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Asylum Statistics: 4th Quarter 2005 United Kingdom

This publication includes data for the 4th Quarter of 2005 (October to December).

This edition also presents the first provisional analysis for 2005; the data are subject to revision in *Asylum Statistics United Kingdom 2005* to be published later this year. New summary data on persons removed or released from detention in Q3 (July to September) have been added within the detention section. Updated information on the timeliness of case processing, up to and including final appeal, following the introduction of the Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (AIT) is contained in the appeals section.

All data are rounded to the nearest 5, unless stated otherwise and those relating to January 2004 onwards remain provisional and subject to revision.

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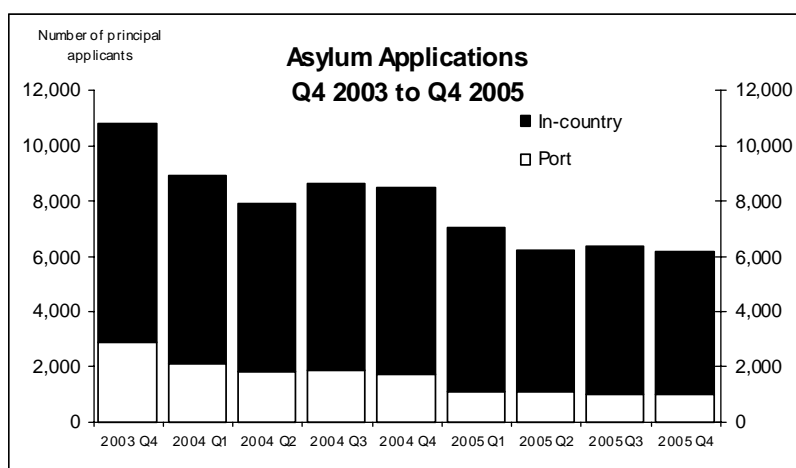
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Applications

- **Applications in Q4: 6,165, 2% lower than previous quarter**

- The number of applications for asylum in the UK, excluding dependants, was 2% lower in Q4 (6,165) compared with Q3 (6,315), and was just over a quarter (27%) less than Q4 2004 (8,480). 25,720 asylum applications were received in 2005, nearly a quarter (24%) lower than in 2004 (33,960).
- Including dependants, the number of applications to the UK fell by 5% in Q4 (7,305) from Q3 (7,705) and by 25% from 40,625 in 2004 to 30,460 in 2005.
- Including dependants, the estimated number of applications to the rest of the EU15* decreased by 7% in Q4 (46,000) from Q3 (43,000) and fell by 10% in 2005 from 2004.



Asylum Applications

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| 2003 Q4 | 10,825 |
| 2004 Q1 | 8,955 |
| 2004 Q2 | 7,915 |
| 2004 Q3 | 8,615 |
| 2004 Q4 | 8,480 |
| 2005 Q1 | 7,015 |
| 2005 Q2 | 6,220 |
| 2005 Q3 | 6,315 |
| 2005 Q4 | 6,165 |
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| Oct-05 | 2,070 |
| Nov-05 | 2,105 |
| Dec-05 | 1,990 |

- **Largest nationalities: Iran, Eritrea, Afghanistan**

- Iranian nationals accounted for the highest number of applications for the seventh consecutive quarter with 820 in Q4, 9% higher than Q3.
- Applications also increased in Q4 for nationals of Afghanistan (36%), China (3%), Zimbabwe (46%) and Nigeria (8%).
- Applications fell for nationals of Eritrea (-5%), Somalia (-4%), Pakistan (-4%) and Dem. Rep. of Congo (-9%).
- In Q4, applications from nationalities currently subject to the NSA provisions of the NIA Act fell by 8% to 705 from 765 in Q3 (See Notes 4-8, page 12).
- The top 5 applicant nationalities in 2005 were Iran (3,140), Somalia (1,770), Eritrea (1,760), China (1,735) and Afghanistan (1,585). The number from Iranian, Somali and Chinese nationals fell in 2005 by 9%, 31% and 27% respectively whilst the numbers from Eritrean and Afghan nationals rose by 60% and 13% respectively.

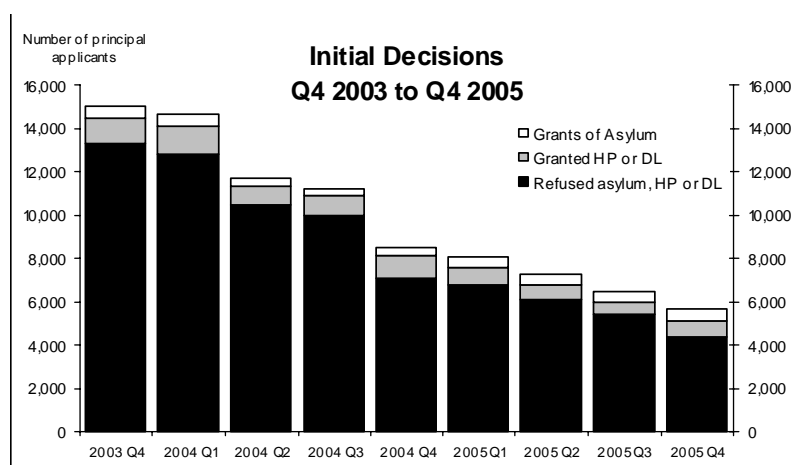
Top 10 applicant nationalities Q4 2005

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| Iran | 820 |
| Eritrea | 595 |
| Afghanistan | 510 |
| China | 470 |
| Somalia | 405 |
| Zimbabwe | 385 |
| Nigeria | 265 |
| Pakistan | 255 |
| Dem. Rep. of Congo | 235 |
| Iraq | 185 |
| Other nationalities | 2,035 |
| Total | 6,165 |

* rest of EU15 relates to the 15 states in the EU prior to 1st May 2004 excluding Greece, Luxembourg, Portugal, Italy and the UK.

Initial Decisions

- **Initial Decisions in Q4: 5,645, 13% lower than previous quarter**
- 5,645 initial decisions were made in Q4, 13% less than in Q3 (6,515) and lower than the level of applications.
- The number of cases (excluding dependants) recorded as awaiting an initial decision was 6,400 at the end of December (9,700 at the end of December 2004). Of this total, 4,300 cases were work in progress i.e. the application had been outstanding for 6 months or less.
- 10% of initial decisions in Q4 were to grant asylum, higher than Q3 (7%). 12% of initial decisions granted humanitarian protection or discretionary leave, higher than Q3 (9%). 78% of initial decisions in Q4 were refusals, lower than Q3 (84%).



| Initial Decisions | |
|-------------------|--------|
| 2003 Q4 | 15,045 |
| 2004 Q1 | 14,670 |
| 2004 Q2 | 11,710 |
| 2004 Q3 | 11,195 |
| 2004 Q4 | 8,450 |
| 2005 Q1 | 8,045 |
| 2005 Q2 | 7,290 |
| 2005 Q3 | 6,515 |
| 2005 Q4 | 5,645 |
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| Oct-05 | 1,960 |
| Nov-05 | 1,985 |
| Dec-05 | 1,700 |

- 27,495 initial decisions were made in 2005, 40% lower than in 2004 (46,020), but more than the number of applications (25,720). 7% of initial decisions were granted asylum, 10% were granted humanitarian protection or discretionary leave and 83% were refused compared with 3%, 9% and 88% respectively in 2004.

• Timeliness of Initial Decisions

- 77%¹ of substantive applications in Q3 2005 had initial decisions made and served within two months, the same as Q2.
- 80%² of applications in 2004/05 had initial decisions made and served within two months, compared with 81% in 2003/04. For applications received in 2003/04, the figures were 89% within four months and 92% within six months. For 2004/05, the corresponding figure was 88% within four months and 91% within six months.

| Proportion of new substantive applications having an initial decision reached and served within two months | | | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 2004 Q1 | 2004 Q2 | 2004 Q3 | 2004 Q4 | 2005 Q1 | 2005 Q2 | 2005 Q3 |
| 83% | 83% | 82% | 77% | 78% | 77% | 77% |

¹ Source: A-CID database as at 16th January 2006. Excludes withdrawals and 3rd country cases, which may be the responsibility of other EU member states under the Dublin Convention. Home Office's Public Service Agreement target for 2003/04 was 75% and 2004/05 was 75%. Details of the targets are provided in the 2000, 2002 and 2004 Spending Review Public Service Agreements White Paper Technical Notes available from http://hm-treasury.gov.uk/performance/Home_Office.cfm Excludes asylum applications lodged by Iraqis between 1 February and 31 May 2003. "Two months" is defined as 61 days; "Four months" is defined as 122 days; "Six months" is defined as 182 days.

² Source A-CID database as at 14th October 2005.

Appeals

On 4 April 2005, the commencement of section 26 of The Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004 introduced the appeals system under the Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (AIT). All outstanding work from the Immigration Appellate Authority has been transferred to an equivalent appeal stage within the AIT, in line with transitional provisions. Data on determinations refer to cases dealt with by Immigration Judges. All appeals figures are provisional and subject to change.

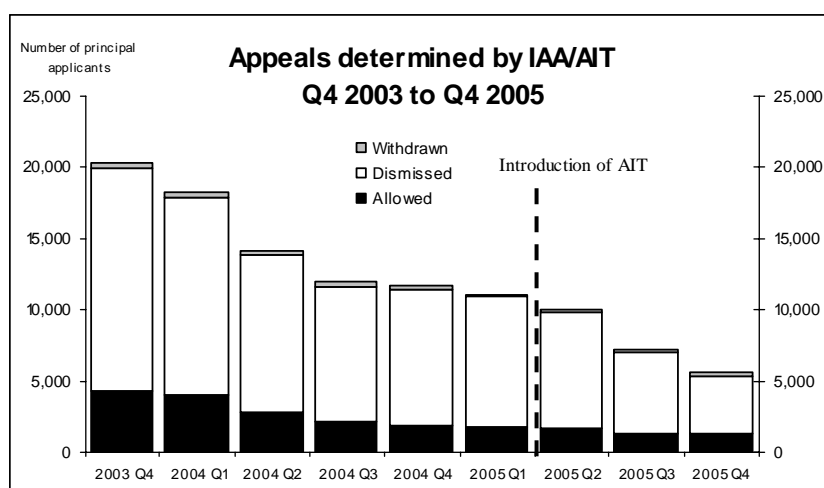
- **Appeals received by AIT in Q4: 5,060, 7% lower than previous quarter**

- 5,060 appeals³ were received by the AIT in Q4, 7% lower than Q3 (5,455).

- **Appeals determined in Q4: 5,540, 24% lower than previous quarter**

- The number of appeals determined fell 24% in Q4 to 5,540 from 7,290 in Q3, and was 52% lower than in Q4 2004 (11,640).

- The proportion of appeals dismissed was 74% in Q4, whilst 22% of appeals were allowed.



- The asylum work in progress total at the AIT at 31 December 2005 was 7,000⁴.

- 33,995 appeals were determined by adjudicators/immigration judges in 2005, 39% lower than in 2004 (55,975). The proportion of appeals dismissed rose slightly to 79% in 2005 (78% in 2004), whilst the proportion of appeals allowed fell to 18% (19% in 2004).

- **Timeliness of case processing, up to and including final appeal⁵**

- 67%⁶ of applications received in 2004/05 had a final decision up to and including appeal, within six months, compared with 63% for 2003/04.

³ “Appeals received” data includes cases lodged at the Home Office and transferred to the AIT.

⁴ Source: The Asylum and Immigration Tribunal, figures rounded to the nearest thousand.

⁵ “Final appeal” is defined as the point at which all rights of appeal within the AIT are exhausted or, for appellants who apply for statutory review, until the statutory review is determined (either by the Administrative Court or by reference back to the AIT).

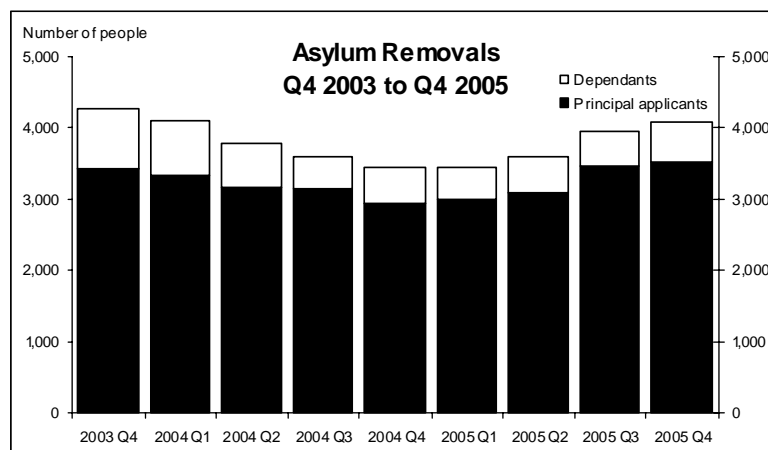
⁶ Source: A-CID database as at 16th January 2006. Excludes withdrawals and 3rd country cases, which may be the responsibility of other EU member states under the Dublin Convention. The joint Home Office and Department for Constitutional Affairs PSA target for new substantive applications in 2004/05 was 65%. Details of the targets are given in the 2000 Spending Review Public Service Agreements White Paper at http://hm-treasury.gov.uk/performance/Home_Office.cfm. Excludes asylum applications lodged by Iraqis between 1 February and 31 May 2003. “Six months” is defined as 182 days.

Removal of Asylum Seekers

- **Principal applicants removed⁷ in Q4: 3,525; 4,085 including dependants**
- In Q4, there were 3,525 principal applicants removed from the UK, 2% higher than in Q3 (3,460), and 20% more than in Q4 2004 (2,945).
- Including dependants, 4,085 asylum seekers were removed in Q4, 4% higher than in Q3 (3,935), and 19% more than in Q4 2004 (3,440). This was the fourth consecutive quarterly increase.
- The five nationalities accounting for the highest number of removals (principal applicants) were Iraq, Serbia & Montenegro, Turkey, Afghanistan and Pakistan.
- 875 asylum seekers were removed under Assisted Voluntary Return schemes (785 principal applicants and 90 dependants), 21% of the 4,085 total.
- 13,080 principal applicants were removed in 2005, 4% higher than in 2004 (12,585). Including dependants, 15,055 asylum seekers were removed in 2005, 1% higher than 2004 (14,905).

| Asylum Removals | | | |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------|-------|
| | Principal applicants | Dependants | Total |
| 2003 Q4 | 3,425 | 855 | 4,280 |
| 2004 Q1 | 3,335 | 765 | 4,100 |
| 2004 Q2 | 3,170 | 610 | 3,780 |
| 2004 Q3 | 3,140 | 445 | 3,585 |
| 2004 Q4 | 2,945 | 495 | 3,440 |
| 2005 Q1 | 3,000 | 445 | 3,445 |
| 2005 Q2 | 3,095 | 495 | 3,590 |
| 2005 Q3 | 3,460 | 480 | 3,935 |
| 2005 Q4 | 3,525 | 560 | 4,085 |
| Oct-05 | 1,140 | 160 | 1,300 |
| Nov-05 | 1,310 | 250 | 1,555 |
| Dec-05 | 1,080 | 150 | 1,230 |

| Top 10 asylum removal nationalities (principal applicants) Q4 2005 | |
|--|--------------|
| Iraq | 375 |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 355 |
| Turkey | 340 |
| Afghanistan | 300 |
| Pakistan | 210 |
| Nigeria | 195 |
| Iran | 145 |
| Sri Lanka | 125 |
| India | 115 |
| Albania | 110 |
| Other nationalities | 1,255 |
| Total | 3,525 |



⁷ Includes persons departing 'voluntarily' after enforcement action had been initiated against them, persons leaving under Assisted Voluntary Return Programmes run by the International Organisation for Migration and those who it is established have left the UK without informing the Immigration Authorities (35 asylum applicants, including dependants, in Q4 2005).

Assessments of eligibility for support under section 55 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002

Under section 55 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002, which came into force on 8 January 2003, asylum seekers have to apply for asylum as soon as reasonably practicable on arrival in the UK in order to be eligible for National Asylum Support Service (NASS) support. Since 17 December 2003 applicants who can give a credible account that their asylum claim was made within three days of arrival in the UK are normally accepted as having applied as soon as reasonably practicable.

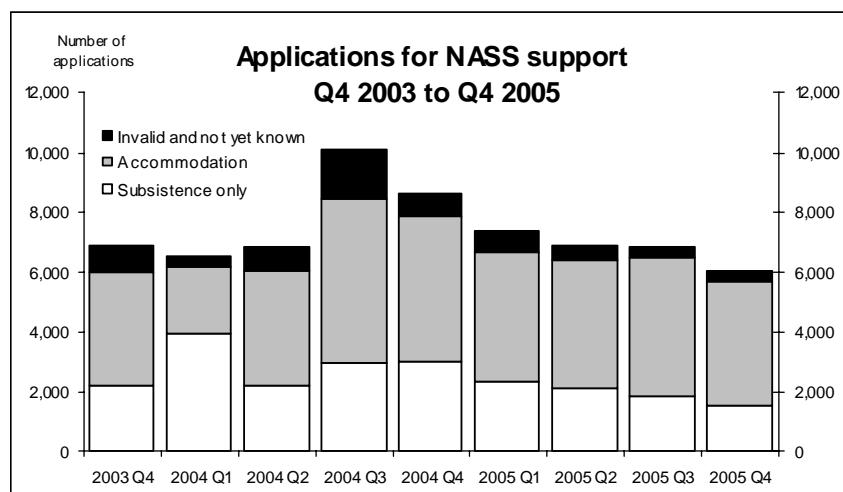
The House of Lords handed down its judgment in the case of Limbuela and Others on 3 November 2005. The case concerned the interpretation of section 55(5) and the point at which NASS should provide support to avoid a breach of an individual's ECHR rights. The judgment allows IND to continue with the section 55 processes that were adopted following a Court of Appeal judgment in May 2004. Under these processes no claimant who does not have alternative sources of support, including adequate food and basic amenities, such as washing facilities and night shelter, is refused support.

