21%        | -5%       | 0.9          | 1.0          | 0.9          | 0.8          |
| Viet Nam                               | 510                 | 576           | 566           | 483           | 2,135          | 13%         | -2%        | -15%      | 0.9          | 1.1          | 0.9          | 0.7          |
| Stateless                              | 515                 | 441           | 532           | 641           | 2,129          | -14%        | 21%        | 20%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Zimbabwe                               | 657                 | 619           | 418           | 381           | 2,075          | -6%         | -32%       | -9%       | 1.1          | 1.2          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Haiti                                  | 453                 | 691           | 476           | 412           | 2,032          | 53%         | -31%       | -13%      | 0.8          | 1.3          | 0.8          | 0.6          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 581                 | 490           | 324           | 603           | 1,998          | -16%        | -34%       | 86%       | 1.0          | 0.9          | 0.5          | 0.9          |
| Azerbaijan                             | 591                 | 363           | 414           | 482           | 1,850          | -39%        | 14%        | 16%       | 1.0          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.7          |
| Albania                                | 473                 | 502           | 432           | 413           | 1,820          | 6%          | -14%       | -4%       | 0.8          | 1.0          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Mongolia                               | 389                 | 363           | 373           | 434           | 1,559          | -7%         | 3%         | 16%       | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Rwanda                                 | 428                 | 305           | 351           | 395           | 1,479          | -29%        | 15%        | 13%       | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 355                 | 356           | 367           | 341           | 1,419          | 0%          | 3%         | -7%       | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Ghana                                  | 362                 | 424           | 319           | 303           | 1,408          | 17%         | -25%       | -5%       | 0.6          | 0.8          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Cameroon                               | 349                 | 296           | 390           | 324           | 1,359          | -15%        | 32%        | -17%      | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Occupied Palestinian Territory         | 330                 | 367           | 311           | 260           | 1,268          | 11%         | -15%       | -16%      | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Angola                                 | 357                 | 264           | 280           | 299           | 1,200          | -26%        | 6%         | 7%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Mauritania                             | 314                 | 278           | 289           | 315           | 1,196          | -11%        | 4%         | 9%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Senegal                                | 257                 | 291           | 288           | 305           | 1,141          | 13%         | -1%        | 6%        | 0.4          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Gambia                                 | 284                 | 263           | 254           | 285           | 1,086          | -7%         | -3%        | 12%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Egypt                                  | 264                 | 279           | 241           | 295           | 1,079          | 6%          | -14%       | 22%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Other                                  | 7,434               | 6,706         | 7,157         | 7,720         | 29,017         | -10%        | 7%         | 8%        | 12.8         | 13.0         | 11.5         | 11.4         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>57,868</b>       | <b>51,667</b> | <b>62,344</b> | <b>67,729</b> | <b>239,608</b> | <b>-11%</b> | <b>21%</b> | <b>9%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

TABLE 14

## Origin of asylum applicants in the European Union (27) by quarter | 2011

Covering 27 European Union countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |               |               |                | Change (%) |           |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total          | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Afghanistan                            | 5,547               | 6,200         | 7,514         | 6,898         | 26,159         | 12%        | 21%       | -8%       | 9.1          | 9.7          | 11.4         | 9.8          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 5,973               | 3,634         | 3,011         | 6,454         | 19,072         | -39%       | -17%      | 114%      | 9.8          | 5.7          | 4.6          | 9.2          |
| Russian Federation                     | 3,376               | 3,149         | 4,314         | 4,206         | 15,045         | -7%        | 37%       | -3%       | 5.6          | 4.9          | 6.5          | 6.0          |
| Pakistan                               | 2,726               | 2,980         | 4,183         | 4,497         | 14,386         | 9%         | 40%       | 8%        | 4.5          | 4.7          | 6.3          | 6.4          |
| Iraq                                   | 3,479               | 3,103         | 3,799         | 3,242         | 13,623         | -11%       | 22%       | -15%      | 5.7          | 4.9          | 5.8          | 4.6          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 2,463               | 2,214         | 2,932         | 3,180         | 10,789         | -10%       | 32%       | 8%        | 4.1          | 3.5          | 4.4          | 4.5          |
| Somalia                                | 2,128               | 2,820         | 2,558         | 3,150         | 10,656         | 33%        | -9%       | 23%       | 3.5          | 4.4          | 3.9          | 4.5          |
| Nigeria                                | 1,506               | 2,754         | 1,870         | 1,694         | 7,824          | 83%        | -32%      | -9%       | 2.5          | 4.3          | 2.8          | 2.4          |
| Bangladesh                             | 1,494               | 2,125         | 1,573         | 1,595         | 6,787          | 42%        | -26%      | 1%        | 2.5          | 3.3          | 2.4          | 2.3          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                       | 1,131               | 1,331         | 2,061         | 2,202         | 6,725          | 18%        | 55%       | 7%        | 1.9          | 2.1          | 3.1          | 3.1          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 1,760               | 1,565         | 1,493         | 1,613         | 6,431          | -11%       | -5%       | 8%        | 2.9          | 2.5          | 2.3          | 2.3          |
| Georgia                                | 1,252               | 1,339         | 1,855         | 1,806         | 6,252          | 7%         | 39%       | -3%       | 2.1          | 2.1          | 2.8          | 2.6          |
| Armenia                                | 1,252               | 1,580         | 1,546         | 1,551         | 5,929          | 26%        | -2%       | 0%        | 2.1          | 2.5          | 2.3          | 2.2          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 1,376               | 1,406         | 1,432         | 1,586         | 5,800          | 2%         | 2%        | 11%       | 2.3          | 2.2          | 2.2          | 2.3          |
| Turkey                                 | 1,508               | 1,263         | 1,130         | 1,475         | 5,376          | -16%       | -1%       | 31%       | 2.5          | 2.0          | 1.7          | 2.1          |
| Guinea                                 | 1,411               | 1,243         | 1,330         | 1,356         | 5,340          | -12%       | 7%        | 2%        | 2.3          | 2.0          | 2.0          | 1.9          |
| Tunisia                                | 2,464               | 1,027         | 1,063         | 694           | 5,248          | -58%       | 4%        | -35%      | 4.1          | 1.6          | 1.6          | 1.0          |
| Eritrea                                | 1,079               | 1,500         | 1,433         | 1,196         | 5,208          | 39%        | -4%       | -17%      | 1.8          | 2.4          | 2.2          | 1.7          |
| China                                  | 1,326               | 1,235         | 1,287         | 1,236         | 5,084          | -7%        | 4%        | -4%       | 2.2          | 1.9          | 1.9          | 1.8          |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 1,341               | 1,716         | 700           | 942           | 4,699          | 28%        | -59%      | 35%       | 2.2          | 2.7          | 1.1          | 1.3          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                          | 1,087               | 1,709         | 829           | 637           | 4,262          | 57%        | -51%      | -23%      | 1.8          | 2.7          | 1.3          | 0.9          |
| Algeria                                | 866                 | 907           | 1,134         | 1,155         | 4,062          | 5%         | 25%       | 2%        | 1.4          | 1.4          | 1.7          | 1.6          |
| Albania                                | 379                 | 473           | 634           | 1,336         | 2,822          | 25%        | 34%       | 111%      | 0.6          | 0.7          | 1.0          | 1.9          |
| Libya                                  | 384                 | 1,107         | 846           | 373           | 2,710          | 188%       | -24%      | -56%      | 0.6          | 1.7          | 1.3          | 0.5          |
| India                                  | 622                 | 668           | 690           | 632           | 2,612          | 7%         | 3%        | -8%       | 1.0          | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.9          |
| Sudan                                  | 533                 | 684           | 713           | 628           | 2,558          | 28%        | 4%        | -12%      | 0.9          | 1.1          | 1.1          | 0.9          |
| Stateless                              | 603                 | 658           | 634           | 523           | 2,418          | 9%         | -4%       | -18%      | 1.0          | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.7          |
| Ghana                                  | 317                 | 1,121         | 606           | 337           | 2,381          | 254%       | -46%      | -44%      | 0.5          | 1.8          | 0.9          | 0.5          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                 | 283                 | 300           | 651           | 1,041         | 2,275          | 6%         | 117%      | 60%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 1.0          | 1.5          |
| Azerbaijan                             | 544                 | 438           | 573           | 635           | 2,190          | -19%       | 31%       | 11%       | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Haiti                                  | 571                 | 593           | 452           | 427           | 2,043          | 4%         | -24%      | -6%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Egypt                                  | 347                 | 394           | 545           | 708           | 1,994          | 14%        | 38%       | 30%       | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.8          | 1.0          |
| Mali                                   | 211                 | 812           | 640           | 317           | 1,980          | 285%       | -21%      | -50%      | 0.3          | 1.3          | 1.0          | 0.5          |
| Morocco                                | 330                 | 341           | 585           | 603           | 1,859          | 3%         | 72%       | 3%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.9          | 0.9          |
| Viet Nam                               | 419                 | 381           | 415           | 312           | 1,527          | -9%        | 9%        | -25%      | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.4          |
| Senegal                                | 389                 | 319           | 329           | 464           | 1,501          | -18%       | 3%        | 41%       | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.7          |
| Cameroon                               | 323                 | 335           | 351           | 459           | 1,468          | 4%         | 5%        | 31%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.7          |
| Mongolia                               | 322                 | 334           | 370           | 430           | 1,456          | 4%         | 11%       | 16%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.6          |
| Comoros                                | 407                 | 404           | 341           | 238           | 1,390          | -1%        | -16%      | -30%      | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.3          |
| Mauritania                             | 327                 | 367           | 309           | 375           | 1,378          | 12%        | -16%      | 21%       | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Other *                                | 7,150               | 7,332         | 7,524         | 8,010         | 30,016         | 3%         | 3%        | 6%        | 11.7         | 11.5         | 11.4         | 11.4         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>61,006</b>       | <b>63,861</b> | <b>66,255</b> | <b>70,213</b> | <b>261,335</b> | <b>5%</b>  | <b>4%</b> | <b>6%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

\* This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy due to lack of breakdown by country of origin.

