

## Key figures since 2018

**413**  
New Applications in 2021

**4633**  
New Applications in 2020

**12K**  
New Applications in 2019

**10K**  
New Applications in 2018

**11**  
Recognized Refugees in 2021

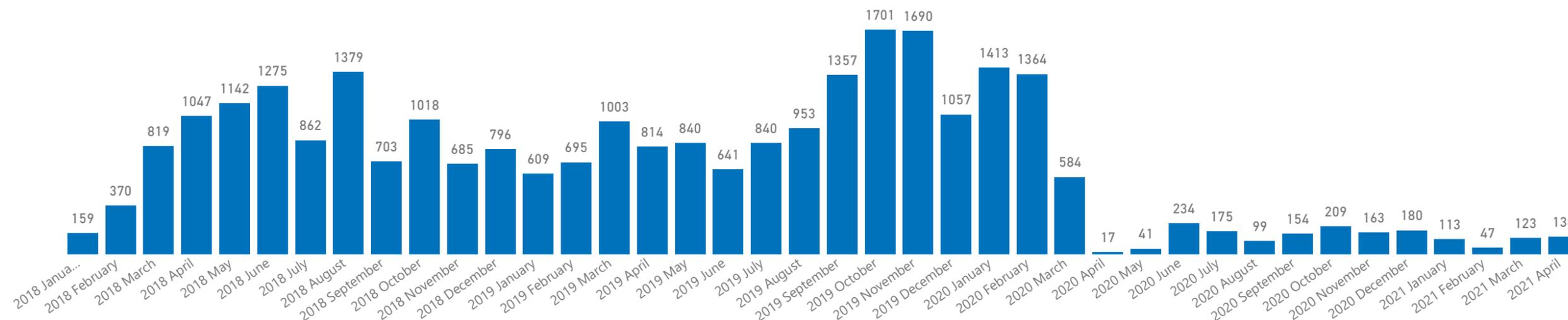
**48**  
Recognized Refugees in 2020

**51**  
Recognized Refugees in 2019

**85**  
Recognized Refugees in 2018

## Monthly applications since 2018

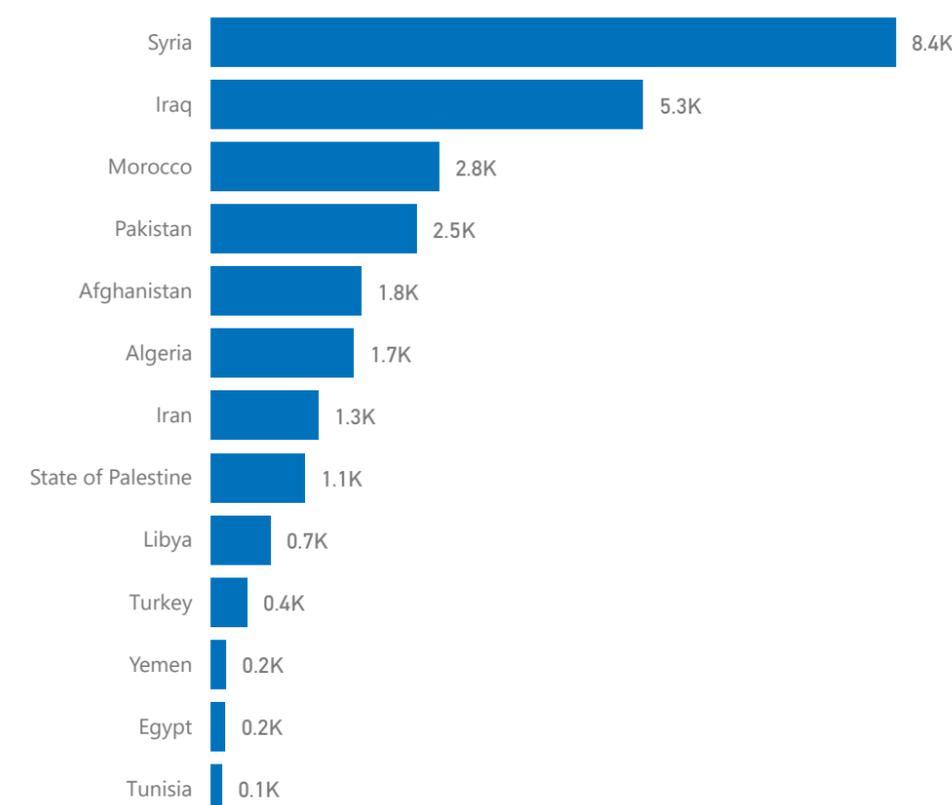
Applications by Year and Month



## Summary of Key Trends

- In April 2021, 2,610 persons in mixed movements arrived in the region, which is 13% lower than in March (2,995). The total cumulative number (8,319) of new arrivals in 2021 is lower than the trends observed in 2020 (13,114) and 2019 (11,753).
- Furthermore, 130 asylum applications were filed in April compared to 123 in March representing increase of 5.7%. Since January 2021, only 7 % of the 4,893 persons who expressed intentions to seek asylum have lodged asylum claims.
- In April, nineteen positives first-instance decisions were taken (five refugee status and fourteen complementary form of protection). Since the beginning of the year, 50 applications were rejected and 976 asylum applications were closed after the applicants absconded the asylum procedure.
