



**Statistics July 2024:  
Returns from Norway**

**The police forcibly returned 201 persons in July 2024, 58 of whom were convicted offenders.**

The National Police Immigration Service (NPIS) is responsible for executing, coordinating and assuring the quality of all returns of foreigners staying illegally in Norway. The respective police districts are responsible for returns following refusal of entry or stay, while the NPIS is responsible for returning persons who have had their asylum applications rejected and returns under the Dublin procedure or to safe third countries. The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (NDI) is responsible for assisted returns, previously called voluntary returns. Assisted returns are not included in these statistics.

**Compared with 2023**

|                    | <b>Forced returns</b> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| As at 31 July 2023 | 1361                  |
| As at 31 July 2024 | 1454                  |
| Change in percent  | <b>6</b>              |

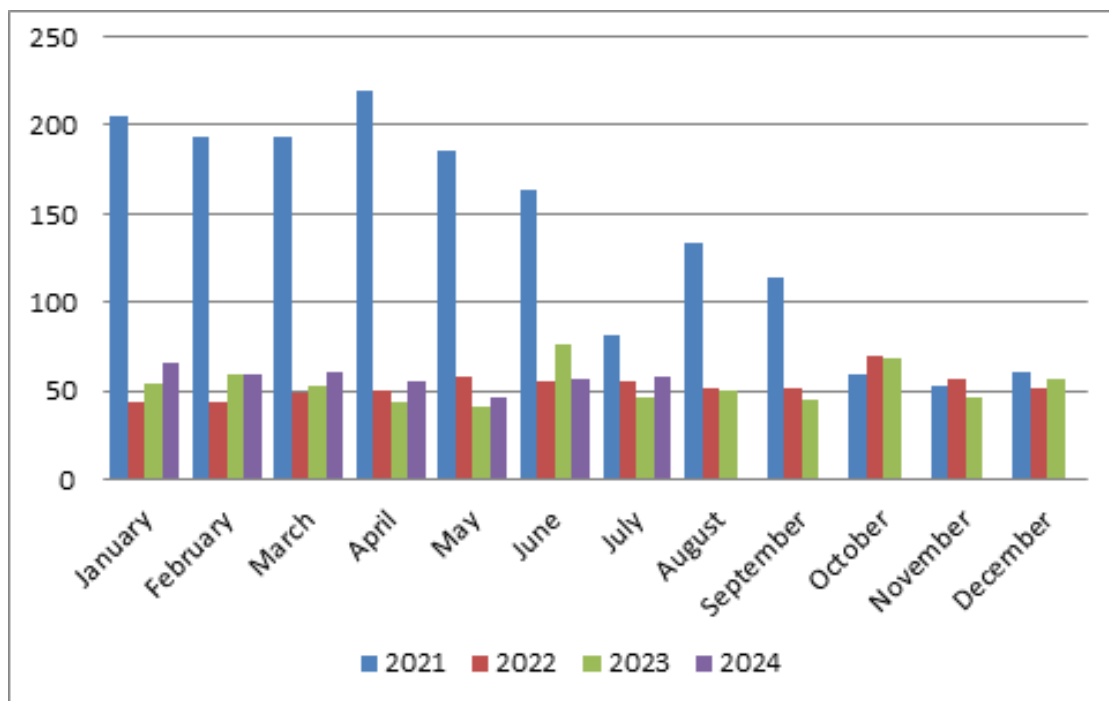
*These figures may change due to delays in the registration process.*

**Convicted offenders**

In July, the police returned 58 convicted offenders, 29% of all returnees that month.

So far this year, 403 convicted offenders have been returned, compared with 373 in the same period in last year.

Below are statistics for the last four years:



*Convicted offenders returned over the last four years*

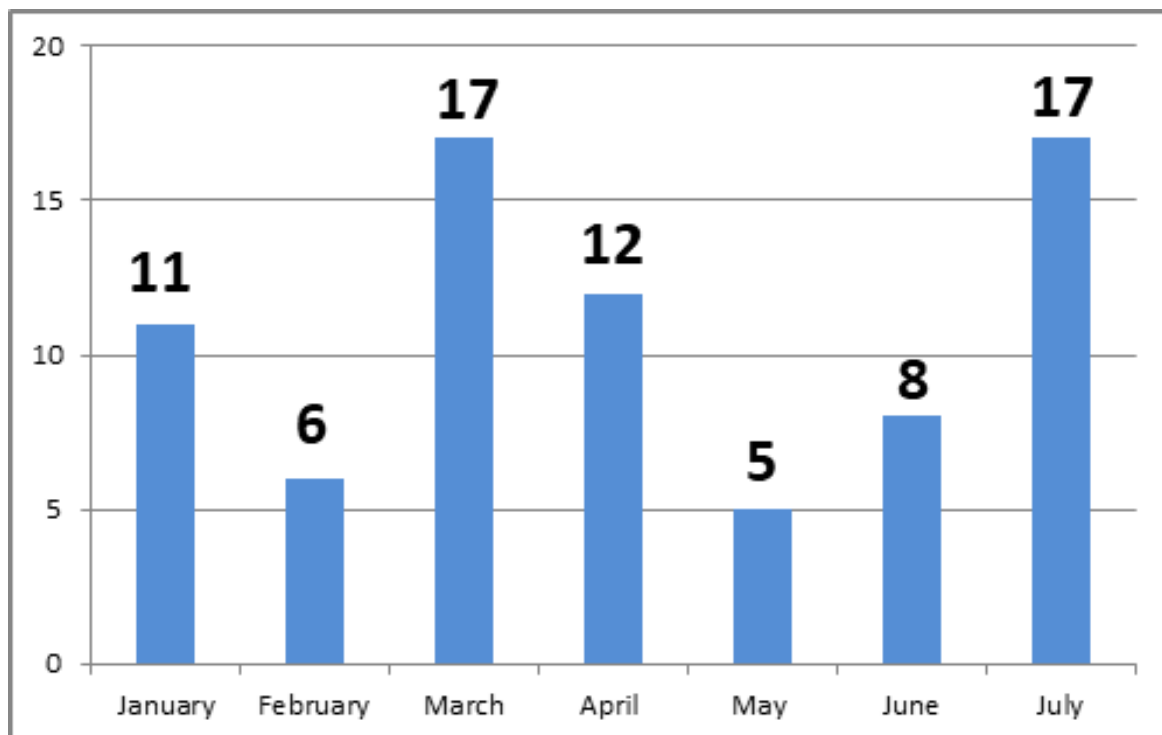
The most common nationalities among convicted returnees so far in 2024 are Romanian (18%), Lithuanian (10%) and Polish (9%).

### Minors

A total of 17 minors were returned in July, either to their home country or to a safe third country. All travelled with their parents or guardians.

As a rule, Norwegian authorities do not attempt to verify the age of unaccompanied minors when they are to be returned to another European country under the Dublin III Regulation.

All returned unaccompanied minors must be met by either family members or others who will care for them, e.g. representatives of relevant institutions or the child welfare services in the country in question.



*Returned minors so far this year*

### Returns on chartered flights

No returnee flights were chartered in July. So far this year, there have been three chartered returnee flights.

### The various returnee categories

The police return persons who have no legal right to stay in Norway, i.e. not only persons who have had their application for asylum and any appeals rejected.

- 1) **Asylum**– all persons who have applied for protection (asylum) in Norway and who have had their application processed and rejected in Norway and who have exhausted all avenues of appeal. This category also includes persons subject to an expulsion order.
- 2) **Dublin** – anyone returned under the Dublin Regulation. This also includes persons subject to an expulsion order. The Dublin Regulation applies in the EU, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Norway. The Regulation governs, inter alia, which

member state will process any given asylum application. The purpose of the Regulation is to prevent asylum seekers from applying in multiple countries, but also to ensure that one of the countries assumes responsibility for the asylum seeker. The statistics include both returns under the Dublin Regulation and returns to "safe third countries". The latter are cases where the asylum applicant already has a residence permit (refugee status or other form of permit) in a country that is considered safe.

- 3) **Refused entry or stay** – persons who have been refused entry or stay as they are not permitted to stay here. This may be for various reasons, but persons who are refused entry or stay are not banned from Norway after being returned.
- 4) **Expelled** – anyone expelled from Norway who has not applied for protection (asylum) or who is not subject to the Dublin Regulation. Most of those who fall into this category have been expelled due to a criminal conviction and are banned from Norway for a specific period of time. Violation of the re-entry ban is a punishable offence.
- 5) **Other** – persons not covered by any of the other categories.

