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What is the Danish Immigration Service?

The Danish Immigration Service is an institution within the **Ministry of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs** (in this publication for easy reference: The Ministry for Integration).

The Danish Immigration Service administrates the Danish Aliens Act: In other words, it handles applications for asylum, family reunification, work permits, visas, etc. In addition, the Danish Immigration Service is engaged in a wide range of other activities relating to the asylum and immigration area, including the task of accommodating asylum-seekers.

Reference is made to the following page in this publication "About the Danish Immigration Service" for further information about the main activities of the Service and on www.udlst.dk where you can find information about the possibilities for foreign nationals to enter and reside in Denmark.

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Statistical Overview 2003

The aim of this overview published by the Danish Immigration Service is to present a number of key figures regarding asylum, family reunification and immigration. The emphasis is on overall changes in 2003 and on the overall development during the period 1994-2003 (see annexed tables). For a monthly update of the main figures in this overview, reference is made to the statistical section of the homepage of the Danish Immigration Service www.udlst.dk. This manuscript was completed in April 2004.

English Version

Summary:

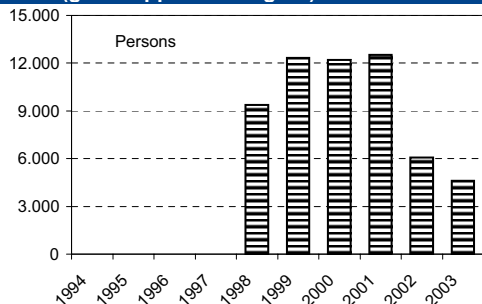
- The total number of persons applying for asylum in Denmark was 4.593 in 2003 compared to 6.068 in 2002 and 12.512 in 2001. Thus, the figure continued to decrease in 2003 and is now down to a third of the level of 2001.
- The Danish Immigration Service made in 2003 a total of 3.453 decisions on asylum applications processed in Denmark. The recognition rate stood at 22 % in 2003 compared to 28 % in 2002 and 53 % in 2001. Consequently, the recognition rate is more than halved since 2001.
- A total of 2.447 persons were granted refugee status or other status in 2003. This compares to 4.069 in 2002 and 6.263 in 2001, representing a decrease of 60 % from 2001 to 2003. The decrease is a logic consequence of the decrease in the asylum application figures and the recognition rate.
- The total number of persons applying for family reunification in Denmark continued to decrease in 2003 – from 15.370 in 2001 to 11.250 in 2002 and 6.520 in 2003. This represents a decrease of 60 % from 2001 to 2003.
- A total of 4.791 persons were granted family reunification in Denmark in 2003 compared to 8.151 in 2002 and 10.950 in 2001 – the number of persons granted family reunification was therefore halved from 2001 to 2003. Most family reunifications were granted to spouses or cohabitants.
- Outside the area of asylum and family reunification, an increase in the number of residence permits on immigration was seen – from 13.191 in 2001 to 15.102 in 2002 and 17.720 in 2003. In 2003, the majority of these residence permits were given on the grounds of education. The number of EC/EEA residence certificates issued increased slightly from 6.041 in 2002 to 6.475 in 2003.
- The number of decisions on visa applications submitted to the Danish Immigration Service decreased from 27.709 in 2001 to 23.266 in 2002 and 19.700 in 2003. Approximately 60 % were granted a visa in 2003. In addition, around 49.000 visas were issued directly by Danish representations abroad in 2003.

Overview of all residence permits granted in Denmark 1994 - 2003 *

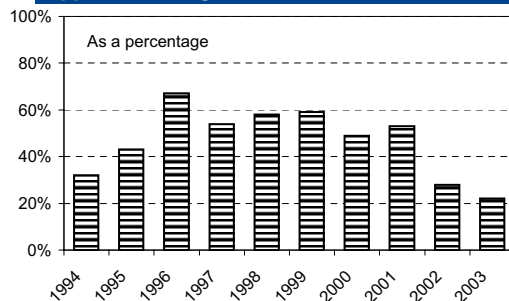
| Category | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Asylum or other status (A) | 2.818 | 20.347 | 8.717 | 5.925 | 4.758 | 4.443 | 5.156 | 6.263 | 4.069 | 2.447 |
| Refugee status | 2.508 | 19.931 | 6.387 | 4.940 | 4.442 | 4.223 | 4.388 | 5.742 | 3.489 | 1.852 |
| - of which Geneva Convention | 676 | 4.969 | 1.439 | 976 | 1.102 | 1.105 | 1.327 | 2.020 | 1.267 | 724 |
| - of which B-Status | | | | | | | | | 3 | 83 |
| - of which De facto Status | 1.317 | 14.393 | 4.375 | 3.409 | 2.862 | 2.584 | 2.541 | 3.116 | 1.686 | 519 |
| Other status | 310 | 416 | 2.330 | 985 | 316 | 220 | 768 | 521 | 580 | 595 |
| - of which humanitarian residence perm | 96 | 115 | 76 | 17 | 42 | 39 | 31 | 83 | 45 | 203 |
| - of which exceptional reasons | 214 | 287 | 185 | 67 | 83 | 79 | 389 | 100 | 78 | 67 |
| Family reunification (B) | 6.017 | 6.327 | 8.727 | 7.708 | 9.687 | 9.422 | 10.021 | 10.950 | 8.151 | 4.791 |
| - of which spouses and cohabitants | 4.436 | 4.580 | 6.112 | 5.665 | 6.442 | 6.637 | 6.399 | 6.499 | 4.880 | 2.538 |
| Other residence permits (C) | 7.091 | 7.425 | 9.001 | 9.953 | 10.488 | 9.674 | 11.229 | 13.191 | 15.102 | 17.720 |
| EC/EEA residence certif. (D) | 4.342 | 3.780 | 5.887 | 5.919 | 6.101 | 5.706 | 5.925 | 5.950 | 6.041 | 6.475 |
| Total (A+B+C+D) | 20.268 | 37.879 | 32.332 | 29.505 | 31.034 | 29.245 | 32.331 | 36.354 | 33.363 | 31.433 |

* Reference is made to annex 22 for further details.

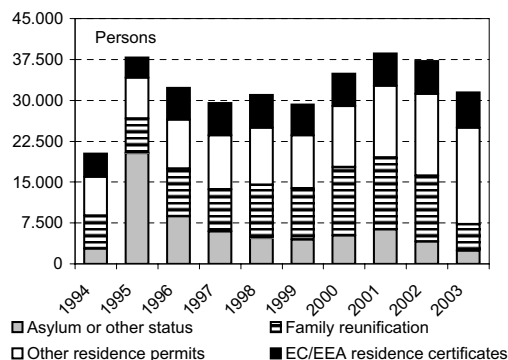
Asylum applications lodged in Denmark (gross application figure) 1998-2003



Recognition rate in the first instance on asylum applications registered in Denmark 1994-2003

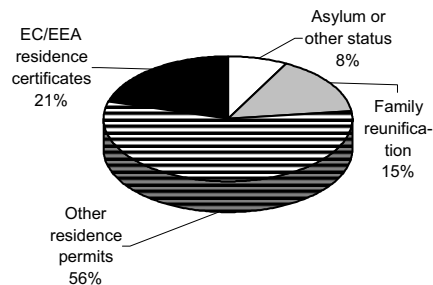


Overview of all residence permits granted in Denmark 1994 - 2003



Overview of all residence permits granted in Denmark 2003

Total: 31.433 persons



About the Danish Immigration Service

(An institution within the Danish Ministry for Integration)

Main figures in 2003

- ❑ **Expenses:** Approx. DKK 193 millions (€ 26 millions)
- ❑ **Accommodation expenses for asylum-seekers:** Approx. DKK 0,8 billion (€ 109 millions) (pre-asylum expenses)

per asylum-seeker/year: Approx. DKK 123,000 (€ 16,600)

- ❑ **Staff:** Approx. 376 persons
*of which 25% in the Asylum Department
of which 40% in the Residence Department
of which 35% in other departments (Administration of the asylum centres, IT, management, allocation of refugees to municipalities, etc.)*

- ❑ **Average duration of processing in the Danish Immigration Service:**

(Indicated for 80 % and 100 % of the cases, respectively)

Asylum applications processed in Denmark: Approx. 1½-2½ months

Applications for family reunification: Approx. 6-9 months

Applications for work and education: 1-2 months

Main activities in 2003

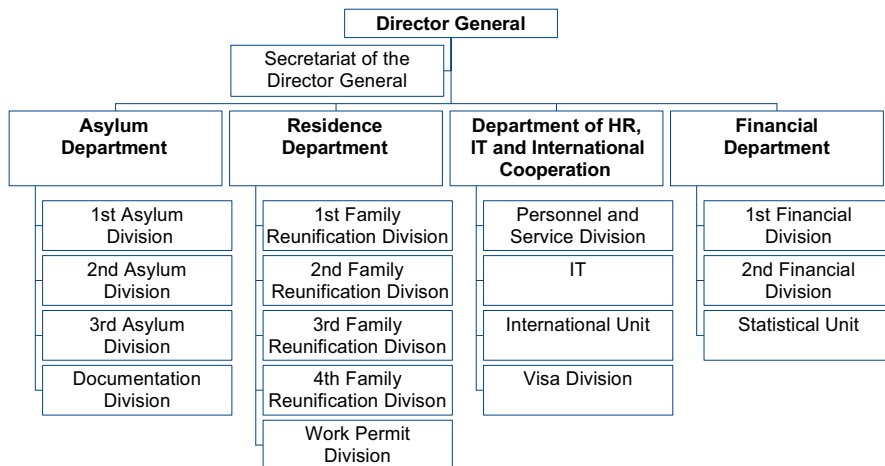
- Examination in the first instance of applications for asylum (and the Dublin-procedure) and for family reunification
- Other residence and work permits
- Withdrawal or revocation of residence and work permits
- Certain cases concerning visas
- Administration of cases concerning expulsion or refusal of entry
- Appeals in EC/EEA cases
- Administration of asylum centres
- Allocation of refugees to municipalities
- Advisory function to the Minister, law preparation
- International co-operation and participation in capacity building projects in Eastern Europe and in CIS-states
- Information on asylum and immigration issues and statistical analysis and projections
- Collection and analysis of background material

Other selected authorities in Denmark

- Ministry for Integration (e.g. responsible for overall asylum and immigration policies, appeals in residence cases, granting of humanitarian residence permits and international activities)
- The National Police (e.g. entry control and registration of asylum-seekers, rejection and return of aliens)
- The Refugee Board (e.g. appeals in asylum cases. The decisions of the Board are final)
- Statistics Denmark (e.g. statistics on non-nationals, naturalisations, population etc.)

The Danish Immigration Service

(Organisation as of April 2004)



Explanatory notes to the publication

The following gives an introduction to the figures in this statistical overview and in general to the policy of the Danish Immigration Service with regard to compiling and disseminating data on asylum, family reunification and immigration. With a view to provide a broader overview, an introduction to migration statistics in Denmark is also included. Finally, some relevant Danish Internet links in this field are provided.

1. Introduction to the figures in this overview

The source and the periodicity of the data:

The compilation of data on asylum, family reunification and immigration is solely based on administrative records (and not surveys, samples etc.) – most notably from the Danish Aliens Register. The data is compiled primarily on a monthly/quarterly basis and is usually available with a delay of 1-2 months. During a given calendar year data is provisional. Final data for a given year is typically published in March/April the following year.

Moreover, the Danish Immigration Service uses statistical information received on a regular basis from a number of Danish and foreign co-operators.

In general, the Danish Immigration Service only publishes *aggregated* figures counted in persons and not in cases. Data is typically flow data.

The Aliens Register and the availability of the data:

The Aliens Register contains information on foreign nationals whose cases are pending or have been examined i.a. under the provisions of the Danish Aliens Act – covering all instances and types of residence permits. The Aliens Register serves as a common working register to all authorities in the asylum, family reunification and immigration field in Denmark (the Danish Immigration Service, the police, the Danish Ministry for Integration, the Refugee Board and the county authorities in Denmark).

The Aliens Register is primarily an electronic registration and filing system. The register became fully operational in 1994 and was an extension of the Asylum Register established in the mid-1980's (visas being the only main exception – a new Visa Register was put into use in 1998 and recently extended). Accordingly, the Aliens Register was not originally designed as an actual statistical system, but is used – via technical systems – to retrieve statistical data for the aliens' authorities in Denmark.

The structure of the Aliens Register is built upon the examination of cases i.a. under the provisions of the Danish Aliens Act. The data in the register is thus restricted to this information. Compiling data from the Aliens Register is cumbersome and possibilities sometimes limited – either for technical reasons or because it involves considerable resources to perform the task.

Information on the definitions of the data

In order to help the reader to interpret and use the tables and figures in this overview, a definition of the data is provided under each subject in question. Moreover, selected footnotes and references to legal definitions, etc., are provided to describe and delimit how the data is compiled.

The quality and sensitivity of the data:

Despite the care which is taken in registering, updating and compiling the data, all figures in this overview – and in general – are subject to the inaccuracies inherent in a large register involving the use of many case-workers and authorities with access to the same recording system. However, the quality of the data from the Aliens Register, etc., is generally high and reliable.

As a main rule, the compilation of data is based on figures directly retrieved from e.g. the Aliens Register – no cell rounding of the data is applied.

The methodology of the compilation of the data (calendar versus cohort data):

The data in this publication is – as is the case in many other States – based on calendar figures. This means that the reference of the data is events occurring in a particular period (e.g. the calendar year 2003) – irrespective of the time of application. This way of compiling the data implies that e.g. decision data for a given year can refer to applications from previous years; the possibility to follow a specific group of applicants through the system is thus not possible using the existing calendar based figures.

In some cases there is, however, a need to view and follow applicants through the system. This is possible using cohort data: Cohort data shows how a specific population of applicants flow through a part of or the whole system. Cohort data is a complicated and certainly more comprehensive way of compiling data.

However, the Danish Immigration Service has in recent years been working on ways of making cohort data available from the Aliens Register. Initially, the Danish Immigration Service plans to make cohort data on *asylum* for the past years available on its homepage on a regular basis as from 2004 – and only as a supplement to the existing calendar based figures on asylum (reference is also made to the section in this overview on cohort asylum data).

2. Introduction to migration statistics in Denmark

The compilation of migration statistics in Denmark is performed by Statistics Denmark. Some of the key figures available on a current basis include data on immigration and emigration, data on non-nationals, data on immigrants and their descendants and data on naturalisations.

The source of the migration statistics in Denmark is primarily the Danish Central Population Register. The Central Population Register contains information on all citizens with Denmark as their place of residence. Citizens entering the country with the legal right to stay for at least three months are registered and counted as immigrants. Citizens giving up their residence in Denmark and leaving the country are counted as emigrants.

The quality of the migration statistics is generally high and reliable. However, the validity of the emigration statistics is to a certain extent blurred by the fact that the incentive to deregister is not always present. The periodicity of the migration statistics is typically quarterly or yearly. Data is published within 2 months after the end of the quarter/year.

It should be noted that the distinction between short time and long time migration, cf. the UN's recommendations for migration statistics, is not applicable in Denmark since this information is not registered. Moreover, no information is available in the statistics on the reason for migrating to Denmark.

3. Comparison of data

Comparison of data on residence permits and immigration:

Data on residence permits in this overview does not directly reflect the level of immigration to Denmark. This is primarily due to the fact that

- 1) Nordic citizens can enter and stay in Denmark without a residence permit,
- 2) Foreign citizens can apply for different types of residence permits subsequently (e.g. a person granted family reunification may also be granted asylum),
- 3) In some cases a residence permit is not used (e.g. the person never enters Denmark).

Despite these qualifications, residence permit data gives an approximate indication of the type of immigration to Denmark.

However, the above-mentioned data on immigration to Denmark published by Statistics Denmark is the only true indicator of immigration to Denmark (see annex 16 in this publication).

Other comments:

Danish figures regarding asylum application data are largely comparable with those of other (northern) European States. As regards asylum decision data, the figures are not directly comparable as the registration varies among European States.

4. Internet links

Key Danish figures on asylum, family reunification and immigration are available on the homepage of the Danish Immigration Service (www.udlst.dk). The homepage is available in a Danish and an English version and is updated on a monthly basis in order to provide the reader with a more updated and timely picture of the migratory trends in Denmark.

In addition, reference can be made to some other relevant Danish websites:

- The Danish Ministry for Integration (www.inm.dk): Publishes a number of overall figures concerning foreigners in Denmark and the integration of foreigners in the Danish society.
- Statistics Denmark (www.dst.dk): Publishes e.g. data on immigration to and emigration from Denmark, data on non-nationals and data on the number of naturalisations in Denmark.
- The Danish Refugee Council (www.drc.dk): Publishes general figures in the asylum, refugees and immigration field as well as data on repatriation, etc.

ASYLUM

A typical asylum-seeker's way through the system

Arrival

1. The Danish Immigration Service evaluates whether Denmark or another EU country is responsible for examination of the asylum application according to the Dublin Convention. If the asylum-seeker has come to Denmark from a non-EU state, the Danish Immigration Service will investigate whether the asylum-seeker can be transferred to that country.

Entry and accommodation

2. Asylum-seekers allowed entry are questioned by the police and transferred to the Sandholm Reception Centre, and accommodated by the Danish Red Cross.
3. Explanation of asylum procedures. Most applicant fill out an application form, which is the basis of the subsequent asylum interview (those asylum-seekers processed in the accelerated manifestly unfounded procedure undergo a special fast processing).

Asylum interview

4. The Danish Immigration Service interviews the asylum-seeker. It is then decided whether the case will continue under the normal procedure or the "manifestly unfounded" procedure.

Normal procedure

5. The Danish Immigration Service assesses whether the case can be decided on the basis available or if further information is required.

A. If the asylum-seeker is granted asylum, he or she is transferred to a municipality for integration.
B. If the asylum-seeker is not granted asylum, he or she may apply for a residence permit on humanitarian grounds (i.e. the case will then be processed in parallel by the Refugee Board and the Ministry for Integration).

Refusal of asylum

6. If the asylum-seeker is refused asylum, the case will be brought before the Refugee Board.
7. An attorney is assigned to the asylum-seeker.
8. Meeting in the Refugee Board. Usually possibility of verbal presentation of case.
9. The Refugee Board may uphold the refusal in which case the refugee has to leave Denmark immediately. The Refugee board can also alter the refusal and grant asylum, cf. item 5.

Dublin Convention

A. If the asylum-seeker has arrived from another EU state, the Danish Immigration Service will request that this state take back the applicant.
B. The asylum-seeker is transferred to that state if this state agrees.
C. The asylum-seeker can register an appeal to the Ministry for Integration, but he or she has **no claim** to remain in Denmark while the appeal is processed.

or

Refusal of entry

A. The notice of refusal of entry, is delivered to the asylum-seeker.
B. The asylum-seeker can appeal the refusal to the Ministry for Integration, but he or she has **no claim** to remain in Denmark while the appeal is being processed.
C. The asylum-seeker is deported as soon as possible.

Manifestly unfounded

A. If the application is deemed manifestly unfounded, the case is referred to the Danish Refugee Council.
B. If the Danish Refugee Council agrees, the asylum-seeker is refused asylum without appeal and has to leave Denmark immediately. If the Danish Refugee Council disagrees, a refusal of asylum will normally be brought before the Refugee Board, cf. item 6.
C. Rejected asylum-seekers can apply for a residence permit on humanitarian grounds, cf. item 10.

