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2020 Asylum Trends



	2018	2019	2020	2020		
				% change from 2019	Share of EU+ (Rank)	Top country of origin (proportion)
Asylum applicants	3 670	4 780	1 565	-67%	0.3% (19 th)	Nigeria (13%)
Pending cases at end of year	7 060	7 330	6 795	-7%	0.9% (12 th)	Nigeria (12%)
Applications by unaccompanied minors	15	50	30	-40%	0.2% (22 nd)	Somalia (50%)
Decisions at first instance	1 175	1 870	1 275	-32%	0.2% (17 th)	Zimbabwe (11%)
Refugee status granted at first instance	630	585	620	+6%	0.6% (14 th)	Zimbabwe (13%)
Subsidiary protection at first instance	180	120	120	+0%	0.2% (18 th)	Afghanistan (21%)
Humanitarian protection granted at first instance	195	265	200	-25%	0.3% (8 th)	Nigeria (18%)
Rejections at first instance	170	895	330	-63%	0.1% (22 nd)	Albania (27%)
Resettled persons from third countries	340	785	195	-75%	1.8% (9 th)	Syria (100%)

Recognition Rate **74%**

- EU+ includes EU27, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.
- Data accurate as at 28 April 2021.
- Recognition rates present the percentage of positive decisions (including authorisations to stay under national law for humanitarian reasons) out of all decisions at first instance.