**TABLE 15** Origin of asylum applicants in Canada and the United States of America | 2010

| Origin                                 | No. of applications |               |               |               |               | Change (%) |           |            | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|--|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total         | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3      | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| China                                  | 3,235               | 3,672         | 3,739         | 3,786         | 14,432        | 14%        | 2%        | 1%         | 20.3         | 22.1         | 21.6         | 22.2         |
| Mexico                                 | 1,214               | 1,389         | 1,383         | 1,437         | 5,423         | 14%        | -0%       | 4%         | 7.6          | 8.4          | 8.0          | 8.4          |
| El Salvador                            | 763                 | 836           | 813           | 816           | 3,228         | 10%        | -3%       | 0%         | 4.8          | 5.0          | 4.7          | 4.8          |
| Guatemala                              | 586                 | 618           | 686           | 651           | 2,541         | 5%         | 11%       | -5%        | 3.7          | 3.7          | 4.0          | 3.8          |
| Hungary                                | 813                 | 478           | 361           | 698           | 2,350         | -41%       | -24%      | 93%        | 5.1          | 2.9          | 2.1          | 4.1          |
| Haiti                                  | 749                 | 510           | 408           | 468           | 2,135         | -32%       | -20%      | 15%        | 4.7          | 3.1          | 2.4          | 2.7          |
| Colombia                               | 575                 | 497           | 494           | 415           | 1,981         | -14%       | -1%       | -16%       | 3.6          | 3.0          | 2.9          | 2.4          |
| Sri Lanka                              | 221                 | 241           | 721           | 225           | 1,408         | 9%         | 199%      | -69%       | 1.4          | 1.4          | 4.2          | 1.3          |
| Honduras                               | 354                 | 348           | 346           | 336           | 1,384         | -2%        | -1%       | -3%        | 2.2          | 2.1          | 2.0          | 2.0          |
| Ethiopia                               | 336                 | 343           | 368           | 331           | 1,378         | 2%         | 7%        | -10%       | 2.1          | 2.1          | 2.1          | 1.9          |
| India                                  | 321                 | 279           | 357           | 356           | 1,313         | -13%       | 28%       | -0%        | 2.0          | 1.7          | 2.1          | 2.1          |
| Russian Federation                     | 289                 | 437           | 268           | 282           | 1,276         | 51%        | -39%      | 5%         | 1.8          | 2.6          | 1.6          | 1.6          |
| Nepal                                  | 284                 | 286           | 313           | 277           | 1,160         | 1%         | 9%        | -12%       | 1.8          | 1.7          | 1.8          | 1.6          |
| Nigeria                                | 247                 | 237           | 286           | 296           | 1,066         | -4%        | 21%       | 3%         | 1.5          | 1.4          | 1.7          | 1.7          |
| Pakistan                               | 227                 | 231           | 260           | 325           | 1,043         | 2%         | 13%       | 25%        | 1.4          | 1.4          | 1.5          | 1.9          |
| Somalia                                | 178                 | 244           | 286           | 207           | 915           | 37%        | 17%       | -28%       | 1.1          | 1.5          | 1.7          | 1.2          |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)     | 133                 | 209           | 230           | 267           | 839           | 57%        | 10%       | 16%        | 0.8          | 1.3          | 1.3          | 1.6          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                   | 209                 | 212           | 209           | 195           | 825           | 1%         | -1%       | -7%        | 1.3          | 1.3          | 1.2          | 1.1          |
| United States*                         | 198                 | 144           | 256           | 169           | 767           | -27%       | 78%       | -34%       | 1.2          | 0.9          | 1.5          | 1.0          |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines       | 217                 | 140           | 188           | 147           | 692           | -35%       | 34%       | -22%       | 1.4          | 0.8          | 1.1          | 0.9          |
| Egypt                                  | 151                 | 151           | 174           | 178           | 654           | 0%         | 15%       | 2%         | 0.9          | 0.9          | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Eritrea                                | 154                 | 137           | 138           | 202           | 631           | -11%       | 1%        | 46%        | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 1.2          |
| Jamaica                                | 135                 | 129           | 149           | 172           | 585           | -4%        | 16%       | 15%        | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.9          | 1.0          |
| Iraq                                   | 124                 | 158           | 150           | 128           | 560           | 27%        | -5%       | -15%       | 0.8          | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.7          |
| Cameroon                               | 132                 | 138           | 138           | 142           | 550           | 5%         | 0%        | 3%         | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.8          |
| Afghanistan                            | 135                 | 128           | 174           | 111           | 548           | -5%        | 36%       | -36%       | 0.8          | 0.8          | 1.0          | 0.6          |
| Kenya                                  | 148                 | 137           | 145           | 108           | 538           | -7%        | 6%        | -26%       | 0.9          | 0.8          | 0.8          | 0.6          |
| Ecuador                                | 116                 | 114           | 120           | 146           | 496           | -2%        | 5%        | 22%        | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.9          |
| Saint Lucia                            | 125                 | 100           | 120           | 143           | 488           | -20%       | 20%       | 19%        | 0.8          | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.8          |
| Guinea                                 | 147                 | 137           | 95            | 89            | 468           | -7%        | -31%      | -6%        | 0.9          | 0.8          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Cuba                                   | 112                 | 110           | 112           | 120           | 454           | -2%        | 2%        | 7%         | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.7          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                 | 68                  | 83            | 142           | 108           | 401           | 22%        | 71%       | -24%       | 0.4          | 0.5          | 0.8          | 0.6          |
| Turkey                                 | 84                  | 90            | 88            | 109           | 371           | 7%         | -2%       | 24%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.6          |
| Ukraine                                | 71                  | 124           | 72            | 103           | 370           | 75%        | -42%      | 43%        | 0.4          | 0.7          | 0.4          | 0.6          |
| Indonesia                              | 84                  | 96            | 83            | 89            | 352           | 14%        | -14%      | 7%         | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Albania                                | 97                  | 86            | 85            | 74            | 342           | -11%       | -1%       | -13%       | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Philippines                            | 91                  | 89            | 68            | 87            | 335           | -2%        | -24%      | 28%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.5          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 79                  | 106           | 80            | 69            | 334           | 34%        | -25%      | -14%       | 0.5          | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Brazil                                 | 72                  | 110           | 69            | 75            | 326           | 53%        | -37%      | 9%         | 0.5          | 0.7          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Peru                                   | 74                  | 67            | 87            | 78            | 306           | -9%        | 30%       | -10%       | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Other                                  | 5,850               | 6,664         | 6,764         | 6,863         | 26,141        | 14%        | 2%        | 1%         | 36.6         | 40.1         | 39.1         | 40.2         |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>15,963</b>       | <b>16,633</b> | <b>17,286</b> | <b>17,092</b> | <b>66,974</b> | <b>4%</b>  | <b>4%</b> | <b>-1%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

\* Refers to applications lodged in Canada.

**TABLE 16** Origin of asylum applicants in Canada and the United States of America | 2011

| Origin                           | No. of applications |               |               |               |               | Change (%) |           |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                  | Q1                  | Q2            | Q3            | Q4            | Total         | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| China                            | 3,905               | 4,376         | 4,607         | 4,415         | 17,303        | 12%        | 5%        | -4%       | 19.5         | 20.7         | 21.6         | 20.0         |
| Mexico                           | 1,918               | 2,221         | 2,279         | 2,421         | 8,839         | 16%        | 3%        | 6%        | 9.6          | 10.5         | 10.7         | 11.0         |
| Hungary                          | 707                 | 893           | 1,009         | 1,843         | 4,452         | 26%        | 13%       | 83%       | 3.5          | 4.2          | 4.7          | 8.4          |
| El Salvador                      | 1,135               | 1,149         | 1,083         | 1,073         | 4,440         | 1%         | -6%       | -1%       | 5.7          | 5.4          | 5.1          | 4.9          |
| Guatemala                        | 811                 | 851           | 929           | 1,027         | 3,618         | 5%         | 9%        | 11%       | 4.1          | 4.0          | 4.3          | 4.7          |
| India                            | 824                 | 773           | 848           | 763           | 3,208         | -6%        | 10%       | -10%      | 4.1          | 3.7          | 4.0          | 3.5          |
| Haiti                            | 583                 | 500           | 369           | 415           | 1,867         | -14%       | -26%      | 12%       | 2.9          | 2.4          | 1.7          | 1.9          |
| Honduras                         | 409                 | 509           | 473           | 469           | 1,860         | 24%        | -7%       | -1%       | 2.0          | 2.4          | 2.2          | 2.1          |
| Colombia                         | 397                 | 415           | 360           | 348           | 1,520         | 5%         | -13%      | -3%       | 2.0          | 2.0          | 1.7          | 1.6          |
| Pakistan                         | 337                 | 328           | 412           | 409           | 1,486         | -3%        | 26%       | -1%       | 1.7          | 1.6          | 1.9          | 1.9          |
| Nepal                            | 338                 | 330           | 397           | 365           | 1,430         | -2%        | 20%       | -8%       | 1.7          | 1.6          | 1.9          | 1.7          |
| Ethiopia                         | 358                 | 288           | 340           | 332           | 1,318         | -20%       | 18%       | -2%       | 1.8          | 1.4          | 1.6          | 1.5          |
| Russian Federation               | 285                 | 415           | 317           | 281           | 1,298         | 46%        | -24%      | -11%      | 1.4          | 2.0          | 1.5          | 1.3          |
| Egypt                            | 251                 | 292           | 340           | 397           | 1,280         | 16%        | 16%       | 17%       | 1.3          | 1.4          | 1.6          | 1.8          |
| Nigeria                          | 231                 | 231           | 232           | 248           | 942           | 0%         | 0%        | 7%        | 1.2          | 1.1          | 1.1          | 1.1          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran             | 196                 | 194           | 255           | 264           | 909           | -1%        | 31%       | 4%        | 1.0          | 0.9          | 1.2          | 1.2          |
| Sri Lanka                        | 249                 | 197           | 227           | 216           | 889           | -21%       | 15%       | -5%       | 1.2          | 0.9          | 1.1          | 1.0          |
| Eritrea                          | 297                 | 251           | 194           | 124           | 866           | -15%       | -23%      | -36%      | 1.5          | 1.2          | 0.9          | 0.6          |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Rep. of)   | 223                 | 218           | 211           | 210           | 862           | -2%        | -3%       | -0%       | 1.1          | 1.0          | 1.0          | 1.0          |
| Namibia                          | 325                 | 274           | 134           | 102           | 835           | -16%       | -51%      | -24%      | 1.6          | 1.3          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Ecuador                          | 202                 | 212           | 175           | 241           | 830           | 5%         | -17%      | 38%       | 1.0          | 1.0          | 0.8          | 1.1          |
| Jamaica                          | 187                 | 196           | 168           | 158           | 709           | 5%         | -14%      | -6%       | 0.9          | 0.9          | 0.8          | 0.7          |
| Somalia                          | 173                 | 149           | 196           | 170           | 688           | -14%       | 32%       | -13%      | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.8          |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines | 181                 | 132           | 192           | 152           | 657           | -27%       | 45%       | -21%      | 0.9          | 0.6          | 0.9          | 0.7          |
| Iraq                             | 216                 | 145           | 145           | 138           | 644           | -33%       | 0%        | -5%       | 1.1          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Cameroon                         | 172                 | 154           | 152           | 144           | 622           | -10%       | -1%       | -5%       | 0.9          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.7          |
| United States*                   | 138                 | 140           | 168           | 176           | 622           | 1%         | 20%       | 5%        | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.8          |
| Afghanistan                      | 121                 | 149           | 179           | 167           | 616           | 23%        | 20%       | -7%       | 0.6          | 0.7          | 0.8          | 0.8          |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | 131                 | 214           | 143           | 92            | 580           | 63%        | -33%      | -36%      | 0.7          | 1.0          | 0.7          | 0.4          |
| Saint Lucia                      | 170                 | 117           | 131           | 160           | 578           | -31%       | 12%       | 22%       | 0.9          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.7          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo           | 138                 | 117           | 138           | 98            | 491           | -15%       | 18%       | -29%      | 0.7          | 0.6          | 0.6          | 0.4          |
| Bangladesh                       | 123                 | 112           | 141           | 92            | 468           | -9%        | 26%       | -35%      | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.7          | 0.4          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                 | 51                  | 87            | 118           | 182           | 438           | 71%        | 36%       | 54%       | 0.3          | 0.4          | 0.6          | 0.8          |
| Kenya                            | 104                 | 107           | 107           | 109           | 427           | 3%         | 0%        | 2%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Turkey                           | 95                  | 100           | 90            | 132           | 417           | 5%         | -10%      | 47%       | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.6          |
| Cuba                             | 118                 | 112           | 93            | 94            | 417           | -5%        | -17%      | 1%        | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Brazil                           | 113                 | 111           | 98            | 83            | 405           | -2%        | -12%      | -15%      | 0.6          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.4          |
| Albania                          | 95                  | 96            | 103           | 109           | 403           | 1%         | 7%        | 6%        | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          | 0.5          |
| Romania                          | 67                  | 76            | 113           | 147           | 403           | 13%        | 49%       | 30%       | 0.3          | 0.4          | 0.5          | 0.7          |
| Dem. People's Rep. of Korea      | 90                  | 94            | 95            | 117           | 396           | 4%         | 1%        | 23%       | 0.5          | 0.4          | 0.4          | 0.5          |
| Other                            | 3,518               | 3,787         | 3,597         | 3,587         | 14,489        | 8%         | -5%       | -0%       | 17.6         | 17.9         | 16.8         | 16.3         |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>19,982</b>       | <b>21,112</b> | <b>21,358</b> | <b>22,070</b> | <b>84,522</b> | <b>6%</b>  | <b>1%</b> | <b>3%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

\* Refers to applications lodged in Canada.



