

Asylum Applications in Industrialized Countries: 1980-1999
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Table II.1 Total number of asylum applications submitted in industrialized countries, 1985-1989						
Country	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	Total
Australia	-	-	-	-	1,262	1,262
Austria	6,724	8,639	11,406	15,790	21,882	64,441
Belgium	5,299	7,644	5,976	5,078	8,112	32,109
Canada*	13,000	26,000	38,000	48,000	19,934	144,934
Denmark (inland)*	8,698	9,299	2,726	4,668	4,588	29,979
Denmark (abroad)*	-	-	4,857	6,641	694	12,192
Finland	18	23	49	64	179	333
France	28,925	26,290	27,672	34,352	61,422	178,661
Germany	73,832	99,649	57,379	103,076	121,318	455,254
Greece	1,398	4,230	6,934	8,424	3,000	23,986
Hungary*	-	-	-	-	36	36
Iceland	1	1	-	-	10	12
Italy (Government)*	4,093	5,429	10,115	-	-	19,637
Italy (UNHCR)*	1,330	1,049	917	1,236	2,118	6,650
Japan	29	54	48	47	50	228
Malta*	-	-	-	5	45	50
Netherlands*	5,644	5,865	13,460	7,486	13,900	46,355
Norway	829	2,722	8,613	6,602	4,433	23,199
Portugal*	70	275	442	326	156	1,269
Spain	2,360	2,280	2,477	4,516	4,077	15,710
Sweden	14,500	14,600	18,114	19,595	30,335	97,144
Switzerland (1st instance)	9,703	8,546	10,914	16,726	24,425	70,314
Switzerland (2nd instance)	5,533	-	-	-	-	5,533
Turkey	87	1,637	3,260	5,532	3,243	13,759
United Kingdom*	4,389	4,266	4,256	3,998	11,640	28,549
United States*	16,622	18,889	26,107	60,736	101,679	224,033
Total	203,084	247,387	253,722	352,898	438,538	1,495,629
- Europe	173,433	202,444	189,567	244,115	315,613	1,125,172
- European Union	157,280	189,538	166,780	215,250	283,421	1,012,269
- Northern America	29,622	44,889	64,107	108,736	121,613	368,967

* See Country notes in Introduction.