Residence permit on humanitarian grounds

10. An application for a residence permit on humanitarian grounds can be lodged with the Minister for Integration.

Asylum applications 1994 - 2003

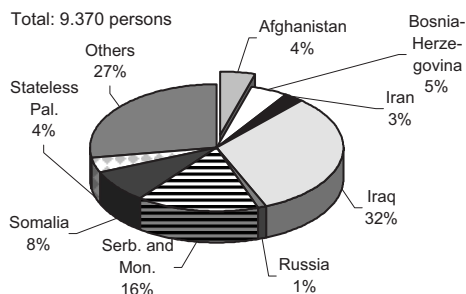
Asylum applications lodged in Denmark (gross application figure) 1998 - 2003
(incl. safe third country and Dublin returns as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., during the preliminary asylum procedure - figure only available as of 1998)

| Gross application figure | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | | | | | 412 | 994 | 1.570 | 2.713 | 1.186 | 664 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | | | | | 447 | 406 | 1.619 | 1.450 | 186 | 231 |
| Iran | | | | | 236 | 292 | 506 | 327 | 178 | 158 |
| Iraq | | | | | 3.001 | 4.265 | 2.596 | 2.724 | 1.045 | 442 |
| Russia | | | | | 102 | 183 | 269 | 302 | 198 | 269 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | | | | | 1.457 | 1.682 | 1.824 | 1.166 | 1.030 | 750 |
| Somalia | | | | | 771 | 652 | 552 | 701 | 391 | 370 |
| Stateless Palestinians | | | | | 373 | 282 | 362 | 285 | 167 | 153 |
| Others | | | | | 2.571 | 3.575 | 2.902 | 2.844 | 1.687 | 1.556 |
| Total | | | | | 9.370 | 12.331 | 12.200 | 12.512 | 6.068 | 4.593 |

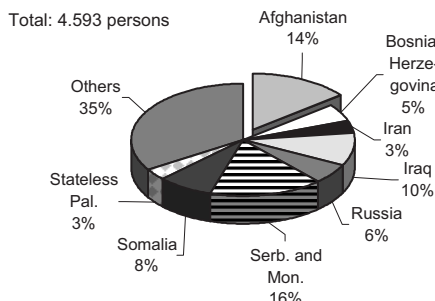
Asylum applications registered in Denmark (processing figure) 1994 - 2003
(decision made in the given period to process the application in Denmark)

| Processing figure | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | 180 | 268 | 239 | 262 | 332 | 534 | 1.340 | 2.088 | 1.698 | 587 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 400 | 484 | 309 | 218 | 201 | 167 | 731 | 1.005 | 215 | 116 |
| Iran | 133 | 151 | 200 | 159 | 170 | 183 | 389 | 264 | 231 | 68 |
| Iraq | 515 | 547 | 692 | 827 | 1.919 | 1.822 | 2.499 | 1.997 | 1.603 | 282 |
| Russia | 127 | 98 | 85 | 63 | 62 | 76 | 245 | 122 | 113 | 172 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 219 | 227 | 359 | 407 | 371 | 868 | 1.647 | 557 | 831 | 371 |
| Somalia | 1.572 | 1.188 | 1.420 | 1.233 | 634 | 496 | 747 | 519 | 495 | 174 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 564 | 480 | 607 | 393 | 331 | 188 | 266 | 185 | 168 | 93 |
| Others | 2.941 | 1.661 | 1.982 | 1.530 | 1.682 | 2.196 | 2.483 | 1.648 | 1.306 | 904 |
| Total | 6.651 | 5.104 | 5.893 | 5.092 | 5.702 | 6.530 | 10.347 | 8.385 | 6.660 | 2.767 |

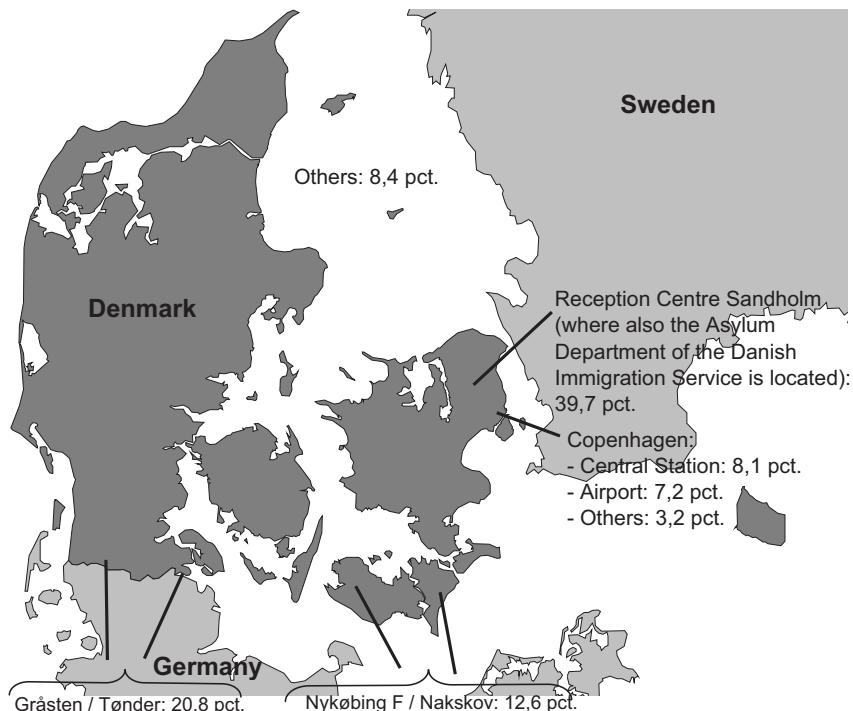
Asylum applications lodged in Denmark 1998
(gross application figure) - selected nationalities



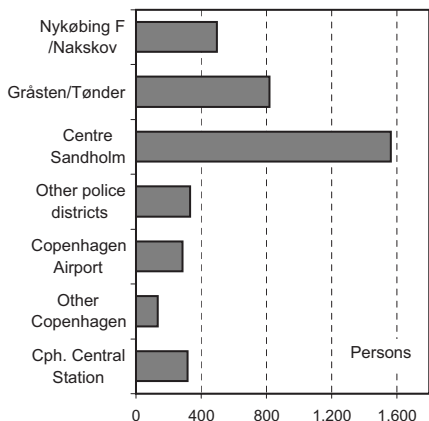
Asylum applications lodged in Denmark 2003
(gross application figure) - selected nationalities



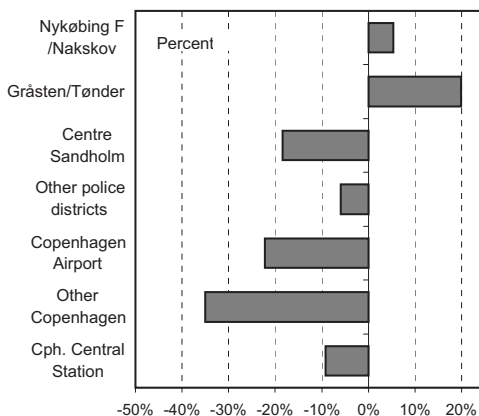
Asylum applications by location in Denmark 2003



Asylum applications by location in Denmark 2003



Relative changes in asylum applications by location in Denmark from 2002 to 2003



Source: The National Police

Danish requests for taking over/taking back asylum-seekers with reference to the Dublin Convention 1997 - 2003

| | Period | | Year | |
|--|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | 1997-2003 | 1997 - 2003 | 2003 | 2003 |
| Total | 9.439 | 100% | 1.060 | 100% |
| <i>of which accepted to be taken over/taken back</i> | 8.633 | 91% | 961 | 90% |
| <i>of which refused to be taken over/taken back</i> | 734 | 8% | 27 | 3% |
| <i>of which pending cases as at 31 December</i> | 72 | 1% | 72 | 7% |

Requests from other EU Member States for taking over/taking back asylum-seekers to Denmark with reference to the Dublin Convention 1997 - 2003

| | Period | | Year | |
|--|--------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| | 1997-2003 | 1997 - 2003 | 2003 | 2003 |
| Total | 3.281 | 100 | 861 | 100% |
| <i>of which accepted to be taken over/taken back</i> | 2.334 | 71% | 561 | 65% |
| <i>of which refused to be taken over/taken back</i> | 804 | 25% | 157 | 18% |
| <i>of which pending cases as at 31 December</i> | 143 | 4% | 143 | 17% |

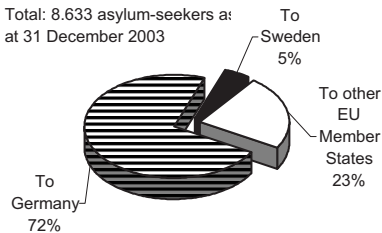
The Dublin Convention in brief:

The purpose of the Dublin Convention is to ensure that an application for asylum is processed in one and only one EU Member State. In practice, this implies that – if it is assumed that the person in question has entered from another EU Member State – other relevant Member States will be approached in order to ascertain whether that person is known there and consequently must be transferred or returned to the country in question. In practice, this is effected by the police through exchange of fingerprints, etc.

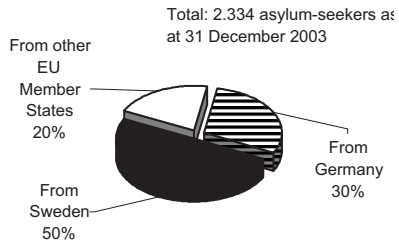
When an alien applies for asylum in Denmark, the police investigates an examination of the person in question on his or her identity and travel route. This is to establish whether there is a basis for refusing entry, sending out the person in question to a safe third country or transferring or re-transferring the person to another EU Member State under the Dublin Convention.

The Dublin Convention came into force on 1 September 1997 in Denmark.

Accepted to be taken over/ taken back from Denmark 1997-2003



Accepted to be taken over/ taken back to Denmark 1997-2003



Asylum decisions on applications registered in Denmark 2003 *

| Nationality | Danish Immigration Service (1st instance) | | | | Danish Refugee Board (Appeal) | | | |
|-----------------------|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|
| | Geneva Convention | B-Status | De facto | Refusal | Geneva Convention | B-Status | De facto | Confirmed refusal |
| Afghanistan | 326 | 0 | 41 | 757 | 118 | 0 | 93 | 980 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 3 | 0 | 0 | 103 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 130 |
| Bulgaria | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Iran | 18 | 4 | 18 | 118 | 38 | 2 | 28 | 148 |
| Iraq | 14 | 3 | 37 | 185 | 7 | 0 | 72 | 226 |
| Russia | 10 | 38 | 5 | 61 | 10 | 0 | 12 | 30 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 9 | 0 | 5 | 388 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 392 |
| Somalia | 26 | 10 | 67 | 156 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 85 |
| Stateless Pal. | 14 | 3 | 4 | 111 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 97 |
| Turkey | 4 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 23 |
| Others | 76 | 13 | 22 | 667 | 37 | 1 | 45 | 455 |
| Total | 500 | 71 | 199 | 2.683 | 224 | 12 | 320 | 2.571 |
| <i>Total in 2002</i> | <i>1.134</i> | <i>3</i> | <i>1.386</i> | <i>6.428</i> | <i>133</i> | <i>0</i> | <i>300</i> | <i>2.678</i> |

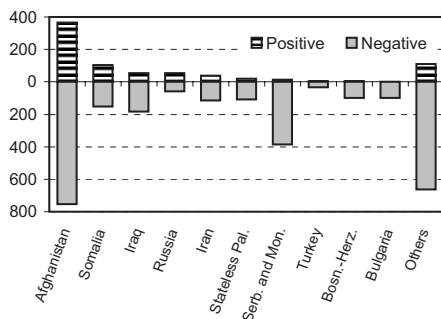
* Incl. decisions in the manifestly unfounded procedure. Data is based on asylum applications registered and processed in Denmark (the processing figure).

The recognition rate in the first instance on asylum applications registered in Denmark, in brief:

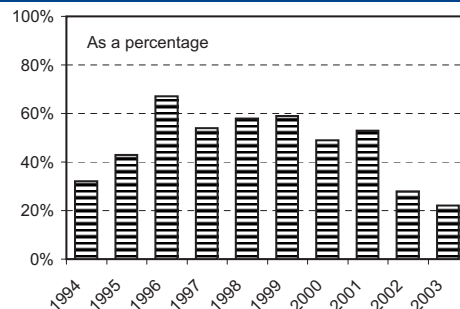
The recognition rate in the first instance is calculated as the share of positive decisions (Geneva Convention, B-Status (Protection Status) and De facto Status) of the total number of decisions in asylum cases made by the Danish Immigration Service during a given period. A number of reservations should, however, be made against specific use of this figure:

- A change in the recognition rate over time most often reflects changes in the distribution of major nationalities during the periods in question or legislative changes/changes in the decision practice. E.g. if relatively more asylum-seekers enter from countries whose nationals generally are in need of protection, the recognition rate will increase.
- The recognition rate is exclusively calculated on the basis of decisions made by the Danish Immigration Service during a calendar period, which means that cases registered during the same period may be finalised after that period.
- Persons refused asylum by the Danish Immigration Service (except manifestly unfounded cases) may subsequently be granted asylum by the Refugee Board. These decisions are not included in this recognition rate.

Asylum decisions in the first instance: Selected nationalities 2003



Recognition rate in the first instance on asylum applications registered in Denmark 1994-2003

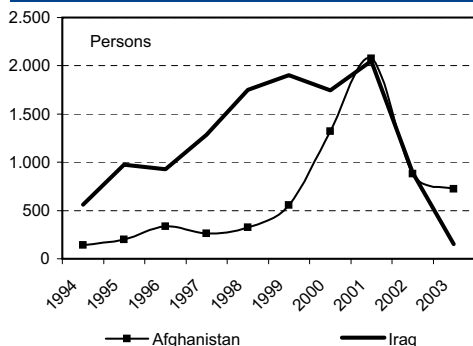


Total number of persons granted refugee status or other status in Denmark 2003 *

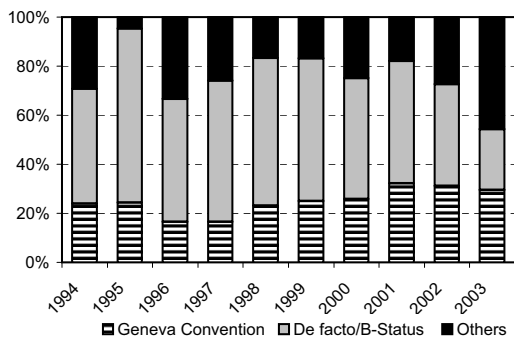
| Category | Nationality | 2003 Total | of which in 2003 | | | | 2002 Total |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------------|------------|----------------|------------|---------------|
| | | | Afghanistan | Iraq | Serb. and Mon. | Somalia | |
| Refugee status (A) | | 1.852 | 622 | 137 | 48 | 127 | 3.489 |
| Geneva Convention | | 724 | 444 | 21 | 9 | 26 | 1.267 |
| B-Status | | 83 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 14 | 3 |
| De facto Status | | 519 | 134 | 109 | 39 | 72 | 1.686 |
| Applications lodged abroad (until 1 July 2002) | | 17 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 43 |
| Quota refugees | | 509 | 35 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 490 |
| Other status (B) | | 595 | 102 | 14 | 164 | 4 | 580 |
| Humanitarian | | 203 | 98 | 10 | 45 | 1 | 45 |
| Exceptional reasons | | 67 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 78 |
| - of which return not possible | | 35 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 18 |
| Temporary residence permit to Bosnians and Kosovars | | 325 | 0 | 0 | 110 | 0 | 457 |
| Total (A+B) | | 2.447 | 724 | 151 | 212 | 131 | 4.069 |

* Please consult annex 4 and 6 for further details.

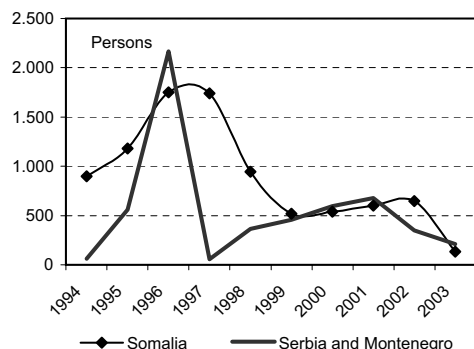
Refugee status or other status:
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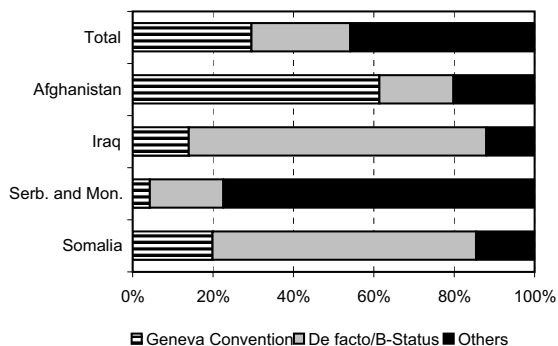
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Type of residence permits in asylum cases:
Selected nationalities 2003



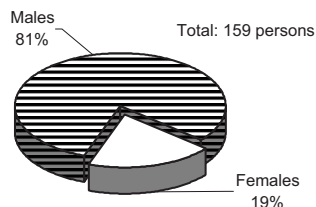
Unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers 2000 - 2003

Unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers (gross application figure)

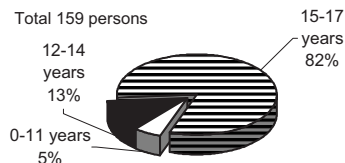
| Nationality | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Afghanistan | 33 | 65 | 16 | 42 |
| Algeria | 0 | 6 | 8 | 2 |
| Belarus | 14 | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| Burundi | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| China | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Guinea | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 |
| Iran | 7 | 10 | 6 | 7 |
| Iraq | 32 | 38 | 21 | 7 |
| Nigeria | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| Romania | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Russia | 10 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 15 | 12 | 9 | 15 |
| Somalia | 22 | 33 | 14 | 24 |
| Sri Lanka | 14 | 9 | 8 | 2 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 5 | 8 | 6 | 4 |
| Others | 63 | 52 | 26 | 30 |
| Total | 219 | 239 | 137 | 159 |

Note: In Denmark, an unaccompanied minor is defined as a person under 18 years of age who enters the country without parents or other persons who are responsible for the child, e.g. siblings or grandparents. Also children who enter the country accompanied, but who are later abandoned, are treated as unaccompanied

Unaccompanied minor asylum seekers by sex 2003



Unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers by age 2003



Unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers by age and sex 2000 - 2003

Unaccompanied minor asylum-seekers (gross application figure)

| | | Year | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
| Age | Sex | Numbers | Numbers | Numbers | Numbers |
| 0 - 11 years | Males | 11 | 22 | 6 | 7 |
| | Females | 4 | 15 | 2 | 2 |
| | Subtotal | 15 | 37 | 8 | 9 |
| 12 - 14 years | Males | 22 | 13 | 8 | 17 |
| | Females | 4 | 11 | 6 | 3 |
| | Subtotal | 26 | 24 | 14 | 20 |
| 15 - 17 years | Males | 164 | 144 | 101 | 104 |
| | Females | 14 | 34 | 14 | 26 |
| | Subtotal | 178 | 178 | 115 | 130 |
| Total | | 219 | 239 | 137 | 159 |

Cohort-based asylum statistics: What happened to those persons applying for asylum in Denmark in the years 2000-2002 and the first half of 2003 - status as of 1 Jan. 2004

| Category | Application period | Year 2000 | Year 2001 | Year 2002 | Jan-Jun 2003 |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. Asylum applications lodged in Denmark (A+B+C+D+E) (Gross application figure) | | 12.476 | 12.792 | 6.137 | 2.317 |
| A. Preliminary asylum procedure | Subtotal | 3.049 | 3.426 | 1.856 | 952 |
| | Administratively closed | 1.214 | 1.319 | 914 | 508 |
| | Dublin / safe third country | 1.835 | 2.103 | 934 | 438 |
| | Pending | 0 | 4 | 8 | 6 |
| 2. Asylum applications processed in Denmark (B+C+D+E) (Processing figure) | | 9.427 | 9.366 | 4.281 | 1.365 |
| B. Positive decision | Subtotal | 4.621 | 3.649 | 1.472 | 176 |
| - Geneva Convention Status | 1 st Instance | 1.456 | 1.493 | 884 | 130 |
| | 2 nd Instance | 177 | 183 | 71 | 6 |
| - De Facto /B-Status | 1 st Instance | 2.607 | 1.623 | 436 | 35 |
| | 2 nd Instance | 381 | 350 | 81 | 5 |
| C. Final rejection | Subtotal | 3.865 | 4.048 | 1.569 | 491 |
| - Manifestly unfounded procedure | 1 st Instance | 1.243 | 1.084 | 717 | 304 |
| - Normal procedure | 2 nd Instance | 2.622 | 2.964 | 852 | 187 |
| D. Administratively closed | Subtotal | 864 | 1.188 | 690 | 220 |
| E. Pending | Subtotal | 77 | 481 | 550 | 478 |
| | 1 st Instance | 18 | 61 | 184 | 262 |
| | 2 nd Instance | 59 | 420 | 366 | 216 |

Notes to the cohort analysis:

- The data in this overview is based on calendar figures. This means that the reference of the data is events occurring in a particular period (e.g. the calendar year 2003) – irrespective of the time of application. This way of compiling the data implies that e.g. decision data for a given year can refer to applications from previous years; the possibility to follow a specific group of applicants through the system is thus not possible using the existing calendar based figures. In contrast, cohort data shows how a specific population of applicants flow through part of or the whole system.