**TABLE 17** Origin of asylum applicants in Australia and New Zealand | 2010

| Origin               | No. of applications |              |              |              |               | Change (%) |             |            | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      | Q1                  | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           | Total         | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2       | Q4-Q3      | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Afghanistan          | 536                 | 1,414        | 794          | 389          | 3,133         | 164%       | -44%        | -51%       | 21.9         | 36.7         | 23.7         | 11.7         |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 119                 | 238          | 402          | 637          | 1,396         | 100%       | 69%         | 58%        | 4.9          | 6.2          | 12.0         | 19.1         |
| China                | 290                 | 326          | 294          | 303          | 1,213         | 12%        | -10%        | 3%         | 11.8         | 8.4          | 8.8          | 9.1          |
| Stateless            | 54                  | 269          | 309          | 403          | 1,035         | 398%       | 15%         | 30%        | 2.2          | 7.0          | 9.2          | 12.1         |
| Iraq                 | 179                 | 136          | 233          | 318          | 866           | -24%       | 71%         | 36%        | 7.3          | 3.5          | 7.0          | 9.5          |
| Sri Lanka            | 163                 | 315          | 168          | 173          | 819           | 93%        | -47%        | 3%         | 6.6          | 8.2          | 5.0          | 5.2          |
| Fiji                 | 232                 | 164          | 128          | 88           | 612           | -29%       | -22%        | -31%       | 9.5          | 4.3          | 3.8          | 2.6          |
| Pakistan             | 114                 | 91           | 132          | 140          | 477           | -20%       | 45%         | 6%         | 4.6          | 2.4          | 3.9          | 4.2          |
| India                | 76                  | 106          | 123          | 108          | 413           | 39%        | 16%         | -12%       | 3.1          | 2.7          | 3.7          | 3.2          |
| Egypt                | 56                  | 72           | 89           | 116          | 333           | 29%        | 24%         | 30%        | 2.3          | 1.9          | 2.7          | 3.5          |
| Zimbabwe             | 114                 | 107          | 53           | 32           | 306           | -6%        | -50%        | -40%       | 4.6          | 2.8          | 1.6          | 1.0          |
| Malaysia             | 65                  | 64           | 79           | 47           | 255           | -2%        | 23%         | -41%       | 2.6          | 1.7          | 2.4          | 1.4          |
| Lebanon              | 29                  | 66           | 47           | 61           | 203           | 128%       | -29%        | 30%        | 1.2          | 1.7          | 1.4          | 1.8          |
| Indonesia            | 42                  | 48           | 64           | 38           | 192           | 14%        | 33%         | -41%       | 1.7          | 1.2          | 1.9          | 1.1          |
| Nepal                | 41                  | 30           | 40           | 57           | 168           | -27%       | 33%         | 43%        | 1.7          | 0.8          | 1.2          | 1.7          |
| Myanmar              | 36                  | 47           | 42           | 27           | 152           | 31%        | -11%        | -36%       | 1.5          | 1.2          | 1.3          | 0.8          |
| Turkey               | 34                  | 18           | 35           | 36           | 123           | -47%       | 94%         | 3%         | 1.4          | 0.5          | 1.0          | 1.1          |
| Bangladesh           | 28                  | 26           | 25           | 31           | 110           | -7%        | -4%         | 24%        | 1.1          | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.9          |
| Viet Nam             | 7                   | 7            | 20           | 59           | 93            | 0%         | 186%        | 195%       | 0.3          | 0.2          | 0.6          | 1.8          |
| Rep. of Korea        | 17                  | 33           | 21           | 16           | 87            | 94%        | -36%        | -24%       | 0.7          | 0.9          | 0.6          | 0.5          |
| Other                | 221                 | 281          | 250          | 260          | 1,012         | 27%        | -11%        | 4%         | 9.0          | 7.3          | 7.5          | 7.8          |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>2,453</b>        | <b>3,858</b> | <b>3,348</b> | <b>3,339</b> | <b>12,998</b> | <b>57%</b> | <b>-13%</b> | <b>-0%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 18** Origin of asylum applicants in Australia and New Zealand | 2011

| Origin               | No. of applications |              |              |              |               | Change (%)  |            |            | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      | Q1                  | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           | Total         | Q2-Q1       | Q3-Q2      | Q4-Q3      | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 548                 | 389          | 523          | 725          | 2,185         | -29%        | 34%        | 39%        | 20.3         | 16.1         | 18.4         | 18.8         |
| Afghanistan          | 221                 | 316          | 312          | 883          | 1,732         | 43%         | -1%        | 183%       | 8.2          | 13.0         | 11.0         | 22.9         |
| China                | 309                 | 239          | 318          | 342          | 1,208         | -23%        | 33%        | 8%         | 11.5         | 9.9          | 11.2         | 8.9          |
| Pakistan             | 157                 | 204          | 190          | 288          | 839           | 30%         | -7%        | 52%        | 5.8          | 8.4          | 6.7          | 7.5          |
| India                | 132                 | 194          | 222          | 218          | 766           | 47%         | 14%        | -2%        | 4.9          | 8.0          | 7.8          | 5.7          |
| Stateless            | 200                 | 27           | 121          | 183          | 531           | -87%        | 348%       | 51%        | 7.4          | 1.1          | 4.3          | 4.7          |
| Iraq                 | 125                 | 96           | 125          | 156          | 502           | -23%        | 30%        | 25%        | 4.6          | 4.0          | 4.4          | 4.0          |
| Egypt                | 146                 | 86           | 92           | 113          | 437           | -41%        | 7%         | 23%        | 5.4          | 3.6          | 3.2          | 2.9          |
| Sri Lanka            | 63                  | 132          | 45           | 149          | 389           | 110%        | -66%       | 231%       | 2.3          | 5.5          | 1.6          | 3.9          |
| Fiji                 | 118                 | 44           | 55           | 88           | 305           | -63%        | 25%        | 60%        | 4.4          | 1.8          | 1.9          | 2.3          |
| Nepal                | 75                  | 58           | 86           | 55           | 274           | -23%        | 48%        | -36%       | 2.8          | 2.4          | 3.0          | 1.4          |
| Libya                | 10                  | 52           | 118          | 24           | 204           | 420%        | 127%       | -80%       | 0.4          | 2.1          | 4.1          | 0.6          |
| Zimbabwe             | 71                  | 39           | 46           | 27           | 183           | -45%        | 18%        | -41%       | 2.6          | 1.6          | 1.6          | 0.7          |
| Malaysia             | 49                  | 39           | 42           | 53           | 183           | -20%        | 8%         | 26%        | 1.8          | 1.6          | 1.5          | 1.4          |
| Indonesia            | 48                  | 50           | 40           | 38           | 176           | 4%          | -20%       | -5%        | 1.8          | 2.1          | 1.4          | 1.0          |
| Lebanon              | 37                  | 31           | 39           | 53           | 160           | -16%        | 26%        | 36%        | 1.4          | 1.3          | 1.4          | 1.4          |
| Bangladesh           | 35                  | 19           | 33           | 48           | 135           | -46%        | 74%        | 45%        | 1.3          | 0.8          | 1.2          | 1.2          |
| Viet Nam             | 36                  | 30           | 42           | 24           | 132           | -17%        | 40%        | -43%       | 1.3          | 1.2          | 1.5          | 0.6          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.     | 7                   | 16           | 39           | 34           | 96            | 129%        | 144%       | -13%       | 0.3          | 0.7          | 1.4          | 0.9          |
| Turkey               | 30                  | 24           | 22           | 19           | 95            | -20%        | -8%        | -14%       | 1.1          | 1.0          | 0.8          | 0.5          |
| Other                | 281                 | 337          | 335          | 333          | 1,286         | 20%         | -1%        | -1%        | 10.4         | 13.9         | 11.8         | 8.6          |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>2,698</b>        | <b>2,422</b> | <b>2,845</b> | <b>3,853</b> | <b>11,818</b> | <b>-10%</b> | <b>17%</b> | <b>35%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 19** Origin of asylum applicants in Japan and the Republic of Korea | 2010

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Origin                 | No. of applications |            |            |            |              | Change (%) |            |           | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                        | Q1                  | Q2         | Q3         | Q4         | Total        | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2      | Q4-Q3     | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Myanmar                | 79                  | 93         | 93         | 114        | 379          | 18%        | 0%         | 23%       | 27.5         | 30.8         | 18.5         | 21.0         |
| Pakistan               | 42                  | 22         | 46         | 102        | 212          | -48%       | 109%       | 122%      | 14.6         | 7.3          | 9.2          | 18.8         |
| Sri Lanka              | 30                  | 34         | 48         | 65         | 177          | 13%        | 41%        | 35%       | 10.5         | 11.3         | 9.6          | 12.0         |
| Turkey                 | 27                  | 26         | 43         | 31         | 127          | -4%        | 65%        | -28%      | 9.4          | 8.6          | 8.6          | 5.7          |
| Nepal                  | 7                   | 17         | 33         | 59         | 116          | 143%       | 94%        | 79%       | 2.4          | 5.6          | 6.6          | 10.9         |
| India                  | 16                  | 12         | 41         | 19         | 88           | -25%       | 242%       | -54%      | 5.6          | 4.0          | 8.2          | 3.5          |
| Kyrgyzstan             | -                   | -          | 60         | 17         | 77           | ..         | ..         | -72%      | -            | -            | 12.0         | 3.1          |
| Bangladesh             | 10                  | 20         | 16         | 22         | 68           | 100%       | -20%       | 38%       | 3.5          | 6.6          | 3.2          | 4.1          |
| Nigeria                | 12                  | 13         | 17         | 11         | 53           | 8%         | 31%        | -35%      | 4.2          | 4.3          | 3.4          | 2.0          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 10                  | 8          | 11         | 12         | 41           | -20%       | 38%        | 9%        | 3.5          | 2.6          | 2.2          | 2.2          |
| Uganda                 | *                   | 8          | 11         | 11         | 33           | 167%       | 38%        | 0%        | 1.0          | 2.6          | 2.2          | 2.0          |
| Cameroon               | *                   | 7          | 13         | 7          | 31           | 75%        | 86%        | -46%      | 1.4          | 2.3          | 2.6          | 1.3          |
| China                  | 7                   | 5          | 5          | 7          | 24           | -29%       | 0%         | 40%       | 2.4          | 1.7          | 1.0          | 1.3          |
| Ethiopia               | *                   | *          | 10         | 6          | 22           | 0%         | 233%       | -40%      | 1.0          | 1.0          | 2.0          | 1.1          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo | *                   | *          | 9          | 7          | 21           | -33%       | 350%       | -22%      | 1.0          | 0.7          | 1.8          | 1.3          |
| Afghanistan            | *                   | *          | 5          | 6          | 16           | -75%       | 400%       | 20%       | 1.4          | 0.3          | 1.0          | 1.1          |
| Ghana                  | *                   | *          | *          | 9          | 16           | -33%       | 0%         | 350%      | 1.0          | 0.7          | 0.4          | 1.7          |
| Philippines            | 7                   | *          | *          | *          | 12           | -86%       | 100%       | 0%        | 2.4          | 0.3          | 0.4          | 0.4          |
| Indonesia              | -                   | 6          | -          | *          | 9            | ..         | -100%      | ..        | -            | 2.0          | -            | 0.6          |
| Angola                 | *                   | *          | *          | -          | 8            | 0%         | 100%       | -100%     | 0.7          | 0.7          | 0.8          | -            |
| Other                  | 18                  | 20         | 33         | 33         | 104          | 11%        | 65%        | 0%        | 6.3          | 6.6          | 6.6          | 6.1          |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>287</b>          | <b>302</b> | <b>502</b> | <b>543</b> | <b>1,634</b> | <b>5%</b>  | <b>66%</b> | <b>8%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 20** Origin of asylum applicants in Japan and the Republic of Korea | 2011

