

REFUGEES, ASYLUM AND PAROLE SYSTEM
 Basis of Claim: Particular Social Group (PSG)

Final Decisions			
FY 2012		FY 2013	
Total # Decisions	BOC = PSG	Total # Decisions	BOC = PSG
Russia	629	441	
	146		114
Uganda	138	84	
	64		32
India	523	385	
	75		54
Nigeria	129	90	
	58		39
Iran	528	477	
	33		27
Jamaica	90	53	
	63		43

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FY13**

1/16/2014

**# Days Between
Filing & Interview Date**

CCO	Avg	Median	Range
TOT	85	42	7,497
ZAR	72	42	5,538
ZCH	65	37	644
ZHN	61	46	2,115
ZLA	83	42	974
ZMI	46	33	4,398
ZNK	122	48	7,470
ZNY	102	42	3,734
ZSF	85	42	2,204

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**REFUGEES, ASYLUM AND PAROLE SYSTEM
FY14 Q1**

1/16/2014

**# Days Between
Filing & Interview Date**

CCO	Avg	Median	Range
TOT	93	42	7,756
ZAR	121	42	2,277
ZCH	82	36	714
ZHN	125	48	7,734
ZLA	109	42	933
ZMI	119	128	504
ZNK	247	231	720
ZNY	48	42	733
ZSF	78	42	720

**ASYLUM APPLICATIONS FILED
BY NATIONALS OF SYRIA**

	FY 2014*	FY 2013	FY 2012	FY 2011	FY 2010	FY 2009	FY 2008	FY 2007	FY 2006	FY 2005	FY 2004	FY 2003	FY 2002	FY 2001	FY 2000	FY 1999	FY 1998	FY 1997	FY 1996	FY 1995	FY 1994	FY 1993
Applications filed	400	1,340	489	125	36	19	37	30	27	26	36	43	48	57	46	42	85	147	133	218	411	808
Applications received	399	1,335	489	124	36	17	33	29	24	22	33	43	47	48	31	37	60	31	61	197	396	805
Applications re-opened	1	5	0	1	0	2	4	1	3	4	3	0	1	9	15	5	25	116	72	21	15	3
Cases completed	131	656	337	79	35	25	45	32	36	29	39	59	57	47	67	76	184	243	392	566	631	356
Approved	99	495	235	40	14	11	17	10	9	6	13	8	19	17	26	21	27	24	138	296	396	226
Denied	11	46	10	4	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	2	2	1	4	4	9	48	120	79
Adjudicated referred**	17	96	81	29	18	13	20	20	12	17	21	34	28	17	19	22	33	34	81	87	na	na
Uninterviewed referred	1	9	5	4	0	0	2	1	2	2	0	3	1	2	0	1	7	0	6	4	na	na
Administratively closed	3	10	6	2	2	1	5	0	11	4	3	13	8	9	20	31	113	181	158	131	115	51
Approval rate	78%	78%	72%	55%	42%	46%	45%	32%	39%	26%	36%	19%	40%	47%	55%	48%	42%	39%	61%	69%	77%	74%
Pending end of year	1,192	903	216	61	10	7	12	18	20	28	32	34	51	68	59	79	118	230	378	698	1,082	1,324

*FY2014 stats cover October 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013

