



Key figures since 2018

283
New Applications in 2021

4633
New Applications in 2020

12K
New Applications in 2019

10K
New Applications in 2018

6
Recognized Refugees in 2021

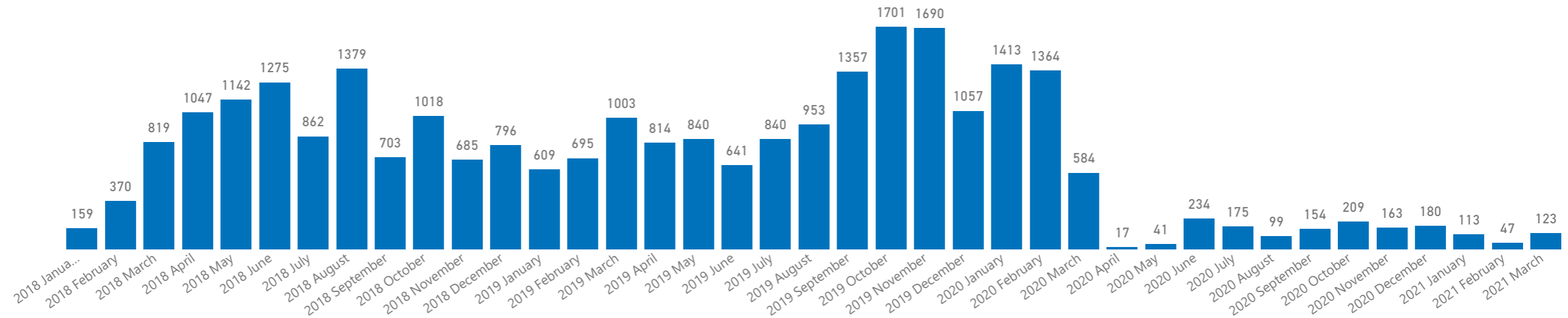
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Recognized Refugees in 2020

