EUROPE
2019 Asylum Trends

	2017	2018	2019	2019 % change over 2018	2019 Top country of origin in EU+	2019 Top EU+ country (Total / Share of EU+)
Asylum applicants	735 005	665 920	**738 425**	**+11%**	**Syria (11%)**	**Germany (165 615 / 22%)**
Pending cases at end of year	954 100	906 780	**911 885**	**+1%**	**Afghanistan (12%)**	**Germany (326 770 / 36%)**
Unaccompanied minors	32 355	20 430	**17 730**	**-13%**	**Afghanistan (28%)**	**United Kingdom (3 650 / 21%)**
Decisions at first instance	984 965	601 430	**584 770**	**-3%**	**Syria (12%)**	**Germany (154 175 / 26%)**
Refugee status granted at first instance	228 705	129 690	**128 705**	**-1%**	**Syria (29%)**	**Germany (45 050 / 35%)**
Subsidiary protection granted at first instance	156 590	63 105	**54 460**	**-14%**	**Syria (41%)**	**Germany (19 415 / 36%)**
Humanitarian protection granted at first instance	71 735	41 435	**50 755**	**+22%**	**Venezuela (69%)**	**Spain (35 240 / 69%)**
Rejections at first instance	527 935	367 200	**350 850**	**-4%**	**Nigeria (7%)**	**France (85 750 / 24%)**
Resettled persons to Member State	27 680	28 430	**30 725**	**+8%**	**Syria (62%)**	**United Kingdom (5 610 / 18%)**

- *EU+ includes EU27, United Kingdom (an EU Member State in 2019), Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.*
- *Data accurate as at 7 May 2020.*

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