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications

| Origin               | No. of applications |            |            |            |              | Change (%) |           |            | Share (%)    |              |              |              |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      | Q1                  | Q2         | Q3         | Q4         | Total        | Q2-Q1      | Q3-Q2     | Q4-Q3      | Q1           | Q2           | Q3           | Q4           |
| Pakistan             | 120                 | 127        | 153        | 204        | 604          | 6%         | 20%       | 33%        | 21.4         | 18.3         | 21.4         | 22.5         |
| Myanmar              | 123                 | 191        | 104        | 135        | 553          | 55%        | -46%      | 30%        | 21.9         | 27.5         | 14.5         | 14.9         |
| Sri Lanka            | 64                  | 65         | 94         | 103        | 326          | 2%         | 45%       | 10%        | 11.4         | 9.4          | 13.1         | 11.4         |
| Nepal                | 37                  | 78         | 70         | 79         | 264          | 111%       | -10%      | 13%        | 6.6          | 11.2         | 9.8          | 8.7          |
| Turkey               | 68                  | 36         | 55         | 76         | 235          | -47%       | 53%       | 38%        | 12.1         | 5.2          | 7.7          | 8.4          |
| Bangladesh           | 16                  | 28         | 54         | 38         | 136          | 75%        | 93%       | -30%       | 2.8          | 4.0          | 7.6          | 4.2          |
| Uganda               | 9                   | 16         | 22         | 61         | 108          | 78%        | 38%       | 177%       | 1.6          | 2.3          | 3.1          | 6.7          |
| Nigeria              | 19                  | 11         | 19         | 41         | 90           | -42%       | 73%       | 116%       | 3.4          | 1.6          | 2.7          | 4.5          |
| India                | 6                   | 11         | 27         | 22         | 66           | 83%        | 145%      | -19%       | 1.1          | 1.6          | 3.8          | 2.4          |
| Afghanistan          | 13                  | 15         | 26         | 10         | 64           | 15%        | 73%       | -62%       | 2.3          | 2.2          | 3.6          | 1.1          |
| Cameroon             | *                   | 7          | 24         | 21         | 54           | 250%       | 243%      | -13%       | 0.4          | 1.0          | 3.4          | 2.3          |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 16                  | 7          | 15         | 11         | 49           | -56%       | 114%      | -27%       | 2.8          | 1.0          | 2.1          | 1.2          |
| Côte d'Ivoire        | *                   | 27         | *          | 9          | 41           | 575%       | -96%      | 800%       | 0.7          | 3.9          | 0.1          | 1.0          |
| Kyrgyzstan           | *                   | 17         | *          | 6          | 29           | 750%       | -76%      | 50%        | 0.4          | 2.4          | 0.6          | 0.7          |
| China                | 9                   | 9          | 5          | 5          | 28           | 0%         | -44%      | 0%         | 1.6          | 1.3          | 0.7          | 0.6          |
| Liberia              | *                   | 6          | 5          | 9          | 22           | 200%       | -17%      | 80%        | 0.4          | 0.9          | 0.7          | 1.0          |
| Ethiopia             | 8                   | *          | 6          | *          | 17           | -88%       | 500%      | -67%       | 1.4          | 0.1          | 0.8          | 0.2          |
| Philippines          | 8                   | *          | 5          | *          | 16           | -88%       | 400%      | -60%       | 1.4          | 0.1          | 0.7          | 0.2          |
| Ghana                | *                   | *          | *          | 8          | 15           | -33%       | 0%        | 300%       | 0.5          | 0.3          | 0.3          | 0.9          |
| Guinea               | *                   | *          | *          | 6          | 14           | -67%       | 300%      | 50%        | 0.5          | 0.1          | 0.6          | 0.7          |
| Other                | 30                  | 38         | 20         | 59         | 147          | 27%        | -47%      | 195%       | 5.3          | 5.5          | 2.8          | 6.5          |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>562</b>          | <b>694</b> | <b>715</b> | <b>907</b> | <b>2,878</b> | <b>23%</b> | <b>3%</b> | <b>27%</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

**TABLE 21 Asylum applications lodged in 44 industrialized countries by origin | fourth quarter 2011**

Covering all 44 asylum countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

Top-20 ranking of countries based on applications lodged in all countries. An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Origin                                | Albania | Australia | Austria | Belgium | Bosnia and H. | Bulgaria | Canada | Croatia | Cyprus | Czech Rep. | Denmark | Estonia | Finland | France | Germany |
|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Afghanistan                           | -       | 882       | 1,183   | 612     | -             | 16       | 102    | 186     | 9      | 16         | 226     | -       | 48      | 162    | 1,671   |
| Iraq                                  | -       | 154       | 105     | 517     | -             | 97       | 42     | *       | *      | *          | 31      | -       | 151     | 58     | 1,336   |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | -       | -         | 120     | 470     | *             | -        | 48     | *       | -      | -          | 114     | -       | 80      | 548    | 2,757   |
| China                                 | -       | 339       | 64      | 78      | -             | *        | 490    | -       | 8      | *          | *       | -       | *       | 583    | 73      |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | -       | 720       | 169     | 109     | *             | 6        | 89     | 21      | 17     | *          | 127     | -       | 34      | 51     | 991     |
| Pakistan                              | -       | 284       | 283     | 265     | -             | *        | 268    | 8       | 35     | *          | 19      | -       | *       | 435    | 1,142   |
| Russian Federation                    | -       | *         | 584     | 471     | -             | *        | 118    | 7       | 7      | 6          | 103     | -       | 70      | 1,119  | 475     |
| Somalia                               | *       | *         | 187     | 156     | *             | 12       | 125    | 32      | -      | -          | 48      | *       | 109     | 238    | 264     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | -       | 34        | 155     | 139     | -             | 14       | 67     | *       | 85     | *          | 154     | -       | 51      | 61     | 710     |
| Nigeria                               | -       | 25        | 94      | 41      | -             | *        | 190    | *       | 5      | *          | 21      | -       | 22      | 212    | 183     |
| Mexico                                | -       | -         | *       | -       | -             | -        | 164    | -       | -      | -          | -       | -       | -       | -      | -       |
| Eritrea                               | -       | -         | 10      | 10      | -             | -        | 20     | 7       | -      | -          | 5       | -       | *       | 254    | 152     |
| Sri Lanka                             | -       | 142       | *       | 27      | -             | -        | 156    | -       | 22     | -          | 9       | -       | 5       | 756    | 142     |
| Georgia                               | -       | 5         | 78      | 94      | -             | *        | *      | -       | *      | *          | 8       | -       | 27      | 515    | 169     |
| Turkey                                | -       | 17        | 78      | 145     | -             | *        | 109    | *       | *      | *          | 9       | -       | 13      | 547    | 397     |
| Hungary                               | -       | -         | -       | -       | -             | -        | 1,837  | -       | -      | -          | -       | -       | -       | -      | -       |
| Bangladesh                            | -       | 42        | 32      | 218     | -             | *        | 26     | *       | 51     | -          | 7       | -       | *       | 769    | 42      |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | -       | *         | 15      | 338     | -             | -        | 76     | -       | -      | -          | 7       | -       | 11      | 1,010  | 45      |
| India                                 | -       | 217       | 100     | 40      | -             | -        | 223    | -       | 22     | *          | *       | -       | 5       | 5      | 190     |
| Armenia                               | -       | *         | 67      | 102     | -             | 5        | 11     | -       | *      | *          | 19      | *       | *       | 994    | 72      |

| Origin                                | Greece | Hungary | Iceland | Ireland | Italy <sup>(1)</sup> | Japan <sup>(2)</sup> | Latvia | Liechtenstein | Lithuania | Luxembourg | Malta | Montenegro | Netherlands | New Zealand | Norway |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------------------|----------------------|--------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Afghanistan                           | 246    | 179     | *       | 19      | 236                  | *                    | *      | -             | 13        | -          | -     | -          | 453         | *           | 255    |
| Iraq                                  | 83     | 24      | *       | *       | 79                   | *                    | *      | -             | -         | 11         | -     | *          | 314         | *           | 60     |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | *      | 57      | -       | *       | 44                   | -                    | -      | -             | -         | 293        | -     | -          | 37          | -           | 68     |
| China                                 | 67     | *       | -       | 10      | 5                    | *                    | -      | *             | -         | -          | -     | -          | 67          | *           | 21     |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | 111    | 11      | *       | *       | 45                   | 11                   | *      | *             | -         | 15         | -     | *          | 240         | 5           | 84     |
| Pakistan                              | 486    | 62      | *       | 39      | 283                  | 60                   | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | 46          | *           | 16     |
| Russian Federation                    | 17     | *       | *       | -       | -                    | -                    | *      | -             | 28        | 9          | -     | -          | 173         | -           | 101    |
| Somalia                               | 34     | 55      | *       | 6       | 37                   | -                    | -      | -             | -         | -          | 43    | -          | 238         | -           | 536    |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | 75     | 49      | -       | 5       | 59                   | *                    | 6      | -             | -         | *          | 107   | *          | 66          | -           | 76     |
| Nigeria                               | 95     | 6       | *       | 37      | 538                  | 20                   | -      | -             | *         | *          | *     | -          | 21          | *           | 63     |
| Mexico                                | -      | -       | -       | *       | *                    | *                    | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | -           | -           | -      |
| Eritrea                               | *      | *       | -       | *       | 33                   | -                    | -      | -             | -         | *          | *     | -          | 116         | -           | 235    |
| Sri Lanka                             | 22     | -       | -       | -       | 11                   | 36                   | -      | -             | -         | *          | -     | -          | 36          | 7           | 13     |
| Georgia                               | 252    | 5       | *       | *       | *                    | -                    | 19     | *             | 83        | -          | -     | *          | 44          | -           | 7      |
| Turkey                                | 8      | 8       | -       | -       | 124                  | 76                   | -      | -             | -         | 5          | -     | -          | 17          | *           | 9      |
| Hungary                               | -      | -       | -       | -       | -                    | -                    | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | -           | *           | 6      |
| Bangladesh                            | 94     | *       | *       | 7       | 92                   | 26                   | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | *           | 6           | 35     |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | -      | 5       | -       | 21      | 7                    | *                    | 18     | -             | *         | -          | -     | -          | 8           | -           | 12     |
| India                                 | 59     | 6       | -       | *       | *                    | 14                   | -      | -             | -         | -          | -     | -          | 6           | *           | 6      |
| Armenia                               | 15     | *       | -       | *       | *                    | -                    | -      | *             | 10        | -          | -     | -          | 112         | -           | -      |