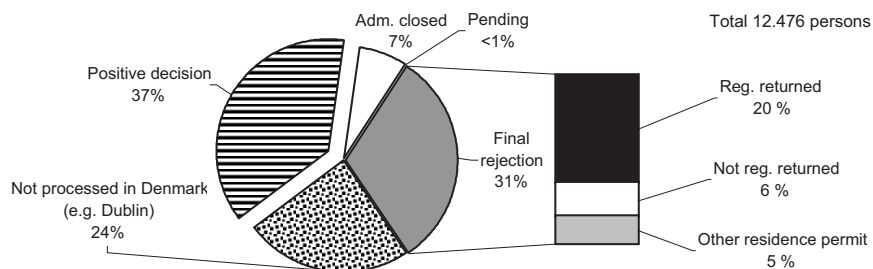
- The starting point of the analysis is the number of persons, who applied for asylum in Denmark in a specific period (the gross application figure). Due to the delimitation of the cohort data in the Aliens Register, minor differences exist between the official gross application figure and the total used in this study. This population is followed through the whole processing system up to 1 January 2004. The data is retrieved from the Aliens Register as at 1 March 2004 in order to include the majority of the possible subsequent updates in the Register. The cohort data in this publication is provisional.

- The format of the cohort analysis follows the format agreed upon by IGC participating States in November 2001, where the outcome of the processing of the asylum cases is followed up to final instance and categorised by positive decisions, final negative decisions, adm. closed (e.g. disappearances) and still pending at a specific cut off date. The cohort analysis of the Danish data goes one step further in the sense that the outcome of the final negative decisions are investigated on the basis of the data available in the Aliens Register. This makes it possible to investigate e.g. whether the rejected asylum-seeker has subsequently obtained a residence permit on other grounds (than asylum) or left Denmark (returned). In addition, the Danish cohort analysis allows to investigate whether the asylum claim has been processed in Denmark (the gross application figure versus the processing figure indicated in the table).

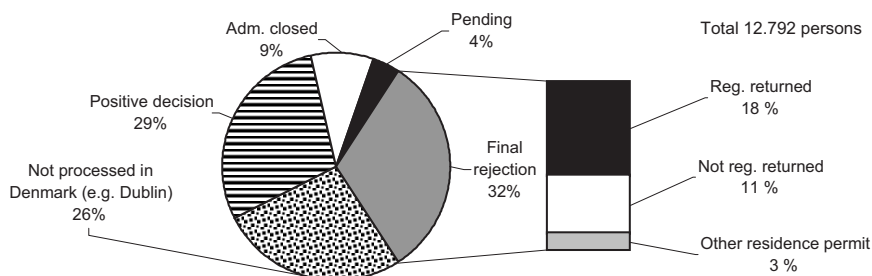
- The asylum recognition rate for the cohort analysis indicates the share of positive decisions out of the total number of asylum applications lodged in Denmark in a specific period (e.g. the year 2000). The recognition rate can be calculated as the proportion of positive decisions out of the total number of asylum applications lodged in Denmark in this specific period - year 2000 - excl. pending cases. Obviously, the recognition rate can only be calculated when a significant number of the cases have been determined. The cohort asylum recognition rate of the cohort of 2000-gross application data is using this definition 37 %. However, the cohort asylum recognition rate could also be calculated as the proportion of positive decisions out of the total number of asylum applications processed in Denmark - excl. pending cases. The cohort asylum recognition rate of the cohort of 2000-processing data is using this definition 49 %.

Cohort-based asylum statistics: Summary of the results for the persons applying for asylum in Denmark the years 2000 - 2002 - status as of 1 Jan. 2004

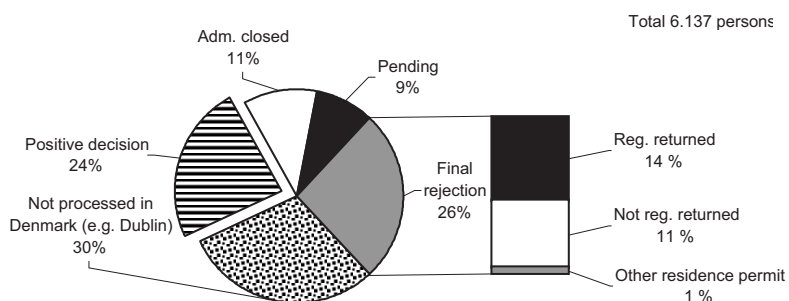
Status as of 1 Jan. 2004 for persons, who applied for asylum in Denmark in 2000



Status as of 1 Jan. 2004 for persons, who applied for asylum in Denmark in 2001



Status as of 1 Jan. 2004 for persons, who applied for asylum in Denmark in 2002



Overview of the expenses of the accommodation of asylum-seekers 1998 - 2003 *

| Category (2003-prices, excl. VAT) | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Overall budget (in DKK millions) | 536,9 | 640,2 | 959,3 | 1.233,2 | 1.101,5 | 811,6 |
| Yearly average accommodation (persons) | 4.583 | 5.587 | 8.145 | 10.103 | 9.243 | 6.575 |
| Yearly expenses per person (in DKK) | 117.147 | 114.580 | 117.778 | 122.064 | 119.167 | 123.442 |
| - of which operation of center buildings | 8.541 | 8.298 | 8.366 | 10.972 | 10.277 | 10.746 |
| - of which allowances for asylum-seekers | 24.003 | 23.130 | 27.015 | 26.907 | 26.709 | 24.272 |
| - of which accommodation of asylum-seekers | 84.603 | 83.152 | 82.397 | 84.185 | 82.181 | 88.424 |
| Number of accommodation centres (ultimo) | 29 | 45 | 55 | 58 | 46 | 28 |

* Data is based on budget figures. The data for 2003 are taken from the "Annual Report 2003" by the Danish Immigration Service (only available in Danish). It should be noted that evacuated Kosovar refugees are excluded from the figures. As at 1 March 2004 the exchange rate was approx. € 100 for DKK 745.00.

The accommodation system, in brief:

In cooperation with the Danish Red Cross, the Danish Emergency Management center and the municipalities of Hanstholm and Brovst - The Danish Immigration Service takes care of the accommodation and financial support of asylum-seekers until they have either been granted asylum in Denmark or left the country.

Asylum-seekers are first accommodated at a reception centre. During the stay at the reception centre a preliminary health examination is made. Then most asylum-seekers are accommodated at a residence centre until the final decision in their case has been made.

Asylum-seekers enter a contract with the centre he or she is attached to. The contract specifies that the asylum-seeker must attend classes and participate in the daily activities at the centre. The allowances received partly depend of the asylum-seekers performance of the activities specified in the contract.

Below is illustrated the distribution of expenses on average for an asylum-seeker accommodated in the asylum center system.

Accommodation (35%)

- Operation of centers
- Salaries for staff
- Maintenance of buildings
- Reception and accommodation

Person-related expenses (37%)

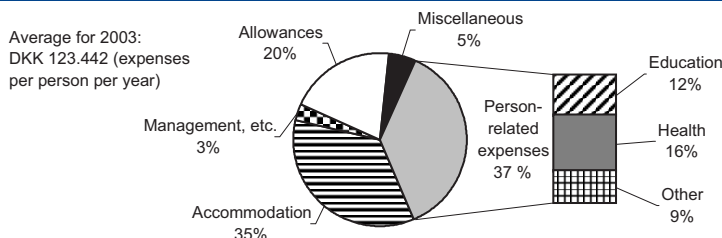
- Social expenses
- Health expenses
- Education
- Other expenses

Allowances (20%)

- Food allowances
- Clothes allowances
- Pocket money

Furthermore 3% is spent on management and administration and 5% on other costs and support functions.

Distribution of expenses for accommodation of asylum-seekers on asylum centres 2003



Asylum applications lodged in selected countries and the EU 15 1994 - 2003 *

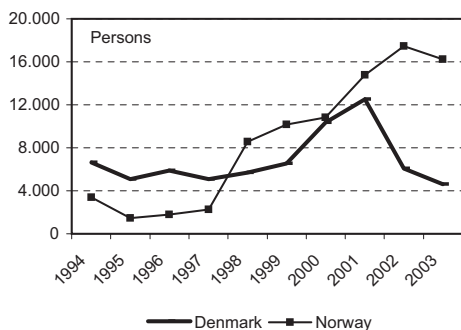
| Country | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 1994-2003 |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Nordic countries | 29.509 | 16.465 | 14.135 | 17.998 | 28.361 | 31.027 | 40.740 | 52.460 | 59.693 | 55.399 | 345.787 |
| of which Denmark | 6.651 | 5.104 | 5.893 | 5.092 | 5.702 | 6.530 | 10.347 | 12.512 | 6.068 | 4.593 | 68.492 |
| of which Finland | 839 | 854 | 711 | 973 | 1.272 | 3.106 | 3.170 | 1.651 | 3.129 | 3.221 | 18.926 |
| of which Norway | 3.379 | 1.460 | 1.778 | 2.271 | 8.543 | 10.160 | 10.842 | 14.782 | 17.480 | 16.230 | 86.925 |
| of which Sweden | 18.640 | 9.047 | 5.753 | 9.662 | 12.844 | 11.231 | 16.381 | 23.515 | 33.016 | 31.355 | 171.444 |
| The Netherlands | 52.576 | 29.258 | 22.857 | 34.443 | 45.217 | 39.299 | 43.895 | 32.579 | 18.667 | 13.401 | 332.192 |
| Germany | 127.210 | 127.937 | 116.367 | 104.353 | 98.644 | 95.113 | 78.564 | 88.287 | 60.808 | 50.445 | 947.728 |
| EU 15 Total ** | 300.288 | 263.656 | 227.801 | 242.782 | 297.216 | 334.540 | 358.985 | 387.990 | 376.830 | 300.000 | 3.090.088 |

* As noted in the introduction to the Danish asylum application figures, the Danish asylum application data excl. persons, who are returned to a safe third country, transferred or re-transferred to another EU Member State according to the Dublin Convention as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., during the preliminary asylum procedure. As from 2001, these persons are included in the Danish figures.

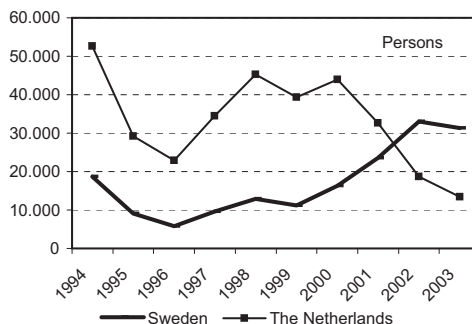
** Data for 2002 and 2003 is provisional.

Sources: UVI, UDI, Swedish Migration Board, European Commission, IGC and UNHCR

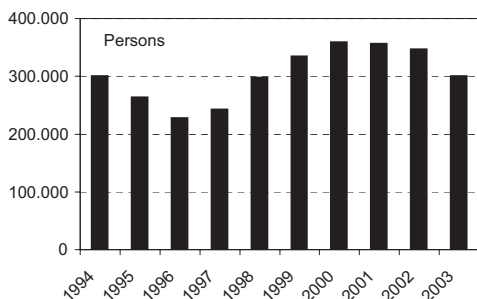
Asylum applications in Denmark and Norway 1994-2003



Asylum applications in Sweden and the Netherlands 1994-2003

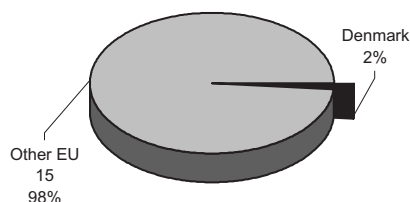


Asylum applications in the EU 15 1994-2003



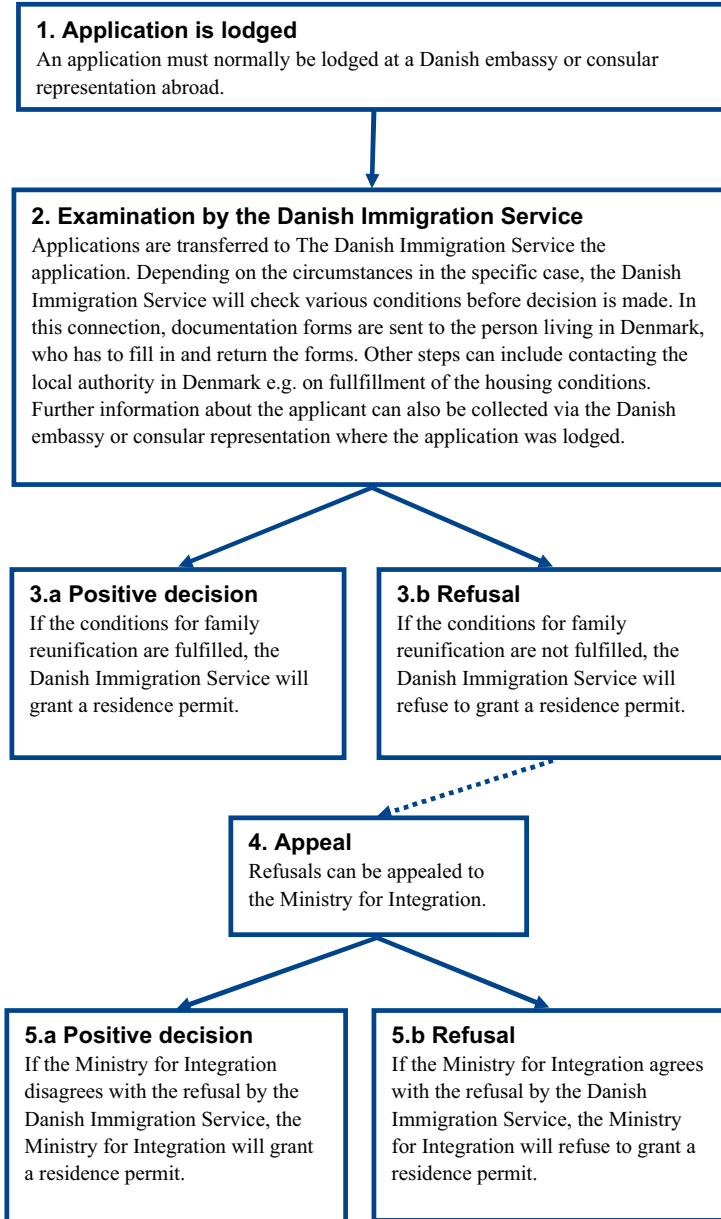
Asylum applications in the EU 15 2003

Total: Approx. 300.000 persons



FAMILY REUNIFICATION

Typical way through the system for an application for family reunification





Fact sheet:

An introduction to the rules on asylum and immigration in Denmark

Introduction

The following gives a brief outline of the current rules for asylum and immigration in Denmark (status April 2004).

Overall, the Danish Governments policy on asylum and migration rests on three objectives:

- Respecting Denmark's obligations under international conventions.
- Limiting the number of asylum-seekers to Denmark (not in need of international protection), and as a rule allowing migration only to families that are able to support themselves.
- Improving and speeding up integration of refugees and immigrants already living in Denmark, especially into the labour market.

The rules as to who may enter and reside in Denmark for certain purposes are regulated in the Danish Aliens Act. Comprehensive amendments to the Aliens Act were passed in 2002 in the area of asylum (abolishment of the de facto status and the introduction of a protection status) and immigration (stricter and additional conditions for family reunification).

In continuation, additional amendments were passed in 2003, mainly regarding 1) new procedures to motivate rejected asylum-seekers to leave the country, 2) faster processing on applications for humanitarian residence, 3) new conditions regarding mainly allowances to and activation of asylum-seekers accommodated in asylum canter and 4) new rules on family reunification to prevent forced marriages. Moreover, an agreement concerning the access to the Danish labour market for workers from the new EU Member States has been concluded (see also below).

The Danish asylum procedure

In general, the Danish asylum procedure is based on the principle of a single asylum procedure for all cases and types of decisions (e.g. Convention status, protection status and humanitarian status). Furthermore, there is automatic appeal of rejections (from the first instance to the second instance). These procedures provide for a simple and speedious processing of asylum claims.

Before an asylum application is processed in Denmark, it is assessed whether Denmark or another EU member is responsible for examining the application, or whether the applicant should be referred to a "safe third country". The police, including registration of fingerprints, carry out registration of asylum-seekers.

During the asylum procedure an asylum-seeker can under certain conditions be detained if 1) the person commits a crime (also including a minor crime, e.g. shoplifting, use or sell drugs or acts violently or threatens the residents or staff at the accommodation centre), 2) gives incorrect information about his or her identity or nationality, 3) fails to appear for an interview with the police or the Danish Immigration Service or if 4) it is deemed necessary in order to ensure the return of the rejected asylum-seeker.

In each asylum case, it is assessed whether an asylum-seeker has been, or risks being, exposed to any form of persecution that falls within the provisions of the Geneva Convention or the Danish Aliens Act. This assessment is based partly on the information provided by the asylum-seeker and partly on information collected by the Danish Immigration Service on the country of origin of the asylum-seeker.

Two different procedures are applied for asylum cases: "Normal procedure" and "manifestly unfounded procedure" (as well as an expedite version of this procedure). Under both procedures, the Danish Immigration Service makes the decision in the first instance.

If asylum is refused in the normal procedure, the asylum case is automatically transferred to the Refugee Appeals Board. The decisions of the Refugee Appeals Board are final, which implies that they cannot be brought before other authorities or Danish Courts. The Refugee Appeals Board is a quasi-judicial body chaired by a judge. The decisions of the Board are made by a simple majority of votes.

The manifestly unfounded procedure is applied in cases that are considered to be clearly without prospect. Following a rejection of an asylum claim by the Danish Immigration Service according to this procedure, there is no possibility of appeal, in which case the applicant has to leave the country immediately. It is a condition, however, that the Danish Refugee Council (a NGO) agrees to the assessment by the Danish Immigration Service. If the Danish Refugee Council disagrees (the so-called right of veto), the case will, as a main rule, be processed under the normal procedure as described above.

In Denmark, three different groups of aliens may be recognised as refugees:

- Convention refugees (asylum-seekers who satisfy the criteria set out in the UN Refugee Convention).
- Protection status (asylum-seekers who do not qualify directly as refugees according to the definition of the Refugee Convention but who risks the death penalty or being subjected to torture or inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in case of return to his or her country of origin).
- Quota refugees (Refugees recognized by UNHCR and resettled in Denmark under an agreement with the UNHCR).

