

**Asylum Applications in Industrialized Countries: 1980-1999**  
**United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Geneva, November 2001**

<b>Table IV.1 Total number of asylum applications submitted in industrialized countries, 1995-1999</b>						
Country	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	Total
Australia	7,632	9,758	9,312	8,156	9,496	44,354
Austria	5,919	6,991	6,719	13,805	20,096	53,530
Belgium	11,420	12,433	11,788	21,965	35,780	93,386
Bulgaria	517	302	429	833	1,331	3,412
Canada*	26,072	26,120	22,584	23,838	29,393	128,007
Cyprus	109	101	92	225	789	1,316
Czech Rep. (1st instance)	1,413	2,156	2,098	4,082	7,285	17,034
Czech Rep. (2nd instance)	-	-	-	-	1,264	1,264
Denmark (inland)*	5,104	5,893	5,092	5,699	6,467	28,255
Denmark (abroad)*	4,951	1,498	477	380	483	7,789
Estonia	-	-	-	23	21	44
Finland	854	711	973	1,272	3,106	6,916
France	20,170	17,405	21,400	22,375	30,907	112,257
Germany (new)	127,937	116,367	104,353	98,644	95,113	542,414
Germany (re-opened)	39,014	32,826	47,347	44,785	43,206	207,178
Greece	1,312	1,643	4,376	2,953	1,528	11,812
Hungary (Government)*	130	152	209	7,097	11,499	19,087
Hungary (UNHCR)*	460	515	898	268	-	2,141
Iceland	5	4	6	19	17	51
Ireland (1st instance)	424	1,179	3,883	4,626	7,724	17,836
Ireland (2nd instance)	-	-	-	-	3,370	3,370
Italy*	1,732	675	1,858	11,122	33,364	48,751
Japan	52	147	242	133	223	797
Latvia	-	-	-	58	19	77
Liechtenstein	-	-	-	228	515	743
Lithuania	-	-	320	163	133	616
Luxembourg	394	240	427	1,709	2,912	5,682
Malta	148	75	65	165	85	538
Netherlands*	29,258	22,170	34,443	45,217	39,300	170,388
New Zealand	712	1,321	1,557	2,870	2,098	8,558
Norway	1,460	1,778	2,271	8,373	10,160	24,042
Poland	843	3,211	3,533	3,373	2,955	13,915
Portugal*	450	269	297	365	307	1,688
Romania	-	588	1,425	1,236	1,670	4,919
Slovak Rep.	359	415	645	506	1,310	3,235
Slovenia	-	38	72	499	867	1,476
Spain	5,678	4,730	4,975	6,654	8,405	30,442
Sweden	9,047	5,753	9,662	12,844	11,231	48,537
Switzerland (1st instance)	17,021	18,001	23,982	41,302	46,068	146,374
Switzerland (2nd instance)	5,742	7,730	8,831	10,108	12,193	44,604
Turkey	3,778	4,183	5,053	6,838	6,606	26,458
United Kingdom*	43,965	29,640	32,500	46,015	71,145	223,265
United States (new)*	149,065	107,130	52,200	35,900	31,735	376,030
United States (re-opened)*	5,399	21,060	34,772	19,914	9,642	90,787
United States (EOIR)*	-	-	68,566	59,975	49,908	178,449
<b>Total</b>	<b>528,546</b>	<b>465,208</b>	<b>529,732</b>	<b>576,612</b>	<b>651,726</b>	<b>2,751,824</b>
- Europe	340,326	300,993	342,056	428,696	521,329	1,933,400
- European Union	307,629	260,423	290,570	340,430	414,444	1,613,496
- Northern America	180,536	154,310	178,122	139,627	120,678	773,273

\* See Country notes in Introduction.