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**TABLE 21** Asylum applications lodged in 44 industrialized countries by origin | fourth quarter 2011 (ctnd)

Covering all 44 asylum countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

Top-20 ranking of countries based on applications lodged in all countries. An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Origin                                | Poland | Portugal | Rep. of Korea | Romania | Serbia <sup>1)</sup> | Slovakia | Slovenia | Spain | Sweden | Switzerland | TfYR Macedonia <sup>4)</sup> | Turkey | United Kingdom | United States <sup>5)</sup> |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------|---------------|---------|----------------------|----------|----------|-------|--------|-------------|------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Afghanistan                           | -      | *        | 8             | 40      | 322                  | 44       | 9        | *     | 1,312  | 253         | 89                           | 741    | 405            | 65                          |
| Iraq                                  | *      | *        | *             | 11      | -                    | -        | *        | 8     | 346    | 94          | -                            | 3,848  | 85             | 96                          |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244(1999)) | -      | -        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | *        | -     | 1,935  | 873         | -                            | -      | 5              | 54                          |
| China                                 | *      | -        | *             | 7       | -                    | *        | -        | -     | 27     | 203         | -                            | 16     | 230            | 3,925                       |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran                  | *      | *        | -             | *       | *                    | *        | *        | 15    | 293    | 101         | *                            | 1,512  | 925            | 175                         |
| Pakistan                              | *      | 6        | 144           | 84      | 49                   | *        | *        | 30    | 54     | 26          | 20                           | 11     | 1,225          | 141                         |
| Russian Federation                    | 867    | -        | *             | *       | -                    | 7        | -        | 13    | 228    | 47          | -                            | -      | 25             | 163                         |
| Somalia                               | -      | 15       | -             | 21      | 144                  | 22       | 11       | 8     | 1,473  | 153         | 36                           | 245    | 175            | 45                          |
| Syrian Arab Rep.                      | -      | -        | -             | 12      | *                    | 5        | 7        | 15    | 222    | 250         | -                            | *      | 205            | 115                         |
| Nigeria                               | *      | 10       | 21            | *       | *                    | -        | *        | 78    | 77     | 439         | -                            | 7      | 250            | 58                          |
| Mexico                                | -      | -        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | -        | -     | *      | *           | -                            | -      | 5              | 2,257                       |
| Eritrea                               | -      | -        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | -        | *     | 439    | 757         | -                            | 5      | 165            | 104                         |
| Sri Lanka                             | *      | *        | 67            | -       | -                    | -        | -        | 7     | 5      | 125         | -                            | *      | 565            | 60                          |
| Georgia                               | 371    | *        | -             | *       | -                    | 17       | -        | *     | 96     | 81          | -                            | -      | 10             | 15                          |
| Turkey                                | *      | -        | -             | 5       | *                    | -        | 25       | 5     | 30     | 150         | -                            | -      | 55             | 23                          |
| Hungary                               | -      | -        | -             | -       | -                    | -        | -        | -     | -      | 5           | -                            | -      | -              | 6                           |
| Bangladesh                            | -      | *        | 12            | 5       | 12                   | *        | -        | *     | 38     | 7           | -                            | -      | 220            | 66                          |
| Dem. Rep. of the Congo                | -      | *        | *             | -       | *                    | *        | -        | 17    | 30     | 30          | -                            | 33     | 45             | 22                          |
| India                                 | *      | -        | 8             | 9       | 7                    | -        | -        | 9     | 8      | 5           | -                            | -      | 165            | 540                         |
| Armenia                               | 59     | -        | -             | *       | -                    | *        | -        | 9     | 67     | 20          | -                            | -      | -              | 30                          |

<sup>1</sup> This table excludes a significant number of asylum applications lodged in Italy due to lack of data.

<sup>2</sup> UNHCR estimates.

<sup>3</sup> Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)).

<sup>4</sup> The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

<sup>5</sup> Combination of number of cases (DHS) and persons (EOIR).

**TABLE 22 Top-10 populations of origin of asylum applicants by country of asylum | 2010**

Covering 44 industrialized countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Albania                       |   | Australia            |       | Austria               |       | Belgium                       |       | Bosnia and Herzegovina |    |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|------------------------|----|
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | * | Afghanistan          | 3,129 | Russian Fed.          | 2,322 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 4,545 | Afghanistan            | 11 |
| Iraq                          | * | Islamic Rep. of Iran | 1,354 | Afghanistan           | 1,582 | Iraq                          | 1,637 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 10 |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran          | * | China                | 1,191 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup> | 972   | Guinea                        | 1,455 | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | *  |
| TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | * | Stateless            | 1,035 | Nigeria               | 573   | Armenia                       | 1,266 | Iraq                   | *  |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina            | * | Iraq                 | 856   | India                 | 433   | Russian Fed.                  | 1,141 | Cameroon               | *  |
| Egypt                         | * | Sri Lanka            | 796   | Islamic Rep. of Iran  | 387   | Afghanistan                   | 1,124 | Ethiopia               | *  |
| Tunisia                       | * | Fiji                 | 547   | Georgia               | 370   | Rwanda                        | 1,065 | Pakistan               | *  |
| Libya                         | * | Pakistan             | 470   | Turkey                | 369   | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 980   | Syrian Arab Rep.       | *  |
| Saudi Arabia                  | * | India                | 412   | Iraq                  | 336   | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 813   | Algeria                | *  |
|                               |   | Egypt                | 328   | Algeria               | 304   | Madagascar                    | 653   | Eritrea                | *  |

| Bulgaria             |     | Canada                      |       | Croatia                |     | Cyprus     |     | Czech Republic |    |
|----------------------|-----|-----------------------------|-------|------------------------|-----|------------|-----|----------------|----|
| Iraq                 | 452 | Hungary                     | 2,321 | Afghanistan            | 107 | Iraq       | 343 | Ukraine        | 64 |
| Stateless            | 100 | China                       | 1,582 | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 48  | India      | 318 | Mongolia       | 44 |
| Armenia              | 62  | Colombia                    | 1,354 | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 21  | Viet Nam   | 227 | Myanmar        | 42 |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 61  | Sri Lanka                   | 1,203 | Bosnia-Herzegovina     | 13  | Egypt      | 211 | Russian Fed.   | 36 |
| Afghanistan          | 58  | Mexico                      | 1,198 | Western Sahara         | 13  | Sri Lanka  | 187 | Viet Nam       | 26 |
| Syrian Arab Rep.     | 52  | Haiti                       | 1,061 | Somalia                | 11  | Pakistan   | 155 | Belarus        | 26 |
| Algeria              | 35  | Nigeria                     | 860   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 11  | Bangladesh | 148 | Nigeria        | 25 |
| Sudan                | 20  | United States               | 767   | Algeria                | 10  | Nigeria    | 133 | Stateless      | 21 |
| Pakistan             | 17  | St Vincent & the Grenadines | 689   | Iraq                   | 9   | China      | 123 | Kyrgyzstan     | 18 |
| Georgia              | 14  | India                       | 593   | Pakistan               | 5   | Nepal      | 121 | Turkey         | 17 |

| Denmark                |       | Estonia      |   | Finland               |     | France                |       | Germany                       |       |
|------------------------|-------|--------------|---|-----------------------|-----|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Afghanistan            | 1,476 | Afghanistan  | 9 | Iraq                  | 575 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup> | 5,754 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 6,546 |
| Syrian Arab Rep.       | 821   | Russian Fed. | 7 | Somalia               | 571 | Russian Fed.          | 4,302 | Afghanistan                   | 5,905 |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 597   | Sri Lanka    | * | Bulgaria              | 485 | Dem. Rep. of Congo    | 3,395 | Iraq                          | 5,555 |
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 402   | Nigeria      | * | Russian Fed.          | 436 | Bangladesh            | 3,140 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 2,475 |
| Russian Fed.           | 340   | Belarus      | * | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup> | 325 | Sri Lanka             | 2,827 | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 2,466 |
| Iraq                   | 237   | Stateless    | * | Afghanistan           | 265 | Guinea                | 2,012 | Somalia                       | 2,235 |
| Somalia                | 110   | Turkey       | * | Islamic Rep. of Iran  | 142 | Haiti                 | 1,992 | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 1,490 |
| Occup. Palest. Territ. | 106   | Sudan        | * | Turkey                | 117 | China                 | 1,933 | Turkey                        | 1,340 |
| Turkey                 | 51    | Armenia      | * | Romania               | 94  | Armenia               | 1,766 | Russian Fed.                  | 1,199 |
| India                  | 48    | Pakistan     | * | Nigeria               | 84  | Turkey                | 1,402 | Viet Nam                      | 1,009 |

| Greece      |       | Hungary                |     | Iceland                       |   | Ireland            |     | Italy                 |       |
|-------------|-------|------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|---|--------------------|-----|-----------------------|-------|
| Pakistan    | 2,748 | Afghanistan            | 796 | Afghanistan                   | 7 | Nigeria            | 387 | Nigeria               | 1,385 |
| Georgia     | 1,162 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 637 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 6 | China              | 228 | Pakistan              | 929   |
| Bangladesh  | 987   | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 209 | Iraq                          | 5 | Pakistan           | 200 | Afghanistan           | 873   |
| Albania     | 693   | Turkey                 | 95  | Somalia                       | 5 | Dem. Rep. of Congo | 70  | Turkey                | 854   |
| China       | 549   | Georgia                | 76  | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | * | Afghanistan        | 69  | Bosnia-Herzegovina    | 816   |
| Afghanistan | 524   | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 72  | Spain                         | * | Ghana              | 57  | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup> | 795   |
| Nigeria     | 393   | Iraq                   | 55  | Nigeria                       | * | Rep. of Moldova    | 56  | Iraq                  | 380   |
| India       | 381   | Somalia                | 53  | Syrian Arab Rep.              | * | Cameroon           | 56  | Ghana                 | 278   |
| Senegal     | 381   | Nigeria                | 42  | Rep. of Moldova               | * | Georgia            | 53  | Islamic Rep. of Iran  | 269   |
| Iraq        | 342   | Viet Nam               | 42  | Nepal                         | * | South Africa       | 53  | Côte d'Ivoire         | 235   |

| Japan                |     | Latvia               |    | Liechtenstein                 |    | Lithuania       |     | Luxembourg            |     |
|----------------------|-----|----------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|-----------------|-----|-----------------------|-----|
| Myanmar              | 345 | Afghanistan          | 23 | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 38 | Georgia         | 235 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup> | 301 |
| Sri Lanka            | 173 | Russian Fed.         | 7  | Russian Fed.                  | 32 | Russian Fed.    | 40  | Iraq                  | 79  |
| Turkey               | 127 | Kyrgyzstan           | 7  | Nigeria                       | 11 | Afghanistan     | 26  | Algeria               | 43  |
| Nepal                | 110 | Dem. Rep. of Congo   | *  | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 6  | Armenia         | 21  | Islamic Rep. of Iran  | 31  |
| Pakistan             | 83  | Ghana                | *  | Belarus                       | *  | Viet Nam        | 10  | Somalia               | 29  |
| India                | 82  | Cameroon             | *  | Iraq                          | *  | Belarus         | 9   | Russian Fed.          | 25  |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran | 35  | Belarus              | *  | Somalia                       | *  | Tajikistan      | 5   | Albania               | 23  |
| Nigeria              | 34  | Uzbekistan           | *  | Uzbekistan                    | *  | Azerbaijan      | *   | Syrian Arab Rep.      | 19  |
| Bangladesh           | 27  | Nepal                | *  | Egypt                         | *  | Kyrgyzstan      | *   | Turkey                | 19  |
| Uganda               | 21  | Islamic Rep. of Iran | *  | Syrian Arab Rep.              | *  | Rep. of Moldova | *   | Belarus               | 15  |

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**TABLE 22 Top-10 populations of origin of asylum applicants by country of asylum | 2010 (ctnd)**

Covering 44 industrialized countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR. See notes in Annex Table 1.