If asylum is not granted, a residence permit may be obtained on other grounds. These include humanitarian residence permits and residence permits for other exceptional reasons (e.g. unaccompanied minors and asylum-seekers that cannot be returned). However, only very few permits of this sort are granted.

The Danish Immigration Service is responsible for accommodating and supporting asylum-seekers while their case is being processed. Asylum-seekers will sign individual contracts with their asylum centre specifying the duties and activities of each individual (e.g. daily chores and education). If an asylum-seeker fails to honour the contract his or hers allowances may be reduced. Asylum-seekers are normally not allowed to work during the processing of their case.

If an asylum-seeker receives a final rejection, the person must leave Denmark immediately. If an asylum-seeker does not leave Denmark voluntary, the police is responsible for ensuring his/her return, eventually by force. For this purpose the authorities can take a series of measures to motivate the applicant to leave or to co-operate in the return procedure. The measures start with offering the rejected asylum-seeker a small amount of money (3.000 Dkr or approx. € 400) if he or she leaves the country voluntarily. If return is not made voluntarily, stepwise-intensified measures are applied (e.g. withdrawing allowances, moving the asylum-seeker to an asylum centre for rejected asylum-seekers, etc.).

Immigration and residence in Denmark

Nordic nationals:

Nationals of Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden may enter and stay in Denmark without special permission.

EU/EEA nationals:

In accordance with the EU legislation EU/EEA nationals may obtain a special EC/EEA residence certificate, if they 1) are employed, 2) are self-employed, 3) provide or receive services within the territory of Denmark, 4) are comprised by the residence directives on the right of residence for students, workers and pensioners or belong to the residual group of self-employed persons. Close relatives (e.g. spouse and/or minors) to any of the above groups may receive a residence permit.

Nationals from the new EU Member States:

For citizens from eight of the ten new EU Member States – Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Hungary – a special transitional ordinance regulating their access to the Danish labour market will be applied from the 1 May 2004. The ordinance is designed to ensure a smooth, gradual transition to free and full movement of labour within the union.

Citizens from these countries are eligible for work permits if they hold full-time employment in Denmark on collective bargaining terms, or under standard wage and work conditions. As a rule, the residence permit will expire with the end of the employment relationship.

Family reunification:

Aliens who have relatives in Denmark – primarily spouses older than 24 years and minors – may under certain conditions obtain family reunification.

Conditions for spouses/cohabitants to be met mainly include:

- The couple must live together at a shared residence. Moreover, if the person living in Denmark is not a Danish/Nordic national or a refugee, he/she must have had a permanent residence permit for Denmark for more than the past three years.
- Both spouses must be over 24 years of age.
- The aggregate attachment of both of the spouses to Denmark must be greater than their attachment to another country, exemption is made e.g. when the person residing in Denmark has had Danish citizenship for more than 28 years or has been legally residing in Denmark for more than 28 years.
- The person residing in Denmark must have an income sufficient to be able to support the alien spouse or partner.
- The person residing in Denmark must provide an economic guarantee of 53.000 Dkr (approx. € 7.100).
- The person residing in Denmark must have an accommodation of reasonable size at his or her disposal.
- The person residing in Denmark must not have received public financial assistance for one year prior to the submission of the application and until the residence permit is issued.
- To prevent forced marriages there should be no doubt that the marriage was established at both parties desire.

The immigration authorities assess case by case whether the above conditions are met. Attention is drawn to the fact that there can be cases where exemptions to the conditions are given.

As a general rule, a residence permit carries with it the right to work in Denmark.

Conditions for minors to be met mainly include:

- The child must live with the parent/parents and the parent in Denmark must have at least partial custody rights over the child.
- Appropriate housing and adequate financial support must be available (there can be cases where exemptions to the conditions are given).

Work and study:

Other aliens having a specific reason for staying in Denmark may, subject to certain conditions, obtain a residence permit in Denmark. This includes aliens:

- Who apply for a time-limited residence permit where essential occupational or business considerations make it appropriate. The job-card scheme provides easier access to work and residence for (mainly specialists in) certain professional fields currently experiencing a shortage of manpower – for example the health sector, and the scientific and technological sector.
- In order to participate in courses at a higher education level or conduct research, or in order to become an au pair, an exchange student or take courses at a folk high school or work as an intern or as a missionary.

Visa, etc.:

An alien must have a visa in order to enter and reside in Denmark. Visa is granted for a maximum of three months. EU and EEA Member States as well as other countries including USA, Canada and Australia are exempted from the visa requirement. Citizens from these countries may enter Denmark without a visa and stay for a maximum of three months.

Some relevant Danish Internet links:

On the homepage of the Danish Immigration Service – www.udlst.dk – detailed information about the possibilities for foreign nationals to enter and reside in Denmark is provided. In addition, reference can be made to some other relevant Danish websites:

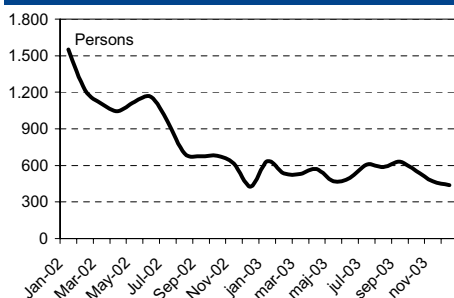
- The Danish Ministry of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs (www.inm.dk), where information about e.g. policy issues in the areas of asylum, immigration and integration is available.
- The Royal Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (www.um.dk), where information about e.g. visa requirements is available.
- www.workindenmark.dk – a guide to working and living in Denmark.
- The Danish Ministry of Employment (www.bm.dk), where information concerning the access to the Danish labour market for workers from the new EU Member States can be found.

Applications for family reunification in Denmark per half-year 2002-2003

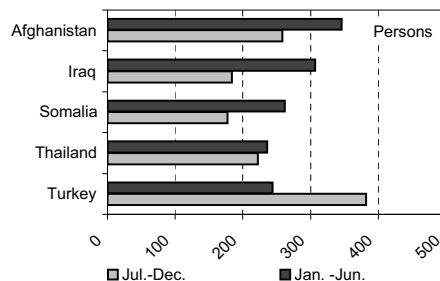
| Period | 2002 | | 2003 | | Total | |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Jan.-Jun. | Jul.-Dec. | Jan.-Jun. | Jul.-Dec. | 2002 | 2003 |
| Afghanistan | 497 | 179 | 346 | 258 | 676 | 604 |
| China | 157 | 112 | 83 | 94 | 269 | 177 |
| Iraq | 1.190 | 489 | 307 | 184 | 1.679 | 491 |
| Iran | 185 | 82 | 86 | 103 | 267 | 189 |
| Pakistan | 290 | 150 | 91 | 84 | 440 | 175 |
| Russia | 176 | 100 | 94 | 105 | 276 | 199 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 157 | 82 | 101 | 102 | 239 | 203 |
| Somalia | 492 | 496 | 262 | 177 | 988 | 439 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 148 | 89 | 37 | 43 | 237 | 80 |
| Thailand | 395 | 246 | 236 | 222 | 641 | 458 |
| Turkey | 868 | 386 | 244 | 382 | 1.254 | 626 |
| USA | 150 | 105 | 95 | 111 | 255 | 206 |
| Others | 2.493 | 1.536 | 1.257 | 1.416 | 4.029 | 2.673 |
| Total | 7.198 | 4.052 | 3.239 | 3.281 | 11.250 | 6.520 |

Note: Please consult annex 8 for further details.

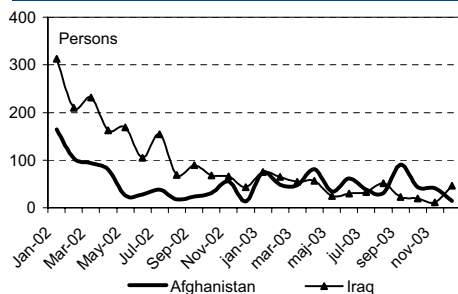
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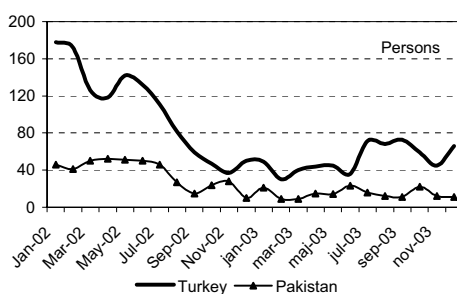
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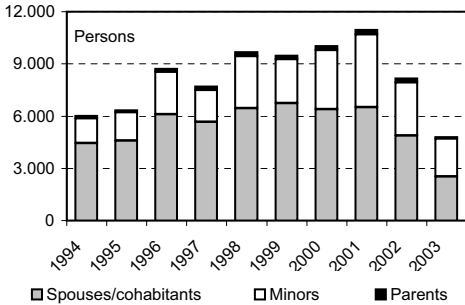


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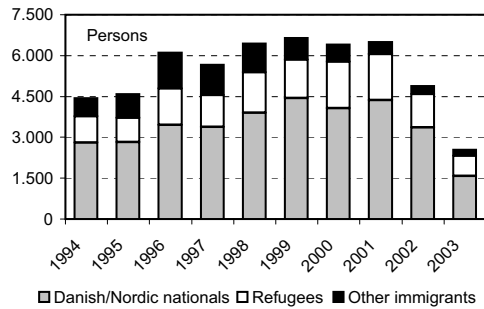
| Category | Nationality | 2003 Total | of which in 2003 | | | | 2002 Total |
|---|-------------|--------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| | | | Afghanistan | Iraq | Thailand | Turkey | |
| Spouses and cohabitants | | 2.538 | 126 | 311 | 227 | 165 | 4.880 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 730 | 124 | 293 | 1 | 4 | 1.213 |
| <i>of which to other immigrants in Denmark</i> | | 225 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 57 | 298 |
| <i>of which to Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark</i> | | 1.583 | 1 | 16 | 219 | 104 | 3.369 |
| Minors | | 2.170 | 244 | 644 | 130 | 145 | 3.052 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 1.220 | 239 | 632 | 0 | 1 | 1.759 |
| <i>of which to other than refugees in Denmark</i> | | 950 | 5 | 12 | 130 | 144 | 1.293 |
| Parents over the age of 60 | | 83 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 10 | 219 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 19 | 3 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| <i>of which to Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark</i> | | 64 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 169 |
| Total | | 4.791 | 374 | 969 | 357 | 320 | 8.151 |
| <i>Of which to refugees in Denmark in %</i> | | 41% | 98% | 97% | <1% | 2% | 37% |

* Data refers to first time applications. Please consult annexes 8 and 10 for further details.

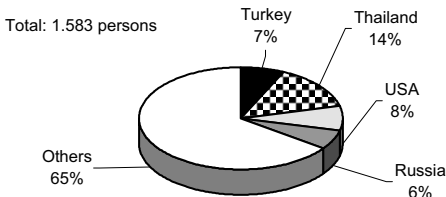
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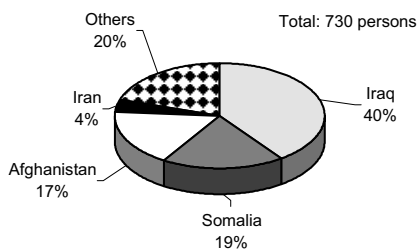
Family reunification of spouses and cohabitants by reference in Denmark 1994-2003



Family reunification of spouses and cohabitants 2003 - to Danish/Nordic nationals



Family reunification of spouses and cohabitants 2003 - to refugees in Denmark

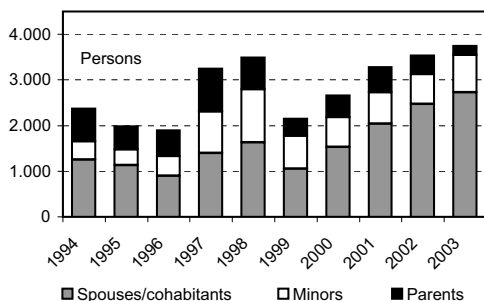


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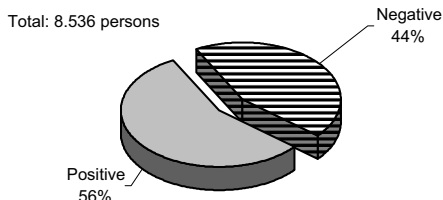
| Category | Nationality | 2003 Total | of which in 2003 | | | | 2002 Total |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | | | Afghani- stan | Iraq | Thailand | Turkey | |
| Spouses and cohabitants | | 2.729 | 71 | 162 | 96 | 514 | 2.474 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 575 | 46 | 129 | 0 | 11 | 461 |
| <i>of which to other immigrants in Denmark</i> | | 932 | 18 | 11 | 17 | 312 | 1.035 |
| <i>of which to Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark</i> | | 1.222 | 7 | 22 | 79 | 191 | 978 |
| Minors | | 813 | 99 | 183 | 15 | 65 | 649 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 384 | 56 | 167 | 0 | 0 | 286 |
| <i>of which to other than refugees in Denmark</i> | | 429 | 43 | 16 | 15 | 65 | 363 |
| Parents over the age of 60 | | 203 | 46 | 29 | 0 | 7 | 408 |
| <i>of which to refugees in Denmark</i> | | 116 | 46 | 27 | 0 | 1 | 250 |
| <i>of which to Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark</i> | | 87 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 158 |
| Total | | 3.745 | 216 | 374 | 111 | 586 | 3.531 |
| <i>Of which to refugees in Denmark in %</i> | | 29% | 69% | 86% | 0% | 2% | 28% |

* Data refers to first time applications. Please consult annex 8 for further details.

Negative decisions on family reunification 1994-2003

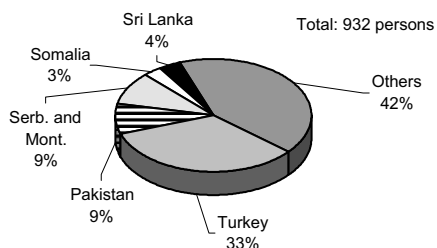


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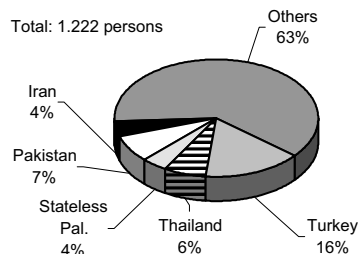


Note: Refers to first time applications in the Danish Immigration Service.

Negative decisions to spouses and cohabitants 2003 - to other immigrants in Denmark



Negative decisions to spouses and cohabitants 2003 - to Danish/Nordic nationals



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Other positive decisions on immigration 2003

| Category | Nationalities Total | 2003 | | | | 2002 Total |
|---|------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| | | China | Poland | USA | Lithuania | |
| Education | 6.212 | 1.642 | 459 | 902 | 271 | 5.317 |
| Interns | 1.417 | 9 | 135 | 0 | 277 | 1.837 |
| Au pair | 1.233 | 3 | 119 | 12 | 178 | 1.156 |
| Wageearner and independent businessmen - <i>within</i> the traditional labour market * | 1.070 | 12 | 402 | 18 | 104 | 668 |
| Humanitarian work | 1.042 | 77 | 57 | 22 | 5 | N/A |
| Family ties to person granted a residence permit or work/educational grands | 939 | 84 | 58 | 131 | 29 | N/A |
| Work and education in the Faroe Islands and Greenland | 687 | 3 | 103 | 8 | 12 | N/A |
| Specialists etc./job-card scheme ** | 661 | 37 | 60 | 96 | 43 | 805 |
| Wageearner and independent businessmen - <i>outside</i> the traditional labour market *** | 593 | 39 | 19 | 84 | 6 | 498 |
| Adoption | 500 | 140 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 606 |
| Missionaries | 151 | 5 | 4 | 62 | 0 | 153 |
| Other cases **** | 3.215 | 758 | 373 | 98 | 144 | 3.560 |
| Total | 17.720 | 1.155 | 1.076 | 519 | 343 | 15.102 |

* Including e.g. interpreters, agricultural workers and metalworkers.

** The job-card scheme includes end of 2003 the following professional fields: Engineers, scientists in the natural science and technology sector, doctors and nurses.

*** Including e.g. researchers, managers, athletes and embassy personal.

**** Including e.g. previous Danish nationals and persons closely connected with relatives in Denmark.

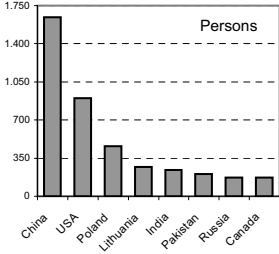
New statistical reporting on immigration to Denmark:

In order to provide a more comprehensive overview of the different groups of persons applying for a residence permit outside the area of asylum and family reunification, the Danish Immigration Service has decided to revise and significantly increase the number of categories to be included in the statistical reports.

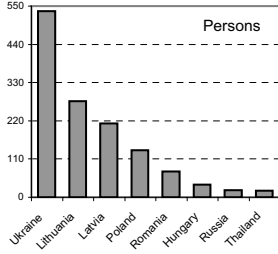
In future, the categories included in the above tables will be - together with other key figures and family reunification - updated on a monthly basis on the homepage of the Danish Immigration Service. (www.udlst.dk)

Other positive decisions on immigration - broken down by selected categories and nationalities 2003

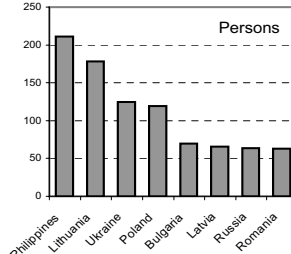
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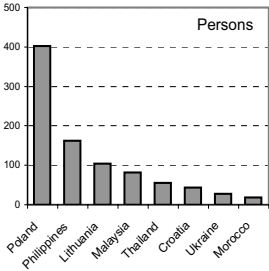
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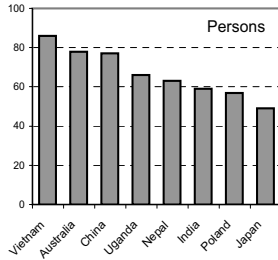
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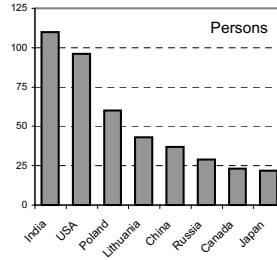
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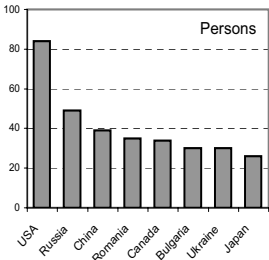
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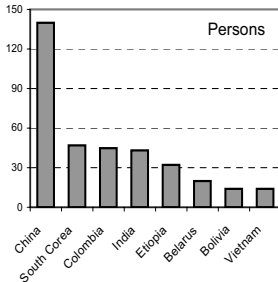
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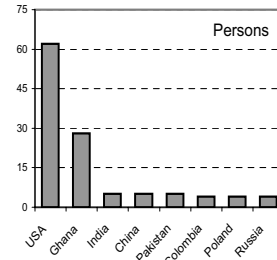
Wageearner and independent businessmen - outside the traditional labour market



Adoption



Missionaries



Decisions on EC/EEA residence certificates 2003 *

| Category | 2003 Total | of which in 2003 | | | 2002 Total |
|---|---------------|------------------|--------------|------------|---------------|
| | | Germany | UK | France | |
| Positive decisions | 6.475 | 1.561 | 1.100 | 835 | 6.041 |
| <i>of which persons employed within the territory of Denmark</i> | 2.129 | 518 | 538 | 197 | 2.056 |
| <i>of which students enrolled in Denmark on a recognised course</i> | 2.550 | 588 | 117 | 477 | 2.306 |
| <i>of which members of the family of an EC or EEA national **</i> | 691 | 176 | 216 | 71 | 687 |
| <i>of which family members who are non-EC or EEA nationals ***</i> | 176 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 181 |
| Negative decisions | 66 | 25 | 7 | 1 | 70 |
| Total | 6.541 | 1.586 | 1.107 | 836 | 6.111 |
| <i>of which positive decisions</i> | 99,0% | 98,4% | 99,4% | 99,9% | 98,9% |

* Decisions on the basis of first time applications.

