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Annual Report on Asylum and Migration 2001 - Statistical data on migration, asylum and return

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The Commission's Directorate General for Justice and Home Affairs is making publicly available, on its website, the first annual report on migration and asylum statistics to cover all Member States, Acceding Countries, Candidate Countries and Iceland and Norway. The report consists of 20 tables of statistical data collected from Ministries and National Statistical Institutes in 29 countries. These data are supplemented by statistical data from Eurostat's databases. These tables do not replace the usual publication of official statistics by national authorities and Eurostat, but they do provide a unique mix of data, some of which have not previously been publicly available.

Migration data are often of variable quality, comparability and evenness of coverage but the information presented here does permit some analysis of patterns and trends in migration and asylum across Europe. The information is organised in 19 overview tables each covering all countries and in a series of key factsheets, prepared on a country by country basis. The files, accessible in .pdf format, allow researchers, journalists and the general user access to key facts and figures which inform the development of asylum and migration policy at national and at EU level. The text on legislation and policy is provided for background and historical information only, in relation to the data. It should not be taken as official statements of current policy and legislation. Most of the report is in English, some text is included in the original language. Any remaining gaps in data or supporting text remain in order to indicate where further information will be sought for future reports.

This report is the first of its kind to be produced by the European Commission. It represents the results of a lengthy and extensive exercise carried out with the invaluable co-operation of the reporting countries. During the exercise data have been collected and combined from a wide range of administrative and statistical sources. The content and structure of future reports will be revised and developed and future reports will include EU/non-EU sub-totals in all tables wherever possible. The information collection exercise for the report on 2002 is currently underway and that for the report on 2003 will commence at the end of 2004. Subsequent reports will be produced on an annual basis.

Click in the link to find the tables and graphics.

General Introduction

1. EU immigration and asylum policy

The development of common European immigration and asylum policies

2. Global overview: asylum

Trends in asylum across the EU 1986-2001

3. Key figures 2001

Summary of key figures for each reporting country

Migration

- 1. Statistical remarks
- 2. Migration flows 1999-2002

The legally resident (recorded) population is presented, with recorded immigration and emigration and a calculation of net migration, from which a net migration rate is calculated for each reporting country.

3. Population by citizenship (2001, 2002): Overview + 29 country

Population by citizenship on 1st January 2001 and 1st January 2002, with the percentage change between the two dates.

4. Residence permits: Annual total positive decisions 2001: Overview + 29 country

This table shows how many residence permits were granted by each country for reasons of employment, family reunion/formation or for study. According to different national practices, EEA nationals may be included in the figures.

5. Policy (29 countries)

Country by country background information on national policy and legislation relating to migration.

Asylum

- 1. Statistical remarks
- 2. First asylum applications: annual totals 1997-2001: Overview + 29 country

Total numbers of asylum applications by country, indexed

3. First asylum applications by age-group and sex 2001: Overview + 29 country

An overview of total numbers by age group, plus country reports including tables and graphs showing a breakdown by age and sex. (For some countries this breakdown is not available).

4. Asylum applications by unaccompanied minors 2001: Overview + 29 country

An overview of total numbers by age group, plus country reports including tables and graphs showing a breakdown by age and sex. (For some countries this breakdown is not available).

5. Total number of decisions 2001: Overview + 29 country

Total decisions (in absolute numbers and in percentages - positive, negative, other) on

applications for asylum, by reporting country.

6. Total number of positive decisions by type and country of citizenship: Overview + 29 country

An overview showing the types of decision by percentage for each reporting country and separate sheets showing the main citizenships of recipients of positive decisions for each country.

7. Dublin Convention:

Requests from one MS to another for taking back or taking charge of asylum applicants.

- o incoming requests 2001
- o outgoing requests 2001
- 8. Policy (29 countries)

Country by country background information on national policy and legislation relating to asylum.

Refusals, Apprehension and Return

- 1. Statistical remarks
- 2. Total number of refused aliens 1997-2001: Overview + 29 country

An overview showing the apparent trends 1997-2001 in a comparitive table for all reporting countries with absolute and indexed numbers and in 29 individual country sheets.

Refused aliens by main groups of citizenship 2001:

An overview showing the apparent trends 1997-2001 in a comparative table for all reporting countries of the EU15 (absolute numbers and indexed) and in 15 individual country sheets.

- o <u>EU Overview + 15 country</u>
- o Other Overview + 14 country
- 3. Total number of apprehended aliens illegally present 1997-2001: Overview + 29 country

An overview showing the number of apprehended non-nationals deemed to be illegally present in each country (absolute numbers and indexed) and in 29 individual country sheets.

Apprehended aliens illegally present by main groups of citizenship 2001

- EU Overview + 15 country
- o Other Overview + 14 country
- 4. Total number of removed aliens 1997-2001: Overview + 29 country

An overview showing the number of non-nationals removed from each country (absolute numbers and indexed) and in 29 individual country sheets. (NB The definition of "removal" differs in the data for many reporting countries).

Removed aliens by main groups of citizenship 2001

- o <u>EU Overview + 15 country</u>
- o Other Overview + 14 country
- 5. Policy (29 countries)

Country by country background information on national policy and legislation relating to refusals, apprehensions and returns.