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Malta                         |       | Montenegro             |       | Netherlands                   |       | New Zealand                   |        | Norway                        |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Somalia                       | 34    | Algeria                | *     | Somalia                       | 3,372 | Fiji                          | 65     | Eritrea                       | 1,711 |
| Pakistan                      | 16    | Russian Fed.           | *     | Iraq                          | 1,383 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 42     | Somalia                       | 1,397 |
| Syrian Arab Rep.              | 8     | Turkey                 | *     | Afghanistan                   | 1,364 | Sri Lanka                     | 23     | Afghanistan                   | 979   |
| Nigeria                       | 8     | Croatia                | *     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 785   | China                         | 22     | Russian Fed.                  | 628   |
| Iraq                          | 7     |                        |       | Armenia                       | 611   | South Africa                  | 19     | Ethiopia                      | 505   |
| Ethiopia                      | 7     |                        |       | Georgia                       | 587   | Saudi Arabia                  | 15     | Iraq                          | 460   |
| Libya                         | 7     |                        |       | Eritrea                       | 392   | Czech Rep.                    | 14     | Stateless                     | 448   |
| Eritrea                       | 6     |                        |       | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 389   | Iraq                          | 10     | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 444   |
| Sudan                         | 6     |                        |       | China                         | 302   | Zimbabwe                      | 8      | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 429   |
| Morocco                       | 5     |                        |       | Guinea                        | 230   | Pakistan                      | 7      | Nigeria                       | 354   |
| Poland                        |       | Portugal               |       | Rep. of Korea                 |       | Romania                       |        | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         |       |
| Russian Fed.                  | 4,796 | Guinea                 | 43    | Pakistan                      | 129   | Afghanistan                   | 120    | Afghanistan                   | 425   |
| Georgia                       | 1,083 | Colombia               | 16    | Kyrgyzstan                    | 77    | Rep. of Moldova               | 109    | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 138   |
| Armenia                       | 107   | Angola                 | 12    | Bangladesh                    | 41    | Iraq                          | 75     | Iraq                          | 53    |
| Viet Nam                      | 47    | Guinea-Bissau          | 10    | Myanmar                       | 34    | Turkey                        | 68     | Somalia                       | 42    |
| Belarus                       | 46    | Dem. Rep. of Congo     | 9     | Nigeria                       | 19    | China                         | 67     | Pakistan                      | 30    |
| Ukraine                       | 45    | Nigeria                | 7     | Afghanistan                   | 15    | Pakistan                      | 62     | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 13    |
| Kyrgyzstan                    | 37    | Sierra Leone           | 7     | Uganda                        | 12    | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 35     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 12    |
| Iraq                          | 27    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 6     | Cameroon                      | 11    | Nigeria                       | 22     | Morocco                       | 10    |
| Pakistan                      | 27    | Russian Fed.           | 5     | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 9     | Myanmar                       | 21     | Tunisia                       | 10    |
| Afghanistan                   | 25    | Georgia                | *     | China                         | 7     | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 19     | Algeria                       | 9     |
| Slovakia                      |       | Slovenia               |       | Spain                         |       | Sweden                        |        | Switzerland                   |       |
| Afghanistan                   | 76    | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 28    | Cuba                          | 406   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 7,907  | Sri Lanka                     | 892   |
| Georgia                       | 66    | Turkey                 | 27    | Nigeria                       | 237   | Somalia                       | 5,560  | Afghanistan                   | 632   |
| Russian Fed.                  | 65    | Bosnia-Herzegovina     | 24    | Algeria                       | 175   | Afghanistan                   | 2,397  | Georgia                       | 531   |
| Rep. of Moldova               | 41    | Afghanistan            | 23    | Guinea                        | 166   | Iraq                          | 1,978  | Iraq                          | 501   |
| India                         | 38    | Nigeria                | 11    | Cameroon                      | 155   | Eritrea                       | 1,444  | Turkey                        | 462   |
| China                         | 35    | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 10    | Colombia                      | 123   | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 1,183  | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 403   |
| Pakistan                      | 34    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 9     | Côte d'Ivoire                 | 119   | Stateless                     | 1,026  | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 387   |
| Viet Nam                      | 32    | Russian Fed.           | 8     | Morocco                       | 116   | Russian Fed.                  | 987    | China                         | 333   |
| Somalia                       | 23    | Somalia                | 8     | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 101   | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 908    | Russian Fed.                  | 315   |
| Ukraine                       | 21    | Sudan                  | 8     | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 88    | Mongolia                      | 727    | Algeria                       | 313   |
| TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> |       | Turkey                 |       | United Kingdom                |       | United States <sup>(3)</sup>  |        |                               |       |
| Somalia                       | 18    | Iraq                   | 3,656 | Afghanistan                   | 1,835 | China                         | 12,850 |                               |       |
| Eritrea                       | 5     | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 2,881 | Sri Lanka                     | 1,625 | Mexico                        | 4,225  |                               |       |
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | *     | Afghanistan            | 1,248 | China                         | 1,215 | El Salvador                   | 2,703  |                               |       |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina            | *     | Somalia                | 448   | Nigeria                       | 1,100 | Guatemala                     | 2,235  |                               |       |
| Iraq                          | *     | Kyrgyzstan             | 246   | Eritrea                       | 760   | Ethiopia                      | 1,163  |                               |       |
| Russian Fed.                  | *     | Uzbekistan             | 101   | Somalia                       | 675   | Haiti                         | 1,074  |                               |       |
| Algeria                       | *     | Dem. Rep. of Congo     | 66    | Sudan                         | 640   | Nepal                         | 1,063  |                               |       |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran          | *     | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 64    | India                         | 600   | Honduras                      | 1,036  |                               |       |
| Morocco                       | *     | Sudan                  | 48    | Bangladesh                    | 495   | Russian Fed.                  | 817    |                               |       |
| Syrian Arab Rep.              | *     | Pakistan               | 42    | Iraq                          | 475   | India                         | 720    |                               |       |

<sup>1</sup> Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)).<sup>2</sup> The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.<sup>3</sup> Combination of cases (DHS) and persons (EOIR).

**TABLE 23 Top-10 populations of origin of asylum applicants by country of asylum | 2011**

Covering 44 industrialized countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Albania                |       | Australia                   |       | Austria                |       | Belgium                       |       | Bosnia and Herzegovina        |        |
|------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 8     | Islamic Rep. of Iran        | 2,156 | Afghanistan            | 3,623 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 3,067 | Algeria                       | 9      |
| Somalia                | *     | Afghanistan                 | 1,721 | Russian Fed.           | 2,319 | Afghanistan                   | 2,773 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 8      |
| Iraq                   | *     | China                       | 1,188 | Pakistan               | 952   | Guinea                        | 2,046 | Morocco                       | 6      |
| China                  | *     | Pakistan                    | 817   | Somalia                | 611   | Iraq                          | 2,004 | Pakistan                      | *      |
| Pakistan               | *     | India                       | 765   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 541   | Russian Fed.                  | 1,747 | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | *      |
| Bangladesh             | *     | Stateless                   | 530   | Iraq                   | 484   | Albania                       | 1,152 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | *      |
| Algeria                | *     | Iraq                        | 491   | India                  | 463   | TFYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 1,117 | Afghanistan                   | *      |
|                        |       | Egypt                       | 417   | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 457   | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 1,084 | Cameroon                      | *      |
|                        |       | Sri Lanka                   | 370   | Algeria                | 446   | Pakistan                      | 924   | Tunisia                       | *      |
|                        |       | Fiji                        | 276   | Syrian Arab Rep.       | 423   | Armenia                       | 556   | Somalia                       | *      |
| Bulgaria               |       | Canada                      |       | Croatia                |       | Cyprus                        |       | Czech Republic                |        |
| Iraq                   | 344   | Hungary                     | 4,409 | Afghanistan            | 487   | Viet Nam                      | 212   | Ukraine                       | 101    |
| Afghanistan            | 92    | China                       | 1,853 | Pakistan               | 70    | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 187   | Belarus                       | 38     |
| Syrian Arab Rep.       | 85    | Colombia                    | 892   | Somalia                | 42    | Egypt                         | 184   | Viet Nam                      | 27     |
| Stateless              | 66    | Namibia                     | 831   | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 40    | Bangladesh                    | 182   | Afghanistan                   | 25     |
| Somalia                | 42    | Pakistan                    | 828   | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 19    | Pakistan                      | 148   | Russian Fed.                  | 25     |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 37    | India                       | 751   | Russian Fed.           | 15    | India                         | 134   | Uzbekistan                    | 24     |
| Armenia                | 37    | Nigeria                     | 685   | Libya                  | 14    | Sri Lanka                     | 114   | Myanmar                       | 23     |
| Pakistan               | 27    | St Vincent & the Grenadines | 654   | Tunisia                | 14    | Nepal                         | 102   | Kyrgyzstan                    | 21     |
| Algeria                | 23    | Mexico                      | 653   | Morocco                | 13    | Philippines                   | 84    | Cuba                          | 20     |
| Morocco                | 20    | Sri Lanka                   | 629   | Turkey                 | 9     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 68    | Turkey                        | 17     |
| Denmark                |       | Estonia                     |       | Finland                |       | France                        |       | Germany                       |        |
| Afghanistan            | 903   | Dem. Rep. of Congo          | 11    | Iraq                   | 588   | Russian Fed.                  | 4,042 | Afghanistan                   | 7,767  |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 461   | Afghanistan                 | 8     | Somalia                | 365   | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 3,804 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 5,974  |
| Syrian Arab Rep.       | 428   | Armenia                     | 7     | Russian Fed.           | 294   | Armenia                       | 3,638 | Iraq                          | 5,831  |
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 325   | Georgia                     | 6     | Afghanistan            | 292   | Bangladesh                    | 3,568 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 3,352  |
| Russian Fed.           | 304   | Russian Fed.                | *     | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 160   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 3,458 | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 2,634  |
| Iraq                   | 115   | Belarus                     | *     | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 125   | Sri Lanka                     | 3,183 | Pakistan                      | 2,539  |
| Somalia                | 107   | Somalia                     | *     | Syrian Arab Rep.       | 109   | China                         | 2,184 | Russian Fed.                  | 1,689  |
| Algeria                | 103   | Libya                       | *     | Nigeria                | 105   | Guinea                        | 2,017 | Turkey                        | 1,578  |
| Occup. Palest. Territ. | 68    | Stateless                   | *     | Belarus                | 83    | Haiti                         | 2,010 | TFYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 1,131  |
| Libya                  | 67    | Cameroon                    | *     | Turkey                 | 74    | Turkey                        | 1,737 | Somalia                       | 984    |
| Greece                 |       | Hungary                     |       | Iceland                |       | Ireland                       |       | Italy                         |        |
| Pakistan               | 2,309 | Afghanistan                 | 649   | Russian Fed.           | 7     | Nigeria                       | 182   | Unknown                       | 16,008 |
| Georgia                | 1,121 | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>       | 238   | Nigeria                | 6     | Pakistan                      | 175   | Tunisia                       | 3,531  |
| Afghanistan            | 637   | Pakistan                    | 121   | Algeria                | 5     | China                         | 142   | Nigeria                       | 2,876  |
| Bangladesh             | 615   | Syrian Arab Rep.            | 91    | Iraq                   | 5     | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | 70    | Ghana                         | 1,263  |
| China                  | 406   | Somalia                     | 61    | Georgia                | *     | Afghanistan                   | 67    | Pakistan                      | 1,150  |
| Senegal                | 375   | Algeria                     | 56    | India                  | *     | Zimbabwe                      | 67    | Mali                          | 1,001  |
| Nigeria                | 362   | Iraq                        | 54    | Ethiopia               | *     | Algeria                       | 48    | Côte d'Ivoire                 | 935    |
| Syrian Arab Rep.       | 352   | Occup. Palest. Territ.      | 36    | Belarus                | *     | South Africa                  | 45    | Afghanistan                   | 880    |
| Egypt                  | 306   | Islamic Rep. of Iran        | 33    | Afghanistan            | *     | Albania                       | 34    | Bangladesh                    | 734    |
| Albania                | 276   | Morocco                     | 30    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | *     | Rep. of Moldova               | 28    | Somalia                       | 513    |
| Japan <sup>(1)</sup>   |       | Latvia                      |       | Liechtenstein          |       | Lithuania                     |       | Luxembourg                    |        |
| Myanmar                | 489   | Georgia                     | 176   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 31    | Georgia                       | 202   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 1,097  |
| Nepal                  | 250   | Dem. Rep. of Congo          | 39    | Russian Fed.           | 14    | Russian Fed.                  | 58    | TFYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 446    |
| Turkey                 | 235   | Russian Fed.                | 18    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | *     | Afghanistan                   | 45    | Montenegro                    | 103    |
| Sri Lanka              | 226   | Islamic Rep. of Iran        | 16    | Afghanistan            | *     | Kyrgyzstan                    | 30    | Bosnia-Herzegovina            | 51     |
| Pakistan               | 170   | Syrian Arab Rep.            | 16    | Nigeria                | *     | Armenia                       | 28    | Russian Fed.                  | 49     |
| Bangladesh             | 98    | Cameroon                    | 10    | Kyrgyzstan             | *     | Belarus                       | 12    | Iraq                          | 43     |
| Nigeria                | 51    | Lebanon                     | 10    | Georgia                | *     | Uzbekistan                    | 7     | Tunisia                       | 42     |
| India                  | 51    | Turkey                      | 5     | Stateless              | *     | Stateless                     | *     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 35     |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 48    | Côte d'Ivoire               | 5     | Turkmenistan           | *     | Tajikistan                    | *     | Algeria                       | 30     |
| Cameroon               | 48    | Libya                       | 5     | Armenia                | *     | Dem. Rep. of Congo            | *     | Albania                       | 27     |