** Members of the family of an EC or EEA national who are themselves EC or EEA nationals.

*** Members of the family of an EC or EEA national who are not themselves EC or EEA nationals.

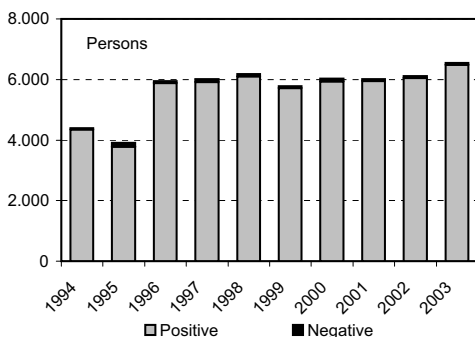
EC/EEA residence certificates in brief:

Pursuant to Article 8 A of the EEC Treaty, an EC/EEA national can, subject to certain conditions, travel and reside freely within the area of the Member States.

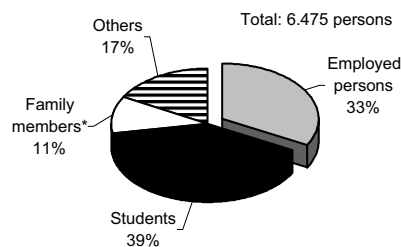
If an EC/EEA national wants to reside in Denmark for more than three months, that person may submit an application for an EC/EEA residence certificate. However, Nordic nationals can reside in Denmark without a permit. The state counties in Denmark examine all EC/EEA cases in the first instance, the Danish Immigration Service being the instance of appeal.

In addition, an EC/EEA national has the possibility of applying for a residence permit pursuant to the rules in the Aliens Act. Such applications in relation to the Danish Aliens Act are examined by the Danish Immigration Service in the first instance with the possibility to appeal to the Ministry for Integration.

Decisions on EC/EEA residence certificates 1994-2003



EC/EEA residence certificates broken down by category 2003



* Members of the family of an EC or EEA national who are themselves EC or EEA nationals

Decisions on applications for visa submitted to the Danish Immigration Service 1994 - 2003

| Decisions * | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 ** |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Positive | 16.880 | 21.786 | 20.157 | 20.767 | 17.357 | 17.288 | 20.083 | 16.986 | 14.084 | 11.829 |
| Negative | 8.049 | 6.145 | 6.719 | 7.689 | 7.586 | 8.340 | 7.957 | 10.723 | 9.182 | 7.871 |
| Total | 24.929 | 27.931 | 26.876 | 28.456 | 24.943 | 25.628 | 28.040 | 27.709 | 23.266 | 19.700 |

* From 2001, following Denmark's entry in the Schengen cooperation, the figures from the Danish Immigration Service are based on data from the new common electronic visa system (FVS) covering all relevant authorities. From 2004 all data from the Danish representations abroad on visa applications and decisions will also be registered in the common visa system.

** In addition, around 49.000 visas were issued directly by Danish representations abroad in 2003.

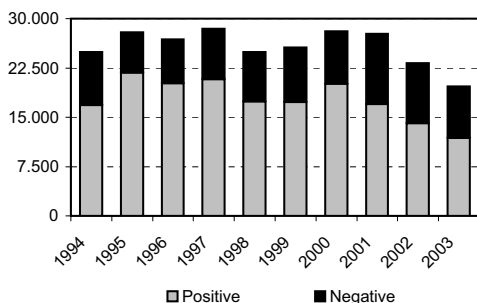
Visa in brief:

Nationals of a number of countries in the world can enter and reside in Denmark for up to three months without a visa if they are in possession of a valid passport and the necessary means for covering the expenses related with their stay in Denmark and their return. Nationals who are required to carry an entry visa must obtain that before entering the country. On 25 March 2001, Denmark entered the Schengen cooperation. Hereafter, a visa is - usually - granted with validity for stays in the entire Schengen-area for up to three months. If a person does not satisfy the conditions for a Schengen visa, a visa only for entry in Denmark may be granted in special cases.

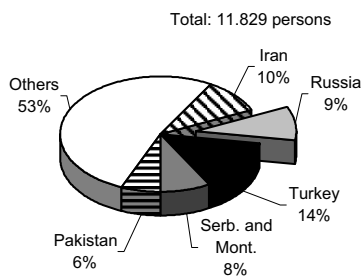
The application for a visa must be submitted to a Danish representation abroad. Most visa cases are simple and are decided upon at the representation offices abroad on a routine basis. More complicated cases are submitted to the Danish Immigration Service for decision. Only the applications that are submitted to the Danish Immigration Service are included in the above table.

Refusals by the Danish Immigration Service can be appealed to the Ministry for Integration. The table above does not include figures from the Ministry for Integration. In 2003 the Ministry for Integration reversed (e.g. issued a visa) in approx. 8. pct of the cases where a refusal from the Danish Immigration Service was appealed to the Ministry.

Decisions on applications for visa submitted to the Danish Immigration Service 1994 - 2003



Distribution of visas granted by the Danish Immigration Service 2003



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Annex 1: Asylum applications lodged in Denmark 2003 (gross application figure)

| Nationality | Period | | | | | | | | | | | | Total 2003 | Total 2002 |
|------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | | |
| Afghanistan | 77 | 87 | 74 | 57 | 51 | 44 | 32 | 66 | 41 | 57 | 40 | 38 | 664 | 1.186 |
| Albanien | | 6 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 6 | 51 | 75 |
| Algeria | 3 | 5 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 62 | 97 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 24 | 32 | 24 | 11 | 16 | 35 | 13 | 12 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 12 | 231 | 186 |
| Bulgaria | | 8 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 15 | 28 | 37 | 15 | 9 | 134 | 37 |
| Burundi | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 35 | 37 |
| China | 4 | | 7 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 18 | 3 | 11 | 5 | 3 | 11 | 76 | 50 |
| CIS | 39 | 32 | 25 | 31 | 24 | 73 | 34 | 45 | 56 | 32 | 23 | 26 | 440 | 430 |
| - of which Armenia | | 2 | 3 | | 4 | | | 5 | 4 | | 5 | | 23 | 37 |
| - of which Azerbaijan | | 1 | | 2 | | 7 | | 5 | | 1 | | | 16 | 29 |
| - of which Belarus | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | | 5 | 4 | 28 | 30 |
| - of which Georgia | | 4 | | 7 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | | 2 | 29 | 44 |
| - of which Moldova | 1 | | 4 | 3 | 2 | 11 | 6 | 5 | | 3 | 1 | | 36 | 7 |
| - of which Russia | 35 | 17 | 9 | 16 | 10 | 43 | 14 | 29 | 43 | 26 | 11 | 16 | 269 | 198 |
| - of which Ukraine | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | | | 2 | | | | 18 | 42 |
| Croatia | | | 1 | | | | 2 | | | 1 | 2 | | 6 | 20 |
| FYROM | 1 | 7 | | 21 | 4 | 22 | 8 | 1 | 9 | | 7 | | 80 | 92 |
| India | 2 | 15 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 52 | 96 |
| Iran | 8 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 5 | 17 | 17 | 24 | 13 | 16 | 20 | 158 | 178 |
| Iraq | 56 | 58 | 58 | 38 | 48 | 29 | 17 | 22 | 46 | 29 | 22 | 19 | 442 | 1.045 |
| Lebanon | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 46 |
| Nigeria | 3 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 3 | 61 | 62 |
| Pakistan | 7 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 5 | | 5 | 1 | 36 | 63 |
| Poland | | | | 7 | | | | 8 | 1 | | | | 16 | 15 |
| Romania | 3 | 1 | | 6 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | | 2 | 38 | 21 |
| Rwanda | 4 | | 6 | | 2 | | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 22 | 16 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 57 | 62 | 66 | 53 | 81 | 39 | 58 | 88 | 47 | 56 | 82 | 61 | 750 | 1.030 |
| - of which Kosovo | 26 | 42 | 34 | 20 | 27 | 25 | 37 | 31 | 28 | 30 | 59 | 22 | 381 | 415 |
| Slovak Republic | 11 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | | 3 | 1 | | 32 | 35 |
| Somalia | 24 | 23 | 26 | 20 | 40 | 26 | 41 | 66 | 28 | 27 | 31 | 18 | 370 | 391 |
| Sri Lanka | 2 | 4 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 6 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 21 | 38 |
| Stateless | 5 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 2 | | 2 | 3 | 3 | 35 | 32 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 15 | 9 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 18 | 8 | 14 | 20 | 14 | 4 | 17 | 153 | 167 |
| Sudan | 2 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | | 4 | 3 | 34 | 41 |
| Syria | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 56 | 31 |
| Turkey | 7 | 10 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 11 | 10 | 16 | 12 | 18 | 108 | 111 |
| Vietnam | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 29 | 28 |
| Others | 38 | 26 | 31 | 30 | 27 | 31 | 38 | 27 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 37 | 375 | 412 |
| Total 2003 | 404 | 420 | 397 | 343 | 381 | 376 | 327 | 460 | 422 | 380 | 355 | 328 | 4.593 | |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2003</i> | <i>404</i> | <i>824</i> | <i>1.221</i> | <i>1.564</i> | <i>1.945</i> | <i>2.321</i> | <i>2.648</i> | <i>3.108</i> | <i>3.530</i> | <i>3.910</i> | <i>4.265</i> | <i>4.593</i> | | |
| Total 2002 | 779 | 652 | 673 | 574 | 470 | 408 | 382 | 378 | 397 | 506 | 422 | 427 | | 6.068 |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2002</i> | <i>779</i> | <i>1.431</i> | <i>2.104</i> | <i>2.678</i> | <i>3.148</i> | <i>3.556</i> | <i>3.938</i> | <i>4.316</i> | <i>4.713</i> | <i>5.219</i> | <i>5.641</i> | <i>6.068</i> | | |

Comments:

1) Incl. persons, who are returned to a safe third country, transferred or re-transferred to another EU Member State under the Dublin Convention as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., during the preliminary asylum procedure.

2) The gross application figure (annex 1) and the processing figure (annex 2) cannot be directly compared, since safe third country and Dublin returns as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., in the preliminary procedure, are only included in the gross application figure. Moreover, there is a time lag (the investigation as to whether the asylum application is to be processed in Denmark) between the time of lodging an application (the gross application figure) and the time of the positive decision to process the application in Denmark (the processing figure).

Statistical Overview

Annex 2: Asylum applications registered in Denmark 2003 (processing figure)

| Nationality | Period | | | | | | | | | | | | Total 2003 | Total 2002 |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | | |
| Afghanistan | 143 | 72 | 58 | 49 | 65 | 63 | 36 | 27 | 7 | 31 | 20 | 16 | 587 | 1.698 |
| Albanien | 7 | 3 | 4 | | 7 | 1 | | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 31 | 35 |
| Algeria | 3 | 1 | | | 2 | | | 1 | 2 | | 3 | | 12 | 26 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 9 | 3 | 10 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 24 | 14 | 25 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 116 | 215 |
| Bulgaria | | 8 | 1 | | | 5 | 8 | 18 | 20 | 45 | 13 | 3 | 121 | 24 |
| Burundi | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 29 | 36 |
| China | | | 2 | | 7 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 36 | 25 |
| CIS | 35 | 11 | 11 | 21 | 20 | 14 | 24 | 16 | 25 | 21 | 15 | 23 | 236 | 251 |
| - of which Armenia | 1 | 1 | | | 5 | | | | 5 | | | | 12 | 22 |
| - of which Azerbaijan | | 1 | | | | | 3 | | 2 | 1 | | | 7 | 18 |
| - of which Belarus | 1 | 1 | | | | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 5 | | 15 | 24 |
| - of which Georgia | | 3 | | | 3 | 2 | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 14 | 22 |
| - of which Moldova | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 1 | 8 | 3 |
| - of which Russia | 31 | 5 | 8 | 20 | 10 | 6 | 18 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 8 | 22 | 172 | 113 |
| - of which Ukraine | 2 | | | | | 2 | | | | 2 | | | 6 | 17 |
| Croatia | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 2 | 4 | 26 |
| FYROM | 7 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 8 | | 15 | | 55 | 129 |
| India | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 2 | | | 4 | 2 | 28 | 70 |
| Iran | 3 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 68 | 231 |
| Iraq | 32 | 22 | 35 | 20 | 41 | 33 | 22 | 25 | 18 | 7 | 10 | 17 | 282 | 1.603 |
| Lebanon | 11 | 11 | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 28 | 45 |
| Nigeria | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 2 | | 7 | 3 | 1 | 33 | 30 |
| Pakistan | 2 | 1 | 6 | | | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | 1 | | 16 | 50 |
| Poland | | | | 7 | | | | 3 | 1 | | | | 11 | 18 |
| Romania | 4 | | | 5 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 29 | 12 |
| Rwanda | | 2 | 5 | 1 | | 4 | | | | 2 | | 1 | 15 | 40 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 56 | 40 | 52 | 39 | 22 | 34 | 22 | 35 | 36 | 9 | 12 | 14 | 371 | 831 |
| - of which Kosovo | 22 | 22 | 25 | 16 | 14 | 19 | 6 | 25 | 32 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 198 | 439 |
| Slovak Republic | | 11 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 3 | | | | 1 | | 19 | 25 |
| Somalia | 27 | 10 | 15 | 22 | 8 | 23 | 28 | 3 | 12 | 9 | 14 | 3 | 174 | 495 |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | 3 | | 1 | | 1 | 16 | 46 |
| Stateless | 5 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | | 2 | | | 2 | | 29 | 35 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 10 | 7 | 10 | 18 | 14 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 93 | 168 |
| Sudan | | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 20 | 31 |
| Syria | | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | | 2 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 29 | 38 |
| Turkey | 5 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 43 | 76 |
| Vietnam | 6 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | | | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | 25 | 32 |
| Others | 25 | 11 | 9 | 27 | 17 | 22 | 20 | 9 | 19 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 211 | 319 |
| Total 2003 | 397 | 250 | 249 | 253 | 249 | 247 | 229 | 196 | 210 | 188 | 164 | 135 | 2.767 | |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2003</i> | <i>397</i> | <i>647</i> | <i>896</i> | <i>1.149</i> | <i>1.398</i> | <i>1.645</i> | <i>1.874</i> | <i>2.070</i> | <i>2.280</i> | <i>2.468</i> | <i>2.632</i> | <i>2.767</i> | | |
| Total 2002 | 1.084 | 827 | 707 | 711 | 739 | 567 | 390 | 321 | 458 | 303 | 235 | 318 | | 6.660 |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2002</i> | <i>1.084</i> | <i>1.911</i> | <i>2.618</i> | <i>3.329</i> | <i>4.068</i> | <i>4.635</i> | <i>5.025</i> | <i>5.346</i> | <i>5.804</i> | <i>6.107</i> | <i>6.342</i> | <i>6.660</i> | | |

Comments:

1) Excl. persons, who are returned to a safe third country, transferred or re-transferred to another EU Member State under the Dublin Convention as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., during the preliminary asylum procedure.

2) The gross application figure (annex 1) and the processing figure (annex 2) cannot be directly compared, since safe third country and Dublin returns as well as disappearances and withdrawals, etc., in the preliminary procedure, are only included in the gross application figure. Moreover, there is a time lag (the investigation as to whether the asylum application is to be processed in Denmark) between the time of lodging an application (the gross application figure) and the time of the positive decision to process the application in Denmark (the processing figure).

Annex 3: Number of asylum decisions on applications registered in Denmark 2003 *

| Authority | A) The Danish Immigration Service (1st instance) | | | | | B) The Refugee Board (Appeal instance) | | | | |
|------------------------|---|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|---|-----------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | Geneva Convention | B-Status | De facto | Refusal | Total (A) | Geneva Convention | B-Status | De facto | Confirmed refusal | Total (B) |
| Afghanistan | 326 | | 41 | 757 | 1.124 | 118 | | 93 | 980 | 1.191 |
| Albania | | | | 27 | 27 | | | 1 | 21 | 22 |
| Algeria | | | | 13 | 13 | | | | 10 | 10 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 3 | | | 103 | 106 | | | 21 | 130 | 151 |
| Bulgaria | | | | 101 | 101 | | | | 5 | 5 |
| Burundi | 2 | 4 | 8 | 20 | 34 | 1 | | | 13 | 14 |
| China | 3 | | | 30 | 33 | 7 | | 3 | 20 | 30 |
| CIS | 14 | 38 | 8 | 121 | 181 | 21 | | 13 | 85 | 119 |
| - of which Armenia | | | | 9 | 9 | 3 | | 1 | 4 | 8 |
| - of which Azerbaijan | | | | 8 | 8 | 4 | | | 17 | 21 |
| - of which Belarus | 4 | | 3 | 6 | 13 | 1 | | | 1 | 2 |
| - of which Georgia | | | | 14 | 14 | 1 | | | 12 | 13 |
| - of which Moldova | | | | 4 | 4 | | | | 3 | 3 |
| - of which Russia | 10 | 38 | 5 | 61 | 114 | 10 | | 12 | 30 | 52 |
| Croatia | | | | 7 | 7 | | | | 10 | 10 |
| Czech Republic | | | | 11 | 11 | | | | | 0 |
| FYROM | | | | 49 | 49 | | | | 31 | 31 |
| India | 1 | | | 54 | 55 | 2 | | 2 | 25 | 29 |
| Iran | 18 | 4 | 18 | 118 | 158 | 38 | 2 | 28 | 148 | 216 |
| Iraq | 14 | 3 | 37 | 185 | 239 | 7 | | 72 | 226 | 305 |
| Lebanon | 5 | 1 | | 32 | 38 | | | 9 | 36 | 45 |
| Nigeria | | | | 30 | 30 | | | | 5 | 5 |
| Pakistan | 2 | | 1 | 22 | 25 | | | 1 | 14 | 15 |
| Poland | | | | 9 | 9 | | | | | 0 |
| Romania | | | | 14 | 14 | | | | | 0 |
| Rwanda | 8 | | 2 | 8 | 18 | | | 1 | 19 | 20 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 9 | | 5 | 388 | 402 | | | 34 | 392 | 426 |
| - of which Kosovo | 1 | | 5 | 213 | 219 | | | 15 | 301 | 316 |
| Slovak Republic | | | | 11 | 11 | | | | 7 | 7 |
| Somalia | 26 | 10 | 67 | 156 | 259 | | 4 | 5 | 85 | 94 |
| Sri Lanka | 2 | 1 | 3 | 15 | 21 | | | | 11 | 11 |
| Stateless | 15 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 34 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 14 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 14 | 3 | 4 | 111 | 132 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 97 | 123 |
| Sudan | 8 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 25 | 3 | | | 10 | 13 |
| Syria | 4 | | | 30 | 34 | 4 | | 5 | 31 | 40 |
| Turkey | 4 | | | 36 | 40 | 1 | | 2 | 23 | 26 |
| Vietnam | 8 | | | 18 | 26 | | | | 3 | 3 |
| Others | 14 | 3 | 3 | 177 | 197 | 7 | | 21 | 124 | 152 |
| Total 2003 | 500 | 71 | 199 | 2.683 | 3.453 | 224 | 12 | 320 | 2.571 | 3.127 |
| Total 2002 | 1.134 | 3 | 1.386 | 6.428 | 8.951 | 133 | 0 | 300 | 2.678 | 3.111 |

* Incl. decisions in the manifestly unfounded procedure, but excl. decisions on asylum applications lodged at Danish representations abroad (until 1 July 2002). Data is based on asylum applications registered and processed in Denmark (the processing figure in annex 2).