Of the total (650) applicants whose cases were referred to NASS for a section 55 assessment in Q4 2005:

- 225 were ineligible for NASS support on the grounds that the Secretary of State was not satisfied that their claims were made as soon as reasonably practicable;
- 425 were deemed eligible for NASS support on the grounds that their claims were made as soon as reasonably practicable, they had dependants aged under 18 or that failure to provide support may lead to a breach of ECHR.

NASS Applications

- **NASS applications in Q4: 6,030, 12% lower than previous quarter**
- The number of applications⁸ for NASS support in Q4 was 6,030, 12% lower than Q3 (6,850) and 30% lower than Q4 2004 (8,645). In 2005, NASS received 27,155⁹ applications for support compared with 32,090 in 2004.
- In Q4, 4,830 (80%) applications were from single adults and 1,200 (20%) from family⁸ groups.



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| 2003 Q4 | 6,875 |
| 2004 Q1 | 6,495 |
| 2004 Q2 | 6,850 |
| 2004 Q3 | 10,100 |
| 2004 Q4 | 8,645 |
| 2005 Q1 | 7,380 |
| 2005 Q2 | 6,895 |
| 2005 Q3 | 6,850 |
| 2005 Q4 | 6,030 |
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| Oct-05 | 2,155 |
| Nov-05 | 1,940 |
| Dec-05 | 1,935 |

- **Support type: 68% of applications were for accommodation and subsistence support**
- In Q4, 4,115 (68%) of applications were for accommodation and subsistence support¹⁰ and 1,515 (25%) of applications were for subsistence only support. The remaining 7% of applications were deemed invalid or unknown.
- **Largest nationalities: Applications fell from 8 of the top 10 nationalities**
- Applications from nationals of Eritrea, Somalia, Iraq, Afghanistan, China, Dem. Rep. of Congo, Pakistan and Sudan fell by 5%, 5%, 23%, 2%, 12%, 2%, 19% and 25% respectively.
- Applications from nationals of Zimbabwe and Iran increased by 10% and less than 1% respectively.

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Iran | 960 |
| Eritrea | 560 |
| Somalia | 440 |
| Iraq | 385 |
| Afghanistan | 315 |
| China | 265 |
| Zimbabwe | 250 |
| Dem. Rep. of Congo | 230 |
| Pakistan | 225 |
| Sudan | 215 |
| Other nationalities | 2,195 |
| Total | 6,030 |

⁸ See "NASS definitions" in background notes.

⁹ May include multiple applications made by an applicant.

¹⁰ Includes 'accommodation only' and 'accommodation and subsistence' support applications.

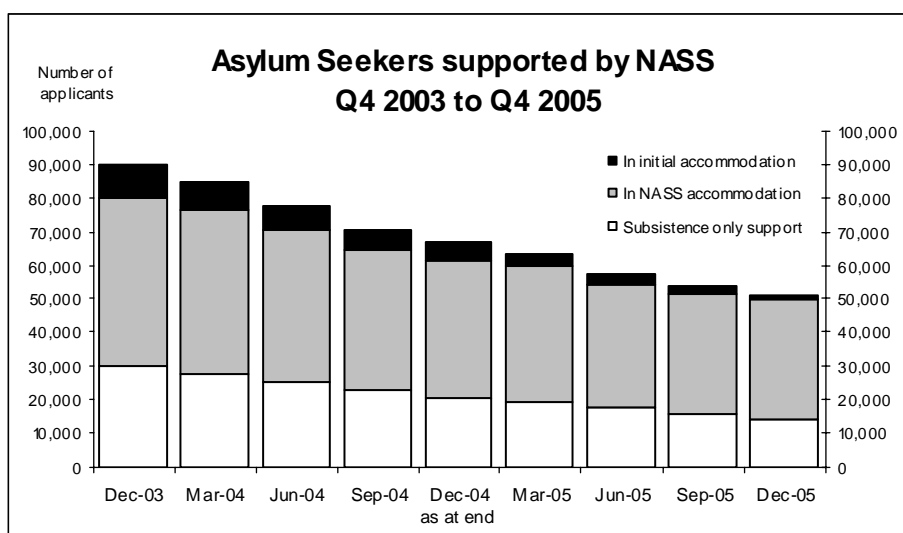
Supported Asylum Seekers – including dependants

The totals below represent the numbers of asylum seekers¹¹ who are currently residing in NASS dispersed accommodation¹² or are in receipt of NASS subsistence only support or are in NASS initial accommodation. The provision of initial accommodation is a temporary arrangement for asylum seekers who would otherwise be destitute and

- are supported under section 98 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 and awaiting decision from the Secretary of State on whether he may provide asylum support under section 95 of that act, or
- are supported under section 95 and are awaiting transfer to their dispersal accommodation.

As at the end of Q4 (December):

- **the total number of asylum seekers in receipt of NASS support¹¹ continued to fall further, to 51,040, 5% less than at the end of Q3 (53,855) and 23% less than at the end of Q4 2004, (66,705)**
- 14,290 asylum seekers¹¹ were receiving subsistence only support.
- 35,140 asylum seekers¹¹ were supported in NASS dispersal accommodation¹².
- 1,610 asylum seeker¹¹ were supported in initial accommodation¹³.



- The five regions with the highest number of asylum seekers in NASS dispersed accommodation¹² were Yorkshire & the Humber (22%), North West (17%), Scotland (15%), West Midlands (14%) and North East (9%).
- Within the regions NASS disperses asylum seekers to cluster areas in Local Authorities (see Tables 9 & 10). The five Local Authorities with the highest number of asylum seekers in NASS dispersal accommodation were: Glasgow City, Leeds, Birmingham, Sheffield and Manchester.

¹¹ Including dependants. Excludes unaccompanied asylum seeking children supported by local authorities, estimated at around 6,000 in December 2005. Excludes cases that pre-date the establishment of NASS in April 2000, administered by local authorities under the Interim Provisions, estimated at up to 1,000 cases in December 2005 (the number of such cases is falling).

¹² Includes 'accommodation only' and 'accommodation and subsistence' supported cases.

¹³ Including those in induction centres.

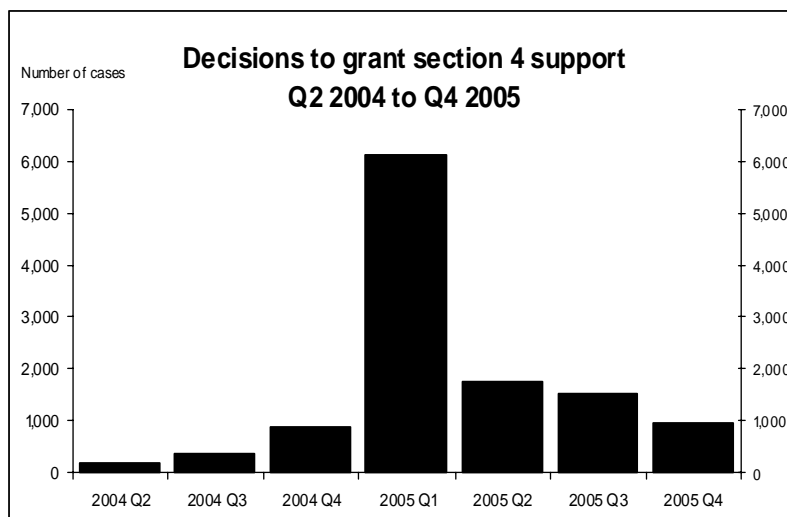
Support under section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 ('Hard Case')

Support under section 4 ('Hard Case') of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 is provided in the form of accommodation and food, and other basic essential items. Individuals are generally eligible for section 4 support if their asylum application has been finally determined as refused, but they are destitute and there are reasons that temporarily prevent them from leaving the United Kingdom. These reasons are:

- unable to leave the UK by reason of a physical impediment to travel or some other medical reason; or
- unable to leave the UK because there is no current viable route of return to the country of origin; or
- taking reasonable steps to leave the UK or place themselves in a position in which they can leave the UK; or
- permission has been obtained to proceed with a judicial review against a decision relating to the person's asylum claim; or
- the provision of support is otherwise necessary to avoid a breach of the person's human rights.

• Decisions to grant section 4 ('Hard Case') support recorded in Q4: 960¹⁴, 36% lower than previous quarter.

- The number of decisions to grant section 4 support, that were recorded in Q4 (960) was 36% lower than Q3 (1,510).
- Decisions to grant section 4 support to Iraqi nationals fell by 71% this quarter compared to Q3 2005 (800). Numbers of applications and proportion granted in the first three quarters of 2005 had been unusually high because of particular country conditions.



| Top 10 nationalities granted support Q4 2005 | |
|--|------------|
| Iraq | 235 |
| Iran | 120 |
| Eritrea | 105 |
| Somalia | 55 |
| Sudan | 50 |
| Congo | 45 |
| Ethiopia | 45 |
| Dem. Rep. of Congo | 40 |
| Afghanistan | 40 |
| Zimbabwe | 35 |
| Other nationalities | 190 |
| Total | 960 |

• As at the end of Q4 (December): 5,145 applicants, excluding dependants were in receipt of section 4 ('Hard Case') support

- As at the end of Q4 (December) 5,145, excluding dependants, were in receipt of section 4 support, 33% lower than at the end of Q3 (September) (7,630). The fall is mainly due to improving country conditions in Iraq.

| Decisions to grant section 4 support | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| 2004 Q2(R) | 175 |
| 2004 Q3(R) | 365 |
| 2004 Q4(R) | 885 |
| 2005 Q1(R) | 6,105 |
| 2005 Q2 | 1,750 |
| 2005 Q3 | 1,510 |
| 2005 Q4 | 960 |
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| Oct-05 | 305 |
| Nov-05 | 325 |
| Dec-05 | 330 |

¹⁴ Figures are based on current data held by Section 4; all management information is subject to revision following further data cleansing.

Detention – including dependants

- **Asylum detainees¹⁵ as at 31 December 2005: 1,450 detainees who had claimed asylum at some stage**

- As at 31 December, 1,450 persons who had sought asylum at some stage were being detained in the UK solely under Immigration Act powers, this accounted for 74% of all detainees. This excludes persons detained in police cells and those detained under both criminal and immigration powers.
- 1,340 were held at Immigration Service Removal Centres¹⁶, 15 at Immigration Short Term Holding Facilities and 100 at prison establishments (respectively 1,560, 30 and 105 on 24 September 2005).
- The nationalities accounting for the highest number of asylum detainees were Turkey (155), Nigeria (120) and Pakistan (115).
- 86% of asylum detainees as at 31 December 2005 were male.
- Approximately two thirds (66%) of asylum detainees had been in detention for less than two months. As at 31 December 2005, 300 (21%) asylum detainees had been in detention for 14 days or less, 330 (23%) for 15 to 29 days, 335 (23%) for one month to less than two months, 240 (16%) for two months to less than four months, and 250 (17%) for four months or more.

| Top 10 asylum detained nationalities Q4 2005 | |
|--|--------------|
| Turkey | 155 |
| Nigeria | 120 |
| Pakistan | 115 |
| Afghanistan | 115 |
| Jamaica | 80 |
| India | 65 |
| China | 55 |
| Sri Lanka | 55 |
| Algeria | 40 |
| Iraq | 35 |
| Other nationalities | 615 |
| Total | 1,450 |

- As at 31 December 2005, 30 people detained solely under Immigration Act powers were recorded as being under 18 years old. 10 of these had been in detention for 14 days or less, 15 for between 15 and 29 days, and the remainder between one and four months. All of the 30 were detained as part of families whose detention, as a group was considered necessary.

- **Asylum detainees¹⁷ that left detention (excluding those from Oakington Reception Centre) in Q3 2005: 4,285 detainees who had claimed asylum at some stage** (see note 9 on page 12)

- A total of 7,265 people left detention (excluding Oakington) in the third quarter of 2005. Of the 4,285 (59% of the total) asylum detainees included in the numbers leaving detention, 2,595 (61%) were removed from the UK, 1,365 (32%) were granted temporary admission/release and 320 (7%) were bailed.
- Of the 455 minors recorded as leaving detention (excluding Oakington) during the third quarter of 2005, 375 (82%) were asylum detainees. 310 (68%) of all minors had been in detention for 7 days or less, 50 (11%) for 8-14 days, 70 (15%) for 15-29 days, and 30 (7%) for one month to less than four months. All minors had been detained for less than 4 months at the end of their period of detention.

¹⁵ Persons detained under Immigration Act powers who had sought asylum at some stage. Excludes persons detained in police cells and those detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

¹⁶ Immigration Service Removal Centres now include figures for Oakington Reception Centre.

¹⁷ Persons leaving detention, that were detained under Immigration Act powers who had sought asylum at some stage. Excludes persons detained in police cells, prison establishments and those detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

Family ILR Exercise

The Family ILR Exercise, announced by the Home Secretary on 24 October 2003, allows certain asylum-seeking families who have been in the UK for four or more years to stay. To qualify, the main applicant of the family unit must have applied for asylum before 2 October 2000 and must have had at least one dependant aged under 18 (other than a spouse) in the UK on 2 October 2000 or 24 October 2003.

The exercise will not apply to a family where the principal applicant or any of the dependants

- have a criminal conviction;
- have been subject of an anti-social behaviour order or sex offender order;
- have made (or attempted to make) an application for asylum in the UK in more than one identity;
- should have their asylum claim considered by another country (i.e. they are the subject of a possible third country removal);
- present a risk to security;
- fall within the scope of Article 1F of the Refugee Convention; or
- whose presence in the UK is otherwise not conducive to the public good.

Statistics for the Family ILR Exercise are cumulative from the start of the exercise (i.e. 24 October 2003). It is therefore not necessarily meaningful to compare statistics for the exercise with other asylum statistics.

- There were 56,160 main applicants identified for consideration as at 31 December 2005. Of these 20,170 were granted ILR, 6,570 were considered on another Family ILR application, 9,090 were refused and 8,395 were found to be ineligible. There were 1,030 main applicants awaiting an initial examination and 10,900 awaiting a decision.

Background Notes:

Revisions to data

1. All the UK asylum statistics produced on a quarterly basis are provisional. It is anticipated that the data will be revised in due course. It is not possible to evaluate whether the revisions will be upward or downward, however the reasons for revisions are likely to include:
 - (a) late reporting of cases – a small proportion of cases are not included when the statistics are calculated for the quarterly publication;
 - (b) the results of data cleansing exercises (data identified which cannot be included when the statistics are calculated for the monthly publication because of missing or invalid values, the identification of duplicates in the data);
 - (c) reconciliations with alternative sources of data which will identify cases not yet included in the statistics.

Definitions

2. Data included in this publication relate to principal applicants only, except where indicated otherwise.
3. Data rounded to the nearest 5 unless stated otherwise. Some totals may not sum due to rounding.
4. The figures are a total of asylum applications from all nationalities subject to NSA provisions. Not all applicants are deemed suitable for this process.
5. NSA Wave 2, from April 2003, nationalities: - Albania, Bulgaria, Jamaica, Macedonia, Moldova, Serbia and Montenegro, and Romania.
6. NSA Wave 3, from 23 July 2003, nationalities: - Bangladesh (returned to case by case basis from February 2005), Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, South Africa, Sri Lanka and Ukraine.
7. India changed from case by case basis to all suitable applications processed under NSA from 15 February 2005. Some applications have been processed as NSA cases on a case by case basis, from 8 July 2003, for cases refused asylum – certified fear clearly unfounded.
8. Wave 4 from 2 December 2005, nationalities: - Ghana (males only), Nigeria (males only) and Mongolia.
9. Statistics on those held in detention over a period of time have been published for the first time. They show the number leaving detention during the quarter by ‘reason’ and ‘place of detention’, and minors who have left detention by ‘length of detention’. The statistics are of a high enough standard to comply with National Statistics, but there are some statistical and quality assurance issues with producing period data. These can be summarised as follows:
 - in order to avoid double counting immigration detainees who are moved between different removal centres and other detention facilities during the period of detention, statistics have been produced on those who have left

detention. This avoids double counting individuals and also provides information on 'complete' lengths of detention;

- Oakington Reception Centre is not controlled by the same part of IND as the removal/detention centres listed. Oakington data on the DELMIS database are incomplete so they have been excluded from the tables;
- detainees in police cells or Prison Service establishments at the time of removal/release are excluded from the statistics. Reliable data are not readily available for these individuals.