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TABLE 23

## Top-10 populations of origin of asylum applicants by country of asylum | 2011 (ctnd)

Covering 44 industrialized countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

An asterisk (\*) denotes between 1 and 4 applications.

| Malta                         |       | Montenegro             |       | Netherlands                   |       | New Zealand                   |        | Norway                        |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|-------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Somalia                       | 454   | Morocco                | 84    | Afghanistan                   | 1,885 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 29     | Somalia                       | 2,216 |
| Eritrea                       | 306   | Algeria                | 65    | Iraq                          | 1,435 | Fiji                          | 29     | Eritrea                       | 1,256 |
| Nigeria                       | 246   | Tunisia                | 31    | Somalia                       | 1,415 | Pakistan                      | 22     | Afghanistan                   | 979   |
| Syrian Arab Rep.              | 122   | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 21    | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 929   | Bahrain                       | 22     | Russian Fed.                  | 365   |
| Ethiopia                      | 113   | Afghanistan            | 8     | Armenia                       | 471   | China                         | 20     | Iraq                          | 357   |
| Côte d'Ivoire                 | 110   | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 7     | Eritrea                       | 458   | Egypt                         | 20     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 355   |
| Mali                          | 92    | Libya                  | *     | Russian Fed.                  | 451   | Sri Lanka                     | 19     | Ethiopia                      | 293   |
| Ghana                         | 76    | Pakistan               | *     | China                         | 276   | South Africa                  | 14     | Stateless                     | 262   |
| Libya                         | 66    | Nigeria                | *     | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 266   | Afghanistan                   | 11     | Nigeria                       | 240   |
| Sudan                         | 58    | Iraq                   | *     | Belarus                       | 256   | Iraq                          | 11     | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 240   |
| Poland                        |       | Portugal               |       | Rep. of Korea                 |       | Romania                       |        | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         |       |
| Russian Fed.                  | 2,784 | Guinea                 | 46    | Pakistan                      | 434   | Algeria                       | 456    | Afghanistan                   | 1,757 |
| Georgia                       | 1,240 | Somalia                | 26    | Sri Lanka                     | 100   | Morocco                       | 219    | Somalia                       | 501   |
| Armenia                       | 162   | Nigeria                | 22    | Uganda                        | 78    | Tunisia                       | 218    | Pakistan                      | 356   |
| Belarus                       | 57    | Côte d'Ivoire          | 18    | Myanmar                       | 64    | Pakistan                      | 144    | Libya                         | 145   |
| Ukraine                       | 39    | Dem. Rep. of Congo     | 14    | Afghanistan                   | 60    | Afghanistan                   | 107    | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 129   |
| Kyrgyzstan                    | 35    | Colombia               | 13    | Nigeria                       | 39    | Rep. of Moldova               | 61     | Morocco                       | 95    |
| Afghanistan                   | 29    | Pakistan               | 11    | Bangladesh                    | 38    | Iraq                          | 59     | Tunisia                       | 77    |
| Viet Nam                      | 25    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 11    | Côte d'Ivoire                 | 36    | China                         | 47     | Algeria                       | 65    |
| Iraq                          | 20    | Guinea-Bissau          | 11    | Kyrgyzstan                    | 28    | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 43     | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 37    |
| Kazakhstan                    | 17    | Russian Fed.           | 8     | Liberia                       | 20    | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 36     | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 33    |
| Slovakia                      |       | Slovenia               |       | Spain                         |       | Sweden                        |        | Switzerland                   |       |
| Somalia                       | 76    | Afghanistan            | 57    | Côte d'Ivoire                 | 550   | Afghanistan                   | 4,120  | Eritrea                       | 3,224 |
| Afghanistan                   | 73    | Turkey                 | 39    | Cuba                          | 440   | Somalia                       | 3,979  | Tunisia                       | 2,324 |
| Georgia                       | 57    | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>  | 35    | Nigeria                       | 259   | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 3,915  | Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 1,539 |
| Russian Fed.                  | 35    | Pakistan               | 26    | Guinea                        | 150   | Eritrea                       | 1,649  | Nigeria                       | 1,303 |
| Rep. of Moldova               | 33    | Tunisia                | 24    | Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 131   | Iraq                          | 1,634  | Afghanistan                   | 1,006 |
| India                         | 19    | Somalia                | 17    | Western Sahara                | 131   | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 1,118  | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 838   |
| Viet Nam                      | 17    | Syrian Arab Rep.       | 10    | Cameroon                      | 129   | Stateless                     | 1,105  | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 688   |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 13    | Morocco                | 9     | Algeria                       | 122   | Bosnia-Herzegovina            | 981    | China                         | 688   |
| China                         | 12    | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 8     | Colombia                      | 104   | Russian Fed.                  | 930    | Somalia                       | 558   |
| Pakistan                      | 11    | Algeria                | 8     | Syrian Arab Rep.              | 97    | TfYR Macedonia <sup>(2)</sup> | 885    | Turkey                        | 508   |
| TfYR Macedonia <sup>(3)</sup> |       | Turkey                 |       | United Kingdom                |       | United States <sup>(4)</sup>  |        |                               |       |
| Afghanistan                   | 427   | Iraq                   | 7,912 | Pakistan                      | 3,945 | China                         | 15,450 |                               |       |
| Pakistan                      | 172   | Islamic Rep. of Iran   | 3,411 | Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 3,045 | Mexico                        | 8,186  |                               |       |
| Somalia                       | 53    | Afghanistan            | 2,486 | Sri Lanka                     | 2,125 | El Salvador                   | 4,011  |                               |       |
| Occup. Palest. Territ.        | 15    | Somalia                | 744   | Afghanistan                   | 1,525 | Guatemala                     | 3,363  |                               |       |
| Iraq                          | 13    | Syrian Arab Rep.       | 188   | Libya                         | 1,185 | India                         | 2,457  |                               |       |
| India                         | 11    | Kyrgyzstan             | 169   | Nigeria                       | 1,055 | Honduras                      | 1,528  |                               |       |
| Islamic Rep. of Iran          | 10    | Occup. Palest. Territ. | 157   | China                         | 920   | Nepal                         | 1,384  |                               |       |
| Morocco                       | 8     | Uzbekistan             | 147   | Eritrea                       | 835   | Haiti                         | 1,348  |                               |       |
| Sudan                         | 6     | Dem. Rep. of Congo     | 76    | Sudan                         | 790   | Egypt                         | 1,131  |                               |       |
| Serbia <sup>(1)</sup>         | 5     | Yemen                  | 72    | Zimbabwe                      | 735   | Ethiopia                      | 1,056  |                               |       |

<sup>1</sup> Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)).

<sup>2</sup> The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

<sup>3</sup> UNHCR estimates.

<sup>4</sup> Combination of cases (DHS) and persons (EOIR).