The percentage of vetos in manifestly unfounded cases, i.e. cases where the Danish Refugee Council disagrees with the Danish Immigration Service that the asylum case is manifestly unfounded: 1999: 12 %, 2000: 12 %, 2001: 18 %, 2002: 16 %, and in 2003: 7 %.

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Annex 4: Total number of persons granted refugee status or other status in Denmark 2003

| Types of decision | A) Refugee status | | | | | | | B) Other status *** | | | Total (A+B) | |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| | Applications registered in Denmark | | | | | | Quota refugees * | Embassy applic. ** | Humanitarian **** | Excep- tional reasons ***** | | Bosnians and Kosovars ***** |
| | 1st instance | | | 2nd instance | | | | | | | | |
| Nationality | Geneva Convent. | B-Status | De facto | Geneva Convent. | B-Status | De facto | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 326 | | 41 | 118 | | 93 | 35 | 9 | 98 | 4 | | 724 |
| Albania | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Algeria | | | | | | | 5 | | | | | 5 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 3 | | | | | 21 | | | 4 | 13 | 215 | 256 |
| Bulgaria | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Burundi | 2 | 4 | 8 | 1 | | | 3 | | | 1 | | 19 |
| China | 3 | | | 7 | | 3 | 25 | | | | | 38 |
| CIS | 14 | 38 | 8 | 21 | | 13 | 1 | | 27 | 2 | | 124 |
| - of which Armenia | | | | 3 | | 1 | | | 15 | | | 19 |
| - of which Azerbaijan | | | | 4 | | | | | 12 | 1 | | 17 |
| - of which Belarus | 4 | | 3 | 1 | | | | | | | | 8 |
| - of which Georgia | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| - of which Moldova | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| - of which Russia | 10 | 38 | 5 | 10 | | 12 | 1 | | | | | 76 |
| Croatia | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Czech Republic | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| FYROM | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | 2 |
| India | 1 | | | 2 | | 2 | 3 | | 3 | | | 11 |
| Iran | 18 | 4 | 18 | 38 | 2 | 28 | 40 | | 3 | | | 151 |
| Iraq | 14 | 3 | 37 | 7 | | 72 | 4 | | 10 | 4 | | 151 |
| Lebanon | 5 | 1 | | | | 9 | | | | 6 | | 21 |
| Nigeria | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Pakistan | 2 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | | 7 |
| Poland | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Romania | | | | | | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| Rwanda | 8 | | 2 | | | 1 | | | | | | 11 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 9 | | 5 | | | 34 | | | 45 | 9 | 110 | 212 |
| - of which Kosovo | 1 | | 5 | | | 15 | | | 18 | 2 | 108 | 149 |
| Slovak Republic | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Somalia | 26 | 10 | 67 | | 4 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 3 | | 131 |
| Sri Lanka | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | | 22 | | | 1 | | 29 |
| Stateless | 15 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 6 | | | 1 | | 29 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 14 | 3 | 4 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 1 | | 5 | 18 | | 71 |
| Sudan | 8 | 2 | 1 | 3 | | | 8 | | | | | 22 |
| Syria | 4 | | | 4 | | 5 | | | | | | 13 |
| Turkey | 4 | | | 1 | | 2 | | | 1 | | | 8 |
| Vietnam | 8 | | | | | | 2 | | | 2 | | 12 |
| Others | 14 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 21 | 346* | | 1 | 1 | | 396 |
| Total 2003 | 500 | 71 | 199 | 224 | 12 | 320 | 509 | 17 | 203 | 67 | 325 | 2.447 |
| Total 2002 | 1.134 | 3 | 1.386 | 133 | 0 | 300 | 490 | 43 | 45 | 78 | 457 | 4.069 |

* Quota refugees are invited to Denmark under an agreement with the UNHCR. The following nationalities are e.g. included under "others": Burma (141), Indonesia (110), Congo (41) and Cambodia (22).

** Refugee status granted on the basis of asylum applications lodged at Danish Embassies abroad (this possibility to apply for asylum was repealed for applications lodged after 1 July 2002).

*** If asylum is not granted, a temporary residence permit may be obtained on other grounds. The relevant types of decision are listed under "Other status".

**** Humanitarian residence permits. Granted by the Minister for Integration.

***** Incl. e.g. unaccompanied minors and residence permits to asylum-seekers that cannot be returned. Data on residence permits granted to asylum-seekers that cannot be returned is provided in annex 6.

***** Temporary residence permits to Bosnians and Kosovars.

Annex 5: Asylum applications lodged in Denmark 1998 - 2003 by selected nationalities (gross application figure) *

| Nationality | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | 412 | 994 | 1.570 | 2.713 | 1.186 | 664 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 447 | 406 | 1.619 | 1.450 | 186 | 231 |
| Burundi | 58 | 25 | 32 | 56 | 37 | 35 |
| CIS | 479 | 833 | 1.000 | 664 | 430 | 440 |
| - of which Armenia | 163 | 260 | 197 | 49 | 37 | 23 |
| - of which Azerbaijan | 9 | 135 | 99 | 47 | 29 | 16 |
| - of which Belarus | 17 | 25 | 95 | 42 | 30 | 28 |
| - of which Georgia | 118 | 110 | 170 | 47 | 44 | 29 |
| - of which Moldova | 25 | 41 | 28 | 32 | 7 | 36 |
| - of which Russia | 102 | 183 | 269 | 302 | 198 | 269 |
| India | 393 | 324 | 120 | 133 | 96 | 52 |
| Iran | 236 | 292 | 506 | 327 | 178 | 158 |
| Iraq | 3.001 | 4.265 | 2.596 | 2.724 | 1.045 | 442 |
| Libanon | 69 | 108 | 67 | 66 | 46 | 26 |
| Nigeria | 41 | 29 | 36 | 60 | 62 | 61 |
| Pakistan | 129 | 224 | 119 | 151 | 63 | 36 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 1.457 | 1.682 | 1.824 | 1.166 | 1.030 | 750 |
| - of which Kosovo | 1.065 | 961 | 873 | 590 | 415 | 381 |
| Slovak Republic | 70 | 1.096 | 17 | 312 | 35 | 32 |
| Somalia | 771 | 652 | 552 | 701 | 391 | 370 |
| Sri Lanka | 227 | 137 | 140 | 99 | 38 | 21 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 373 | 282 | 362 | 285 | 167 | 153 |
| Turkey | 150 | 105 | 122 | 130 | 111 | 108 |
| Vietnam | 45 | 29 | 49 | 56 | 28 | 29 |
| Others | 1.012 | 848 | 1.469 | 1.419 | 939 | 985 |
| Total | 9.370 | 12.331 | 12.200 | 12.512 | 6.068 | 4.593 |

* The breakdown by nationality reflects the distribution of asylum applications lodged in Denmark in recent years. The gross application is only available as from 1998.

Annex 6: Number of persons granted refugee or other status in Denmark 1994 - 2003 *

| Category | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Refugee status (A) | 2.508 | 19.931 | 6.387 | 4.940 | 4.442 | 4.223 | 4.388 | 5.742 | 3.489 | 1.852 |
| - Geneva Convention | 676 | 4.969 | 1.439 | 976 | 1.102 | 1.105 | 1.327 | 2.020 | 1.267 | 724 |
| - De facto status | 1.317 | 14.393 | 4.375 | 3.409 | 2.862 | 2.584 | 2.541 | 3.116 | 1.686 | 519 |
| - B-Status | | | | | | | | | 3 | 83 |
| - Quota refugees | 425 | 528 | 508 | 501 | 444 | 501 | 464 | 531 | 490 | 509 |
| - Applic. lodged abroad (until 1 July 2002) | 90 | 41 | 65 | 54 | 34 | 33 | 56 | 75 | 43 | 17 |
| Other status (B) ** | 310 | 416 | 2.330 | 985 | 316 | 220 | 768 | 521 | 580 | 595 |
| - Humanitarian residence permit | 96 | 115 | 76 | 17 | 42 | 39 | 31 | 83 | 45 | 203 |
| - Exceptional reasons | 214 | 287 | 185 | 67 | 83 | 79 | 389 | 100 | 78 | 67 |
| - of which return not possible *** | N/A | N/A | N/A | 33 | 28 | 36 | 365 | 51 | 18 | 35 |
| - TP to Bosnians and Kosovars | | 14 | 257 | 871 | 174 | 102 | 348 | 338 | 457 | 325 |
| - TP to Serbs | | | 1.812 | 30 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total (A+B) | 2.818 | 20.347 | 8.717 | 5.925 | 4.758 | 4.443 | 5.156 | 6.263 | 4.069 | 2.447 |

* Please consult annex 4 for further details.

** If asylum is not granted, a temporary residence permit may be obtained on other grounds. The relevant types of decision are listed under "Other status".

*** Temporary residence permits to asylum-seekers that cannot be returned - usually because the country of origin refuses to re-admit or because of disturbances and unrest there.

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Annex 7: Number of persons applying for family reunification in Denmark 2003*

| Nationality | Month | | | | | | | | | | | | Total 2003 | Total 2002 |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | | |
| Afghanistan | 74 | 48 | 47 | 81 | 34 | 62 | 38 | 31 | 91 | 43 | 41 | 14 | 604 | 676 |
| Australia | 1 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 44 | 54 |
| Belarus | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 4 | | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 28 | 50 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 10 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 11 | 3 | 79 | 133 |
| Brazil | 2 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 62 | 115 |
| Burundi | | | 7 | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 7 | 2 | | 29 | 36 |
| Canada | 0 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 37 | 64 |
| China | 20 | 13 | 15 | 4 | 17 | 14 | 18 | 17 | 21 | 17 | 16 | 5 | 177 | 269 |
| Egypt | 0 | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 48 | 72 |
| Ethiopia | 15 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | | 2 | 2 | 3 | | 29 | 28 |
| FYROM | 5 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 58 | 136 |
| Germany | 12 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 16 | 10 | 37 | 44 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 170 | 100 |
| Ghana | 12 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 2 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 12 | 11 | 0 | 87 | 76 |
| India | 7 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 46 | 84 |
| Iran | 16 | 9 | 18 | 6 | 18 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 10 | 23 | 18 | 11 | 189 | 267 |
| Iraq | 75 | 65 | 55 | 57 | 25 | 30 | 33 | 51 | 23 | 20 | 11 | 46 | 491 | 1.679 |
| Latvia | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 37 | 64 |
| Lebanon | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 12 | 11 | 4 | 65 | 119 |
| Lithuania | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 63 | 78 |
| Morocco | 9 | 6 | 14 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 13 | 104 | 172 |
| Nigeria | 3 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 37 | 65 |
| Pakistan | 21 | 9 | 9 | 15 | 14 | 23 | 16 | 12 | 11 | 22 | 12 | 11 | 175 | 440 |
| Philippines | 9 | 12 | 12 | 17 | 13 | 14 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 14 | 16 | 7 | 140 | 152 |
| Poland | 11 | 6 | 12 | 15 | 4 | 7 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 115 | 191 |
| Romania | 5 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 4 | 7 | 75 | 105 |
| Russia | 21 | 23 | 14 | 18 | 9 | 9 | 22 | 17 | 16 | 11 | 13 | 26 | 199 | 276 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 26 | 18 | 9 | 19 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 18 | 20 | 13 | 16 | 203 | 239 |
| Somalia | 40 | 57 | 69 | 50 | 20 | 26 | 24 | 48 | 43 | 29 | 18 | 15 | 439 | 988 |
| Sri Lanka | 10 | 13 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 9 | 6 | 104 | 209 |
| Stateless Palestin. | 6 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 14 | 5 | 11 | 4 | 9 | 10 | 1 | 8 | 80 | 237 |
| Syria | 7 | 2 | | | | 4 | 9 | | 6 | 5 | | 2 | 35 | 47 |
| Thailand | 50 | 26 | 36 | 40 | 39 | 45 | 36 | 35 | 39 | 33 | 47 | 32 | 458 | 641 |
| Turkey | 49 | 30 | 40 | 44 | 45 | 36 | 71 | 68 | 73 | 59 | 45 | 66 | 626 | 1.254 |
| Uganda | 6 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 42 | 63 |
| UK | 4 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 44 | 84 |
| Ukraine | 6 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 78 | 88 |
| USA | 14 | 14 | 13 | 18 | 9 | 27 | 22 | 17 | 10 | 24 | 17 | 21 | 206 | 255 |
| Vietnam | 16 | 2 | 9 | 19 | 10 | 5 | 11 | 9 | 16 | 10 | 8 | 4 | 119 | 198 |
| Others | 59 | 75 | 65 | 97 | 78 | 63 | 75 | 70 | 86 | 82 | 77 | 71 | 898 | 1.446 |
| Total 2003 | 636 | 534 | 529 | 572 | 471 | 497 | 606 | 585 | 630 | 553 | 471 | 436 | 6.520 | |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2003</i> | <i>636</i> | <i>1.170</i> | <i>1.699</i> | <i>2.271</i> | <i>2.742</i> | <i>3.239</i> | <i>3.845</i> | <i>4.430</i> | <i>5.060</i> | <i>5.613</i> | <i>6.084</i> | <i>6.520</i> | | |
| Total 2002 | 1.550 | 1.216 | 1.106 | 1.043 | 1.120 | 1.163 | 956 | 698 | 677 | 679 | 616 | 426 | | 11.250 |
| <i>Cumulative Total 2002</i> | <i>1.550</i> | <i>2.766</i> | <i>3.872</i> | <i>4.915</i> | <i>6.035</i> | <i>7.198</i> | <i>8.154</i> | <i>8.852</i> | <i>9.529</i> | <i>10.208</i> | <i>10.824</i> | <i>11.250</i> | | |

* Refers to the number of persons, who apply for family reunification in Denmark. Only first time applications are counted. The data can be compiled as from 2001 on the basis of the Aliens Register.

Annex 8: Number of decisions on family reunification in Denmark 2003 *

| Category | First time applications | | Applic. after 1 July 2002 ("new regulation") | | Applic. before 1 July 2002 ("old regulation") | | Total | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|--|--------------|---|--------------|---------|---------|
| | Granted | Refusal | Granted | Refusal | Granted | Refusal | Granted | Refusal |
| Spouses and cohabitants (A) | 1.774 | 1.751 | 764 | 978 | 2.538 | 2.729 | | |
| - of refugees in Denmark | 326 | 298 | 404 | 277 | 730 | 575 | | |
| - of other immigrants in Denmark | 131 | 504 | 94 | 428 | 225 | 932 | | |
| - of Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark | 1.317 | 949 | 266 | 273 | 1.583 | 1.222 | | |
| Minors (B) | 1.285 | 284 | 885 | 529 | 2.170 | 813 | | |
| - children to refugees in Denmark | 576 | 95 | 644 | 289 | 1.220 | 384 | | |
| - children to other than refugees in Denmark | 709 | 189 | 241 | 240 | 950 | 429 | | |
| Parents over the age of 60 (C) | | | 83 | 203 | 83 | 203 | | |
| - of refugees in Denmark ** | | | 19 | 116 | 19 | 116 | | |
| - of immigrants in Denmark *** | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| - of Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark ** | | | 64 | 87 | 64 | 87 | | |
| Total (A+B+C) | 3.059 | 2.035 | 1.732 | 1.710 | 4.791 | 3.745 | | |

* All instances are included.

** This category was repealed for applications lodged after 1 July 2002.

*** This category was repealed for applications lodged after 3 July 1998.

Note: Please consult annex 10 for further details about persons granted family reunification.

Annex 9: Other decisions on immigration in Denmark 2003 (non-asylum) *

| Category | First time applications | | Total | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|---------|---------|
| | Granted | Refusal | Granted | Refusal |
| Education | 6.212 | 285 | | |
| Interns | 1.417 | 234 | | |
| Au pair | 1.233 | 137 | | |
| Wageearner and independent businessmen - <i>within</i> the traditional labour market ** | 1.070 | 733 | | |
| Humanitarian work | 1.042 | 19 | | |
| Family ties to person granted a residence permit or work/educational grands | 939 | 105 | | |
| Work and education in the Faroe Islands and Greenland | 687 | 25 | | |
| Specialists etc./job-card scheme *** | 661 | 46 | | |
| Wageearner and independent businessmen - <i>outside</i> the traditional labour market **** | 593 | 28 | | |
| Adoption | 500 | 26 | | |
| Missionaries | 151 | 67 | | |
| Other cases ***** | 3.215 | 1.037 | | |
| Total | 17.720 | 2.742 | | |

* All instances are included.

** Including e.g. interpreters, agricultural workers and metalworkers.

*** The job-card scheme includes end of 2003 the following professional fields: Engineers, scientists in the natural science and technology sector, doctors and nurses.

**** Including e.g. researchers, managers, athletes and embassy personal.

***** Including e.g. previous Danish nationals and persons closely connected with relatives in Denmark.

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Annex 10: Positive decisions on family reunification in Denmark 1994 - 2003 *

| Category | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Spouses and cohabitants (A) | 4.436 | 4.580 | 6.112 | 5.665 | 6.442 | 6.637 | 6.399 | 6.499 | 4.880 | 2.538 |
| - of refugees in Denmark | 972 | 891 | 1.338 | 1.179 | 1.491 | 1.410 | 1.704 | 1.694 | 1.213 | 730 |
| - of other immigrants in Denmark | 666 | 859 | 1.325 | 1.115 | 1.058 | 794 | 628 | 443 | 298 | 225 |
| - of Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark | 2.798 | 2.830 | 3.449 | 3.371 | 3.893 | 4.433 | 4.067 | 4.362 | 3.369 | 1.583 |
| Minors (B) | 1.425 | 1.631 | 2.429 | 1.843 | 3.004 | 2.585 | 3.384 | 4.185 | 3.052 | 2.170 |
| - children to refugees in Denmark | 718 | 742 | 1.309 | 743 | 1.322 | 1.281 | ** | 2.510 | 1.759 | 1.220 |
| - children to other than refugees in Denmark | 707 | 889 | 1.120 | 1.100 | 1.682 | 1.304 | ** | 1.675 | 1.293 | 950 |
| Parents over the age of 60 (C) | 156 | 116 | 186 | 200 | 241 | 200 | 238 | 266 | 219 | 83 |
| - of refugees in Denmark | 71 | 57 | 71 | 88 | 75 | 59 | 65 | 71 | 50 | 19 |
| - of immigrants in Denmark | 34 | 22 | 38 | 50 | 49 | 12 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| - of Danish/Nordic nationals in Denmark | 51 | 37 | 77 | 62 | 117 | 129 | 169 | 195 | 169 | 64 |
| Total (A+B+C) | 6.017 | 6.327 | 8.727 | 7.708 | 9.687 | 9.422 | 10.021 | 10.950 | 8.151 | 4.791 |

* Please consult annex 8 for further details.

** The positive decisions on family reunification in 2000 to minors cannot be broken down by references (as in this annex) or by nationalities (as in annex 15). This is due to a technical change in the compilation of this data introduced in 2000, which was only amended in the Aliens Register as from 1. January 2001.

Annex 11: Other decisions on immigration to Denmark 2003 (non-asylum)

| Category | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Education | 2.253 | 2.526 | 2.629 | 2.809 | 3.254 | 3.658 | 4.239 | 3.724 | 5.317 | 6.212 |
| Interns | 527 | 651 | 909 | 1.015 | 1.074 | 996 | 1.425 | 1.650 | 1.837 | 1.417 |
| Au pair | 116 | 194 | 318 | 438 | 478 | 528 | 865 | 1.018 | 1.156 | 1.233 |
| Specialists etc./job-card scheme | 634 | 755 | 764 | 837 | 1.015 | 898 | 935 | 953 | 805 | 661 |
| Adoption | 640 | 436 | 561 | 553 | 612 | 760 | 679 | 616 | 606 | 500 |
| Missionaries | 153 | 134 | 82 | 83 | 97 | 101 | 100 | 127 | 153 | 151 |
| Other cases | 2.768 | 2.729 | 3.738 | 4.218 | 3.958 | 2.733 | 2.986 | 5.103 | 5.228 | 7.546 |
| Total | 7.091 | 7.425 | 9.001 | 9.953 | 10.488 | 9.674 | 11.229 | 13.191 | 15.102 | 17.720 |

* Please consult annex 9 for further details.