Seasonality

10. An analysis of possible seasonality in the asylum applications data has provided insufficient evidence to justify seasonal adjustment. However, it is planned to review the data again in the future.

NASS definitions

11. Application figures include the latest application made by an applicant during the quarter; this could be a first or subsequent re-application. An application from a family group (a principal applicant with at least one dependant) is treated as a single application. Principal applicants for support may in some cases be dependants of principal asylum applicants.

12. The figures for applications for NASS support in each month are based on the numbers of applications entered onto electronic systems in the month and are therefore likely to reflect in part the availability of NASS data input staff and the number of working days in each month, as well as the level of applications received and any delay in their receipt.

Data sources

13. Work is ongoing to produce reliable data from electronic sources, where these are not already used. Every effort is made to remove fraudulent multiple applications from the figures. The Immigration and Nationality Directorate are undertaking further work to review and strengthen its data collection and handling activities which will improve the quality and accuracy of quarterly data and statistics.

National Statistics

This publication is produced as part of the National Statistics work programme. Further information about National Statistics is provided at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/>.

Early Findings for the National Statistics review of Home Office's control of immigration statistics, including the asylum statistics, are on the Home Office web site at <http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/statsprog1.html>

Related publications

More detailed information on asylum and immigration statistics is published annually in the Home Office Statistical Bulletins, most recently:

Asylum Statistics United Kingdom 2004

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Control of Immigration: Statistics United Kingdom, 2004

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Asylum and migration: a review of Home Office statistics

<http://www.nao.org.uk/pn/03-04/0304625.htm>

Improving the Speed and Quality of Asylum Decisions

<http://www.nao.org.uk/pn/03-04/0304535.htm>

Visa Entry to the United Kingdom: The Entry Clearance Operation

<http://www.nao.org.uk/pn/03-04/0304367.htm>

National Asylum Support Service: The provision of accommodation for asylum seekers

<http://www.nao.org.uk/pn/05-06/0506130.htm>

Returning failed asylum seekers

<http://www.nao.org.uk/pn/05-06/050676.htm>

The following Office for National Statistics publications include information about international migration and the UK population:

Census 2001: Key statistics for Local Authorities

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/explorer.asp?CTG=3&SL=4696&D=4697&DCT=32&DT=32#4697>

The international migration product page <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/products/p507.asp> - [International](#) has links to various ONS international migration publications including:

International migration estimates - migrants entering or leaving the UK and England and Wales, 2003. Series MN no 30

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_population/MN_No30_2003v3.pdf

Population Trends 122

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme_population/PopTrends122v1.pdf

IND/RDS publications

Accession Monitoring Report

http://www.ind.homeoffice.gov.uk/ind/en/home/0/reports/accession_monitoring.html

European Community Association Agreements Statistics

http://www.ind.homeoffice.gov.uk/ind/en/home/0/reports/european_community.html

Research publications

The following research publications were published recently:

RDS On-Line Report 20/05 – A survey of the illegally resident population in detention in the UK

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs05/rdsolr2005.pdf

RDS On-Line Report 50/05 – An exploration of factors affecting the successful dispersal of asylum seekers

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs05/rdsolr5005.pdf

Findings 264 – The voluntary assisted return and reintegration programme (VARRP) 2003: An evaluation

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs05/r264.pdf

Sizing the unauthorized (Illegal) migrant population in the United Kingdom 2001

www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs05/rdsolr2905.pdf

Sizing the Illegally Resident Population in the UK:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs04/rdsolr5804.pdf>

The Role of Early Legal Advice in Asylum Applications:

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs05/rdsolr0605.pdf>

Development and Practice Report 28 - Indicators of integration: final report

<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/dprpubs1.html>

RDS On-line Publication 55/04 - The experience of integration: a qualitative study of refugee integration in the local communities of Pollokshaws and Islington

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<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs04/r220.pdf>

Home Office Research Study 271 – Country of origin information: a user and content evaluation

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| United Kingdom | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Number of principal applicants | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--|---|--|--|---------------|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---|------------|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Month | Applications received | | | Initial Decisions | | | | | | | | | | Applications withdrawn | Applications outstanding at end of period | | | | | | | |
| | Total applications | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total initial decisions | Recognised as a refugee and granted asylum | Not recognised as a refugee but granted exceptional leave | Not recognised as a refugee but granted humanitarian protection(3) | Not recognised as a refugee but granted discretionary leave(3) | Total refused | Refused asylum and exceptional leave after full consideration | Refused on safe third country grounds | Refused on non-compliance grounds | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2003 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 7,210 | 1,405 | 5,810 | 7,040 | 505 | 7% | 1,675 | 24% | n/a | n/a | 4,855 | 69% | 3,540 | 50% | 75 | 1% | 1,235 | 18% | 95 | 41,400 | | |
| Feb | 4,215 | 1,235 | 2,985 | 6,880 | 530 | 8% | 1,320 | 19% | n/a | n/a | 5,030 | 73% | 3,810 | 55% | 160 | 2% | 1,065 | 15% | 100 | 38,600 | | |
| Mar | 4,430 | 1,430 | 3,000 | 6,945 | 485 | 7% | 980 | 14% | n/a | n/a | 5,480 | 79% | 4,290 | 62% | 165 | 2% | 1,030 | 15% | 145 | 36,000 | | |
| Apr | 3,690 | 1,165 | 2,525 | 4,310 | 290 | 7% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 335 | 8% | 3,670 | 85% | 2,975 | 69% | 105 | 2% | 590 | 14% | 130 | 35,200 |
| May | 3,365 | 1,090 | 2,275 | 5,165 | 325 | 6% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 355 | 7% | 4,475 | 87% | 3,515 | 68% | 125 | 2% | 835 | 16% | 150 | 33,300 |
| Jun | 3,615 | 1,095 | 2,520 | 5,300 | 370 | 7% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 325 | 6% | 4,595 | 87% | 3,800 | 72% | 95 | 2% | 700 | 13% | 195 | 31,400 |
| Jul | 3,990 | 1,135 | 2,855 | 4,955 | 285 | 6% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 290 | 6% | 4,365 | 88% | 3,545 | 72% | 115 | 2% | 710 | 14% | 175 | 30,200 |
| Aug | 3,795 | 1,080 | 2,720 | 4,225 | 250 | 6% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 280 | 7% | 3,685 | 87% | 2,905 | 69% | 100 | 2% | 680 | 16% | 180 | 29,600 |
| Sep | 4,270 | 1,170 | 3,095 | 5,075 | 245 | 5% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 350 | 7% | 4,460 | 88% | 3,620 | 71% | 105 | 2% | 740 | 15% | 160 | 28,700 |
| Oct | 4,025 | 1,080 | 2,945 | 5,635 | 245 | 4% | n/a | | 20 | 0% | 355 | 6% | 5,015 | 89% | 3,935 | 70% | 240 | 4% | 835 | 15% | 200 | 26,900 |
| Nov | 3,275 | 880 | 2,395 | 5,075 | 205 | 4% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 400 | 8% | 4,455 | 88% | 3,595 | 71% | 205 | 4% | 660 | 13% | 175 | 24,900 |
| Dec | 3,525 | 960 | 2,565 | 4,335 | 140 | 3% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 410 | 9% | 3,775 | 87% | 3,010 | 69% | 230 | 5% | 530 | 12% | 125 | 23,900 |
| 2003 Total | 49,405 | 13,720 | 35,685 | 64,940 | 3,865 | 6% | 3,975 | 6% | 140 | 0% | 3,095 | 5% | 53,865 | 83% | 42,540 | 66% | 1,720 | 3% | 9,610 | 15% | 1,835 | 23,900 |
| 2004(P) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 3,040 | 780 | 2,260 | 4,625 | 180 | 4% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 400 | 9% | 4,035 | 87% | 3,160 | 68% | 305 | 7% | 570 | 12% | 200 | 22,200 |
| Feb | 2,905 | 705 | 2,200 | 4,795 | 210 | 4% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 425 | 9% | 4,150 | 87% | 3,350 | 70% | 290 | 6% | 510 | 11% | 265 | 20,000 |
| Mar | 3,010 | 640 | 2,370 | 5,245 | 185 | 3% | n/a | | 20 | 0% | 405 | 8% | 4,640 | 88% | 3,895 | 74% | 250 | 5% | 500 | 9% | 295 | 17,500 |
| Apr | 2,635 | 610 | 2,025 | 4,240 | 110 | 3% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 265 | 6% | 3,850 | 91% | 3,145 | 74% | 275 | 6% | 430 | 10% | 200 | 15,700 |
| May | 2,550 | 650 | 1,900 | 3,685 | 130 | 4% | n/a | | 15 | 0% | 305 | 8% | 3,235 | 88% | 2,640 | 72% | 205 | 6% | 390 | 11% | 150 | 14,400 |
| Jun | 2,725 | 565 | 2,160 | 3,780 | 120 | 3% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 285 | 7% | 3,365 | 89% | 2,770 | 73% | 220 | 6% | 375 | 10% | 175 | 13,100 |
| Jul | 2,865 | 610 | 2,260 | 4,490 | 125 | 3% | n/a | | 20 | 0% | 305 | 7% | 4,040 | 90% | 3,500 | 78% | 175 | 4% | 360 | 8% | 150 | 11,400 |
| Aug | 2,685 | 575 | 2,110 | 3,660 | 90 | 3% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 235 | 6% | 3,320 | 91% | 2,850 | 78% | 215 | 6% | 255 | 7% | 125 | 10,300 |
| Sep | 3,065 | 675 | 2,390 | 3,050 | 95 | 3% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 275 | 9% | 2,675 | 88% | 2,245 | 74% | 220 | 7% | 210 | 7% | 110 | 10,200 |
| Oct | 2,815 | 590 | 2,220 | 3,090 | 80 | 3% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 330 | 11% | 2,670 | 86% | 2,305 | 75% | 165 | 5% | 200 | 6% | 145 | 9,800 |
| Nov | 2,885 | 590 | 2,295 | 2,885 | 125 | 4% | n/a | | 15 | 1% | 315 | 11% | 2,430 | 84% | 2,060 | 71% | 195 | 7% | 170 | 6% | 180 | 9,600 |
| Dec | 2,780 | 565 | 2,220 | 2,470 | 115 | 5% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 285 | 12% | 2,060 | 83% | 1,805 | 73% | 130 | 5% | 125 | 5% | 205 | 9,700 |
| 2004 Total | 33,960 | 7,550 | 26,410 | 46,020 | 1,565 | 3% | n/a | | 160 | 0% | 3,835 | 8% | 40,465 | 88% | 33,720 | 73% | 2,645 | 6% | 4,095 | 9% | 2,205 | 9,700 |
| 2005(P) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 2,635 | 455 | 2,180 | 2,790 | 150 | 5% | n/a | | 20 | 1% | 250 | 9% | 2,370 | 85% | 2,030 | 73% | 175 | 6% | 160 | 6% | 130 | 9,400 |
| Feb | 2,215 | 350 | 1,870 | 2,845 | 160 | 6% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 255 | 9% | 2,420 | 85% | 2,015 | 71% | 210 | 7% | 195 | 7% | 85 | 8,700 |
| Mar | 2,165 | 350 | 1,815 | 2,410 | 155 | 6% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 245 | 10% | 2,000 | 83% | 1,675 | 69% | 175 | 7% | 145 | 6% | 95 | 8,300 |
| Apr | 2,185 | 380 | 1,800 | 2,540 | 170 | 7% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 285 | 11% | 2,075 | 82% | 1,760 | 69% | 140 | 6% | 175 | 7% | 95 | 7,900 |
| May | 1,975 | 380 | 1,595 | 2,270 | 155 | 7% | n/a | | 15 | 1% | 210 | 9% | 1,885 | 83% | 1,600 | 70% | 130 | 6% | 160 | 7% | 100 | 7,500 |
| Jun | 2,065 | 380 | 1,685 | 2,480 | 145 | 6% | n/a | | 15 | 1% | 240 | 10% | 2,085 | 84% | 1,755 | 71% | 165 | 7% | 160 | 7% | 70 | 7,000 |
| Jul | 1,980 | 335 | 1,645 | 2,170 | 130 | 6% | n/a | | 5 | 0% | 160 | 7% | 1,870 | 86% | 1,515 | 70% | 170 | 8% | 185 | 9% | 270 | 6,500 |
| Aug | 2,150 | 295 | 1,855 | 2,180 | 120 | 5% | n/a | | 5 | 0% | 200 | 9% | 1,850 | 85% | 1,545 | 71% | 135 | 6% | 170 | 8% | 305 | 6,200 |
| Sep | 2,190 | 360 | 1,830 | 2,165 | 215 | 10% | n/a | | 10 | 0% | 175 | 8% | 1,770 | 82% | 1,440 | 66% | 140 | 7% | 185 | 9% | 155 | 6,100 |
| Oct | 2,070 | 305 | 1,770 | 1,960 | 180 | 9% | n/a | | 10 | 1% | 220 | 11% | 1,550 | 79% | 1,325 | 68% | 115 | 6% | 110 | 6% | 95 | 6,100 |
| Nov | 2,105 | 305 | 1,795 | 1,985 | 215 | 11% | n/a | | 5 | 0% | 225 | 11% | 1,540 | 78% | 1,295 | 65% | 125 | 6% | 120 | 6% | 85 | 6,100 |
| Dec | 1,990 | 400 | 1,595 | 1,700 | 145 | 9% | n/a | | 5 | 0% | 220 | 13% | 1,325 | 78% | 1,115 | 66% | 100 | 6% | 110 | 7% | 65 | 6,400 |
| 2005 Total | 25,720 | 4,290 | 21,430 | 27,495 | 1,945 | 7% | n/a | | 125 | 0% | 2,685 | 10% | 22,740 | 83% | 19,070 | 69% | 1,780 | 6% | 1,890 | 7% | 1,545 | 6,400 |

(1) Figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2. Applications outstanding rounded to nearest 100.

(2) Initial decisions do not necessarily relate to applications made in the same period and exclude the outcome of appeals or other subsequent decisions.

(3) Humanitarian Protection (HP) and Discretionary Leave (DL) replaced exceptional leave to remain (ELR) from 1 April 2003.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 3 : Applications (1) received for asylum in the United Kingdom, excluding dependants, by nationality by month and quarter(P)

| Nationality | Month | | | Number of principal applicants | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Oct-05 | Nov-05 | Dec-05 | Q3-2005 | Q4-2005 | % change Q3-Q4 |
| Europe | | | | | | |
| Albania | 15 | 15 | 10 | 35 | 40 | 11% |
| Czech Republic | — | * | — | — | * | — |
| Macedonia | * | — | — | 5 | * | -67% |
| Moldova | 10 | 15 | 5 | 20 | 30 | 63% |
| Poland | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Romania | 5 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 20 | 5% |
| Russia | 15 | 15 | 5 | 30 | 35 | 14% |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 15 | 15 | 5 | 35 | 35 | 0% |
| Turkey | 75 | 50 | 25 | 175 | 150 | -13% |
| Ukraine | 5 | 10 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 89% |
| Other Former USSR | 20 | 25 | 15 | 55 | 65 | 11% |
| Other Former Yugo. | * | 5 | * | 15 | 5 | -54% |
| Europe Other | * | * | — | 5 | 5 | -20% |
| Europe Total | 160 | 155 | 85 | 400 | 400 | 1% |
| Americas | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 5 | * | 5 | 5 | 15 | 100% |
| Ecuador | * | — | * | 5 | 5 | -25% |
| Jamaica | 20 | 20 | 20 | 70 | 55 | -19% |
| Americas Other | 10 | 10 | 5 | 25 | 25 | 13% |
| Americas Total | 40 | 30 | 30 | 105 | 100 | -4% |
| Middle East | | | | | | |
| Iran | 270 | 275 | 275 | 750 | 820 | 9% |
| Iraq | 70 | 80 | 40 | 285 | 185 | -35% |
| Middle East Other | 70 | 85 | 65 | 280 | 220 | -22% |
| Middle East Total | 410 | 440 | 375 | 1,320 | 1,225 | -7% |
| Africa | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 10 | 20 | 25 | 60 | 60 | -5% |
| Angola | 5 | 10 | 5 | 25 | 20 | -13% |
| Burundi | 5 | * | * | 25 | 10 | -59% |
| Cameroon | 25 | 15 | 20 | 80 | 65 | -22% |
| Congo | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 15 | 0% |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 90 | 80 | 65 | 260 | 235 | -9% |
| Eritrea | 175 | 180 | 240 | 625 | 595 | -5% |
| Ethiopia | 30 | 35 | 35 | 110 | 100 | -12% |
| Gambia | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 15 | -6% |
| Ghana | 20 | 10 | 15 | 55 | 45 | -19% |
| Ivory Coast | 15 | 20 | 10 | 35 | 45 | 31% |
| Kenya | 10 | 5 | 5 | 30 | 20 | -29% |
| Liberia | 10 | * | 5 | 25 | 20 | -17% |
| Nigeria | 100 | 90 | 75 | 245 | 265 | 8% |
| Rwanda | * | 5 | 5 | 10 | 10 | -33% |
| Sierra Leone | 5 | 10 | 10 | 35 | 30 | -22% |
| Somalia | 120 | 150 | 130 | 420 | 405 | -4% |
| Sudan | 60 | 40 | 55 | 240 | 160 | -34% |
| Tanzania | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | -43% |
| Uganda | 15 | 10 | 10 | 45 | 35 | -24% |
| Zimbabwe | 100 | 145 | 140 | 265 | 385 | 46% |
| Africa Other | 45 | 50 | 45 | 135 | 140 | 1% |
| Africa Total | 865 | 895 | 910 | 2,770 | 2,665 | -4% |
| Asia | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 170 | 160 | 180 | 375 | 510 | 36% |
| Bangladesh | 30 | 40 | 30 | 100 | 100 | -2% |
| China | 145 | 130 | 195 | 455 | 470 | 3% |
| India | 60 | 75 | 50 | 235 | 185 | -21% |
| Pakistan | 90 | 90 | 75 | 270 | 255 | -4% |
| Sri Lanka | 40 | 35 | 25 | 105 | 100 | -4% |
| Vietnam | 35 | 10 | 10 | 85 | 55 | -38% |
| Asia Other | 25 | 30 | 15 | 70 | 75 | 6% |
| Asia Total | 595 | 575 | 580 | 1,700 | 1,755 | 3% |
| Other, and nationality not known | * | 10 | 10 | 25 | 15 | -32% |
| Grand Total | 2,070 | 2,105 | 1,990 | 6,315 | 6,165 | -2% |