- In April the authorities in the Western Balkans region conducted 21 interviews out of which 82% were conducted in three countries including Bosnia and Herzegovina (29%), Kosovo (29%), and Serbia (24%). The number of interviews conducted in April 2021 is higher than in April 2020, which.
- At the end of April 2021, 692 decisions were still pending which is half compared to the situation in 2020.
- In 2021, 24.9% (89) of all applications have been submitted by women and 29% (104) by children, including 19 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC).

## Applications since 2018 by country of origin



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**2021**  
Key figures

**413**  
New Applications of which:

**19**  
Unaccompanied or separated children\*

**11**  
Recognized Refugees

**20**  
Subsidiary Protection

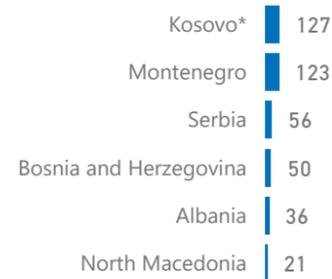
**49**  
Rejected

**444**  
Closed cases

\*disaggregated figures by age/gender are not always available

**New Applications Regional Trends**

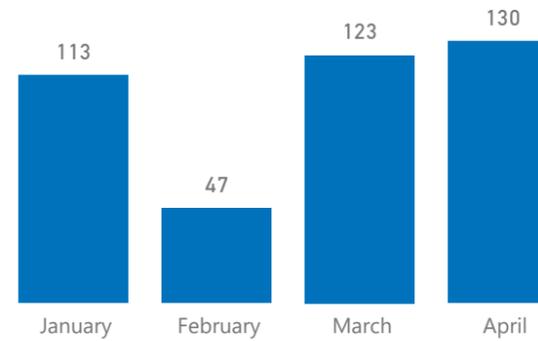
Total New Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum



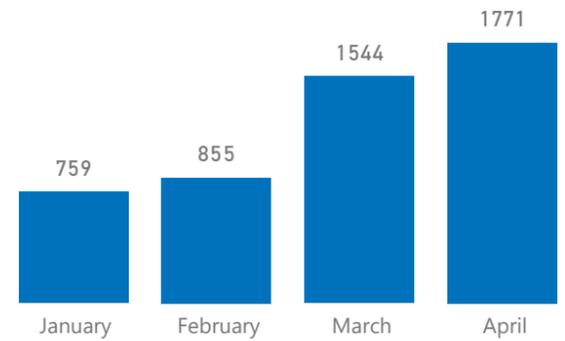
Total Asylum Intentions by Country of Asylum