New statistical reporting on immigration to Denmark:

In order to provide a more comprehensive overview of the different groups of persons applying for a residence permit outside the area of asylum and family reunification, the Danish Immigration Service has decided to revise and significantly increase the number of categories to be included in the statistical reports.

In future, the categories included in the above tables will be - together with other key figures and family reunification - updated on a monthly basis on the homepage of the Danish Immigration Service. (www.udl.st.dk)

Annex 12: Number of decisions on EC/EEA residence certificates in Denmark 2003 *

| Category | First time applications | | Extension of residence certificate | |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| | Granted residence certificate | Refusal | Granted extension | Revocation and refusal |
| Employed persons in the territory of Denmark (section 6) | 2.129 | 18 | 1.315 | 95 |
| Students enrolled in Denmark on a recognised course, etc. (section 10) | 2.550 | 0 | 331 | 1 |
| Members of the family who are EC or EEA nationals (section 7 and 11) ** | 691 | 7 | 350 | 4 |
| Other family members (section 14)*** | 176 | 24 | 103 | 15 |
| Others **** | 929 | 17 | 391 | 18 |
| Total | 6.475 | 66 | 2.490 | 133 |

* References in brackets are to "The order on residence in Denmark for aliens falling within the regulations of the European Community" or "The Agreement on the European Economic Area" (Order No. 761 of 22 August 1994).

** Members of the family of an EC or EEA national as are themselves EC or EEA nationals.

*** Members of the family of an EC or EEA national as are not themselves EC or EEA nationals.

**** Including self-employed persons in the territory of Denmark (80 residence certificates granted in 2003), persons who provide or receive services within the territory of Denmark (42 residence certificates granted in 2003), persons on retirement (251 residence permits granted in 2003) and residence certificates to others (556 residence certificates granted in 2003).

Annex 13: Number of EC/EEA residence certificates granted in Denmark 1994 - 2003 *

| EC/ EEA nationals | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Employed persons in the territory of Denmark (section 6) | 2.024 | 1.777 | 2.937 | 2.817 | 2.680 | 2.384 | 2.410 | 2.309 | 2.056 | 2.129 |
| Students enrolled in Denmark on a recognised course, etc. (section 10) | 1.055 | 985 | 1.310 | 1.318 | 1.653 | 1.784 | 1.899 | 2.012 | 2.306 | 2.550 |
| Members of the family who are EC or EEA nationals (section 7 and 11) | 387 | 345 | 663 | 769 | 713 | 679 | 670 | 717 | 687 | 691 |
| Other family members (section 14) | 96 | 111 | 186 | 187 | 198 | 177 | 213 | 202 | 181 | 176 |
| Others | 780 | 562 | 791 | 828 | 857 | 682 | 733 | 710 | 811 | 929 |
| Total | 4.342 | 3.780 | 5.887 | 5.919 | 6.101 | 5.706 | 5.925 | 5.950 | 6.041 | 6.475 |

* Please consult annex 12 for further details.

In most cases a first time EC/EEA residence certificate is granted for a period of 5 years. As of 1 October 1995 state counties in Denmark are responsible for first instance decisions regarding EC/EEA residence certificates. The Danish Immigration Service examines appeal cases.

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Annex 14: Number of persons granted refugee or other status in Denmark 1995 - 2003 - by major nationalities *

| Nationality | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | 201 | 334 | 261 | 324 | 554 | 1.322 | 2.075 | 882 | 724 |
| Armenia | 53 | 242 | 35 | 36 | 36 | 26 | 35 | 3 | 19 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 16.091 | 1.876 | 1.389 | 225 | 134 | 173 | 123 | 302 | 256 |
| Burundi | 0 | 45 | 41 | 59 | 25 | 40 | 13 | 58 | 19 |
| Iran | 126 | 282 | 260 | 232 | 230 | 143 | 93 | 305 | 151 |
| Iraq | 974 | 1.009 | 1.283 | 1.749 | 1.904 | 1.745 | 2.049 | 891 | 151 |
| Lebanon | 15 | 32 | 26 | 32 | 17 | 6 | 13 | 7 | 21 |
| Russia | 12 | 48 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 16 | 73 | 93 | 76 |
| Rwanda | 0 | 0 | 9 | 55 | 15 | 25 | 21 | 41 | 11 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 557 | 2.164 | 56 | 365 | 459 | 597 | 676 | 351 | 212 |
| - of which Kosovo | N/A | N/A | 27 | 332 | 438 | 341 | 594 | 64 | 149 |
| Somalia | 1.180 | 1.702 | 1.741 | 946 | 521 | 538 | 603 | 646 | 131 |
| Sri Lanka | 203 | 102 | 51 | 79 | 68 | 49 | 37 | 48 | 29 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 434 | 481 | 549 | 339 | 191 | 116 | 80 | 50 | 71 |
| Syria | 30 | 16 | 18 | 8 | 24 | 26 | 14 | 47 | 13 |
| Ukraine | 21 | 12 | 6 | 10 | 16 | 16 | 9 | 1 | 2 |
| Vietnam | 79 | 131 | 25 | 26 | 19 | 18 | 19 | 21 | 12 |
| Others | 371 | 241 | 160 | 259 | 218 | 300 | 330 | 323 | 549 |
| Total | 20.347 | 8.717 | 5.925 | 4.758 | 4.443 | 5.156 | 6.263 | 4.069 | 2.447 |

* The breakdown by nationality reflects the distribution of persons granted refugee or other status in Denmark in recent years. Please consult annex 4 for further details.

Annex 15: Number of positive decisions on family reunification in Denmark 1995 - 2003 - by major nationalities *

| Nationality | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Afghanistan | 70 | 95 | 125 | 218 | 279 | ** | 1.626 | 763 | 374 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | 46 | 125 | 136 | 152 | 91 | ** | 110 | 90 | 18 |
| China | 124 | 165 | 180 | 145 | 224 | ** | 285 | 177 | 148 |
| Iran | 129 | 185 | 235 | 216 | 227 | ** | 240 | 192 | 85 |
| Iraq | 230 | 330 | 391 | 1.228 | 1.041 | ** | 1.628 | 1.479 | 969 |
| Morocco | 141 | 280 | 205 | 273 | 223 | ** | 155 | 129 | 49 |
| Pakistan | 217 | 294 | 321 | 363 | 323 | ** | 244 | 237 | 81 |
| Poland | 219 | 268 | 227 | 300 | 202 | ** | 207 | 135 | 82 |
| Russia | 126 | 181 | 151 | 227 | 267 | ** | 307 | 235 | 173 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 124 | 187 | 188 | 255 | 172 | ** | 171 | 125 | 62 |
| Somalia | 780 | 1.560 | 775 | 707 | 885 | ** | 828 | 624 | 412 |
| Stateless Palestinians | 117 | 156 | 126 | 166 | 188 | ** | 152 | 150 | 35 |
| Thailand | 339 | 420 | 425 | 444 | 588 | ** | 690 | 531 | 357 |
| Turkey | 915 | 1.204 | 1.006 | 1.509 | 1.146 | ** | 1.009 | 764 | 320 |
| USA | 280 | 253 | 238 | 309 | 263 | ** | 206 | 188 | 133 |
| Vietnam | 99 | 178 | 195 | 191 | 210 | ** | 207 | 153 | 106 |
| Others | 2.371 | 2.846 | 2.784 | 2.984 | 3.093 | ** | 2.885 | 2.179 | 1.387 |
| Total | 6.327 | 8.727 | 7.708 | 9.687 | 9.422 | 10.021 | 10.950 | 8.151 | 4.791 |

* The breakdown by nationality reflects the distribution of positive decisions on family reunification in Denmark in recent years. Please consult annex 8 and 10 for further details.

** The positive decisions on family reunification in 2000 to minors cannot be broken down by references (as in this annex) or by nationalities (as in annex 15). This is due to a technical change in the compilation of this data introduced in 2000, which was only amended in the Aliens Register as from 1 January 2001.

Annex 16: Immigration to Denmark by citizenship 1994 - 2003

| Citizenship | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Denmark (A) | 23.984 | 24.041 | 22.918 | 22.694 | 22.542 | 22.353 | 22.105 | 22.330 | 22.181 | 22.062 |
| Europe (B) | 12.157 | 29.570 | 19.657 | 16.409 | 16.372 | 15.869 | 16.448 | 17.208 | 16.770 | 15.986 |
| - of which Turkey | 677 | 990 | 1.378 | 1.063 | 1.255 | 1.189 | 1.074 | 1.069 | 868 | 502 |
| - of which former Yugoslavia | 431 | 17.105 | 4.914 | 2.055 | 1.180 | 1.121 | 1.265 | 1.338 | 1.141 | 797 |
| Africa (C) | 2.440 | 2.645 | 4.020 | 3.137 | 2.774 | 2.482 | 2.435 | 2.562 | 2.437 | 1.741 |
| - of which Morocco | 154 | 145 | 279 | 222 | 253 | 229 | 193 | 185 | 110 | 80 |
| - of which Somalia | 1.321 | 1.624 | 2.650 | 1.889 | 1.358 | 1.104 | 1.009 | 1.152 | 1.180 | 596 |
| North America (D) | 1.328 | 1.513 | 1.522 | 1.508 | 1.625 | 1.604 | 1.603 | 1.670 | 1.707 | 1.721 |
| - of which USA | 1.132 | 1.318 | 1.280 | 1.279 | 1.361 | 1.329 | 1.343 | 1.425 | 1.382 | 1.428 |
| South and Central America (E) | 587 | 583 | 624 | 691 | 739 | 852 | 865 | 817 | 833 | 651 |
| Asia (F) | 3.922 | 4.353 | 5.155 | 5.168 | 6.722 | 6.507 | 8.885 | 10.839 | 8.277 | 7.123 |
| - of which Afghanistan | 190 | 255 | 336 | 325 | 443 | 598 | 1.536 | 3.016 | 1.273 | 716 |
| - of which Iran | 307 | 263 | 547 | 406 | 511 | 344 | 462 | 400 | 490 | 281 |
| - of which Iraq | 753 | 1.043 | 1.117 | 1.350 | 2.325 | 1.908 | 2.907 | 3.236 | 2.161 | 1.311 |
| - of which Pakistan | 304 | 323 | 433 | 375 | 493 | 443 | 556 | 432 | 434 | 331 |
| - of which Sri Lanka | 353 | 457 | 329 | 237 | 207 | 174 | 188 | 181 | 162 | 124 |
| - of which Thailand | 398 | 383 | 434 | 475 | 519 | 642 | 651 | 752 | 603 | 447 |
| Oceania (G) | 344 | 314 | 329 | 328 | 381 | 348 | 338 | 362 | 393 | 335 |
| Stateless/others (H) | 199 | 167 | 220 | 170 | 217 | 221 | 236 | 196 | 180 | 135 |
| Total (A+B+C+D+E+F+G+H) | 44.961 | 63.186 | 54.445 | 50.105 | 51.372 | 50.236 | 52.915 | 55.984 | 52.778 | 49.754 |
| <i>Net immigration (immigration - emigration)</i> | <i>10.251</i> | <i>28.556</i> | <i>17.133</i> | <i>11.712</i> | <i>11.032</i> | <i>8.896</i> | <i>9.498</i> | <i>12.004</i> | <i>9.297</i> | <i>6.288</i> |

Source: Statistics Denmark

Note: The immigration data cannot be broken down by type of residence permit granted to foreign nationals immigrating to Denmark. This information, however, is scheduled to be available at a later stage.

Annex 17: Emigration from Denmark by citizenship 1994 - 2003

| Citizenship | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Denmark (A) | 23.819 | 23.521 | 24.355 | 24.336 | 24.693 | 25.098 | 26.887 | 26.688 | 25.731 | 25.272 |
| Europe (B) | 7.391 | 7.471 | 8.742 | 9.765 | 10.883 | 11.547 | 11.724 | 12.069 | 12.357 | 11.989 |
| - of which Turkey | 353 | 335 | 247 | 303 | 288 | 282 | 341 | 322 | 299 | 270 |
| - of which former Yugoslavia | 106 | 151 | 630 | 483 | 390 | 256 | 325 | 293 | 337 | 249 |
| Africa (C) | 483 | 586 | 720 | 812 | 1.153 | 1.064 | 972 | 1.252 | 1.297 | 1.402 |
| - of which Morocco | 47 | 55 | 57 | 45 | 42 | 49 | 61 | 56 | 33 | 37 |
| - of which Somalia | 60 | 152 | 275 | 319 | 619 | 537 | 436 | 695 | 814 | 989 |
| North America (D) | 1.193 | 1.205 | 1.417 | 1.330 | 1.462 | 1.411 | 1.579 | 1.527 | 1.481 | 1.640 |
| - of which USA | 1.038 | 1.054 | 1.216 | 1.146 | 1.275 | 1.183 | 1.344 | 1.322 | 1.246 | 1.343 |
| South and Central America (E) | 299 | 314 | 284 | 292 | 332 | 371 | 363 | 365 | 406 | 423 |
| Asia (F) | 1.186 | 1.216 | 1.413 | 1.480 | 1.432 | 1.494 | 1.543 | 1.710 | 1.837 | 2.356 |
| - of which Afghanistan | 4 | 4 | 6 | 13 | 23 | 33 | 32 | 38 | 61 | 64 |
| - of which Iran | 157 | 151 | 146 | 120 | 134 | 124 | 104 | 115 | 100 | 96 |
| - of which Iraq | 45 | 106 | 67 | 63 | 109 | 82 | 105 | 146 | 145 | 258 |
| - of which Pakistan | 181 | 141 | 166 | 136 | 157 | 155 | 196 | 163 | 196 | 200 |
| - of which Sri Lanka | 40 | 53 | 62 | 52 | 40 | 47 | 54 | 55 | 54 | 57 |
| - of which Thailand | 78 | 70 | 110 | 96 | 95 | 139 | 115 | 147 | 183 | 157 |
| Oceania (G) | 269 | 238 | 314 | 302 | 295 | 266 | 279 | 300 | 310 | 331 |
| Stateless/others (H) | 70 | 79 | 67 | 76 | 90 | 89 | 70 | 69 | 62 | 53 |
| Total (A+B+C+D+E+F+G+H) | 34.710 | 34.630 | 37.312 | 38.393 | 40.340 | 41.340 | 43.417 | 43.980 | 43.481 | 43.466 |

Source: Statistics Denmark

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Annex 18: Repatriation from Denmark 1994 - 2003

| Nationality | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Afghanistan | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 22 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina * | 0 | 14 | 425 | 318 | 165 | 61 | 100 | 47 | 24 | 23 |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina ** | 115 | 97 | 81 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chile | 4 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Iran | 23 | 28 | 24 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 3 | 15 |
| Iraq | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 71 |
| Kosovo*** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 31 | 19 | 24 | 2 |
| Lebanon | 26 | 7 | 8 | 14 | 13 | 22 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| Poland | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Romania | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Republic of Srpska | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 12 | 23 | 54 | 31 | 19 |
| Serbia and Montenegro | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 12 | 6 | 0 |
| Somalia | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 23 | 7 | 45 | 47 | 43 | 17 |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Syria | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Turkey | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Uruguay | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vietnam | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 2 |
| Others | 24 | 1 | 3 | 16 | 21 | 13 | 8 | 19 | 15 | 7 |
| Total | 199 | 169 | 556 | 391 | 258 | 151 | 236 | 224 | 170 | 183 |

* Repatriated Bosnian refugees.

** Returned Bosnians (with temporary protection in Denmark pursuant to *Act on Temporary Residence Permits for Certain Persons from Former Yugoslavia, etc.*).

*** Excl. Kosovars repatriated under the *Temporary Protection Act for Kosovars*.

Source: Danish Refugee Council

Annex 19: Acquisition of Danish citizenship 1994 - 2003 (naturalisation)

| Former nationality | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Europe (A) | 2.630 | 2.083 | 2.704 | 2.298 | 3.160 | 5.072 | 5.900 | 5.342 | 7.340 | 4.133 |
| - of which Turkey | 915 | 797 | 917 | 1.036 | 1.243 | 3.154 | 2.787 | 3.130 | 2.418 | 2.158 |
| - of which former Yugoslavia | 806 | 413 | 629 | 291 | 695 | 709 | 1.523 | 1.137 | 3.413 | 1.253 |
| Africa (B) | 266 | 311 | 466 | 269 | 711 | 903 | 2.371 | 1.751 | 3.396 | 612 |
| - of which Morocco | 136 | 122 | 201 | 110 | 248 | 322 | 485 | 213 | 313 | 69 |
| - of which Somalia | 7 | 12 | 32 | 17 | 159 | 215 | 1.189 | 1.074 | 2.263 | 324 |
| North America (C) | 81 | 46 | 48 | 81 | 76 | 58 | 53 | 65 | 74 | 55 |
| - of which USA | 67 | 36 | 33 | 66 | 56 | 51 | 38 | 38 | 60 | 43 |
| South/Central America (D) | 71 | 94 | 130 | 134 | 161 | 149 | 255 | 251 | 334 | 163 |
| Asia (E) | 2.026 | 2.202 | 3.069 | 1.998 | 4.531 | 4.765 | 7.844 | 3.631 | 5.137 | 1.436 |
| - of which Afghanistan | 20 | 24 | 29 | 15 | 101 | 98 | 276 | 215 | 301 | 40 |
| - of which Iran | 491 | 531 | 829 | 553 | 969 | 914 | 1.105 | 437 | 519 | 120 |
| - of which Iraq | 166 | 177 | 339 | 244 | 718 | 918 | 2.210 | 871 | 1.161 | 153 |
| - of which Lebanon | 237 | 216 | 314 | 160 | 811 | 601 | 1.099 | 309 | 376 | 69 |
| - of which Pakistan | 203 | 145 | 220 | 149 | 284 | 463 | 545 | 297 | 573 | 94 |
| - of which Sri Lanka | 515 | 635 | 765 | 376 | 613 | 523 | 819 | 365 | 594 | 119 |
| - of which Thailand | 27 | 56 | 65 | 44 | 85 | 137 | 214 | 124 | 172 | 62 |
| - of which Vietnam | 125 | 137 | 200 | 126 | 365 | 439 | 647 | 318 | 508 | 280 |
| Oceania (F) | 10 | 8 | 7 | 16 | 29 | 19 | 16 | 13 | 13 | 6 |
| Stateless/others (G) | 652 | 516 | 859 | 686 | 1.594 | 1.450 | 2.372 | 849 | 1.006 | 178 |
| Total (A+B+C+D+E+F+G) | 5.736 | 5.260 | 7.283 | 5.482 | 10.262 | 12.416 | 18.811 | 11.902 | 17.300 | 6.583 |