51
Recognized Refugees in 2019

85
Recognized Refugees in 2018

Monthly applications since 2018

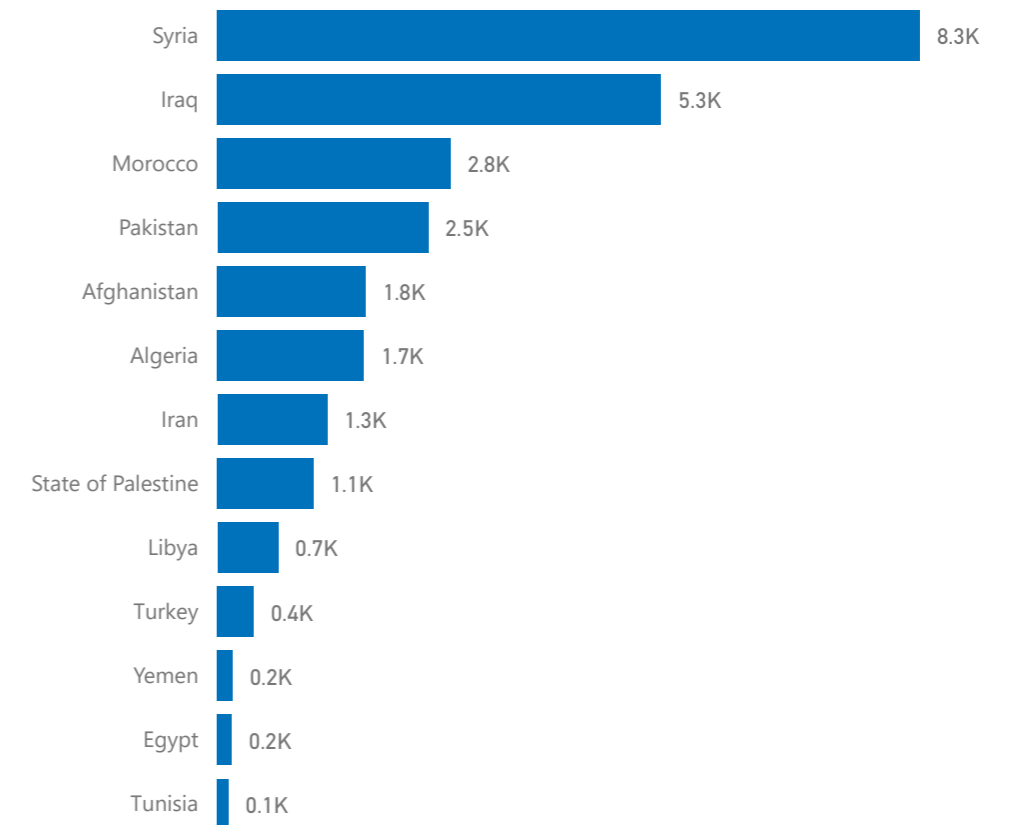
Applications by Year and Month



Summary of Key Trends

- In March 2021, as the weather is getting warmer, 2,995 persons in mixed movements arrived in the region, which is 140% higher than in February (1,248). However, the total cumulative number (5,710) of new arrivals in 2021 is lower to trends observed in 2020 (12,184) and 2019 (8,844).
- Furthermore, 123 asylum applications were filed in March compared to 47 in February representing increase of 161%. Since January 2021, only 8 % of the 3,143 persons who expressed intentions to seek asylum were formalized into claims.
- In March, seven positives first-instance decisions were taken including, two receiving refugee status and five complementary form of protection. Since the beginning of the year, 39 applications were rejected and 581 asylum applications were closed after the applicants absconded the asylum procedure.
- In March the authorities in the Western Balkans region conducted 20 interviews out of which 75% were conducted in Bosnia and Herzegovina (40%) and Montenegro (35%). The number of interviews conducted in March 2021 is comparable to March 2020.
- At the end of March 2021, 698 decisions were still pending which is also similar to the trend in 2020.
- In 2021, 26.3% (64) of all applications have been submitted by women and 28% (69) by children, including 16 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC).

Applications since 2018 by country of origin



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2021
Key figures

283

New Applications of which:

16

Unaccompanied or separated children*

6

Recognized Refugees

6

Subsidiary Protection

31

Rejected

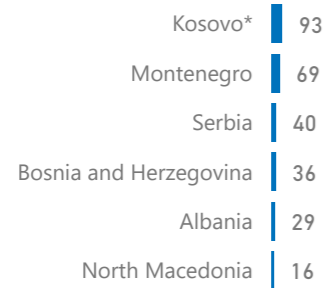
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Closed cases

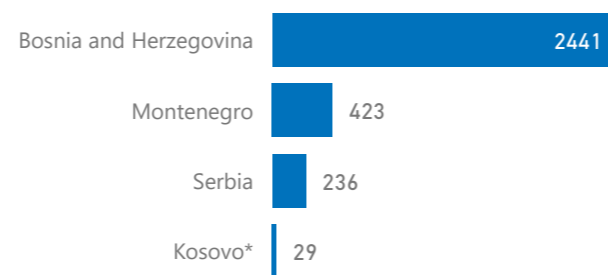
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New Applications Regional Trends

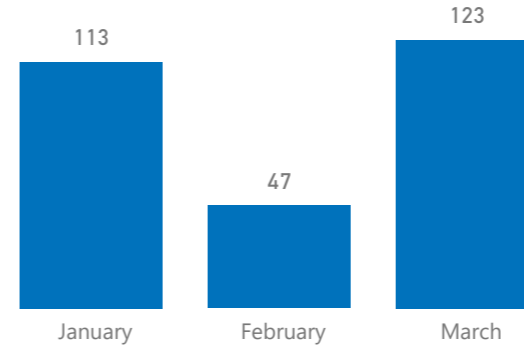
Total New Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum



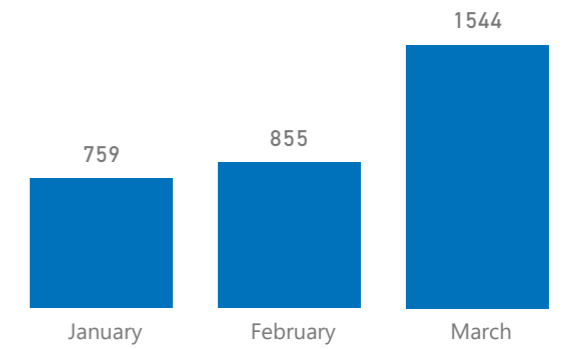
Total Asylum Intentions by Country of Asylum