**TABLE 24 Monthly asylum applications lodged in 44 industrialized countries | 2011**

Covering 44 countries which provided monthly data to UNHCR.

| Asylum country                         | Jan.          | Feb.          | Mar.          | Apr.          | May           | Jun.          | Jul.          | Aug.          | Sep.          | Oct.          | Nov.          | Dec.          | Change Nov-Dec |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Albania                                | 4             | 8             | -             | -             | 1             | -             | 1             | 2             | -             | -             | -             | 1             | ..             |
| Australia                              | 1,059         | 715           | 849           | 848           | 947           | 537           | 543           | 1,000         | 1,226         | 1,170         | 1,349         | 1,270         | -6%            |
| Austria                                | 882           | 908           | 967           | 980           | 996           | 1,079         | 1,499         | 1,588         | 1,460         | 1,570         | 1,243         | 1,254         | 1%             |
| Belgium                                | 1,934         | 1,931         | 2,395         | 2,105         | 1,876         | 1,738         | 1,848         | 2,339         | 2,629         | 2,718         | 2,272         | 2,199         | -3%            |
| Bosnia and H.                          | 3             | 2             | 5             | -             | -             | 7             | 5             | 10            | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             | 0%             |
| Bulgaria                               | 115           | 91            | 68            | 63            | 62            | 67            | 71            | 87            | 66            | 81            | 79            | 40            | -49%           |
| Canada                                 | 1,875         | 1,936         | 2,138         | 1,836         | 1,815         | 1,916         | 1,529         | 2,127         | 2,712         | 2,745         | 2,622         | 2,096         | -20%           |
| Croatia                                | 38            | 48            | 41            | 31            | 92            | 76            | 64            | 54            | 52            | 85            | 126           | 100           | -21%           |
| Cyprus                                 | 184           | 147           | 127           | 124           | 163           | 149           | 130           | 121           | 195           | 178           | 166           | 81            | -51%           |
| Czech Rep.                             | 36            | 32            | 42            | 35            | 40            | 29            | 46            | 40            | 59            | 52            | 52            | 29            | -44%           |
| Denmark                                | 365           | 277           | 317           | 286           | 285           | 254           | 256           | 275           | 342           | 402           | 353           | 399           | 13%            |
| Estonia                                | 4             | 7             | 4             | 6             | 8             | 5             | 10            | 6             | 9             | 4             | 3             | 1             | -67%           |
| Finland                                | 258           | 210           | 244           | 200           | 225           | 237           | 238           | 279           | 327           | 309           | 284           | 274           | -4%            |
| France                                 | 4,153         | 4,323         | 4,910         | 4,778         | 4,618         | 4,103         | 4,202         | 3,680         | 4,183         | 4,583         | 3,921         | 4,459         | 14%            |
| Germany                                | 3,901         | 3,370         | 3,625         | 3,031         | 3,501         | 3,255         | 3,556         | 4,065         | 4,190         | 4,184         | 4,889         | 4,174         | -15%           |
| Greece                                 | 606           | 920           | 1,003         | 453           | 815           | 685           | 989           | 650           | 789           | 742           | 873           | 786           | -10%           |
| Hungary                                | 117           | 88            | 136           | 164           | 105           | 158           | 106           | 132           | 118           | 168           | 226           | 175           | -23%           |
| Iceland                                | -             | 3             | 6             | 7             | 14            | 2             | 5             | 8             | 8             | 7             | 5             | 8             | 60%            |
| Ireland                                | 133           | 125           | 127           | 87            | 100           | 114           | 111           | 113           | 95            | 72            | 117           | 96            | -18%           |
| Italy*                                 | 589           | 1,623         | 1,775         | 1,458         | 3,304         | 2,111         | 1,515         | 1,230         | 1,439         | 1,259         | 984           | 822           | -16%           |
| Japan                                  | 110           | 157           | 137           | 198           | 128           | 140           | 165           | 154           | 163           | 187           | 168           | 160           | -5%            |
| Latvia                                 | 3             | 18            | 4             | 16            | 39            | 25            | 59            | 49            | 55            | 28            | 27            | 12            | -56%           |
| Liechtenstein                          | 9             | 4             | 14            | 9             | 3             | 6             | 1             | 19            | 2             | 3             | 3             | 1             | -67%           |
| Lithuania                              | 12            | 29            | 25            | 10            | 16            | 17            | 27            | 70            | 39            | 44            | 48            | 69            | 44%            |
| Luxembourg                             | 116           | 147           | 237           | 147           | 134           | 114           | 158           | 221           | 312           | 219           | 179           | 178           | -1%            |
| Malta                                  | 8             | 9             | 28            | 1,126         | 367           | 94            | 23            | 15            | 19            | 74            | 32            | 58            | 81%            |
| Montenegro                             | 2             | 9             | 12            | 11            | 18            | 44            | 24            | 21            | 21            | 20            | 18            | 35            | 94%            |
| Netherlands                            | 1,051         | 918           | 893           | 820           | 1,049         | 979           | 1,015         | 1,053         | 1,015         | 1,049         | 956           | 792           | -17%           |
| New Zealand                            | 23            | 25            | 27            | 28            | 42            | 20            | 25            | 20            | 31            | 26            | 27            | 11            | -59%           |
| Norway                                 | 813           | 644           | 686           | 665           | 878           | 816           | 721           | 824           | 891           | 768           | 670           | 677           | 1%             |
| Poland                                 | 126           | 259           | 331           | 294           | 355           | 387           | 373           | 589           | 525           | 720           | 658           | 573           | -13%           |
| Portugal                               | 10            | 20            | 13            | 16            | 22            | 15            | 31            | 22            | 39            | 25            | 15            | 47            | 213%           |
| Rep. of Korea                          | 60            | 42            | 56            | 83            | 74            | 71            | 72            | 92            | 69            | 148           | 109           | 135           | 24%            |
| Romania                                | 49            | 86            | 123           | 94            | 93            | 108           | 254           | 191           | 134           | 256           | 210           | 122           | -42%           |
| Serbia (and Kosovo: S/RES/1244 (1999)) | 128           | 201           | 223           | 273           | 293           | 407           | 348           | 424           | 377           | 224           | 253           | 169           | -33%           |
| - of which Kosovo                      | 31            | 61            | 18            | 22            | 10            | 10            | 6             | 5             | 2             | 5             | 13            | 5             | -62%           |
| Slovakia                               | 33            | 43            | 29            | 22            | 37            | 39            | 43            | 41            | 37            | 61            | 39            | 23            | -41%           |
| Slovenia                               | 31            | 33            | 28            | 13            | 22            | 47            | 21            | 15            | 29            | 25            | 12            | 31            | 158%           |
| Spain                                  | 238           | 333           | 366           | 430           | 363           | 217           | 173           | 281           | 371           | 260           | 206           | 176           | -15%           |
| Sweden                                 | 1,963         | 1,948         | 2,303         | 2,040         | 2,378         | 1,963         | 2,063         | 2,567         | 2,795         | 3,022         | 3,112         | 3,494         | 12%            |
| Switzerland                            | 1,058         | 1,062         | 1,602         | 1,303         | 2,019         | 1,436         | 1,468         | 1,485         | 1,774         | 1,826         | 2,219         | 2,187         | -1%            |
| The former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia  | 64            | 37            | 47            | 78            | 77            | 62            | 40            | 80            | 93            | 38            | 42            | 82            | 95%            |
| Turkey                                 | 914           | 848           | 891           | 713           | 785           | 1,030         | 1,167         | 1,501         | 1,345         | 1,365         | 1,186         | 4,276         | 261%           |
| United Kingdom                         | 2,045         | 1,890         | 2,140         | 1,940         | 2,005         | 2,155         | 2,285         | 2,000         | 2,160         | 2,115         | 2,540         | 2,135         | -16%           |
| United States                          | 5,546         | 5,002         | 6,753         | 5,672         | 6,362         | 7,329         | 6,011         | 6,875         | 6,026         | 6,170         | 6,200         | 6,073         | -2%            |
| <b>EU-"Old" <sup>(15)</sup></b>        | <b>18,244</b> | <b>18,943</b> | <b>21,315</b> | <b>18,771</b> | <b>21,671</b> | <b>19,019</b> | <b>19,939</b> | <b>20,363</b> | <b>22,146</b> | <b>22,529</b> | <b>21,944</b> | <b>21,285</b> | <b>-3%</b>     |
| <b>EU-"New" <sup>(12)</sup></b>        | <b>718</b>    | <b>842</b>    | <b>945</b>    | <b>1,967</b>  | <b>1,307</b>  | <b>1,125</b>  | <b>1,163</b>  | <b>1,356</b>  | <b>1,285</b>  | <b>1,691</b>  | <b>1,552</b>  | <b>1,214</b>  | <b>-22%</b>    |
| <b>EU-Total <sup>(27)</sup></b>        | <b>18,962</b> | <b>19,785</b> | <b>22,260</b> | <b>20,738</b> | <b>22,978</b> | <b>20,144</b> | <b>21,102</b> | <b>21,719</b> | <b>23,431</b> | <b>24,220</b> | <b>23,496</b> | <b>22,499</b> | <b>-4%</b>     |
| <b>Nordic countries <sup>(5)</sup></b> | <b>3,399</b>  | <b>3,082</b>  | <b>3,556</b>  | <b>3,198</b>  | <b>3,780</b>  | <b>3,272</b>  | <b>3,283</b>  | <b>3,953</b>  | <b>4,363</b>  | <b>4,508</b>  | <b>4,424</b>  | <b>4,852</b>  | <b>10%</b>     |
| <b>Western Europe <sup>(19)</sup></b>  | <b>20,124</b> | <b>20,656</b> | <b>23,623</b> | <b>20,755</b> | <b>24,585</b> | <b>21,279</b> | <b>22,134</b> | <b>22,699</b> | <b>24,821</b> | <b>25,133</b> | <b>24,841</b> | <b>24,158</b> | <b>-3%</b>     |
| <b>Southern Europe <sup>(8)</sup></b>  | <b>2,553</b>  | <b>3,908</b>  | <b>4,203</b>  | <b>4,320</b>  | <b>5,820</b>  | <b>4,301</b>  | <b>4,029</b>  | <b>3,822</b>  | <b>4,197</b>  | <b>3,903</b>  | <b>3,462</b>  | <b>6,247</b>  | <b>80%</b>     |
| <b>Total Europe <sup>(38)</sup></b>    | <b>21,995</b> | <b>22,651</b> | <b>25,787</b> | <b>23,828</b> | <b>27,158</b> | <b>24,030</b> | <b>24,946</b> | <b>26,147</b> | <b>27,997</b> | <b>28,559</b> | <b>28,021</b> | <b>30,038</b> | <b>7%</b>      |
| <b>Canada/USA</b>                      | <b>7,421</b>  | <b>6,938</b>  | <b>8,891</b>  | <b>7,508</b>  | <b>8,177</b>  | <b>9,245</b>  | <b>7,540</b>  | <b>9,002</b>  | <b>8,738</b>  | <b>8,915</b>  | <b>8,822</b>  | <b>8,169</b>  | <b>-7%</b>     |
| <b>Australia/New Z.</b>                | <b>1,082</b>  | <b>740</b>    | <b>876</b>    | <b>876</b>    | <b>989</b>    | <b>557</b>    | <b>568</b>    | <b>1,020</b>  | <b>1,257</b>  | <b>1,196</b>  | <b>1,376</b>  | <b>1,281</b>  | <b>-7%</b>     |
| <b>Japan/Rep. of Korea</b>             | <b>170</b>    | <b>199</b>    | <b>193</b>    | <b>281</b>    | <b>202</b>    | <b>211</b>    | <b>237</b>    | <b>246</b>    | <b>232</b>    | <b>335</b>    | <b>277</b>    | <b>295</b>    | <b>6%</b>      |
| <b>Total non-Europe <sup>(6)</sup></b> | <b>8,673</b>  | <b>7,877</b>  | <b>9,960</b>  | <b>8,665</b>  | <b>9,368</b>  | <b>10,013</b> | <b>8,345</b>  | <b>10,268</b> | <b>10,227</b> | <b>10,446</b> | <b>10,475</b> | <b>9,745</b>  | <b>-7%</b>     |
| <b>Total <sup>(44)</sup></b>           | <b>30,668</b> | <b>30,528</b> | <b>35,747</b> | <b>32,493</b> | <b>36,526</b> | <b>34,043</b> | <b>33,291</b> | <b>36,415</b> | <b>38,224</b> | <b>39,005</b> | <b>38,496</b> | <b>39,783</b> | <b>3%</b>      |

**Notes**

\* This table excludes some 16,000 asylum applications lodged in Italy in 2011 due to lack of detailed data.

See notes Table 1.



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the island of Lampedusa to disembark 142 persons, including  
some asylum-seekers, mostly from West Africa. Their boat  
sank on its way from North Africa to Lampedusa.

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