(1) Figures (other than percentages) have been rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 3b : Applications (1) received for asylum in the United Kingdom, excluding dependants, by nationality and location where made, 2003 - 2005

| Nationality | Number of principal applicants | | | | | | | | | % change 2004/2005 | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | 2003 | | | 2004(P) | | | 2005(P) | | | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country |
| | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | | | |
| Europe | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | 595 | 45 | 555 | 295 | 20 | 275 | 170 | 15 | 155 | -41% | -24% | -43% |
| Czech Republic | 70 | 45 | 25 | 20 | 10 | 10 | * | - | * | -89% | -100% | -80% |
| Macedonia | 60 | 10 | 55 | 15 | * | 15 | 5 | * | 5 | -57% | 100% | -69% |
| Moldova | 380 | 55 | 325 | 170 | 15 | 150 | 115 | 15 | 100 | -32% | -6% | -35% |
| Poland | 95 | 25 | 65 | 15 | 10 | 10 | * | - | * | -94% | -100% | -89% |
| Romania | 550 | 80 | 470 | 295 | 40 | 255 | 110 | 15 | 95 | -63% | -63% | -63% |
| Russia | 280 | 50 | 235 | 190 | 25 | 165 | 130 | 30 | 100 | -31% | 12% | -38% |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 815 | 50 | 765 | 290 | 20 | 270 | 155 | 10 | 145 | -47% | -44% | -47% |
| Turkey | 2,390 | 1,160 | 1,230 | 1,230 | 315 | 915 | 755 | 85 | 670 | -39% | -73% | -27% |
| Ukraine | 300 | 55 | 245 | 120 | 15 | 105 | 55 | 5 | 50 | -55% | -69% | -52% |
| Other Former USSR | 625 | 130 | 495 | 340 | 55 | 285 | 265 | 50 | 215 | -22% | -9% | -25% |
| Other Former Yugo | 50 | 5 | 40 | 20 | * | 15 | 30 | 5 | 25 | 47% | 100% | 41% |
| Europe Other | 80 | 35 | 45 | 30 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 5 | 15 | -43% | -69% | -24% |
| Europe Total | 6,295 | 1,745 | 4,550 | 3,025 | 540 | 2,485 | 1,810 | 235 | 1,575 | -40% | -56% | -37% |
| Americas | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 220 | 55 | 165 | 120 | 30 | 90 | 65 | 20 | 45 | -45% | -31% | -51% |
| Ecuador | 150 | 25 | 125 | 35 | 5 | 30 | 10 | * | 10 | -69% | -86% | -66% |
| Jamaica | 965 | 130 | 830 | 455 | 55 | 400 | 295 | 25 | 265 | -36% | -52% | -34% |
| Americas Other | 230 | 105 | 125 | 130 | 50 | 80 | 100 | 25 | 75 | -22% | -44% | -9% |
| Americas Total | 1,560 | 315 | 1,250 | 740 | 145 | 600 | 470 | 75 | 395 | -37% | -46% | -34% |
| Middle East | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 2,875 | 795 | 2,080 | 3,455 | 630 | 2,825 | 3,140 | 245 | 2,895 | -9% | -61% | 2% |
| Iraq | 4,015 | 385 | 3,630 | 1,695 | 105 | 1,590 | 1,435 | 55 | 1,375 | -16% | -47% | -13% |
| Middle East Other | 1,080 | 340 | 740 | 1,375 | 220 | 1,155 | 1,185 | 165 | 1,020 | -14% | -25% | -12% |
| Middle East Total | 7,970 | 1,520 | 6,455 | 6,525 | 955 | 5,570 | 5,760 | 465 | 5,290 | -12% | -51% | -5% |
| Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 550 | 80 | 470 | 490 | 50 | 440 | 245 | 30 | 215 | -50% | -46% | -50% |
| Angola | 850 | 140 | 715 | 400 | 40 | 360 | 145 | 15 | 130 | -64% | -61% | -64% |
| Burundi | 650 | 110 | 545 | 265 | 35 | 230 | 90 | 20 | 70 | -66% | -36% | -70% |
| Cameroon | 505 | 65 | 440 | 360 | 40 | 320 | 290 | 30 | 260 | -20% | -33% | -18% |
| Congo | 320 | 60 | 260 | 150 | 25 | 120 | 70 | 15 | 55 | -53% | -52% | -53% |
| Dem. Rep. Congc | 1,540 | 315 | 1,225 | 1,475 | 260 | 1,215 | 1,060 | 175 | 880 | -28% | -32% | -27% |
| Eritrea | 950 | 395 | 560 | 1,105 | 280 | 825 | 1,760 | 150 | 1,610 | 60% | -47% | 95% |
| Ethiopia | 640 | 260 | 380 | 540 | 125 | 415 | 395 | 45 | 345 | -27% | -62% | -16% |
| Gambia | 95 | 35 | 60 | 100 | 25 | 75 | 90 | 10 | 80 | -12% | -62% | 5% |
| Ghana | 325 | 70 | 250 | 355 | 70 | 280 | 225 | 50 | 180 | -36% | -33% | -37% |
| Ivory Coast | 390 | 90 | 300 | 280 | 75 | 205 | 205 | 35 | 170 | -27% | -51% | -18% |
| Kenya | 220 | 40 | 175 | 145 | 20 | 125 | 100 | 10 | 90 | -31% | -60% | -27% |
| Liberia | 740 | 320 | 420 | 405 | 250 | 155 | 180 | 95 | 85 | -55% | -62% | -45% |
| Nigeria | 1,010 | 495 | 515 | 1,090 | 445 | 645 | 1,010 | 305 | 700 | -7% | -31% | 9% |
| Rwanda | 260 | 70 | 195 | 75 | 25 | 50 | 35 | 10 | 30 | -51% | -68% | -43% |
| Sierra Leone | 380 | 170 | 210 | 230 | 90 | 140 | 140 | 40 | 100 | -40% | -57% | -29% |
| Somalia | 5,090 | 660 | 4,430 | 2,585 | 305 | 2,280 | 1,770 | 250 | 1,520 | -31% | -17% | -33% |
| Sudan | 930 | 115 | 810 | 1,305 | 95 | 1,210 | 895 | 30 | 865 | -31% | -69% | -28% |
| Tanzania | 30 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 6% | 0% | 7% |
| Uganda | 705 | 25 | 680 | 405 | 30 | 375 | 205 | 20 | 185 | -49% | -38% | -50% |
| Zimbabwe | 3,295 | 715 | 2,580 | 2,065 | 395 | 1,665 | 1,070 | 165 | 905 | -48% | -59% | -46% |
| Africa Other | 895 | 410 | 490 | 910 | 415 | 495 | 630 | 210 | 420 | -31% | -49% | -15% |
| Africa Total | 20,370 | 4,650 | 15,720 | 14,745 | 3,105 | 11,640 | 10,630 | 1,710 | 8,920 | -28% | -45% | -23% |
| Asia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 2,280 | 695 | 1,585 | 1,395 | 370 | 1,030 | 1,585 | 195 | 1,390 | 13% | -48% | 35% |
| Bangladesh | 735 | 80 | 655 | 510 | 25 | 485 | 430 | 25 | 405 | -16% | 4% | -17% |
| China | 3,450 | 2,500 | 950 | 2,365 | 1,445 | 920 | 1,735 | 1,160 | 575 | -27% | -20% | -38% |
| India | 2,290 | 930 | 1,360 | 1,405 | 205 | 1,200 | 970 | 115 | 855 | -31% | -43% | -29% |
| Pakistan | 1,915 | 580 | 1,330 | 1,710 | 485 | 1,225 | 1,145 | 105 | 1,040 | -33% | -78% | -15% |
| Sri Lanka | 705 | 315 | 390 | 330 | 90 | 240 | 405 | 90 | 310 | 22% | 1% | 29% |
| Vietnam | 1,125 | 170 | 955 | 755 | 55 | 700 | 380 | 15 | 360 | -50% | -70% | -48% |
| Asia Other | 655 | 185 | 470 | 375 | 80 | 295 | 320 | 60 | 265 | -14% | -28% | -10% |
| Asia Total | 13,155 | 5,460 | 7,695 | 8,850 | 2,760 | 6,090 | 6,970 | 1,770 | 5,200 | -21% | -36% | -15% |
| Other, and nationality not known | 55 | 35 | 20 | 70 | 50 | 20 | 80 | 35 | 45 | 13% | -33% | 137% |
| Grand Total | 49,405 | 13,720 | 35,685 | 33,960 | 7,550 | 26,410 | 25,720 | 4,290 | 21,430 | -24% | -43% | -19% |

(1) Figures (other than percentages) have been rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 3c : Applications (1) received for asylum in the United Kingdom from unaccompanied children (2)(3)(P), excluding dependants, by nationality and location where made, Quarter 4, 2005

Number of principal applicants

| Nationality | Oct-05 | | | Nov-05 | | | Dec-05 | | | Q4 2005 | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country | Total | Applied at port | Applied in country |
| Europe | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | * | — | * | 10 | — | 10 |
| Czech Republic | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Macedonia | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Moldova | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | — | — | — | 5 | — | 5 |
| Poland | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Romania | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | * | 5 | 10 | * | 10 |
| Russia | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | * | — | * | 10 | — | 10 |
| Turkey | 10 | — | 10 | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 15 | — | 15 |
| Ukraine | — | — | — | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Other Former USSR | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Other Former Yugo | — | — | — | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Europe Other | * | — | * | — | — | — | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Europe Total | 30 | — | 30 | 15 | — | 15 | 10 | * | 10 | 50 | * | 50 |
| Americas | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Ecuador | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Jamaica | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * | * | — | * |
| Americas Other | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Americas Total | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * | * | — | * |
| Middle East | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 40 | 5 | 40 | 40 | * | 40 | 35 | * | 30 | 115 | 5 | 110 |
| Iraq | 5 | — | 5 | 10 | — | 10 | 5 | — | 5 | 20 | — | 20 |
| Middle East Other | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 10 | — | 10 |
| Middle East Total | 55 | 5 | 50 | 55 | * | 55 | 40 | * | 35 | 145 | 5 | 140 |
| Africa | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 10 | — | 10 | 15 | — | 15 |
| Angola | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 |
| Burundi | * | — | * | — | — | — | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Cameroon | — | — | — | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Congo | — | — | — | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 15 | * | 15 | 15 | 5 | 15 | 10 | * | 5 | 40 | 5 | 35 |
| Eritrea | 20 | * | 20 | 25 | 5 | 20 | 15 | 5 | 15 | 60 | 5 | 55 |
| Ethiopia | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 |
| Gambia | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Ghana | * | — | * | — | — | — | * | — | * | * | — | * |
| Ivory Coast | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | * | * | 10 | * | 5 |
| Kenya | * | — | * | — | — | — | — | — | — | * | — | * |
| Liberia | 5 | — | 5 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 5 | — | 5 |
| Nigeria | 5 | 5 | * | 10 | * | 10 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 25 | 10 | 15 |
| Rwanda | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Sierra Leone | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | * | * | 10 | * | 10 |
| Somalia | 25 | 5 | 20 | 20 | * | 20 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 70 | 10 | 55 |
| Sudan | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 15 | — | 15 |
| Tanzania | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Uganda | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | — | — | — | 5 | — | 5 |
| Zimbabwe | 5 | * | 5 | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 10 | * | 10 |
| Africa Other | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 20 | 5 | 20 |
| Africa Total | 100 | 10 | 90 | 110 | 10 | 100 | 90 | 20 | 70 | 300 | 40 | 260 |
| Asia | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 70 | * | 65 | 55 | * | 55 | 65 | 5 | 60 | 190 | 10 | 180 |
| Bangladesh | 10 | — | 10 | 15 | * | 15 | 5 | * | 5 | 35 | 5 | 30 |
| China | 15 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 15 | 5 | 15 | 15 | * | 45 | 35 | 10 |
| India | * | — | * | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | 10 | — | 10 |
| Pakistan | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | * | 5 | 15 | * | 15 |
| Sri Lanka | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | — | 5 | * | — | * | 10 | — | 10 |
| Vietnam | 5 | — | 5 | 5 | * | * | * | — | * | 10 | * | 10 |
| Asia Other | — | — | — | — | — | — | * | — | * | * | — | * |
| Asia Total | 110 | 10 | 95 | 105 | 15 | 90 | 100 | 20 | 75 | 315 | 50 | 265 |
| Other, and nationality not known | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Grand Total | 290 | 25 | 265 | 285 | 30 | 260 | 240 | 45 | 195 | 815 | 100 | 715 |

(1) Figures have been rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2.

(2) Figures exclude cases where the age of the applicant is disputed.

(3) Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) is defined as an applicant who at the time of application is, or (if there is no proof) is determined to be under 18 and is applying for asylum on his or her own right and has no relative or guardian in the United Kingdom.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 4 : Initial decisions⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ on applications received for asylum in the UK, excluding dependants, by type and by nationality, Quarter 4 2005

| Nationality | Total Initial decisions | Number of principal applicants | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---|---|---------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | Recognised as a refugee and granted asylum | Not recognised as a refugee but granted humanitarian protection | Not recognised as a refugee but granted discretionary leave | Total Refused | Refused asylum, humanitarian protection and discretionary leave after full consideration | Refused on safe third country grounds ⁽³⁾ | Refused on non-compliance grounds |
| Europe | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | 30 | - | - | 5 | 25 | 20 | * | - |
| Czech Republic | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Macedonia | * | - | - | - | * | * | * | - |
| Moldova | 20 | - | - | 5 | 15 | 10 | 5 | * |
| Poland | * | - | - | - | * | * | - | - |
| Romania | 20 | - | - | * | 20 | 15 | - | 5 |
| Russia | 35 | 5 | - | - | 30 | 25 | 5 | - |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 65 | * | - | 10 | 55 | 45 | 5 | 5 |
| Turkey | 180 | 5 | - | 20 | 155 | 140 | 10 | 5 |
| Ukraine | 10 | - | - | - | 10 | 10 | * | - |
| Other Former USSR | 55 | 5 | - | - | 50 | 45 | * | * |
| Other Former Yugo. | 10 | * | - | - | 5 | 5 | * | * |
| Europe Other | 5 | - | - | * | * | * | - | - |
| Europe Total | 430 | 15 | - | 45 | 370 | 320 | 30 | 20 |
| Americas | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 15 | * | - | - | 15 | 15 | - | * |
| Ecuador | 5 | * | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Jamaica | 60 | - | * | 5 | 55 | 55 | - | - |
| Americas Other | 15 | - | - | - | 15 | 15 | - | - |
| Americas Total | 95 | * | * | 5 | 85 | 85 | - | * |
| Middle East | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 700 | 15 | * | 90 | 595 | 525 | 40 | 30 |
| Iraq | 220 | - | * | 15 | 205 | 170 | 15 | 20 |
| Middle East Other | 205 | 20 | * | 20 | 165 | 135 | 15 | 20 |
| Middle East Total | 1,130 | 35 | 5 | 125 | 965 | 830 | 65 | 70 |
| Africa | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 55 | * | - | 5 | 45 | 40 | 5 | 5 |
| Angola | 25 | - | - | 5 | 20 | 15 | * | * |
| Burundi | 20 | * | - | 5 | 15 | 15 | - | * |
| Cameroon | 65 | * | - | 5 | 55 | 50 | 5 | - |
| Congo | 10 | - | - | - | 10 | 10 | - | * |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 250 | 20 | - | 55 | 170 | 160 | 5 | 10 |
| Eritrea | 570 | 220 | * | 40 | 305 | 210 | 65 | 30 |
| Ethiopia | 85 | 5 | - | 10 | 70 | 60 | 5 | 5 |
| Gambia | 20 | - | - | * | 20 | 15 | * | 5 |
| Ghana | 35 | - | - | * | 35 | 30 | - | * |
| Ivory Coast | 40 | 5 | - | 5 | 30 | 25 | * | * |
| Kenya | 20 | * | - | * | 15 | 15 | * | - |
| Liberia | 25 | - | - | 5 | 20 | 15 | * | 5 |
| Nigeria | 200 | - | - | 15 | 185 | 165 | 10 | 10 |
| Rwanda | 10 | - | - | - | 10 | 5 | * | - |
| Sierra Leone | 20 | - | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 5 | * |
| Somalia | 345 | 130 | - | 50 | 160 | 135 | 15 | 5 |
| Sudan | 185 | 15 | - | 5 | 165 | 130 | 30 | 10 |
| Tanzania | 5 | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | * |
| Uganda | 40 | 5 | - | * | 35 | 35 | - | * |
| Zimbabwe | 255 | 25 | - | 5 | 225 | 205 | - | 20 |
| Africa Other | 110 | * | * | 20 | 90 | 80 | 5 | * |
| Africa Total | 2,385 | 440 | 5 | 245 | 1,695 | 1,430 | 155 | 110 |
| Asia | | | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 450 | 15 | 5 | 130 | 305 | 240 | 40 | 25 |
| Bangladesh | 80 | - | - | 25 | 55 | 50 | 5 | - |
| China | 395 | 5 | - | 25 | 365 | 280 | 10 | 75 |
| India | 165 | - | - | 5 | 160 | 150 | 10 | 5 |
| Pakistan | 230 | 10 | - | 20 | 200 | 185 | * | 10 |
| Sri Lanka | 120 | * | - | 15 | 100 | 80 | 10 | 5 |
| Vietnam | 70 | - | - | 25 | 50 | 25 | 5 | 20 |
| Asia Other | 70 | 5 | 5 | * | 55 | 50 | * | 5 |
| Asia Total | 1,580 | 35 | 10 | 245 | 1,290 | 1,065 | 85 | 145 |
| Other, and nationality not known | 25 | 20 | - | - | 5 | 5 | * | - |
| Grand Total | 5,645 | 545 | 20 | 665 | 4,415 | 3,735 | 335 | 345 |

(1) Provisional figures rounded to nearest 5, with "*" = 1 or 2.