Total New Asylum Applications by Month



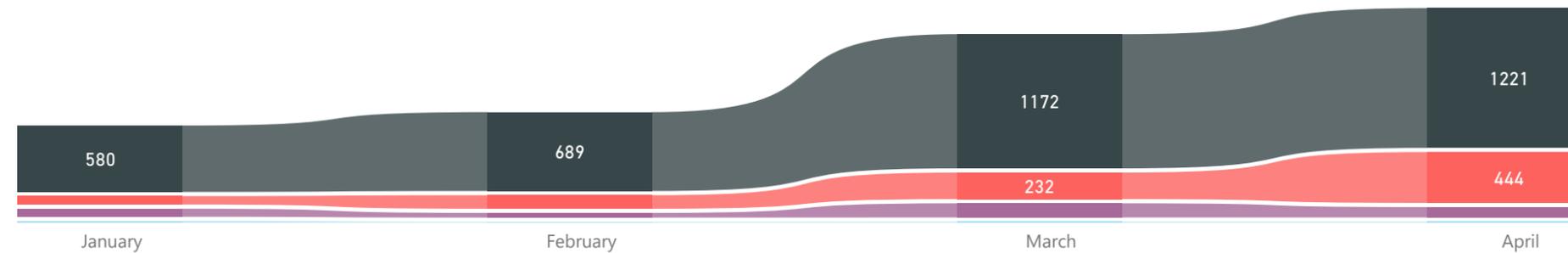
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New Asylum Applications by Month and Country of Asylum



New Asylum Intentions by Month and Country of Asylum

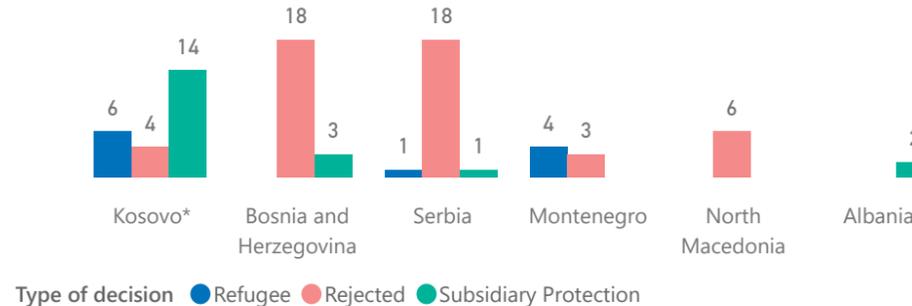


**First Instance Decisions Trends**

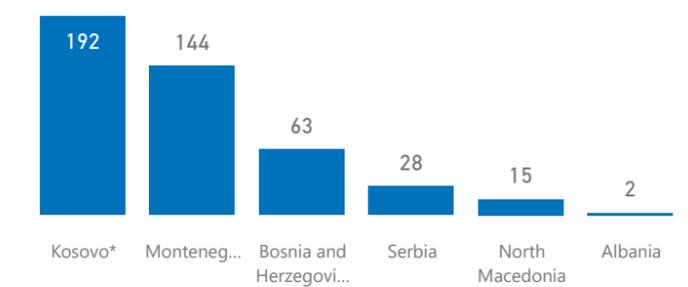
Total Decisions by Country of Asylum



First instance Decisions by Type and Country



Total Otherwise Closed Applications by Country



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April  
2021  
Key figures\*

**130**  
New Applications

**18**  
Women

**35**  
Children including:

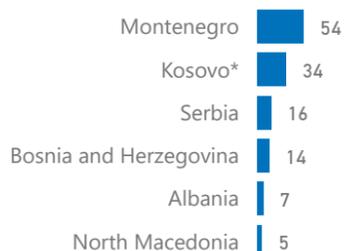
**3**  
Unaccompanied or separated child(ren)

**692**  
Pending opened asylum applications

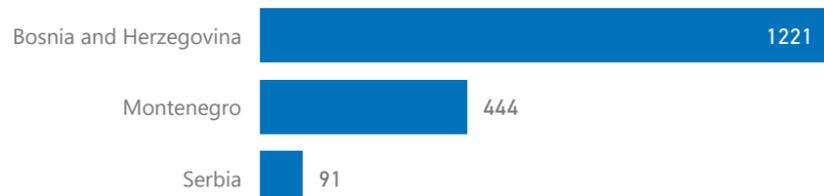
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## Monthly New Applications