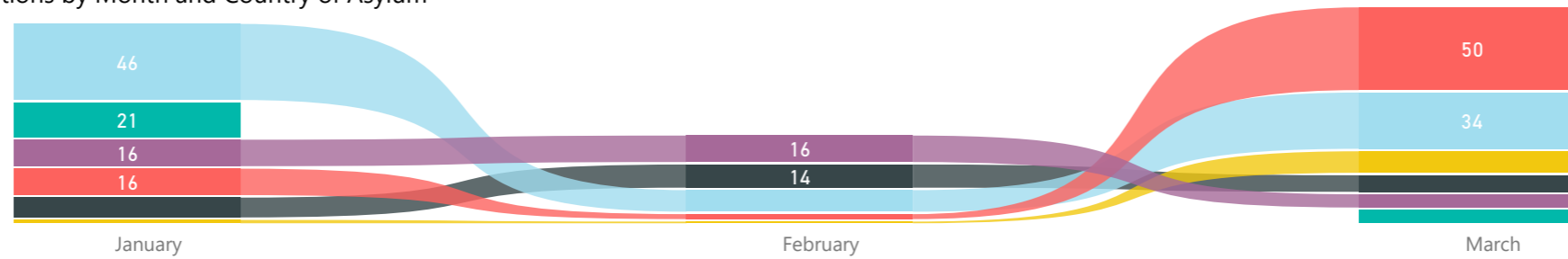
Total New Asylum Applications by Month



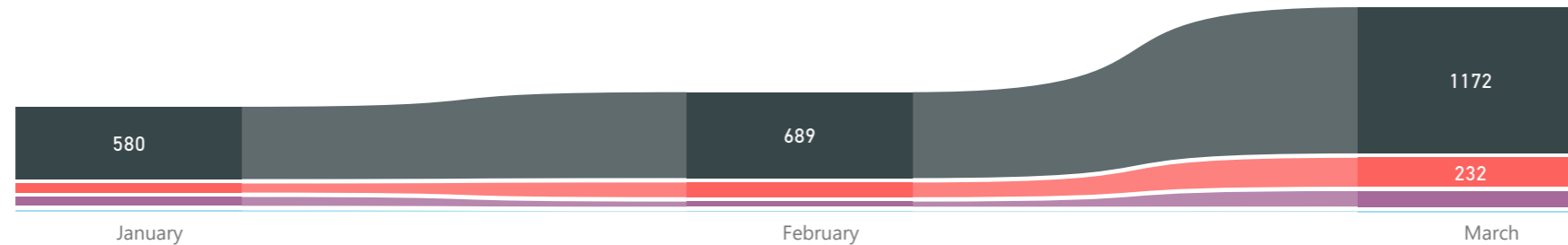
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New Asylum Applications by Month and Country of Asylum

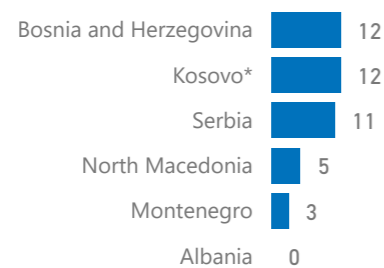


New Asylum Intentions by Month and Country of Asylum

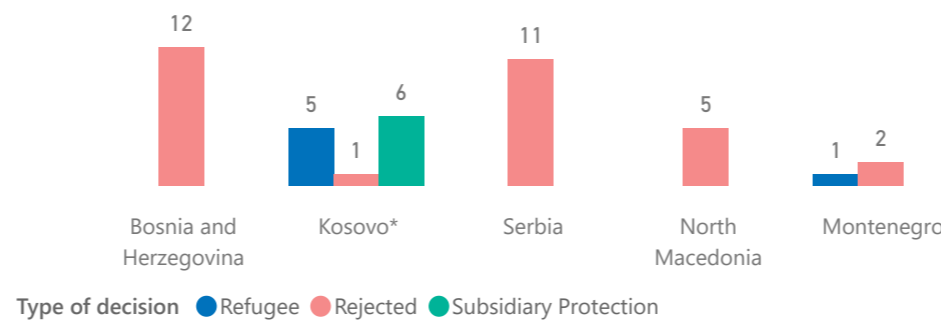


First Instance Decisions Trends

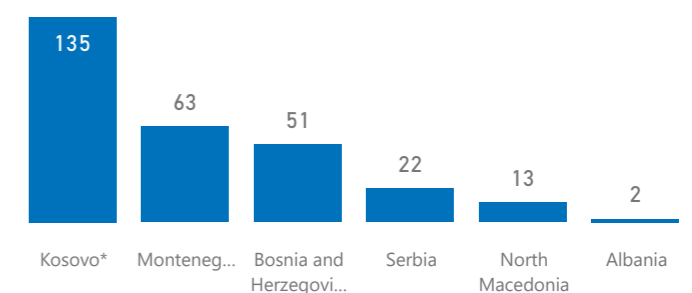
Total Decisions by Country of Asylum



First instance Decisions by Type and Country



Total Otherwise Closed Applications by Country



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March
2021
Key figures*

123
New Applications



20
Women



47
Children including:

9

Unaccompanied or separated child(ren)