| <b>Returns so far this year by nationality</b> |               |                              |               |                  |              |
|--|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Afghanistan                                    | 3             | 5                            | 12            | 5                | <b>25</b>    |
| Albania  | 5             | 5                            |               | 26               | <b>36</b>    |
| Algeria  | 3             | 3                            | 5             | 3                | <b>14</b>    |
| Argentina                                      |               | 2                            |               | 4                | <b>6</b>     |
| Armenia  | 5             | 1                            |               | 3                | <b>9</b>     |
| Azerbaijan                                     |               | 4                            | 6             | 1                | <b>11</b>    |
| Australia                                      |               | 3                            |               | 1                | <b>4</b>     |
| Bangladesh                                     |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Belarus  | 1             | 3                            | 1             | 1                | <b>6</b>     |
| Belgium  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina                             | 6             |                              |               | 1                | <b>7</b>     |
| Botswana                                       |               | 2                            |               |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Brazil   |               | 4                            |               | 13               | <b>17</b>    |
| Bulgaria                                       |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| Canada   | 5             |                              |               | 8                | <b>13</b>    |
| Chile  |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Colombia                                       | 8             | 15                           | 1             | 9                | <b>33</b>    |
| Cuba   |               | 2                            |               |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Denmark  |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Dominican Republic                             |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Djibouti                                       |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Dominica                                       |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Ecuador  |               |                              | 4             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Egypt  | 1             | 1                            | 2             | 1                | <b>5</b>     |

| <b>Returnees so far this year by nationality</b> |               |                              |               |                  |              |
|--|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Ivory Coast                                      |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Eritrea  | 4             | 3                            | 13            |                  | <b>20</b>    |
| Estonia  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Ethiopia   | 4             | 1                            | 6             | 3                | <b>14</b>    |
| The Philippines                                  |               | 2                            |               | 4                | <b>6</b>     |
| Finland  |               | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| France   |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| The Gambia                                       |               | 1                            |               | 3                | <b>4</b>     |
| Georgia  | 4             | 6                            |               | 7                | <b>17</b>    |
| Ghana  | 2             | 1                            |               | 4                | <b>7</b>     |
| Guatemala  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Guinea   | 1             |                              | 2             |                  | <b>3</b>     |
| India  | 1             | 24                           |               | 4                | <b>29</b>    |
| Iraq   | 15            | 2                            | 15            | 6                | <b>38</b>    |
| Iran   | 5             | 5                            | 6             | 3                | <b>19</b>    |
| Iceland  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Israel   |               | 2                            | 1             | 1                | <b>4</b>     |
| Italy  |               | 2                            |               |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Japan  |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Yemen  |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Jordan   | 1             |                              | 1             | 1                | <b>3</b>     |
| Cameroon   |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Kazakhstan                                       |               | 1                            | 3             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Kenya  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| China  |               | 20                           | 7             | 16               | <b>43</b>    |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo                 |               | 1                            | 5             | 1                | <b>7</b>     |
| Kosovo   | 5             | 8                            |               | 7                | <b>20</b>    |
| Croatia  |               | 1                            |               | 3                | <b>4</b>     |
| Kuwait   |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Latvia   |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| Lebanon  |               |                              | 4             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Liberia  |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Libya  | 1             | 1                            | 8             |                  | <b>10</b>    |
| Lithuania  |               | 2                            |               | 39               | <b>41</b>    |
| Madagascar                                       |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Malaysia   |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Mali   |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Morocco  |               | 3                            | 4             | 2                | <b>9</b>     |
| Mexico   |               | 3                            |               | 4                | <b>7</b>     |
| Moldova  | 1             | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>4</b>     |
| Mongolia   |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| Montenegro                                       |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |

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|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Myanmar  |               |                              | 5             |                  | <b>5</b>     |
| Namibia  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| The Netherlands                                  |               | 1                            |               | 6                | <b>7</b>     |
| Nepal  |               | 8                            |               |                  | <b>8</b>     |
| New Zealand                                      |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Niger  |               | 1                            | 1             |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Nigeria  | 2             | 5                            | 2             | 2                | <b>11</b>    |
| North Macedonia                                  | 3             | 5                            |               | 2                | <b>10</b>    |
| Pakistan   | 1             | 7                            | 2             | 5                | <b>15</b>    |
| Peru   | 3             | 3                            |               |                  | <b>6</b>     |
| Poland   |               | 9                            |               | 26               | <b>35</b>    |
| Portugal   |               | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| Romania  |               | 8                            |               | 66               | <b>74</b>    |
| Russia   |               | 47                           | 28            | 4                | <b>79</b>    |
| Rwanda   |               |                              | 4             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis                            |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines                 |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Saudi Arabia                                     |               | 2                            | 3             |                  | <b>5</b>     |
| Senegal  | 1             | 1                            | 2             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Serbia   | 5             | 6                            |               | 3                | <b>14</b>    |
| Sierra Leone                                     |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Singapore  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Slovakia   |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Somalia  | 2             | 2                            | 11            | 4                | <b>19</b>    |
| Spain  |               | 2                            |               | 3                | <b>5</b>     |
| Sri Lanka  |               | 1                            | 1             | 1                | <b>3</b>     |
| Stateless  | 9             | 1                            | 16            | 2                | <b>28</b>    |
| United Kingdom                                   | 1             | 34                           |               | 16               | <b>51</b>    |
| Sudan  | 2             | 1                            | 6             |                  | <b>9</b>     |
| Sweden   |               | 1                            |               | 10               | <b>11</b>    |
| Syria  | 10            | 7                            | 52            | 8                | <b>77</b>    |
| South Africa                                     |               | 3                            |               |                  | <b>3</b>     |
| South Korea                                      |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Tajikistan                                       |               | 1                            | 3             |                  | <b>4</b>     |
| Thailand   |               | 3                            |               | 3                | <b>6</b>     |
| Togo   |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Trinidad and Tobago                              |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Chad   |               |                              | 1             |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Czechia  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |

| <b>Returnees so far this year by nationality</b> |               |                              |               |                  |              |
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|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Tunisia  | 2             | 2                            | 3             | 2                | <b>9</b>     |
| Turkmenistan                                     |               |                              | 1             | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| Türkiye  | 3             | 5                            | 28            | 8                | <b>44</b>    |
| Germany  |               | 2                            |               | 6                | <b>8</b>     |
| Uganda   |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Ukraine  | 6             | 19                           | 224           | 3                | <b>252</b>   |
| Hungary  |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| USA  | 1             | 9                            |               | 13               | <b>23</b>    |
| Uzbekistan                                       |               |                              | 5             | 1                | <b>6</b>     |
| Venezuela  | 14            | 3                            |               | 2                | <b>19</b>    |
| Vietnam  |               | 5                            |               | 11               | <b>16</b>    |
| Zimbabwe   |               |                              | 1             | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>146</b>    | <b>360</b>                   | <b>511</b>    | <b>437</b>       | <b>1454</b>  |

| <b>Returnees so far this year by destination</b> |               |                              |               |                  |              |
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|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Afghanistan                                      |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Albania  | 5             | 7                            |               | 23               | <b>35</b>    |
| Algeria  | 3             | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>5</b>     |
| Argentina  |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| Armenia  | 6             |                              |               | 4                | <b>10</b>    |
| Azerbaijan                                       |               | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| Australia  |               | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| Belgium  |               |                              | 6             | 1                | <b>7</b>     |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina                               | 6             |                              |               | 1                | <b>7</b>     |
| Brazil   |               | 1                            |               | 13               | <b>14</b>    |
| Bulgaria   | 2             |                              | 4             | 3                | <b>9</b>     |
| Canada   | 6             |                              |               | 7                | <b>13</b>    |
| Chile  |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Colombia   | 9             | 15                           |               | 8                | <b>32</b>    |
| Cuba   |               | 2                            |               |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Denmark  | 1             | 30                           | 12            | 6                | <b>49</b>    |
| United Arab Emirates                             |               | 5                            |               |                  | <b>5</b>     |
| Dominican Republic                               |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Egypt  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Estonia  | 1             |                              | 4             | 1                | <b>6</b>     |
| Ethiopia   | 4             |                              |               | 2                | <b>6</b>     |