Monthly New Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum

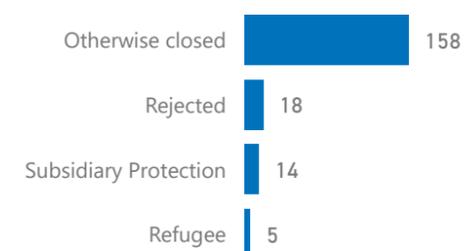


Monthly New Intentions to Seek Asylum by Reporting Country



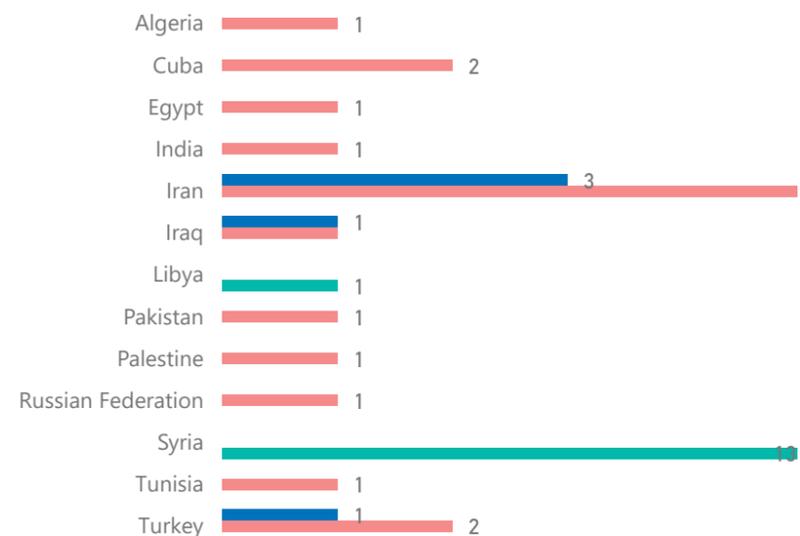
## Monthly First Instance Decisions

Monthly Decisions by Type of Decision

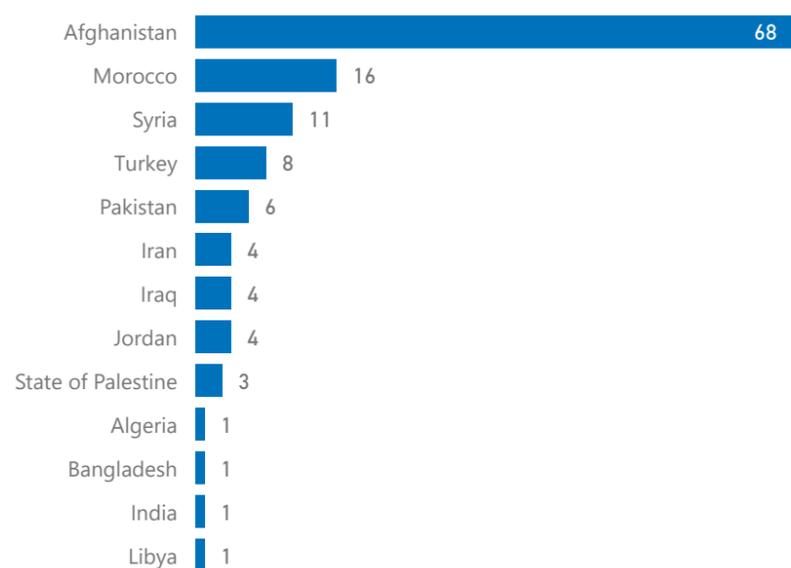


Monthly Type of Decisions by Nationality

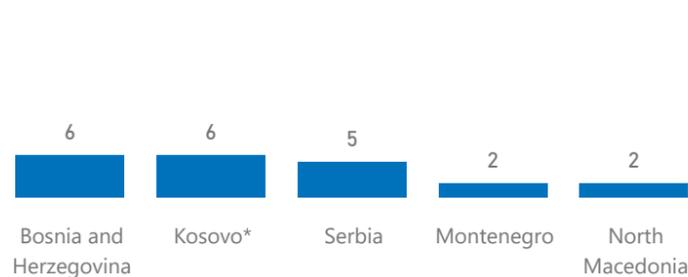
Type of decision ● Refugee ● Rejected ● Subsidiary Protection