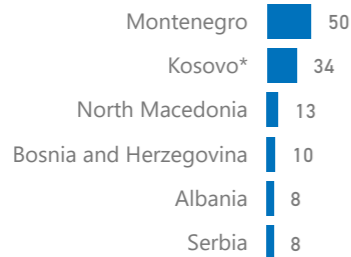
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Pending opened asylum applications

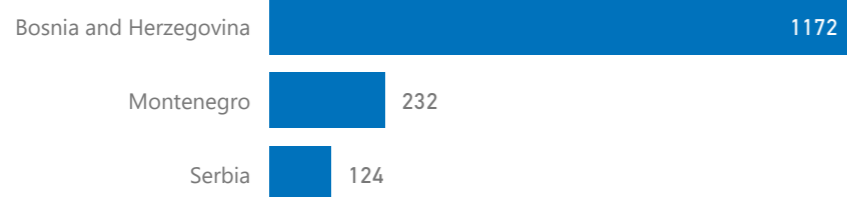
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Monthly New Applications

Monthly New Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum

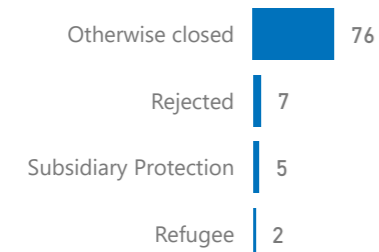


Monthly New Intentions to Seek Asylum by Reporting Country



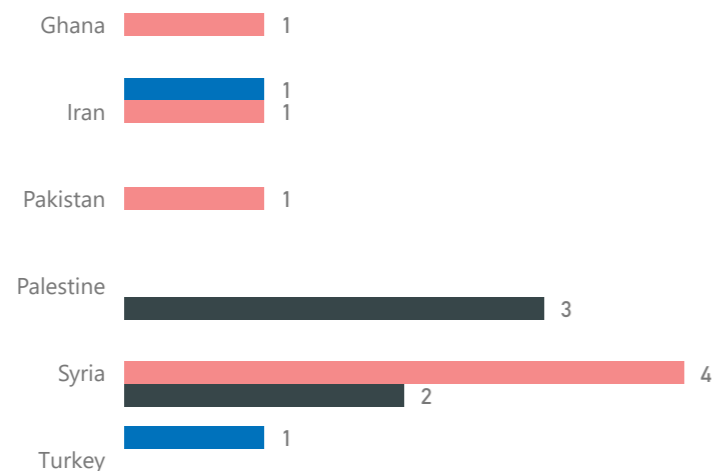
Monthly First Instance Decisions

Monthly Decisions by Type of Decision

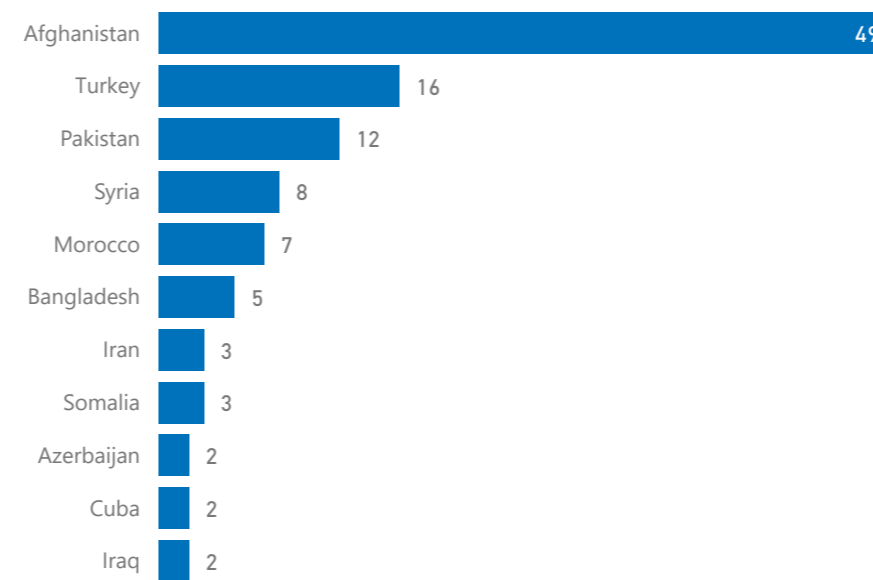


Monthly Type of Decisions by Nationality

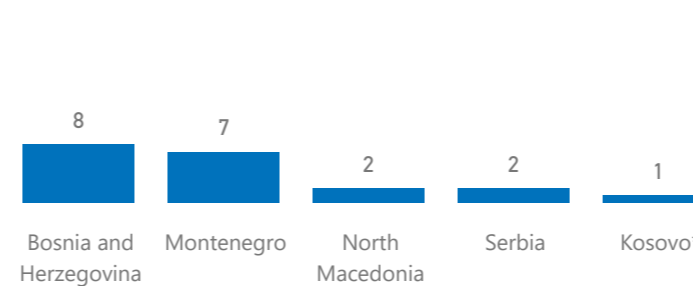
Type of decision ● Refugee ● Rejected ● Subsidiary Protection