(2) Information is of initial decisions, excluding the outcome of appeals or other subsequent decisions.

(3) Refused on the grounds that the applicant had arrived from a safe third country.

Table 4b : Initial decisions (1)(2) on applications received for asylum in the UK, excluding dependants, by type and by nationality, 2005

| Nationality | Total Initial decisions | Number of principal applicants | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---|---|---------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | Recognised as a refugee and granted asylum | Not recognised as a refugee but granted humanitarian protection | Not recognised as a refugee but granted discretionary leave | Total Refused | Refused asylum, humanitarian protection or discretionary leave after full consideration | Refused on safe third country grounds ⁽³⁾ | Refused on non-compliance grounds |
| Europe | | | | | | | | |
| Albania | 185 | * | - | 30 | 150 | 130 | 10 | 15 |
| Czech Republic | 5 | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | * |
| Macedonia | 10 | - | - | - | 10 | 10 | * | * |
| Moldova | 105 | * | - | 15 | 90 | 60 | 15 | 15 |
| Poland | 5 | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | - | - |
| Romania | 160 | - | - | 40 | 120 | 90 | * | 30 |
| Russia | 140 | 20 | * | * | 120 | 95 | 20 | 5 |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 480 | 5 | - | 50 | 420 | 360 | 20 | 40 |
| Turkey | 920 | 35 | * | 65 | 820 | 730 | 55 | 40 |
| Ukraine | 55 | - | - | * | 55 | 50 | * | 5 |
| Other Former USSR | 280 | 20 | - | 5 | 255 | 210 | 20 | 25 |
| Other Former Yugo. | 50 | 5 | - | 5 | 40 | 30 | 5 | 5 |
| Europe Other | 20 | - | - | 5 | 15 | 15 | - | - |
| Europe Total | 2,420 | 90 | * | 215 | 2,110 | 1,790 | 145 | 175 |
| Americas | | | | | | | | |
| Colombia | 75 | 5 | - | * | 65 | 65 | * | * |
| Ecuador | 20 | * | - | - | 20 | 15 | - | * |
| Jamaica | 320 | * | * | 10 | 305 | 295 | - | 10 |
| Americas Other | 80 | * | - | 5 | 75 | 70 | * | 5 |
| Americas Total | 495 | 10 | * | 15 | 465 | 445 | 5 | 15 |
| Middle East | | | | | | | | |
| Iran | 3,315 | 70 | 25 | 360 | 2,855 | 2,490 | 200 | 165 |
| Iraq | 1,840 | 5 | 10 | 150 | 1,680 | 1,380 | 150 | 150 |
| Middle East Other | 1,300 | 50 | 5 | 75 | 1,170 | 950 | 100 | 120 |
| Middle East Total | 6,455 | 125 | 35 | 585 | 5,705 | 4,820 | 445 | 435 |
| Africa | | | | | | | | |
| Algeria | 300 | 5 | * | 25 | 270 | 215 | 15 | 45 |
| Angola | 210 | 10 | * | 40 | 160 | 140 | 10 | 10 |
| Burundi | 140 | 10 | * | 30 | 95 | 90 | * | 5 |
| Cameroon | 295 | 20 | - | 35 | 245 | 220 | 25 | - |
| Congo | 95 | 5 | - | 10 | 80 | 75 | 5 | 5 |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 1,185 | 65 | 5 | 150 | 970 | 885 | 45 | 40 |
| Eritrea | 1,660 | 555 | 15 | 125 | 970 | 695 | 210 | 60 |
| Ethiopia | 400 | 15 | - | 40 | 345 | 305 | 30 | 15 |
| Gambia | 85 | * | - | 5 | 80 | 65 | * | 15 |
| Ghana | 200 | * | * | 10 | 185 | 170 | 5 | 10 |
| Ivory Coast | 205 | 20 | - | 20 | 165 | 150 | 10 | 5 |
| Kenya | 105 | * | - | 10 | 90 | 80 | 5 | 5 |
| Liberia | 220 | * | * | 15 | 200 | 155 | 10 | 35 |
| Nigeria | 870 | * | - | 70 | 800 | 690 | 50 | 60 |
| Rwanda | 55 | - | - | 5 | 50 | 40 | * | 10 |
| Sierra Leone | 175 | * | 10 | 20 | 145 | 105 | 15 | 30 |
| Somalia | 1,860 | 660 | 5 | 190 | 1,005 | 840 | 95 | 65 |
| Sudan | 995 | 70 | 5 | 20 | 900 | 685 | 175 | 40 |
| Tanzania | 20 | * | - | - | 20 | 20 | - | * |
| Uganda | 235 | 20 | * | 20 | 190 | 185 | * | 5 |
| Zimbabwe | 1,045 | 80 | * | 15 | 945 | 875 | 5 | 70 |
| Africa Other | 590 | 10 | 5 | 70 | 505 | 460 | 20 | 30 |
| Africa Total | 10,945 | 1,550 | 50 | 915 | 8,435 | 7,145 | 725 | 560 |
| Asia | | | | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 1,560 | 30 | 20 | 445 | 1,060 | 800 | 190 | 70 |
| Bangladesh | 395 | 5 | - | 140 | 250 | 220 | 15 | 15 |
| China | 1,775 | 10 | * | 75 | 1,690 | 1,280 | 75 | 335 |
| India | 940 | * | - | 20 | 920 | 740 | 100 | 80 |
| Pakistan | 1,165 | 45 | * | 75 | 1,040 | 960 | 15 | 70 |
| Sri Lanka | 525 | 5 | - | 60 | 460 | 395 | 30 | 35 |
| Vietnam | 430 | * | - | 135 | 295 | 210 | 15 | 65 |
| Asia Other | 320 | 35 | 10 | 5 | 270 | 230 | 10 | 30 |
| Asia Total | 7,105 | 135 | 35 | 955 | 5,980 | 4,835 | 455 | 695 |
| Other, and nationality not known | 75 | 30 | - | - | 45 | 30 | 5 | 5 |
| Grand Total | 27,495 | 1,945 | 125 | 2,685 | 22,740 | 19,070 | 1,780 | 1,890 |

(1) Provisional figures rounded to nearest 5, with '*' = 1 or 2.

(2) Information is of initial decisions, excluding the outcome of appeals or other subsequent decisions.

(3) Refused on the grounds that the applicant had arrived from a safe third country.

Table 5 : Asylum Appeals determined at the Immigration Appellate Authority/Asylum and Immigration tribunal (1), excluding dependents (2)

Number of principal appellants

| | Appeals determined | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| | Appeals received by the Home Office (3) | Appeals received by the IAA/AIT (4) | Total determined (4) | Allowed (5) | | Dismissed (5) | | Withdrawn (5) | |
| | | | | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 2002 | | | | | | | | | |
| Q1 | 14,210 | 14,960 | 14,010 | 3,165 | 23% | 10,500 | 75% | 340 | 2% |
| Q2 | 12,780 | 13,855 | 15,525 | 3,450 | 22% | 11,715 | 75% | 360 | 2% |
| Q3 | 12,425 | 18,645 | 18,260 | 3,935 | 22% | 13,825 | 76% | 495 | 3% |
| Q4 | 12,280 | 16,665 | 16,615 | 3,320 | 20% | 12,805 | 77% | 490 | 3% |
| 2002 Total | 51,695 | 64,125 | 64,405 | 13,875 | 22% | 48,845 | 76% | 1,685 | 3% |
| 2003 | | | | | | | | | |
| Q1 | 12,880 | 18,090 | 20,590 | 3,480 | 17% | 16,445 | 80% | 670 | 3% |
| Q2 | 10,935 | 17,835 | 19,345 | 4,060 | 21% | 14,875 | 77% | 415 | 2% |
| Q3 | 10,975 | 18,330 | 21,500 | 4,270 | 20% | 16,805 | 78% | 420 | 2% |
| Q4 | 11,340 | 16,325 | 20,285 | 4,260 | 21% | 15,685 | 77% | 340 | 2% |
| 2003 Total | 46,130 | 70,575 | 81,725 | 16,070 | 20% | 63,810 | 78% | 1,845 | 2% |
| 2004 (P) | | | | | | | | | |
| Q1 | 10,100 (e) | 12,830 | 18,255 | 4,000 | 22% | 13,840 | 76% | 410 | 2% |
| Q2 | 9,000 (e) | 11,970 | 14,115 | 2,755 | 20% | 11,035 | 78% | 325 | 2% |
| Q3 | 8,800 (e) | 11,345 | 11,965 | 2,170 | 18% | 9,410 | 79% | 385 | 3% |
| Q4 | 7,100 (e) | 10,855 | 11,640 | 1,915 | 16% | 9,475 | 81% | 245 | 2% |
| 2004 Total | 35,000 (e) | 47,000 | 55,975 | 10,845 | 19% | 43,760 | 78% | 1,370 | 2% |
| 2005 (P) | | | | | | | | | |
| Q1 | 5,700 (e) | 8,080 | 11,085 | 1,795 | 16% | 9,065 | 82% | 220 | 2% |
| Q2 | | 6,305 | 10,085 | 1,710 | 17% | 8,025 | 80% | 350 | 3% |
| Q3 | | 5,455 | 7,290 | 1,330 | 18% | 5,650 | 78% | 305 | 4% |
| Q4 | | 5,060 | 5,540 | 1,245 | 22% | 4,095 | 74% | 200 | 4% |
| 2005 Total | | 24,895 | 33,995 | 6,080 | 18% | 26,835 | 79% | 1,080 | 3% |
| Most recent three months | | | | | | | | | |
| October | | 1,745 | 1,850 | 360 | 19% | 1,420 | 77% | 70 | 4% |
| November | | 1,770 | 1,985 | 460 | 23% | 1,440 | 73% | 80 | 4% |
| December | | 1,540 | 1,705 | 425 | 25% | 1,235 | 72% | 50 | 3% |

(1) The AIT was formed on 4th April 2005 and replaced the IAA. **Data shown for Q2 2005 and for April 2005 excludes IAA cases for 1 April 2005.**

All figures for appeals determined are cases dealt with by Adjudicators/Immigration Judges.

(2) Figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5. Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

(3) Based on Immigration and Nationality Directorate electronic sources. From the 4th April 2005 appeals are lodged directly with the AIT.

(4) Based on information supplied by the Department for Constitutional Affairs. From 4th April 2005 'Appeals received' data includes some cases lodged at the Home Office and transferred to the AIT. The data also include a small number of cases initially flagged as being potentially invalid or out of time for which the papers were examined by an Immigration Judge and determined to be valid and/or in-time. These cases then proceed through the appeal system. Determinations do not necessarily relate to appeals received in the same period.

(5) Pre April 4th 2005 based on data supplied from the Presenting Officers Unit within the Home Office. 4th April 2005 onwards based on Immigration and Nationality electronic sources.

(P) Provisional data.

(e) Estimate. Figures rounded to the nearest hundred, and subject to later revision.

Table 6 : Asylum Appeals determined at the Immigration Appellate Authority/Asylum and Immigration Tribunal (1), excluding dependants, by month (2)

Number of principal appellants

| | Appeals determined | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| | Appeals received by the Home Office (3) | Appeals received by the IAA/AIT (4) | Total determined (4) | Allowed (5) | | Dismissed (5) | | Withdrawn (5) | |
| | | | | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined |
| 2003 | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 3,460 | 6,015 | 7,210 | 1,265 | 18% | 5,690 | 79% | 255 | 4% |
| Feb | 4,090 | 6,025 | 6,545 | 975 | 15% | 5,350 | 82% | 220 | 3% |
| Mar | 5,330 | 6,045 | 6,840 | 1,235 | 18% | 5,405 | 79% | 200 | 3% |
| Apr | 3,770 | 5,825 | 7,010 | 1,445 | 21% | 5,455 | 78% | 110 | 2% |
| May | 3,445 | 6,025 | 6,035 | 1,265 | 21% | 4,655 | 77% | 115 | 2% |
| Jun | 3,720 | 5,985 | 6,300 | 1,345 | 21% | 4,765 | 76% | 190 | 3% |
| Jul | 4,170 | 6,005 | 8,195 | 1,655 | 20% | 6,375 | 78% | 165 | 2% |
| Aug | 3,055 | 6,080 | 6,740 | 1,320 | 20% | 5,275 | 78% | 145 | 2% |
| Sep | 3,750 | 6,240 | 6,565 | 1,295 | 20% | 5,155 | 79% | 110 | 2% |
| Oct | 3,985 | 6,095 | 7,580 | 1,525 | 20% | 5,940 | 78% | 115 | 2% |
| Nov | 3,675 | 5,125 | 6,900 | 1,430 | 21% | 5,350 | 78% | 120 | 2% |
| Dec | 3,680 | 5,105 | 5,810 | 1,310 | 23% | 4,395 | 76% | 105 | 2% |
| 2003 Total | 46,130 | 70,575 | 81,725 | 16,070 | 20% | 63,810 | 78% | 1,845 | 2% |
| 2004 (P) | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 3,100 (e) | 4,685 | 6,560 | 1,410 | 21% | 5,025 | 77% | 125 | 2% |
| Feb | 3,200 (e) | 3,855 | 5,670 | 1,250 | 22% | 4,285 | 76% | 135 | 2% |
| Mar | 3,700 (e) | 4,290 | 6,030 | 1,345 | 22% | 4,535 | 75% | 150 | 3% |
| Apr | 2,900 (e) | 4,165 | 4,780 | 910 | 19% | 3,755 | 79% | 115 | 2% |
| May | 3,000 (e) | 3,700 | 4,475 | 905 | 20% | 3,445 | 77% | 120 | 3% |
| June | 3,100 (e) | 4,105 | 4,860 | 935 | 19% | 3,830 | 79% | 90 | 2% |
| July | 3,100 (e) | 4,095 | 3,765 | 705 | 19% | 2,940 | 78% | 120 | 3% |
| August | 3,000 (e) | 3,610 | 3,730 | 610 | 16% | 2,980 | 80% | 140 | 4% |
| September | 2,700 (e) | 3,640 | 4,475 | 855 | 19% | 3,490 | 78% | 130 | 3% |
| October | 2,600 (e) | 3,625 | 4,035 | 710 | 18% | 3,245 | 80% | 80 | 2% |
| November | 2,500 (e) | 3,590 | 4,235 | 665 | 16% | 3,470 | 82% | 100 | 2% |
| December | 2,000 (e) | 3,640 | 3,370 | 545 | 16% | 2,760 | 82% | 70 | 2% |
| 2004 Total | 35,000 (e) | 47,000 | 55,975 | 10,845 | 19% | 43,760 | 78% | 1,370 | 2% |
| 2005 (P) | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 1,800 (e) | 2,855 | 3,535 | 530 | 15% | 2,925 | 83% | 85 | 2% |
| Feb | 2,000 (e) | 2,615 | 3,775 | 625 | 17% | 3,095 | 82% | 55 | 1% |
| March | 1,900 (e) | 2,610 | 3,770 | 645 | 17% | 3,045 | 81% | 85 | 2% |
| April | | 2,205 | 3,570 | 565 | 16% | 2,885 | 81% | 125 | 3% |
| May | | 2,010 | 3,270 | 575 | 18% | 2,605 | 80% | 90 | 3% |
| June | | 2,090 | 3,240 | 570 | 18% | 2,535 | 78% | 135 | 4% |
| July | | 1,965 | 2,495 | 455 | 18% | 1,950 | 78% | 90 | 4% |
| August | | 1,820 | 2,560 | 450 | 18% | 2,000 | 78% | 115 | 4% |
| September | | 1,670 | 2,230 | 425 | 19% | 1,705 | 76% | 105 | 5% |
| October | | 1,745 | 1,850 | 360 | 19% | 1,420 | 77% | 70 | 4% |
| November | | 1,770 | 1,985 | 460 | 23% | 1,440 | 73% | 80 | 4% |
| December | | 1,540 | 1,705 | 425 | 25% | 1,235 | 72% | 50 | 3% |
| 2005 Total | | 24,895 | 33,995 | 6,080 | 18% | 26,835 | 79% | 1,080 | 3% |

(1) The AIT was formed on 4th April 2005 and replaced the IAA. **Data shown for Q2 2005 and for April 2005 excludes IAA cases for 1 April 2005.**

All figures for appeals determined are cases dealt with by Adjudicators/Immigration Judges.