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|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| The Philippines                                |               | 1                            |               | 4                | <b>5</b>     |
| Finland  |               | 4                            | 6             | 1                | <b>11</b>    |
| France   | 3             | 1                            | 42            | 4                | <b>50</b>    |
| Faroe Islands                                  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| The Gambia                                     |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| Georgia  | 3             | 4                            |               | 7                | <b>14</b>    |
| Ghana  | 1             |                              |               | 4                | <b>5</b>     |
| Guatemala                                      |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Greece   | 13            | 3                            | 6             | 2                | <b>24</b>    |
| Hong Kong                                      |               | 1                            |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| India  | 1             | 19                           |               | 3                | <b>23</b>    |
| Iraq   | 14            | 1                            |               | 4                | <b>19</b>    |
| Iran   | 5             | 2                            |               | 1                | <b>8</b>     |
| Ireland  |               | 2                            | 1             |                  | <b>3</b>     |
| Iceland  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Israel   |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Italy  | 2             | 4                            | 2             | 2                | <b>10</b>    |
| Japan  |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Jordan   | 1             |                              |               | 1                | <b>2</b>     |
| Kenya  |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| China  |               | 12                           |               | 11               | <b>23</b>    |
| Kosovo   | 5             | 5                            |               | 8                | <b>18</b>    |
| Croatia  |               | 1                            | 26            | 2                | <b>29</b>    |
| Kuwait   |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Cyprus   |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Latvia   |               |                              | 3             | 3                | <b>6</b>     |
| Lithuania                                      | 1             | 4                            | 10            | 41               | <b>56</b>    |
| Luxembourg                                     |               |                              | 2             |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Madagascar                                     |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Malaysia                                       |               | 1                            |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Malta  |               | 2                            | 3             |                  | <b>5</b>     |
| Morocco  |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Mexico   |               | 2                            |               | 4                | <b>6</b>     |
| Moldova  | 1             |                              |               | 2                | <b>3</b>     |
| Mongolia                                       |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Montenegro                                     |               |                              |               | 3                | <b>3</b>     |
| The Netherlands                                |               | 1                            | 10            | 8                | <b>19</b>    |
| New Zealand                                    |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Niger  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Nigeria  | 2             | 2                            |               | 2                | <b>6</b>     |
| North Macedonia                                | 3             | 9                            |               | 2                | <b>14</b>    |
| Pakistan                                       | 1             | 3                            |               | 4                | <b>8</b>     |

| <b>Returns so far this year by destination</b> |               |                              |               |                  |              |
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|  | <b>Asylum</b> | <b>Refused stay or entry</b> | <b>Dublin</b> | <b>Expulsion</b> | <b>Total</b> |
| Peru   | 2             | 3                            |               |                  | <b>5</b>     |
| Poland   | 3             | 19                           | 161           | 28               | <b>211</b>   |
| Portugal                                       |               | 2                            | 3             | 3                | <b>8</b>     |
| Qatar  |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Romania  |               | 9                            | 2             | 66               | <b>77</b>    |
| Russia   |               | 36                           |               | 4                | <b>40</b>    |
| Saudi Arabia                                   |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Senegal  | 1             |                              |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Serbia   | 5             | 4                            |               | 2                | <b>11</b>    |
| Singapore                                      |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Slovakia                                       |               | 2                            | 4             | 2                | <b>8</b>     |
| Somalia  | 2             |                              |               | 3                | <b>5</b>     |
| Spain  | 1             | 8                            | 43            | 7                | <b>59</b>    |
| Sri Lanka                                      |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| United Kingdom                                 | 1             | 56                           |               | 19               | <b>76</b>    |
| Switzerland                                    |               | 1                            | 6             |                  | <b>7</b>     |
| Sweden   | 2             | 15                           | 43            | 23               | <b>83</b>    |
| South Africa                                   |               | 2                            |               |                  | <b>2</b>     |
| Taiwan   |               | 1                            |               |                  | <b>1</b>     |
| Thailand                                       |               | 2                            |               | 2                | <b>4</b>     |
| Trinidad and Tobago                            |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Czechia  | 1             | 3                            | 6             |                  | <b>10</b>    |
| Tunisia  | 2             |                              |               | 1                | <b>3</b>     |
| Turkmenistan                                   |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Türkiye  | 6             | 13                           |               | 11               | <b>30</b>    |
| Germany  | 4             | 9                            | 91            | 14               | <b>118</b>   |
| Uganda   |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Hungary  |               | 4                            | 5             | 3                | <b>12</b>    |
| USA  | 1             | 10                           |               | 10               | <b>21</b>    |
| Uzbekistan                                     |               |                              |               | 1                | <b>1</b>     |
| Venezuela                                      | 14            | 2                            |               | 1                | <b>17</b>    |
| Vietnam  |               | 2                            |               | 9                | <b>11</b>    |
| Zimbabwe                                       |               |                              |               | 2                | <b>2</b>     |
| Austria  | 2             | 2                            | 10            |                  | <b>14</b>    |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | <b>146</b>    | <b>360</b>                   | <b>511</b>    | <b>437</b>       | <b>1454</b>  |

By destination we mean the country the person is returned to, not necessarily the person's country of origin (or country of nationality).