Monthly New Asylum Applications by Country of Origin (Top 10)

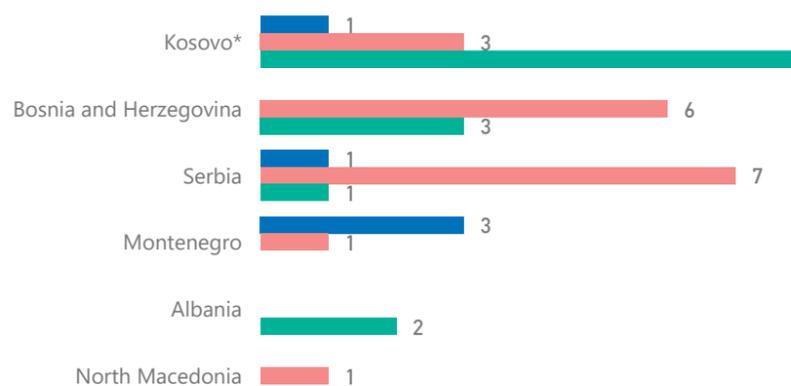


Monthly Interviews by Country of Asylum

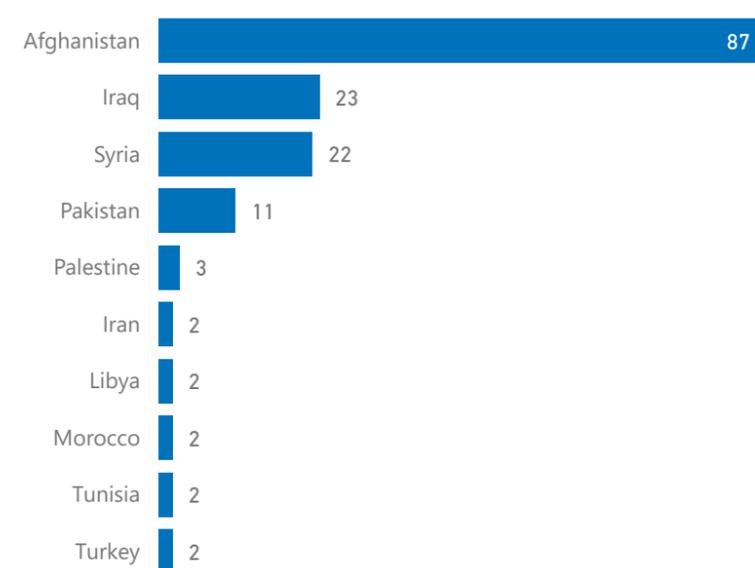


Monthly Decisions by Country of Asylum and Type of Decision

Type of decision ● Refugee ● Rejected ● Subsidiary Protection



Monthly Otherwise Closed Applications by Nationality (Top 10)

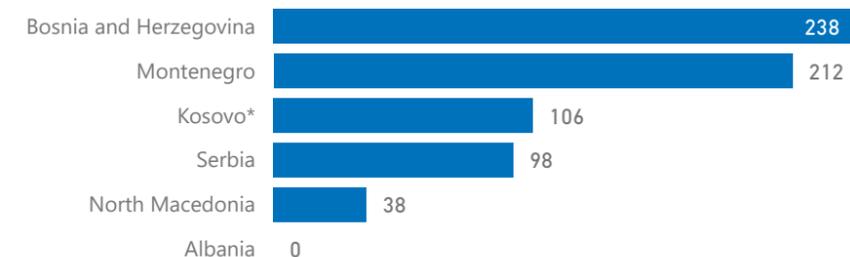


Average Length of Procedure (days) by Country

between application and decision

Montenegro	21
Bosnia and Herzegovina	452

Total Pending Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum



Albania has not provided any pending cases information for August

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