Source: Statistics Denmark

Annex 20: Immigrants and their descendants 1995 - 2004 (as at 1 January) *

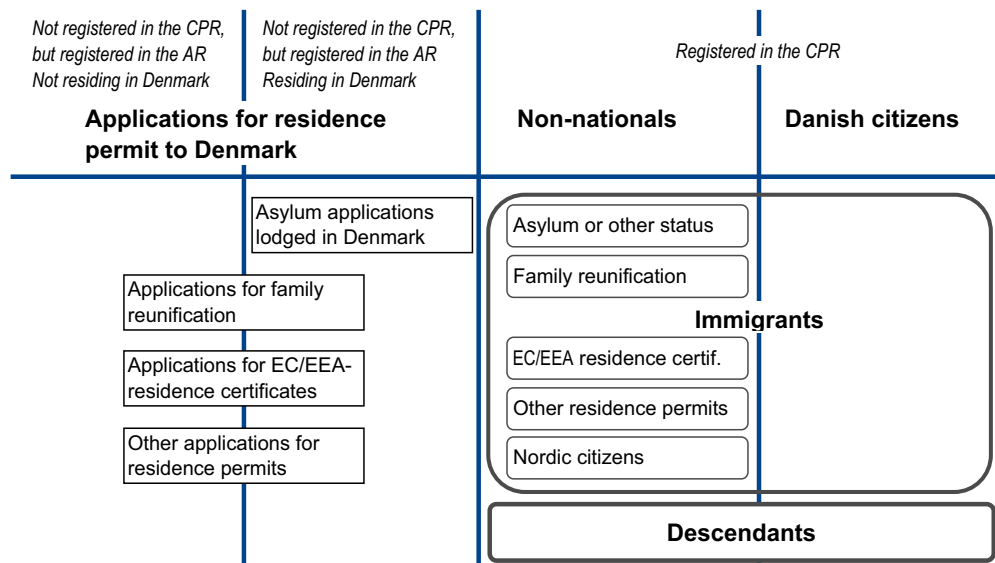
| Country of origin | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Europe (A) | 158.640 | 180.712 | 192.045 | 199.323 | 205.356 | 210.109 | 215.449 | 221.082 | 225.679 | 229.732 |
| - of which Turkey | 39.222 | 40.936 | 43.087 | 45.008 | 46.994 | 48.773 | 50.470 | 52.159 | 53.465 | 54.257 |
| - of which former Yugoslavia | 13.534 | 30.675 | 35.377 | 37.418 | 38.588 | 39.879 | 41.227 | 42.694 | 43.612 | 44.424 |
| Africa (B) | 20.430 | 23.200 | 27.308 | 30.665 | 33.350 | 35.895 | 38.448 | 40.783 | 42.386 | 42.836 |
| - of which Morocco | 5.955 | 6.230 | 6.645 | 6.983 | 7.422 | 7.813 | 8.104 | 8.404 | 8.644 | 8.799 |
| - of which Somalia | 5.280 | 7.091 | 9.885 | 12.113 | 13.535 | 14.856 | 16.209 | 17.299 | 17.849 | 17.363 |
| North America (C) | 7.519 | 7.732 | 7.756 | 7.862 | 7.945 | 8.047 | 8.012 | 8.085 | 8.205 | 8.245 |
| - of which USA | 5.900 | 6.078 | 6.082 | 6.159 | 6.193 | 6.273 | 6.226 | 6.289 | 6.351 | 6.406 |
| South/Central America (D) | 5.257 | 5.379 | 5.617 | 5.892 | 6.202 | 6.509 | 6.853 | 7.187 | 7.567 | 7.695 |
| Asia (E) | 84.147 | 89.183 | 95.001 | 100.730 | 107.883 | 114.659 | 123.850 | 134.530 | 142.552 | 149.155 |
| - of which Afghanistan | 1.183 | 1.470 | 1.841 | 2.195 | 2.664 | 3.275 | 4.834 | 7.901 | 9.360 | 10.233 |
| - of which Iran | 11.157 | 11.358 | 11.874 | 12.264 | 12.712 | 12.980 | 13.391 | 13.625 | 13.945 | 14.213 |
| - of which Iraq | 6.415 | 7.521 | 8.816 | 10.327 | 12.751 | 14.902 | 18.097 | 21.555 | 24.025 | 25.671 |
| - of which Lebanon | 15.110 | 15.957 | 16.857 | 17.634 | 18.368 | 19.011 | 19.839 | 20.566 | 21.202 | 21.790 |
| - of which Pakistan | 14.692 | 15.229 | 15.827 | 16.353 | 16.969 | 17.509 | 18.143 | 18.623 | 19.049 | 19.250 |
| - of which Sri Lanka | 7.162 | 7.804 | 8.301 | 8.790 | 9.189 | 9.515 | 9.788 | 9.997 | 10.168 | 10.324 |
| - of which Thailand | 3.015 | 3.296 | 3.615 | 3.986 | 4.398 | 4.884 | 5.403 | 5.985 | 6.394 | 6.668 |
| - of which Vietnam | 9.155 | 9.428 | 9.854 | 10.242 | 10.652 | 11.051 | 11.466 | 11.834 | 12.164 | 12.455 |
| Oceania (F) | 1.138 | 1.189 | 1.217 | 1.213 | 1.300 | 1.384 | 1.443 | 1.485 | 1.583 | 1.582 |
| Stateless/others (G) | 1.328 | 1.328 | 1.348 | 1.348 | 1.386 | 1.562 | 1.892 | 2.179 | 2.717 | 2.791 |
| Total (A+B+C+D+E+F+G) | 278.459 | 308.723 | 330.292 | 347.033 | 363.422 | 378.165 | 395.947 | 415.331 | 430.689 | 442.036 |
| As a % of total population | 5,3% | 5,9% | 6,3% | 6,6% | 6,8% | 7,1% | 7,4% | 7,7% | 8,0% | 8,2% |

* It should be noted that this statistics excl. asylum-seekers.

An immigrant is defined as a person born abroad whose parents are both (or one of them if there is no available information on the other parent) foreign citizens or were both born abroad. If there is no available information on either of the parents and the person was born abroad, the person is also defined as immigrant. A descendant is defined as a person born in Denmark whose parents (or one of them if there is no available information on the other parent) are either immigrants or descendants with foreign citizenship. If there is no available information on either of the parents and the person in question is a foreign citizen, the person is also defined as a descendant.

Note: AR = Aliens Register, CPR = Central Population Register.

Source: Statistics Denmark



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Annex 21: Number of non-nationals in Denmark 1995 - 2004 (as at 1 January) *

| Citizenship | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Europe (A) | 116.013 | 137.500 | 147.478 | 153.795 | 157.887 | 158.902 | 159.452 | 160.690 | 158.861 | 159.644 |
| - of which Turkey | 34.967 | 35.739 | 36.835 | 37.519 | 38.055 | 36.569 | 35.232 | 35.354 | 31.898 | 30.273 |
| - of which former Yugoslavia | 11.324 | 28.081 | 32.184 | 33.931 | 34.456 | 35.062 | 34.954 | 33.383 | 33.077 | 32.643 |
| Africa (B) | 13.481 | 15.727 | 19.168 | 22.087 | 23.872 | 25.384 | 25.490 | 26.016 | 24.537 | 24.941 |
| - of which Morocco | 3.227 | 3.268 | 3.383 | 3.557 | 3.631 | 3.573 | 3.293 | 3.268 | 3.078 | 3.087 |
| - of which Somalia | 5.125 | 6.925 | 9.683 | 11.890 | 13.138 | 14.265 | 14.447 | 14.585 | 13.306 | 13.099 |
| North America (C) | 5.872 | 6.141 | 6.213 | 6.311 | 6.406 | 6.538 | 6.519 | 6.596 | 6.752 | 6.798 |
| - of which USA | 4.815 | 5.053 | 5.100 | 5.172 | 5.209 | 5.302 | 5.269 | 5.339 | 5.415 | 5.477 |
| South/Central America (D) | 2.854 | 2.940 | 3.079 | 3.261 | 3.402 | 3.640 | 3.797 | 4.002 | 4.118 | 4.188 |
| Asia (E) | 47.045 | 48.900 | 50.504 | 53.166 | 54.840 | 56.062 | 56.534 | 63.027 | 65.500 | 69.995 |
| -of which Afghanistan | 1.038 | 1.296 | 1.637 | 1.982 | 2.357 | 2.878 | 4.200 | 7.061 | 8.220 | 9.056 |
| -of which Iran | 7.678 | 7.363 | 7.029 | 6.844 | 6.330 | 5.702 | 5.013 | 4.906 | 4.797 | 4.911 |
| -of which Iraq | 6.041 | 7.077 | 8.066 | 9.419 | 11.294 | 12.687 | 13.821 | 16.541 | 17.955 | 19.423 |
| -of which Lebanon | 4.402 | 4.438 | 4.368 | 4.421 | 3.834 | 3.418 | 2.538 | 2.349 | 2.079 | 2.050 |
| -of which Pakistan | 6.401 | 6.552 | 6.736 | 6.934 | 7.135 | 7.115 | 7.071 | 7.160 | 6.917 | 7.022 |
| -of which Sri Lanka | 5.769 | 5.736 | 5.415 | 5.409 | 5.114 | 4.851 | 4.293 | 4.112 | 3.684 | 3.671 |
| -of which Thailand | 2.494 | 2.748 | 3.024 | 3.365 | 3.718 | 4.092 | 4.430 | 4.931 | 5.196 | 5.436 |
| -of which Vietnam | 4.960 | 5.001 | 5.092 | 5.228 | 5.160 | 5.007 | 4.642 | 4.605 | 4.351 | 4.241 |
| Oceania (F) | 960 | 1.026 | 1.038 | 1.051 | 1.109 | 1.180 | 1.232 | 1.276 | 1.350 | 1.353 |
| Stateless/others (G) | 10.480 | 10.512 | 10.215 | 9.957 | 8.760 | 7.655 | 5.606 | 5.122 | 4.306 | 4.292 |
| Total (A+B+C+D+E+F+G) | 196.705 | 222.746 | 237.695 | 249.628 | 256.276 | 259.361 | 258.630 | 266.729 | 265.424 | 271.211 |

| As a % of total population | 3,8% | 4,2% | 4,5% | 4,7% | 4,8% | 4,9% | 4,8% | 5,0% | 4,9% | 5,0% |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

* It should be noted that this statistics excl. asylum-seekers and foreign nationals who have been naturalised. The number of persons with a foreign origin in Denmark is typically either calculated as the number of non-nationals (this table) or the number of immigrants and their descendants. (See annex 20).

Source: Statistics Denmark

Annex 22: Overview of all residence permits granted in Denmark 1994 - 2003 *

| Category | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Asylum or other status (A) | 2.818 | 20.347 | 8.717 | 5.925 | 4.758 | 4.443 | 5.156 | 6.263 | 4.069 | 2.447 |
| Refugee status | 2.508 | 19.931 | 6.387 | 4.940 | 4.442 | 4.223 | 4.388 | 5.742 | 3.489 | 1.852 |
| - of which Geneva Convention | 676 | 4.969 | 1.439 | 976 | 1.102 | 1.105 | 1.327 | 2.020 | 1.267 | 724 |
| - of which B-Status | | | | | | | | | 3 | 83 |
| - of which De facto-status | 1.317 | 14.393 | 4.375 | 3.409 | 2.862 | 2.584 | 2.541 | 3.116 | 1.686 | 519 |
| Other status | 310 | 416 | 2.330 | 985 | 316 | 220 | 768 | 521 | 580 | 595 |
| - of which humanitarian residence permit | 96 | 115 | 76 | 17 | 42 | 39 | 31 | 83 | 45 | 203 |
| - of which exceptional reasons | 214 | 287 | 185 | 67 | 83 | 79 | 389 | 100 | 78 | 67 |
| Family reunification (B) | 6.017 | 6.327 | 8.727 | 7.708 | 9.687 | 9.422 | 10.021 | 10.950 | 8.151 | 4.791 |
| - of which spouses and cohabitants | 4.436 | 4.580 | 6.112 | 5.665 | 6.442 | 6.637 | 6.399 | 6.499 | 4.880 | 2.538 |
| Other residence permits (C) | 7.091 | 7.425 | 9.001 | 9.953 | 10.488 | 9.674 | 11.229 | 13.191 | 15.102 | 17.720 |
| EC/EEA residence certif. (D) | 4.342 | 3.780 | 5.887 | 5.919 | 6.101 | 5.706 | 5.925 | 5.950 | 6.041 | 6.475 |
| Total (A+B+C+D) | 20.268 | 37.879 | 32.332 | 29.505 | 31.034 | 29.245 | 32.331 | 36.354 | 33.363 | 31.433 |

* Visas (on applications submitted to the Danish Immigration Service) are excluded. This table refers to first time applications and includes all instances.

Note: The overview comprises residence permits granted in accordance with the Danish Aliens Act, etc., and includes time-limited residence permits. It should be noted that this overview does not directly reflect the level of immigration to Denmark. This is primarily due to the fact that 1) Nordic citizens can enter and stay in Denmark without a residence permit, 2) foreign citizens can apply for different types of residence permits subsequently (e.g. a person granted family reunification may also be granted asylum), and 3) in some cases a residence permit is not used (e.g. the person never enters Denmark). Despite these qualifications, residence permit data gives an approximate indication of the type of immigration to Denmark. However, the statistics on immigration published by Statistics Denmark is the only true indicator of immigration to Denmark (see annex 16).

Extract of the Danish Aliens Act (section 7-9).

Section 7.

(1) Upon application, a residence permit will be issued to an alien if the alien falls within the provisions of the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees (28 July 1951).

(2) Upon application, a residence permit will be issued to an alien if the alien risks the death penalty or being subjected to torture or inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in case of return to his country of origin. An application as referred to in the first sentence hereof is also considered an application for a residence permit under subsection (1).

(3) A residence permit under subsections (1) and (2) can be refused if the alien has already obtained protection in another country, or if the alien has close ties with another country where the alien must be deemed to be able to obtain protection.

Section 8.

Upon application, a residence permit will be issued to an alien who arrives in Denmark under an agreement made with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees or similar international agreement.

Section 9.

(1) Upon application, a residence permit will be issued to:

(i) an alien over the age of 24 who cohabits at a shared residence, either in marriage or in regular cohabitation of prolonged duration, with a person permanently resident in Denmark over the age of 24 who:

- (a) is a Danish national;
- (b) is a national of one of the other Nordic countries;
- (c) is issued with a residence permit under section 7 or 8; or
- (d) has held a permanent residence permit for Denmark for more than the last 3 years.

(ii) an unmarried, under-age child of a person permanently resident in Denmark or of that person's spouse, provided the child lives with the person having custody of it and has not started its own family through regular cohabitation, and provided the person permanently resident in Denmark:

- (a) is a Danish national;
- (b) is a national of one of the other Nordic countries;
- (c) is issued with a residence permit under section 7 or 8; or
- (d) is issued with a permanent residence permit or a residence permit for the purpose of permanent residence,

(iii) an under-age alien for the purpose of residence with a person permanently resident in Denmark other than the person having custody of it, provided the residence permit is issued for the purpose of adoption, residence as a result of a foster relationship or, if particular reasons make it appropriate, residence with the child's closest family, and provided the person permanently resident in Denmark:

- (a) is a Danish national;
- (b) is a national of one of the other Nordic countries;
- (c) is issued with a residence permit under section 7 or 8; or
- (d) is issued with a permanent residence permit or a residence permit for the purpose of permanent residence.

(2) It must be made a condition for issue of a residence permit to a cohabitant under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark undertakes to maintain the applicant.

(3) Unless exceptional reasons make it inappropriate, it must be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark who has undertaken to maintain the applicant proves his ability to do so, cf. subsection (16).

(4) Unless exceptional reasons conclusively make it inappropriate, it must be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark who has undertaken to maintain the applicant provides a financial security of DKK 50,000 to cover any future public expenses for assistance granted to the applicant under the Act on an Active Social Policy or the Integration Act, cf. subsection (14). The Minister for Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs lays down detailed rules on how financial security under the first sentence hereof must be provided. The amount stipulated in the first sentence hereof has been determined at the 2002 level and will be adjusted as from 2003 once a year on 1 January according to the rate adjustment percentage, cf. the Act on Rate Adjustment Percentage.

(5) Unless exceptional reasons conclusively make it inappropriate, it must be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark who has undertaken to maintain the applicant has not received assistance under the Act on an Active Social Policy or the Integration Act for a period of one year prior to the date when the application is submitted and until the residence permit is issued, cf. subsection (17).

(6) Unless particular reasons make it inappropriate, it must be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark proves that he disposes of his own dwelling of a reasonable size, cf. subsection (18).

(7) Unless exceptional reasons make it inappropriate, a residence permit under subsection (1)(i)(a), when the person living in Denmark has not been a Danish national for 28 years, and under subsection (1)(i)(b) to (d) can only be issued if the

spouses' or the cohabitants' aggregate ties with Denmark are stronger than the spouses' or the cohabitants' aggregate ties with another country. Danish nationals living in Denmark who were adopted from abroad before their sixth birthday and who acquired Danish nationality not later than at their adoption are considered to have been Danish nationals from birth.

(8) Unless exceptional reasons conclusively make it appropriate, a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) cannot be issued if it must be considered doubtful that the marriage was contracted or the cohabitation was established at both parties' own desire. If the marriage has been contracted or the cohabitation established between close relatives or otherwise closely related parties, it must be considered doubtful, unless particular reasons make it inappropriate, that the marriage was contracted or the cohabitation was established at both parties' own desire.

(9) A residence permit under subsection (1)(i) cannot be issued if there are definite reasons for assuming that the decisive purpose of contracting the marriage or establishing the cohabitation is to obtain a residence permit.

(10) If essential considerations make it appropriate, it may be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark who has undertaken to maintain the applicant proves his ability to do so, cf. subsection (16). If essential considerations make it appropriate, it may be made a further condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(i) that the person living in Denmark proves that he disposes of his own dwelling of a reasonable size, cf. subsection (18).

(11) It must be made a condition for a residence permit under subsection (1)(iii) that the person living in Denmark undertakes to maintain the applicant and proves his ability to do so, cf. subsection (16). When a residence permit is issued for the purpose of residence with the child's closest family, it must be made a further condition for the residence permit under subsection (1)(iii) that the person living in Denmark proves that he disposes of his own dwelling of a reasonable size, cf. subsection (18).

Section 9 a.

(1) Upon application, a residence permit may be issued to an alien if essential employment or business considerations make it appropriate to grant the application, including if the alien can obtain employment within a professional field short of particularly qualified labour.

(2) Upon application, a residence permit may be issued to an alien if extension of his residence permit under sections 7 to 9 or sections 9 b to 9 e is refused under section 11(2), cf. section 19(1), or his residence permit is revoked under section 19(1), provided the alien has regular employment of prolonged duration or has been self-employed for a prolonged period, and employment or business considerations make it appropriate.

Section 9 b.

(1) Upon application, a residence permit can be issued to an alien who, in cases not falling within section 7(1) and (2), is in such a position that essential considerations of a humanitarian nature conclusively make it appropriate to grant the application.

Section 9 c.

(1) Upon application, a residence permit may be issued to an alien if exceptional reasons make it appropriate. Unless particular reasons make it inappropriate, it must be made a condition for a residence permit under the first sentence hereof as a result of family ties with a person living in Denmark that the conditions referred to in section 9(2) to (9) are satisfied. The provisions of section 9(13) to (18) apply correspondingly.

(2) Upon application, a residence permit may be issued to an alien whose application for a residence permit under section 7 has been refused, provided:

- (i) that it has not been possible to return the alien, cf. section 30, for at least 18 months;
- (ii) that the alien has assisted in the return efforts for 18 months consecutively; and
- (iii) that return must be considered futile according to the information available at the time.

(3) A residence permit may be issued to:

- (i) an unaccompanied alien who has submitted an application for a residence permit pursuant to section 7 prior to his 18th birthday if, from information available on the alien's personal circumstances, there are particular reasons to assume that the alien should not undergo asylum proceedings;
- (ii) an unaccompanied alien who has submitted an application for a residence permit pursuant to section 7 prior to his 18th birthday, if there is reason to assume that in cases other than those mentioned in section 7(1) and (2) the alien will in fact be placed in an emergency situation upon a return to his country of origin.

Section 9 d.

Upon application a residence permit is issued to an alien who has previously been a Danish national, unless the alien has been deprived of his Danish nationality by judgment pursuant to section 8 A of the Danish Nationality Act.