(2) Figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5. Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

(3) Based on Immigration and Nationality Directorate electronic sources. From the 4th April 2005 appeals are lodged directly with the AIT.

(4) Based on information supplied by the Department for Constitutional Affairs. From 4th April 2005 'Appeals received' data includes some cases lodged at the Home Office and transferred to the AIT. The data also include a small number of cases initially flagged as being potentially invalid or out of time for which the papers were examined by an Immigration Judge and determined to be valid and/or in-time. These cases then proceed through the appeal system. Determinations do not necessarily relate to appeals received in the same period.

(5) Pre April 4th 2005 based on data supplied from the Presenting Officers Unit within the Home Office. 4th April 2005 onwards based on Immigration and Nationality electronic sources.

(P) Provisional data.

(e) Estimate. Figures rounded to the nearest hundred, and subject to later revision.

Table 7: Outcome of Asylum Appeals determined at the Asylum and Immigration Tribunal, excluding dependants, by nationality, (1) Quarter 4 2005

Number of principal appellants

| Nationality | Appeals determined | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| | Total | Allowed | | Dismissed | | Withdrawn(2) | |
| | | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined |
| Albania | 25 | 5 | 13% | 20 | 79% | * | 8% |
| Czech Republic | - | - | 0% | - | 0% | - | 0% |
| Macedonia | 5 | - | 0% | 5 | 100% | - | 0% |
| Moldova | 5 | - | 0% | 5 | 100% | - | 0% |
| Poland | - | - | 0% | - | 0% | - | 0% |
| Romania | 15 | 5 | 23% | 10 | 77% | - | 0% |
| Russia | 45 | 15 | 31% | 30 | 67% | * | 2% |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 140 | 35 | 23% | 95 | 69% | 10 | 8% |
| Turkey | 340 | 95 | 27% | 235 | 69% | 10 | 3% |
| Ukraine | 15 | * | 15% | 10 | 85% | - | 0% |
| Other Former USSR | 60 | 20 | 32% | 40 | 64% | 5 | 5% |
| Other Former Yugo | 10 | 5 | 40% | 5 | 60% | - | 0% |
| Europe Other | 5 | - | 0% | 5 | 100% | - | - |
| Europe Total | 665 | 170 | 26% | 465 | 70% | 30 | 4% |
| Colombia | 25 | 5 | 25% | 15 | 67% | * | 8% |
| Ecuador | 5 | - | 0% | 5 | 100% | - | 0% |
| Jamaica | 50 | 10 | 15% | 40 | 83% | * | 2% |
| Americas Other | 10 | - | 0% | 10 | 92% | * | 8% |
| Americas Total | 90 | 15 | 15% | 75 | 81% | 5 | 4% |
| Iran | 780 | 135 | 17% | 625 | 80% | 20 | 2% |
| Iraq | 425 | 40 | 10% | 370 | 88% | 10 | 3% |
| Middle East Other | 270 | 55 | 21% | 200 | 74% | 15 | 6% |
| Middle East Total | 1,475 | 230 | 16% | 1,195 | 81% | 45 | 3% |
| Algeria | 55 | 5 | 11% | 45 | 84% | 5 | 5% |
| Angola | 40 | 5 | 10% | 35 | 86% | * | 5% |
| Burundi | 50 | 15 | 25% | 35 | 71% | * | 4% |
| Cameroon | 70 | 20 | 30% | 45 | 70% | - | 0% |
| Congo | 25 | 5 | 22% | 15 | 74% | * | 4% |
| Dem Rep of Congc | 240 | 60 | 25% | 170 | 71% | 10 | 4% |
| Eritrea | 265 | 100 | 39% | 155 | 58% | 10 | 3% |
| Ethiopia | 130 | 45 | 33% | 80 | 63% | 5 | 3% |
| Gambia | 15 | * | 8% | 10 | 92% | - | 0% |
| Ghana | 30 | * | 3% | 30 | 93% | * | 3% |
| Ivory Coast | 50 | 5 | 14% | 40 | 84% | * | 2% |
| Kenya | 35 | 5 | 9% | 30 | 89% | * | 3% |
| Liberia | 40 | 5 | 12% | 35 | 85% | * | 2% |
| Nigeria | 140 | 5 | 4% | 125 | 91% | 5 | 5% |
| Rwanda | 15 | 5 | 18% | 15 | 82% | - | 0% |
| Sierra Leone | 40 | 10 | 21% | 25 | 65% | 5 | 14% |
| Somalia | 340 | 145 | 43% | 175 | 51% | 20 | 6% |
| Sudan | 230 | 60 | 26% | 165 | 72% | 5 | 2% |
| Tanzania | * | - | 0% | * | 100% | - | 0% |
| Uganda | 60 | 5 | 10% | 55 | 90% | - | 0% |
| Zimbabwe | 215 | 170 | 78% | 40 | 19% | 5 | 3% |
| Africa Other | 95 | 10 | 11% | 80 | 84% | 5 | 4% |
| Africa Total | 2,170 | 680 | 31% | 1,410 | 65% | 80 | 4% |
| Afghanistan | 295 | 25 | 9% | 255 | 87% | 15 | 5% |
| Bangladesh | 45 | 5 | 9% | 35 | 84% | 5 | 7% |
| China | 185 | 20 | 10% | 165 | 89% | * | 1% |
| India | 40 | 5 | 7% | 35 | 85% | 5 | 7% |
| Pakistan | 350 | 55 | 15% | 285 | 82% | 10 | 3% |
| Sri Lanka | 105 | 20 | 17% | 85 | 82% | * | 1% |
| Vietnam | 30 | * | 6% | 30 | 91% | * | 3% |
| Far East Other | 65 | 10 | 15% | 50 | 77% | 5 | 8% |
| Far East Total | 1,115 | 135 | 12% | 940 | 84% | 40 | 4% |
| Nationality not known | 20 | 15 | 68% | 5 | 23% | * | 9% |

(1) Provisional figures rounded to nearest 5 (except percentages), with *1 = 1 or 2. Figures may not sum due to independent rounding.

Data on appeal outcomes by nationality in this table are derived from Immigration and Nationality Directorate electronic sources.

(2) Figures include cases withdrawn by the Home Office, as well as the appellant.

Table 7b: Outcome of Asylum Appeals (1) determined at the Immigration Appellate Authority/Asylum and Immigration Tribunal, excluding dependants, by nationality, 2005

Number of principal appellants

| Nationality | Appeals determined | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| | Total | Allowed | | Dismissed | | Withdrawn(2) | |
| | | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined | Total | As % of total determined |
| Albania | 205 | 20 | 10% | 170 | 84% | 10 | 6% |
| Czech Republic | 10 | * | 13% | 10 | 74% | * | 13% |
| Macedonia | 30 | * | 16% | 30 | 77% | * | 7% |
| Moldova | 40 | * | 4% | 35 | 92% | - | 4% |
| Poland | 10 | - | 6% | 5 | 94% | * | 0% |
| Romania | 80 | 5 | 10% | 60 | 80% | 10 | 10% |
| Russia | 195 | 70 | 37% | 120 | 60% | 5 | 3% |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 880 | 140 | 16% | 675 | 77% | 65 | 7% |
| Turkey | 1,845 | 440 | 24% | 1,335 | 72% | 70 | 4% |
| Ukraine | 85 | 15 | 16% | 65 | 79% | 5 | 5% |
| Other Former USSR | 415 | 90 | 21% | 310 | 75% | 15 | 4% |
| Other Former Yugo | 70 | 15 | 20% | 50 | 71% | 5 | 9% |
| Europe Other | 30 | * | 5% | 25 | 83% | 5 | 13% |
| Europe Total | 3,890 | 805 | 21% | 2,895 | 74% | 190 | 5% |
| Colombia | 180 | 30 | 17% | 135 | 75% | 15 | 7% |
| Ecuador | 35 | - | 7% | 30 | 82% | 5 | 10% |
| Jamaica | 345 | 35 | 11% | 285 | 83% | 25 | 7% |
| Americas Other | 95 | 10 | 11% | 80 | 83% | 5 | 6% |
| Americas Total | 655 | 80 | 12% | 530 | 81% | 45 | 7% |
| Iran | 4,600 | 740 | 16% | 3,730 | 81% | 130 | 3% |
| Iraq | 2,880 | 175 | 6% | 2,630 | 91% | 75 | 3% |
| Middle East Other | 1,570 | 275 | 18% | 1,225 | 78% | 70 | 4% |
| Middle East Total | 9,050 | 1,195 | 13% | 7,585 | 84% | 275 | 3% |
| Algeria | 430 | 30 | 8% | 375 | 87% | 20 | 5% |
| Angola | 385 | 50 | 12% | 320 | 83% | 20 | 5% |
| Burundi | 270 | 50 | 19% | 210 | 78% | 10 | 4% |
| Cameroon | 350 | 85 | 24% | 260 | 74% | 5 | 2% |
| Congo | 205 | 30 | 14% | 170 | 83% | 10 | 4% |
| Dem Rep of Congc | 1,735 | 305 | 18% | 1,380 | 79% | 55 | 3% |
| Eritrea | 1,165 | 475 | 41% | 650 | 56% | 40 | 3% |
| Ethiopia | 680 | 170 | 25% | 490 | 72% | 25 | 4% |
| Gambia | 95 | 5 | 6% | 85 | 89% | 5 | 5% |
| Ghana | 165 | * | 1% | 160 | 97% | 5 | 2% |
| Ivory Coast | 295 | 35 | 12% | 255 | 86% | 5 | 2% |
| Kenya | 165 | 20 | 11% | 135 | 80% | 15 | 8% |
| Liberia | 300 | 25 | 9% | 260 | 87% | 15 | 4% |
| Nigeria | 735 | 30 | 4% | 665 | 91% | 35 | 5% |
| Rwanda | 150 | 20 | 13% | 120 | 82% | 10 | 6% |
| Sierra Leone | 260 | 30 | 11% | 220 | 85% | 10 | 5% |
| Somalia | 1,955 | 760 | 39% | 1,060 | 54% | 135 | 7% |
| Sudan | 1,335 | 400 | 30% | 915 | 69% | 20 | 2% |
| Tanzania | 20 | 5 | 21% | 15 | 73% | * | 6% |
| Uganda | 385 | 55 | 14% | 320 | 83% | 10 | 2% |
| Zimbabwe | 1,835 | 465 | 25% | 1,325 | 72% | 45 | 2% |
| Africa Other | 795 | 85 | 11% | 675 | 85% | 30 | 4% |
| Africa Total | 13,710 | 3,130 | 23% | 10,060 | 73% | 515 | 4% |
| Afghanistan | 1,890 | 200 | 11% | 1,610 | 85% | 75 | 4% |
| Bangladesh | 210 | 10 | 5% | 185 | 88% | 15 | 7% |
| China | 1,255 | 80 | 7% | 1,155 | 92% | 15 | 1% |
| India | 220 | 10 | 4% | 185 | 86% | 20 | 10% |
| Pakistan | 1,740 | 225 | 13% | 1,435 | 82% | 80 | 5% |
| Sri Lanka | 580 | 80 | 14% | 475 | 82% | 25 | 4% |
| Vietnam | 305 | 20 | 7% | 270 | 89% | 15 | 4% |
| Far East Other | 405 | 65 | 17% | 320 | 79% | 20 | 4% |
| Far East Total | 6,600 | 695 | 11% | 5,640 | 85% | 265 | 4% |
| Nationality not known | 90 | 60 | 66% | 20 | 23% | 10 | 11% |

(1) Provisional figures rounded to nearest 5 (except percentages), with * = 1 or 2. Figures may not sum due to independent rounding.

Data on appeal outcomes by nationality in this table are derived from Immigration and Nationality Directorate electronic sources.

(2) Figures include cases withdrawn by the Home Office, as well as the appellant.

Table 8 : Removals, voluntary departures (1), assisted returns of asylum applicants, by nationality, Quarter 4 2004 to Quarter 4 2005 (2)

| Nationality ⁽³⁾ | Q4 2004 | Q1 2005 | Q2 2005 | Q3 2005 | Q4 2005 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | (P) | (P) | (P) | (P) | (P) |
| Europe | | | | | |
| Albania | 110 | 110 | 135 | 145 | 110 |
| Czech Republic | * | - | - | - | - |
| Macedonia | 10 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 15 |
| Moldova | 20 | 20 | 25 | 25 | 20 |
| Poland | - | - | - | - | - |
| Romania | 150 | 110 | 100 | 75 | 60 |
| Russia | 10 | 15 | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 415 | 335 | 430 | 440 | 355 |
| Turkey | 75 | 90 | 120 | 225 | 340 |
| Ukraine | 25 | 35 | 20 | 25 | 25 |
| Other Former USSR | 35 | 50 | 35 | 40 | 45 |
| Other Former Yugo | 35 | 25 | 30 | 30 | 20 |
| Europe Other | 5 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 5 |
| Europe Total | 900 | 810 | 935 | 1,045 | 1,010 |
| Americas | | | | | |
| Colombia | 40 | 55 | 45 | 50 | 45 |
| Ecuador | 20 | 35 | 25 | 20 | 20 |
| Jamaica | 120 | 75 | 80 | 90 | 105 |
| Americas Other | 25 | 35 | 25 | 25 | 20 |
| Americas Total | 200 | 205 | 170 | 185 | 195 |
| Middle East | | | | | |
| Iran | 135 | 140 | 135 | 155 | 145 |
| Iraq | 235 | 215 | 180 | 255 | 375 |
| Middle East Other | 45 | 65 | 45 | 80 | 50 |
| Middle East Total | 415 | 415 | 360 | 490 | 570 |
| Africa | | | | | |
| Algeria | 50 | 35 | 40 | 55 | 45 |
| Angola | 30 | 35 | 35 | 20 | 40 |
| Burundi | 5 | 10 | 5 | * | * |
| Cameroon | 15 | 10 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Congo | 20 | 20 | 15 | 10 | 15 |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 20 | 30 | 15 | 25 | 15 |
| Eritrea | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 45 |
| Ethiopia | 10 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 20 |
| Gambia | 15 | 10 | 5 | 10 | 10 |
| Ghana | 65 | 60 | 70 | 40 | 50 |
| Ivory Coast | * | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Kenya | 10 | 15 | 10 | 10 | 20 |
| Liberia | 20 | 20 | 5 | 10 | 10 |
| Nigeria | 105 | 120 | 125 | 170 | 195 |
| Rwanda | 10 | * | 5 | 5 | * |
| Sierra Leone | 15 | 10 | 25 | 25 | 20 |
| Somalia | 20 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 20 |
| Sudan | 45 | 60 | 65 | 65 | 45 |
| Tanzania | 10 | 10 | 10 | 5 | 5 |
| Uganda | 60 | 65 | 40 | 50 | 70 |
| Zimbabwe | 50 | 95 | 105 | 30 | 30 |
| Africa Other | 105 | 95 | 110 | 125 | 120 |
| Africa Total | 685 | 770 | 775 | 775 | 795 |
| Asia | | | | | |
| Afghanistan | 185 | 250 | 265 | 325 | 300 |
| Bangladesh | 100 | 70 | 70 | 65 | 40 |
| China | 40 | 75 | 85 | 100 | 50 |
| India | 105 | 105 | 115 | 120 | 115 |
| Pakistan | 135 | 130 | 135 | 180 | 210 |
| Sri Lanka | 95 | 95 | 110 | 95 | 125 |
| Vietnam | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 40 |
| Asia Other | 70 | 70 | 70 | 60 | 70 |
| Asia Total | 740 | 800 | 850 | 955 | 955 |
| Other, and nationality not known | 5 | * | 5 | 10 | * |
| Total principal applicants removed | 2,945 | 3,000 | 3,095 | 3,460 | 3,525 |
| Dependants | 495 | 440 | 495 | 480 | 560 |
| Total removed | 3,440 | 3,440 | 3,590 | 3,935 | 4,085 |

(1) Includes enforced removals, persons departing 'voluntarily' following enforcement action initiated against them, persons leaving under Assisted Voluntary Return Programmes run by the International Organisation for Migration, and those who it is established have left the UK without informing the Immigration Authorities (35 asylum applicants, including dependants, in Q4 2005).