**Sum of interviewed/referred and filing deadline referrals

Source: USCIS Refugees, Asylum and Parole System, RACG2301 report

**One Year for HRF
More than One Year between Filing Date (on or after 4/16/1998) and Entry Date**

	ZAR	ZCH	ZHN	ZLA	ZMI	ZNK	ZNY	ZSF
FY 1998								
1 year referrals	11	12	21	234	473	21	91	93
Final grants	34	43	27	16	9	20	58	20
Other referrals	183	53	168	244	244	240	227	179
FY 1999								
1 year referrals	41	105	149	1191	668	186	897	630
Final grants	357	117	151	482	79	174	146	417
Other referrals	232	167	164	474	351	186	259	324
FY 2000								
1 year referrals	301	285	207	2435	661	553	756	824
Final grants	398	159	116	731	285	199	231	525
Other referrals	214	276	142	708	373	227	275	293
FY 2001								
1 year referrals	399	247	158	6085	705	1006	939	1643
Final grants	344	142	160	556	440	182	238	413
Other referrals	195	319	175	777	368	235	310	316
FY 2002								
1 year referrals	410	311	237	7581	1501	941	869	1848
Final grants	386	134	139	353	374	268	165	414
Other referrals	222	265	238	1148	738	357	460	355
FY 2003								
1 year referrals	697	989	560	3952	1659	1301	1077	886
Final grants	353	130	69	184	278	185	131	275
Other referrals	270	478	373	642	661	454	393	367
FY 2004								
1 year referrals	846	998	208	1313	1362	1139	826	464
Final grants	268	189	64	117	305	182	110	245
Other referrals	324	540	219	375	873	499	306	267
FY 2005								
1 year referrals	567	736	150	1106	1218	1191	896	433
Final grants	248	120	66	145	292	183	125	227
Other referrals	332	358	126	275	632	424	335	276
FY 2006								
1 year referrals	348	175	93	955	663	992	820	475
Final grants	144	86	58	115	252	166	106	230
Other referrals	248	137	105	325	540	349	343	329
FY 2007								
1 year referrals	232	289	87	1148	437	1308	1346	392
Final grants	137	117	70	124	164	216	130	274
Other referrals	187	229	121	339	2214	425	501	217
FY 2008								
1 year referrals	145	288	117	1248	444	1082	2008	400
Final grants	200	93	71	216	161	242	149	320
Other referrals	301	196	131	452	1275	441	510	246
FY 2009								
1 year referrals	227	299	146	884	306	842	2607	341
Final grants	245	137	68	219	145	270	199	392
Other referrals	227	158	146	543	447	356	463	241
FY 2010								
1 year referrals	157	374	125	929	272	898	3477	426
Final grants	176	112	106	215	122	256	227	401
Other referrals	141	149	177	461	544	283	434	299
FY 2011								
1 year referrals	244	580	195	1360	413	1206	3851	527
Final grants	249	101	80	278	173	193	277	512
Other referrals	191	182	236	386	777	401	451	265
FY 2012								
1 year referrals	354	758	578	1361	510	1216	3598	619
Final grants	359	126	97	240	202	307	295	744
Other referrals	249	185	247	268	592	496	502	237
FY 2013								
1 year referrals	224	325	478	771	393	660	2168	418
Final grants	243	119	68	205	122	141	195	585
Other referrals	207	99	348	135	202	161	515	107

Questions from HRF email

a	From 1998 until now, how many asylum cases have been referred to immigration court based on the one year filing deadline? How many of those referrals occurred in the past year? Can you break these numbers down by year and asylum office, as well?
b	From 1998 until now, how many cases have had the one year filing deadline implicated in the adjudication process? How many of those cases occurred in the past year? Can you break these numbers down by year and asylum office, as well?
c	From 1998 until now, how many cases that had a one year filing deadline issue went on to be granted at the affirmative level? How many of those grants occurred in the past year? Can you break these numbers down by year and asylum office, as well?
d	From 1998 until now, can you provide any kind of estimate regarding asylum officer and/or SAO "man hours" spent adjudicating the one year filing deadline? Is there a yearly average that could be calculated?

1 year referrals	Cases referred based on the 1 year rule
Final grants	Granted cases where there is > 1 year between the filing date (on/after 4/16/98) and entry date
Other referrals	Cases referred for other reasons (not including the 1 year rule) where there is > 1 year between the filing date (on/after 4/16/98) and entry date

Cases Pending Interview on 1/13/14			
	# pending	Avg # days	Range*
ZAR	2,177	164	4-651
ZCH	2,092	182	3-902
ZHN	512	165	3-656
ZLA	8,045	272	3-991
ZMI	3,222	165	4-847
ZNK	5,969	246	3-941
ZNY	4,873	335	3-910
ZSF	4,175	234	3-950
ALL	31,065	246	3-991

*48 cases have been pending > 1,000 days and we are looking into them.

ASYLEE BENEFITS ORIENTATIONS

Asylum Office	Date Started	Sponsor(s)	Frequency	Asylum Notification	EOIR Notification (if any)	Approximate No. of Attendees per orientation (*dependent upon number of grants)	Number of EOIR Attendees (if any)
Arlington	June 2012	IRC, Lutheran Social Services, Clinic, Catholic Charities, MORA, Virginia Department of Social Services Office of Newcomer Services	Every 2 months	Written notification provided with grant letter	Attempted contact with Baltimore and Arlington Immigration Courts	50-60	N/A
Los Angeles	April 2011	IRC, Legal Aid Foundation of LA	Monthly	Written notification provided with grant letter	Attempted contact with Los Angeles and San Diego Immigration Courts	40-80	N/A
San Francisco	December 2008	IRC, Newcomers Health Program, Jewish Family & Children's Services & Bay Area Legal Aid	Monthly	Written notification provided with grant letter	Flyer posted at EOIR & copies available for grantees; some judges distribute flyers	50-75	3-4
New York	TBD - Initial Discussions November 2013	IRC and CWS - looking for third partner	Monthly or Quarterly TBD (monthly first preference)	Proposed - written invitation provided with grant letter, posting in office waiting room	TBD	TBD	TBD