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

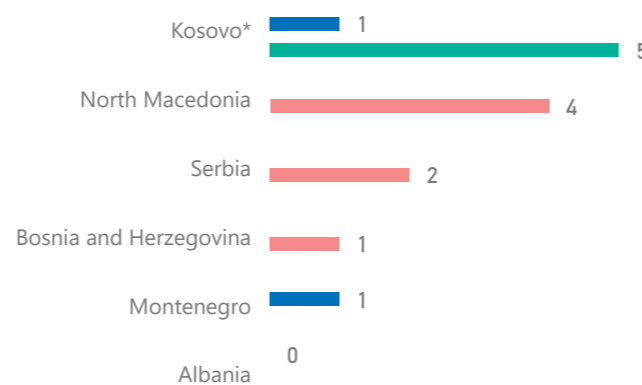


Monthly Interviews by Country of Asylum

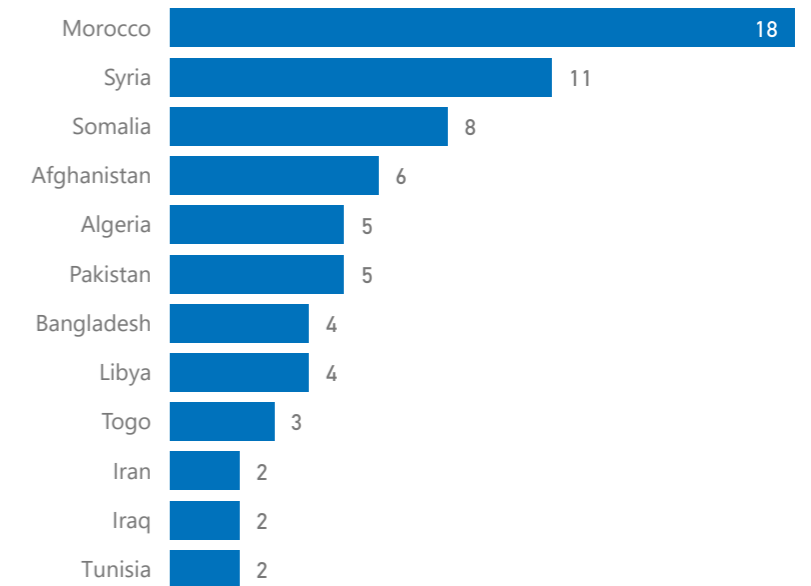


Monthly Decisions by Country of Asylum and Type of Decision

Type of decision ● N/A ● Refugee ● Rejected ● Subsidiary Protection



Monthly Otherwise Closed Applications by Nationality (Top 10)

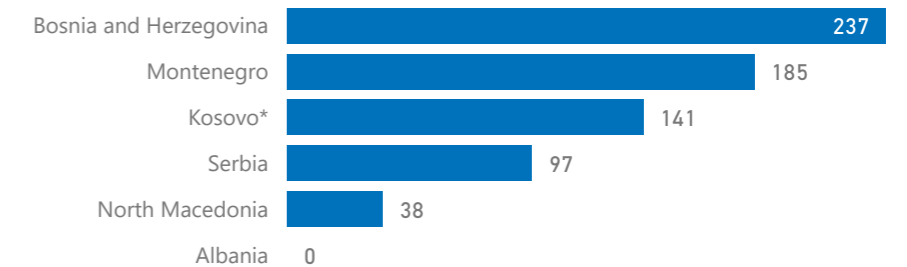


Average Length of Procedure (days) by Country

between application and decision

Kosovo*	180
Montenegro	187
Bosnia and Herzegovina	434

Total Pending Asylum Applications by Country of Asylum



Albania has not provided any pending cases information for August

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