(2) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, and may not sum due to rounding.

(3) Nationality breakdown of principal applicants.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 9 : Asylum seekers in receipt of subsistence only support from NASS (1)(2), by Local Authority and UK Government Office Region as at the end of December 2005.

Number of applicants (including dependants)

| Region | Local Authority ⁽³⁾ | | % | Region | Local Authority ⁽³⁾ | | % |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| ENGLAND | | | | ENGLAND (continued) | | | |
| North East | Newcastle upon Tyne | 30 | | Greater London (continued) | Westminster | 145 | |
| | Other | 50 | | | Other | * | |
| | Total | 75 | 1% | | Total | 10,000 | 70% |
| North West | Bolton | 30 | | South East | Brighton and Hove | 35 | |
| | Liverpool | 80 | | | Crawley | 40 | |
| | Manchester | 300 | | | Eastbourne | 25 | |
| | Oldham | 25 | | | Gravesham | 25 | |
| | Salford | 40 | | | Hastings | 30 | |
| | Trafford | 20 | | | Milton Keynes | 70 | |
| | Other | 180 | | | Oxford | 80 | |
| | Total | 680 | 5% | | Portsmouth | 25 | |
| Yorkshire and The Humber | Bradford | 55 | | Reading | 65 | | |
| | Doncaster | 30 | | Rushmoor | 25 | | |
| | Kingston upon Hull, City of | 25 | | Slough | 150 | | |
| | Kirklees | 30 | | Southampton | 55 | | |
| | Leeds | 120 | | Windsor and Maidenhead | 20 | | |
| | Sheffield | 75 | | Other | 220 | | |
| | Other | 35 | | Total | 865 | 6% | |
| | Total | 375 | 3% | South West | Bournemouth | 20 | |
| East Midlands | Derby | 30 | | | Bristol, City of | 110 | |
| | Leicester | 265 | | | Swindon | 20 | |
| | Northampton | 80 | | Other | 60 | | |
| | Nottingham | 95 | | Total | 210 | 1% | |
| | Other | 60 | | Total (England) | 14,050 | 98% | |
| Total | 525 | 4% | Wales | Cardiff | 20 | | |
| West Midlands | Birmingham | 420 | | Other | 45 | | |
| | Coventry | 140 | | Total | 70 | 0% | |
| | Dudley | 30 | | Scotland | Edinburgh, City of | 50 | |
| | Sandwell | 55 | | | Glasgow City | 70 | |
| | Stoke-on-Trent | 20 | | | Other | 35 | |
| | Walsall | 20 | | Total | 160 | 1% | |
| | Wolverhampton | 40 | | Northern Ireland | Other | 10 | |
| | Other | 60 | | | Total | 10 | 0% |
| | Total | 785 | 5% | Total (United Kingdom) | 14,290 | | |
| East of England | Bedford | 40 | | | | | |
| | Ipswich | 25 | | | | | |
| | Luton | 125 | | | | | |
| | Peterborough | 65 | | | | | |
| | Southend-on-Sea | 30 | | | | | |
| | Thurrock | 45 | | | | | |
| | Watford | 30 | | | | | |
| | Other | 175 | | | | | |
| | Total | 530 | 4% | | | | |
| | Greater London | Barking and Dagenham | 235 | | | | |
| | | Barnet | 325 | | | | |
| Bexley | | 60 | | | | | |
| Brent | | 630 | | | | | |
| Bromley | | 50 | | | | | |
| Camden | | 175 | | | | | |
| Croydon | | 335 | | | | | |
| Ealing | | 755 | | | | | |
| Enfield | | 650 | | | | | |
| Greenwich | | 210 | | | | | |
| Hackney | | 460 | | | | | |
| Hammersmith and Fulham | | 155 | | | | | |
| Haringey | | 840 | | | | | |
| Harrow | | 310 | | | | | |
| Havering | | 20 | | | | | |
| Hillingdon | | 270 | | | | | |
| Hounslow | | 350 | | | | | |
| Islington | | 240 | | | | | |
| Kensington and Chelsea | | 65 | | | | | |
| Kingston upon Thames | | 55 | | | | | |
| Lambeth | 415 | | | | | | |
| Lewisham | 350 | | | | | | |
| Merton | 155 | | | | | | |
| Newham | 940 | | | | | | |
| Redbridge | 365 | | | | | | |
| Richmond upon Thames | 40 | | | | | | |
| Southwark | 415 | | | | | | |
| Sutton | 65 | | | | | | |
| Tower Hamlets | 160 | | | | | | |
| Waltham Forest | 470 | | | | | | |
| Wandsworth | 285 | | | | | | |

(1) Provisional figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2.

(2) Excludes unaccompanied asylum seeking children supported by local authorities, estimated at around 6,000 in December 2005. Excludes cases that pre-date the establishment of NASS in April 2000, administered by local authorities under the Interim Provisions, estimated at up to 1,000 cases in December 2005 (the number of such cases is falling).

(3) Local Authorities with fewer than 20 cases are grouped by region as "Other".

Table 10 : Asylum seekers supported in NASS accommodation (1)(2)(3), by Local Authority and UK Government Office Region, as at the end of December 2005.

Number of applicants (including dependants)

| Region | Local Authority(4) | Dispersed | Disbenefited(5) | Total | Region | Local Authority(4) | Dispersed | Disbenefited(5) | Total | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----|
| ENGLAND | | | | | ENGLAND (continued) | | | | | |
| North East | Darlington | 25 | - | 25 | Greater London | Islington | 20 | 20 | 40 | |
| | Gateshead | 395 | - | 395 | (continued) | Kensington and Chelsea | 5 | - | 5 | |
| | Hartlepool | 15 | - | 15 | Kingston upon Thames | - | - | 5 | 5 | |
| | Middlesbrough | 545 | - | 545 | Lambeth | 60 | 10 | 70 | | |
| | Newcastle upon Tyne | 1,070 | - | 1,070 | Lewisham | 10 | 5 | 15 | | |
| | North Tyneside | 245 | - | 245 | Merton | 10 | - | 10 | | |
| | Redcar and Cleveland | 210 | * | 210 | Newham | 30 | 20 | 50 | | |
| | South Tyneside | 140 | - | 140 | Redbridge | 30 | 20 | 50 | | |
| | Stockton-on-Tees | 275 | * | 275 | Richmond upon Thames | 10 | - | 10 | | |
| | Sunderland | 345 | - | 345 | Southwark | 20 | 5 | 25 | | |
| | Total | 3,265 | 5 | 3,270 | Sutton | 5 | 5 | 5 | | |
| | North West | Blackburn with Darwen | 350 | - | 350 | Waltham Forest | 40 | 15 | 55 | |
| | | Bolton | 510 | - | 510 | Wandsworth | 10 | - | 10 | |
| Burnley | | 20 | - | 20 | Westminster | - | * | * | | |
| Bury | | 410 | - | 410 | Total | 1,095 | 200 | 1,300 | | |
| Crewe and Nantwich | | 5 | - | 5 | South East | Brighton and Hove | 35 | 5 | 40 | |
| Hyndburn | | 5 | - | 5 | Hastings | 110 | - | 110 | | |
| Liverpool | | 920 | - | 920 | Oxford | 5 | 5 | 10 | | |
| Manchester | | 1,090 | - | 1,090 | Portsmouth | 345 | - | 345 | | |
| Oldham | | 330 | - | 330 | Slough | - | 5 | 5 | | |
| Preston | | - | * | * | Southampton | 5 | - | 5 | | |
| Rochdale | | 460 | - | 460 | Total | 500 | 10 | 510 | | |
| Salford | | 880 | - | 880 | South West | Bristol, City of | 260 | - | 260 | |
| Sefton | | 45 | - | 45 | Gloucester | 95 | - | 95 | | |
| Stockport | | 235 | - | 235 | Plymouth | 300 | - | 300 | | |
| Tameside | | 235 | - | 235 | South Gloucestershire | 90 | - | 90 | | |
| Trafford | | 65 | - | 65 | Swindon | 155 | - | 155 | | |
| Wigan | | 570 | - | 570 | Total | 905 | - | 905 | | |
| Total | | 6,130 | * | 6,130 | Total (England) | 27,155 | 250 | 27,405 | | |
| Yorkshire and The Humber | | Barnsley | 455 | - | 455 | Wales | Cardiff | 995 | - | 995 |
| | Bradford | 755 | - | 755 | Newport | 360 | - | 360 | | |
| | Calderdale | 230 | - | 230 | Swansea | 890 | - | 890 | | |
| | Doncaster | 690 | - | 690 | Wrexham | 40 | - | 40 | | |
| | Kingston upon Hull, City of | 405 | - | 405 | Total | 2,280 | - | 2,280 | | |
| | Kirklees | 915 | - | 915 | Scotland | Glasgow City | 5,340 | - | 5,340 | |
| | Leeds | 1,905 | 5 | 1,910 | Total | 5,340 | - | 5,340 | | |
| | North East Lincolnshire | 115 | - | 115 | Northern Ireland | Belfast | 110 | - | 110 | |
| | Rotherham | 695 | - | 695 | Coleraine | * | - | * | | |
| | Sheffield | 1,110 | 5 | 1,115 | Newry and Mourne | * | - | * | | |
| | Wakefield | 350 | - | 350 | Newtownabbey | * | - | * | | |
| | Total | 7,635 | 10 | 7,645 | Total | 115 | - | 115 | | |
| | East Midlands | Charnwood | 15 | - | 15 | Total (United Kingdom) | 34,890 | 250 | 35,140 | |
| Derby | | 390 | - | 390 | | | | | | |
| Gedling | | 20 | - | 20 | | | | | | |
| Leicester | | 710 | - | 710 | | | | | | |
| Northampton | | - | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| Nottingham | | 985 | - | 985 | | | | | | |
| Rushcliffe | | 5 | - | 5 | | | | | | |
| Total | | 2,120 | 5 | 2,125 | | | | | | |
| West Midlands | Birmingham | 1,505 | 5 | 1,510 | | | | | | |
| | Coventry | 725 | - | 725 | | | | | | |
| | Dudley | 650 | - | 650 | | | | | | |
| | Newcastle-under-Lyme | 20 | - | 20 | | | | | | |
| | Sandwell | 640 | - | 640 | | | | | | |
| | Solihull | 85 | - | 85 | | | | | | |
| | Stoke-on-Trent | 570 | - | 570 | | | | | | |
| | Walsall | 130 | - | 130 | | | | | | |
| | Wolverhampton | 715 | - | 715 | | | | | | |
| | Total | 5,040 | 5 | 5,045 | | | | | | |
| | East of England | Cambridge | - | * | * | | | | | |
| Epping Forest | | 15 | - | 15 | | | | | | |
| Ipswich | | 25 | - | 25 | | | | | | |
| Luton | | - | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| Norwich | | 125 | - | 125 | | | | | | |
| Peterborough | | 305 | * | 305 | | | | | | |
| Total | 470 | 10 | 480 | | | | | | | |
| Greater London | Barking and Dagenham | 20 | 5 | 25 | | | | | | |
| | Barnet | 35 | - | 35 | | | | | | |
| | Bexley | - | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| | Brent | 15 | - | 15 | | | | | | |
| | Bromley | 10 | - | 10 | | | | | | |
| | Camden | 10 | * | 10 | | | | | | |
| | Croydon | 45 | 5 | 50 | | | | | | |
| | Ealing | 10 | 20 | 30 | | | | | | |
| | Enfield | 200 | 20 | 220 | | | | | | |
| | Hackney | 35 | 5 | 40 | | | | | | |
| | Hammersmith and Fulham | * | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| | Haringey | 355 | 15 | 375 | | | | | | |
| | Harrow | - | 15 | 15 | | | | | | |
| | Havering | 5 | - | 5 | | | | | | |
| | Hillingdon | 5 | 5 | 5 | | | | | | |
| Hounslow | 95 | - | 95 | | | | | | | |

(1) Provisional figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5 with * = 1 or 2.

(2) Excludes unaccompanied asylum seeking children supported by local authorities, estimated at around 6,000 in December 2005. Excludes cases that pre-date the establishment of NASS in April 2000, administered by local authorities under the Interim Provisions, estimated at up to 1,000 cases in December 2005 (the number of such cases is falling).

(3) Excludes those in initial accommodation, 1,610 as at the end of December 2005.

(4) Only those Local Authorities where NASS dispersed or disbenefited cases are resident are shown.

(5) Disbenefited cases are cases which were previously supported under the main UK benefits system and have been moved onto NASS support. Some of these cases have remained in the original social services accommodation.

Table 11 : Persons recorded as being in detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers as at 31 December 2005, by place of detention (1)

| Place of detention | Number of individuals | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Total detainees | of whom, asylum seekers(2) |
| Immigration Service Removal Centres | | |
| Harmondsworth | 395 | 305 |
| Dover | 305 | 245 |
| Oakington Reception Centre | 85 | 85 |
| Colnbrook | 230 | 170 |
| Yarl's Wood | 240 | 185 |
| Haslar | 140 | 105 |
| Campsfield House | 105 | 80 |
| Lindholme | 110 | 80 |
| Tinsley House | 65 | 40 |
| Dungavel | 70 | 50 |
| Immigration Short Term Holding Facilities | | |
| Colnbrook short-term | 10 | 10 |
| Dover Harbour | * | * |
| Manchester Airport | 5 | 5 |
| Harwich | - | - |
| Prison establishments(3) | | |
| Bedford | 10 | 5 |
| Highpoint | 10 | 5 |
| Wandsworth | 10 | 5 |
| Doncaster | 5 | 5 |
| Durham | 5 | 5 |
| Woodhill | 5 | 5 |
| Leeds | 5 | 5 |
| Other prison establishments (4) | 135 | 70 |
| Total | 1,950 | 1,450 |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude persons detained in police cells and those recorded as detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

(2) Persons detained under Immigration Act powers who are recorded as having sought asylum at some stage.

(3) Persons recorded by IND as detained in Prison Service Establishments.

(4) Other prison establishments with 5 or fewer detainees.

Table 12 : Persons recorded as being in detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers as at 31 December 2005, by sex(1)(2)

| Sex | Number of individuals | | |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | Total detainees | of whom: asylum seekers (3) | minors(4) |
| Female | 280 | 205 | 20 |
| Male | 1,670 | 1,245 | 15 |
| Total | 1,950 | 1,450 | 30 |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude persons detained in police cells and those recorded as detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

(2) Includes persons recorded by IND as detained in Prison Service Establishments.

(3) Persons detained under Immigration Act powers who are recorded as having sought asylum at some stage.

(4) People recorded as being under 18 on 31 December 2005.

Table 13 : Persons recorded as being in detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers as at 31 December 2005, by length of detention(1)(2)

| Length of detention(3)(4) | Number of individuals | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | Total detainees | of whom: asylum seekers (5) | minors(6) |
| 14 days or less | 440 | 300 | 10 |
| 15 to 29 days | 420 | 330 | 15 |
| 1 month to less than 2 months | 450 | 335 | 5 |
| 2 months to less than 3 months | 205 | 150 | 5 |
| 3 months to less than 4 months | 115 | 90 | * |
| 4 months to less than 6 months | 120 | 90 | - |
| 6 months to less than 1 year | 160 | 125 | - |
| 1 year or more | 45 | 30 | - |
| Total | 1,950 | 1,450 | 30 |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude persons detained in police cells and those recorded as detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

(2) Includes persons recorded by IND as detained in Prison Service Establishments.

(3) Relates to current period of sole detention only.

(4) 2 months is defined as 61 days; 4 months is defined as 122 days; 6 months is defined as 182 days.

(5) Persons detained under Immigration Act powers who are recorded as having sought asylum at some stage.

(6) People recorded as being under 18 on 31 December 2005.

Table 14 : Persons recorded as being in detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers as at 31 December 2005, by nationality (1)(2)

| Nationality | Total detainees | of whom, asylum seekers(3) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| <u>Europe</u> | | |
| Albania | 15 | 10 |
| Czech Republic | * | - |
| Macedonia | * | * |
| Moldova | 15 | 10 |
| Poland | * | - |
| Romania | 5 | 5 |
| Russia | 5 | 5 |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 40 | 35 |
| Turkey | 170 | 155 |
| Ukraine | 15 | 5 |
| Other former USSR | 25 | 20 |
| Other former Yugo | * | * |
| Europe Other | 15 | * |
| Europe Total | 310 | 255 |
| <u>Americas</u> | | |
| Colombia | 5 | 5 |
| Ecuador | 5 | 5 |
| Jamaica | 175 | 80 |
| Americas other | 25 | 5 |
| Americas Total | 210 | 95 |
| <u>Africa</u> | | |
| Algeria | 40 | 40 |
| Angola | 20 | 20 |
| Burundi | * | * |
| Cameroon | 25 | 20 |
| Congo | 25 | 25 |
| Dem. Rep. Congo | 25 | 25 |
| Eritrea | 35 | 35 |
| Ethiopia | 25 | 20 |
| Gambia | 15 | 10 |
| Ghana | 50 | 25 |
| Ivory Coast | 5 | 5 |
| Kenya | 15 | 15 |
| Liberia | 20 | 20 |
| Nigeria | 230 | 120 |
| Rwanda | 10 | 10 |
| Sierra Leone | 25 | 20 |
| Somalia | 25 | 15 |
| Sudan | 20 | 20 |
| Tanzania | * | * |
| Uganda | 35 | 35 |
| Zimbabwe | 5 | 5 |
| Africa Other | 95 | 60 |
| Africa Total | 760 | 540 |
| <u>Middle East</u> | | |
| Iran | 35 | 35 |
| Iraq | 35 | 35 |
| Middle East Other | 25 | 25 |
| Middle East Total | 95 | 95 |
| <u>Asia</u> | | |
| Afghanistan | 115 | 115 |
| Bangladesh | 45 | 25 |
| China | 65 | 55 |
| India | 90 | 65 |
| Pakistan | 155 | 115 |
| Sri Lanka | 55 | 55 |
| Vietnam | 25 | 20 |
| Asia Other | 20 | 15 |
| Asia Total | 570 | 465 |
| Other, and nationality not known | 10 | 5 |
| Grand Total | 1,950 | 1,450 |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude persons detained in police cells and those recorded as detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

(2) Includes persons recorded by IND as detained in Prison Service Establishments.

(3) Persons detained under Immigration Act powers who are recorded as having sought asylum at some stage.

Table 15 : Persons recorded as leaving detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers, Quarter 3 2005, by reason and place of detention(1)(P) (excluding Oakington)

| Place of detention | Number of individuals | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---|------------|----------|
| | Total leaving detention(2) | Removed from the UK | Granted leave to enter/ remain(3) | Granted temporary admission/ release(4) | Bailed(5) | Other |
| Immigration Service Removal Centres | | | | | | |
| Harmondsworth | 1,925 | 1,510 | 20 | 315 | 80 | - |
| Dover | 365 | 115 | - | 200 | 50 | - |
| Colnbrook | 755 | 535 | * | 165 | 55 | - |
| Yarl's Wood | 1,425 | 1,005 | 5 | 340 | 75 | * |
| Haslar | 200 | 55 | - | 105 | 35 | - |
| Campsfield House | 520 | 385 | - | 100 | 35 | - |
| Lindholme | 115 | 35 | - | 60 | 20 | - |
| Tinsley House | 850 | 710 | 5 | 115 | 20 | - |
| Dungavel | 150 | 60 | - | 65 | 25 | - |
| Immigration Short Term Holding Facilities | | | | | | |
| Colnbrook short-term | 600 | 560 | * | 40 | - | - |
| Dover Harbour | 205 | 10 | - | 195 | - | - |
| Manchester Airport | 135 | 115 | - | 15 | * | - |
| Harwich | 20 | 20 | - | 5 | - | - |
| Total persons | 7,265 | 5,115 | 40 | 1,715 | 395 | * |
| <i>of whom: asylum seekers</i> | <i>4,285</i> | <i>2,595</i> | <i>10</i> | <i>1,365</i> | <i>320</i> | <i>*</i> |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude persons recorded as detained in police cells and Prison Service establishments at time of removal/release.

(2) Some detainees may be recorded more than once if, for example, they are both bailed and subsequently removed in the time period shown.

(3) Short or long term stay in the UK has been granted.

(4) Decision on case has not been made.

(5) Detainee has applied for, and been granted, bail at a bail hearing.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 16 : Minors(1) recorded as leaving detention in the United Kingdom solely under Immigration Act powers, Quarter 3 2005, by length of detention (2)(P) (excluding Oakington)

| Length of detention(3) | Number of minors | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| | Total minors(4) | of whom: | | | |
| | | Age of person at end of their period of detention | | | |
| | | Under 5 | 5-11 | 11-16 | 17 |
| 7 days or less | 310 | 140 | 90 | 70 | 10 |
| 8-14 days | 50 | 15 | 20 | 15 | - |
| 15-29 days | 70 | 20 | 25 | 15 | 5 |
| 1 month to less than 2 months | 25 | 10 | 10 | 5 | * |
| 2 months to less than 3 months | 5 | 5 | * | * | - |
| 3 months to less than 4 months | * | * | - | - | - |
| Total persons | 455 | 190 | 145 | 100 | 20 |
| <i>of whom: asylum seekers</i> | <i>375</i> | <i>155</i> | <i>125</i> | <i>85</i> | <i>10</i> |

(1) Persons recorded as being under 18 at the end of their period of detention.

(2) Figures rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2, may not sum due to rounding and exclude those whose parent(s) are detained under both criminal and immigration powers.

(3) Relates to current period of sole detention only; 2 months is defined as 61 days, 4 months is defined as 122 days.

(4) Some detainees may be recorded more than once if, for example, the person has been detained on more than one separate occasion in the time period shown.

(P) Provisional figures.

Table 17: Cases accepted (1)(P) at Oakington Reception Centre, by initial decisions and appeals, Quarter 4 2005

| Total Principal Applicants | 965 | Percentage of principal applicants | |
|--|-----|------------------------------------|-----|
| <i>of which</i> | | | |
| Initial Decisions | 825 | Percentage of initial decisions | 86% |
| Recognised as a refugee and granted asylum | 80 | 10% | 8% |
| Not recognised as a refugee but granted HP or DL | * | 0% | 0% |
| Refused | 745 | 90% | 77% |
| Application Withdrawn | 15 | | 1% |
| Cases with Decision not known ⁽²⁾ | 125 | | 13% |
| | | | |
| Appeals Lodged | 460 | Percentage of refusals | |
| | | | 62% |

Table 18: Applicants (1)(P) accepted at Oakington Reception Centre, by nationality and by applicant type, Quarter 4 2005

| Total Principal Applicants | 965 | Percentage of principal applicants | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|------|
| <i>of which</i> | | | |
| China | 215 | | 22% |
| Eritrea | 125 | | 13% |
| India | 110 | | 11% |
| Iran | 65 | | 7% |
| Nigeria | 65 | | 7% |
| Afghanistan | 55 | | 5% |
| Sri Lanka | 45 | | 5% |
| Turkey | 40 | | 4% |
| Jamaica | 25 | | 3% |
| Iraq | 20 | | 2% |
| Congo Democratic Republic | 20 | | 2% |
| Ivory Coast | 15 | | 2% |
| Vietnam | 15 | | 2% |
| Cameroon | 15 | | 1% |
| Albania | 15 | | 1% |
| South Africa | 10 | | 1% |
| Bangladesh | 10 | | 1% |
| Ghana | 10 | | 1% |
| Romania | 10 | | 1% |
| Serbia & Montenegro | 5 | | 1% |
| Algeria | 5 | | 1% |
| Ethiopia | 5 | | 1% |
| Pakistan | 5 | | 1% |
| Moldova | 5 | | 1% |
| Kenya | 5 | | 0% |
| Malawi | 5 | | 0% |
| Other nationality | 5 | | 0% |
| | | | |
| Total Applicants | 965 | Percentage of Total Applicants | |
| <i>of which</i> | | | |
| Total Principal Applicants | 965 | | 100% |
| | | | |
| <i>of which</i> | | | |
| Family | n/a | | 0% |
| Single | 965 | | 100% |
| Dependants | n/a | | 0% |

(1) Figures, other than percentages, rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2.

(2) No final confirmation of a decision had been received when these statistics were compiled on 16/01/06.

(P) Provisional figures.

n/a Not applicable. No family cases were accepted after 1 October 2005.

Table 19: Cases received at Harmondsworth Fast Track, of which decisions and appeals (1), Quarter 4 2005

| Total Principal Applicants | 375 | Percentage of principal applicants | |
|--|-----|------------------------------------|-----|
| <i>of which</i> | | | |
| Initial Decisions | 300 | Percentage of initial decisions | 80% |
| Recognised as a refugee and granted asylum | * | 1% | 1% |
| Not recognised as a refugee but granted HP or DL | 0 | 0% | 0% |
| Refused | 300 | 99% | 80% |
| Application Withdrawn | 30 | | 8% |
| Cases with Decision not known ⁽²⁾ | * | | 1% |
| Cases taken out of Harmondsworth Fast Track ⁽³⁾ | 40 | | 11% |
| | | | |
| Appeals Lodged | 240 | Percentage of refusals | |
| | | | 80% |

Table 20: Principal applicants⁽¹⁾ received at Harmondsworth Fast Track, by nationality, Quarter 4 2005

| Total Principal Applicants | 375 | Percentage of principal applicants |
|-----------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|
| <i>of which</i> | | |
| Pakistan | 60 | 16% |
| Nigeria | 50 | 14% |
| Afghanistan | 45 | 12% |
| Turkey | 35 | 9% |
| Bangladesh | 20 | 6% |
| Ghana | 15 | 4% |
| Jamaica | 15 | 3% |
| Nepal | 10 | 2% |
| Gambia | 10 | 2% |
| Malawi | 10 | 2% |
| Uganda | 10 | 2% |
| Ethiopia | 5 | 2% |
| Iran | 5 | 2% |
| Belarus | 5 | 1% |
| Cameroon | 5 | 1% |
| Colombia | 5 | 1% |
| Other nationality | 75 | 20% |

(1) Figures, other than percentages, are provisional and rounded to the nearest 5, with * = 1 or 2.

(2) No final confirmation of a decision had been received when these statistics were compiled on 16/01/06.

(3) Cases may be taken out of the Harmondsworth Fast Track process if more complex issues emerge, which were not apparent at the initial screening stage, necessitating additional enquiries which cannot be conducted within the Harmondsworth timescales, or when it is decided that for whatever reason, the applicant is no longer suitable for fast track processing.

Table 21: Cases considered under the IND Family ILR Exercise as at 31 December 2005 (1)

| | Identified by IND (3) | | Self-Referrals (4) | | Total | |
|--|-----------------------|------|--------------------|------|--------|------|
| Main Applicants Identified for Consideration (2) | 39,500 | 70% | 16,655 | 30% | 56,160 | 100% |
| <u>Family ILR Outcomes</u> | | | | | | |
| Main Applicant considered on another Family ILR case (5) | 5,460 | 17% | 1,115 | 9% | 6,570 | 15% |
| Grants of ILR Issued | 15,335 | 47% | 4,835 | 41% | 20,170 | 46% |
| Refusals Issued (6) | 3,170 | 10% | 5,915 | 50% | 9,090 | 21% |
| Found Ineligible (no Refusal Issued) (7) | 8,395 | 26% | n/a | | 8,395 | 19% |
| Total | 32,365 | 100% | 11,865 | 100% | 44,230 | 100% |
| <u>Outstanding</u> | | | | | | |
| Main Applicant's Awaiting Initial Examination | 315 | | 715 | | 1,030 | |
| Cases Awaiting Decision (8) | 6,820 | | 4,080 | | 10,900 | |

(1) Figures (other than percentages) rounded to the nearest 5.

(2) Main asylum applicants that potentially meet the Family ILR Criteria.

(3) Identified by IND through management information reports or examination of the Home Office File.

(4) Applicant's that applied for consideration following the Family ILR criteria adjustment on 19 August 2004, where IND had not previously identified them for Family ILR consideration.

(5) A number of main applicants, have, after initial examination, been considered as part of another Family ILR case.

(6) A refusal is issued to all self-referred applicants who fail to meet the criteria. IND-identified cases will only be issued a refusal if they fail to meet the criteria after the issue of an ILR Questionnaire.

(7) IND-identified cases that failed to meet the criteria at the Initial Examination stage.

(8) A questionnaire has been issued but a decision has not yet been made or issued.

Table 22: Applications (1) received for asylum in Europe and elsewhere, including dependants, in year of application, 1997 to 2005

Number of persons, including dependant

| | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | | | | | | | (P)(±) | (P) |
| Austria | 6,700 | 13,800 | 20,100 | 18,300 | 30,100 | 39,400 | 32,400 | 24,700 | 22,500 |
| Belgium (2) | 13,300 | 25,000 | 40,800 | 48,700 | 28,000 | 21,400 | 19,300 | 17,500 | 18,200 |
| Denmark | 5,100 | 5,700 | 6,500 | 10,100 | 12,500 | 6,100 | 4,600 | 3,200 | 2,300 |
| Finland | 1,000 | 1,300 | 3,100 | 3,200 | 1,700 | 3,400 | 3,200 | 3,900 | 3,600 |
| France (3) | 24,200 | 25,500 | 35,100 | 44,200 | 53,900 | 58,100 | 62,000 | 65,600 | 59,400 (e) |
| Germany | 104,400 | 98,600 | 95,100 | 78,600 | 88,300 | 71,100 | 50,600 | 35,600 | 28,900 |
| Greece (4) | 4,400 | 3,000 | 1,500 | 3,100 | 5,500 | 5,700 | 8,200 | 4,500 | 9,100 (e) |
| Ireland | 3,900 | 4,600 | 7,700 | 10,900 | 10,300 | 11,600 | 7,900 | 4,800 | 4,300 |
| Italy(4) | 1,900 | 11,100 | 33,400 | 15,600 | 9,600 | 16,000 | 13,500 | 7,400 | n/a |
| Luxembourg(4) | 400 | 1,700 | 2,900 | 600 | 700 | 1,000 | 1,500 | 1,600 | 800 |
| Netherlands | 34,400 | 45,200 | 39,300 | 43,900 | 32,600 | 18,700 | 13,400 | 9,800 | 12,300 |
| Portugal (4) | 300 | 400 | 300 | 200 | 200 | 200 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Spain | 5,000 | 6,600 | 8,400 | 7,200 | 9,200 | 6,200 | 5,900 | 5,600 | 5,000 |
| Sweden | 9,600 | 12,800 | 11,200 | 16,300 | 23,500 | 33,000 | 31,400 | 23,200 | 17,500 |
| United Kingdom (5) | 41,500 | 58,500 | 91,200 | 98,900 | 91,600 | 103,100 | 60,000 | 40,600 | 30,500 |
| Total EU15 | 256,000 | 313,900 | 396,700 | 399,600 | 397,600 | 395,100 | 313,900 | 247,900 | 214,500 |
| Cyprus (4) | 100 | 200 | 800 | 700 | 1,800 | 1,000 | 4,400 | 9,900 | 7,800 |
| Czech Republic (4) | 2,100 | 4,100 | 7,200 | 8,800 | 18,100 | 8,500 | 11,400 | 5,500 | 4,000 |
| Estonia (4) | - | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Hungary (4) | 200 | 7,100 | 11,500 | 7,800 | 9,600 | 6,400 | 2,400 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| Latvia (4) | - | 100 | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Lithuania (4) | 300 | 200 | 100 | 200 | 300 | 300 | 200 | 200 | 100 |
| Malta (4) | 100 | 200 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 400 | 600 | 1,000 | 1,200 |
| Poland (4) | 3,500 | 3,400 | 3,000 | 4,600 | 4,500 | 5,200 | 6,900 | 8,100 | 5,400 |
| Slovakia (4) | 600 | 500 | 1,300 | 1,600 | 8,200 | 9,700 | 10,400 | 11,400 | 3,500 |
| Slovenia (4) | 100 | 500 | 900 | 9,200 | 1,500 | 700 | 1,100 | 1,300 | 1,700 (e) |
| Total EU25 | 263,100 | 330,100 | 421,600 | 432,500 | 441,600 | 427,100 | 351,300 | 286,800 | 239,800 |
| Other Europe | | | | | | | | | |
| Norway | 2,300 | 8,500 | 10,200 | 10,800 | 14,800 | 17,500 | 15,600 | 7,900 | 5,400 |
| Switzerland | 25,300 | 43,400 | 48,100 | 18,500 | 21,300 | 26,700 | 21,000 | 14,200 | 10,100 |
| Total Europe | 290,700 | 382,100 | 479,900 | 461,800 | 477,700 | 471,300 | 387,900 | 308,900 | 255,300 |
| Non-Europe | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 9,700 | 8,000 | 9,500 | 12,600 | 12,400 | 5,900 | 4,300 | 3,300 | 3,100 |
| Canada | 24,300 | 25,400 | 30,900 | 36,100 | 44,100 | 33,500 | 31,900 | 25,500 | 19,700 |
| USA (6) | 73,100 | 50,300 | 45,800 | 57,200 | 83,200 | 81,800 | 60,700 | 63,000 | 48,800 |
| Grand Total | 397,800 | 465,700 | 566,000 | 567,800 | 617,400 | 592,400 | 484,800 | 400,700 | 326,900 |

(1) Figures rounded to the nearest 100 with * = between 1 and 49. Source IGC unless stated.

(2) Figures based on IGC data but adjusted to include an estimated number of dependants.

(3) Figures based on IGC data but adjusted to include an estimated number of dependants between 1997 and 2002.

(4) Figures based on UNHCR data, including dependants. Some data have been revised since previous publication.

(5) Source: Immigration Research and Statistics Service, Home Office, figures have been adjusted to include an estimated number of dependants for 1997 to 2001, 2002 to 2005 figures are actual.

(6) Figures based on UNHCR data but adjusted to include an estimated number of dependants.

(P) Provisional data.

(±) The ten new accession countries (Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia and Slovenia), joined the EU on 1st May 2004.

n/a Not available.

(e) Estimated figures.