

Statistics for June 2024: Forced returns from Norway

The police forcibly returned 211 persons in June 2024, 56 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

	Forced returns
As at 30 June	
2023	1175
As at 30 June	
2024	1246
Change in percent	6

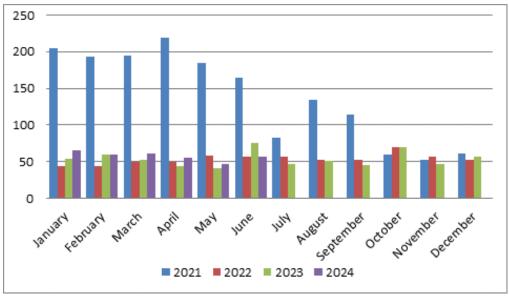
These figures may change due to delays in the registration process.

Convicted offenders

In June, the police returned 56 convicted offenders, 27% of all returnees that month.

So far in 2024, 344 convicted offenders have been returned, compared with 327 in the same period in last year.

Below are statistics for the last four years:



Convicted offenders returned over the last four years

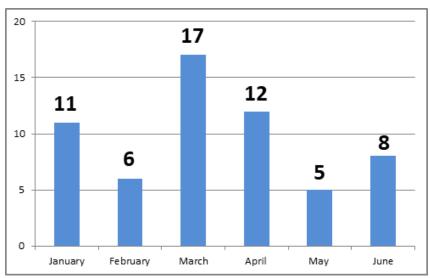
The most common nationalities among convicted returnees so far in 2024 are Romanian (17%), Lithuanian (11%) and Polish (9%).

Minors

A total of eight minors were returned in June, either to their home country or to a safe third country. All travelled with their parents or guardians. Two of them were unaccompanied minors, while six 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 in 2024

Returns on chartered flights

So far this year, three chartered return flights have taken place, one of them in June.

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.

- 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.

Returnees so far in 2024 by nationality						
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total	
Afghanistan	3	5	12	4	24	
Albania	4	5		22	31	
Algeria	3	3	2	3	11	
Argentina		2		4	6	
Armenia	5			3	8	
Azerbaijan		4	6	1	11	
Australia		3		1	4	
Bangladesh				1	1	
Belarus		3	1	1	5	
Belgium				1	1	
Bosnia- Herzegovina	6			1	7	
Botswana		2			2	
Brazil		3		13	16	
Bulgaria				2	2	
Canada	4			7	11	
Chile				2	2	
Colombia	8	12		8	28	
Cuba		1			1	
Denmark				1	1	
Ecuador			4		4	
Egypt	1	1	2		4	
Ivory Coast		1			1	
Eritrea	3	3	13		19	
Estonia				1	1	
Ethiopia	4	1	4	2	11	
The Philippines		2		4	(
Finland		1		1	2	
France				2	2	

Returnees so far in 2024 by nationality					
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total
The Gambia		1		2	3
Georgia	4	6		5	15
Ghana	1	1		3	5
Guatemala				1	1
Guinea	1		2		3
India	1	24		4	29
Iraq	14	1	13	4	32
Iran	5	5	6	3	19
Iceland				1	1
Israel		2		1	3
Italy		2			2
Japan		1		2	3
Yemen			1		1
Jordan	1				1
Cameroon			1		1
Kazakhstan			3		3
China		17	7	14	38
Democratic Republic of the Congo - Kinshasa		1	5	1	7
Kosovo	5	6		5	16
Croatia	3	1		2	3
Kuwait				1	1
Latvia				2	2
Lebanon			4		4
Liberia			1		1
Libya	1	1	7		9
Lithuania		2	,	38	40
Madagascar		2		1	1
Malaysia		1		2	3
Mali		1	1	Δ	1
Morocco		3	4	2	9
Mexico		2	4	2	4
Moldova	1	2		1	2
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Montenegro			5	3	5
Myanmar		4	5		
Namibia The		1			1
Netherlands		1		4	5

Returnees so far in 2024 by nationality					
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total
Nepal		8			8
Niger		1	1		2
Nigeria	2	4	1	1	8
North	3	4		2	9
Macedonia	3			2	,
Pakistan	1	5	2	5	13
Peru	3	3			6
Poland		9		21	30
Portugal		1		1	2
Romania		6		54	60
Russia		30	26	4	60
Rwanda			3		3
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines		1			1
Saudi Arabia		2	3		5
Senegal	1	1	1		3
Serbia	5	5		3	13
Sierra Leone			1		1
Singapore		1			1
Slovakia				2	2
Somalia	2	1	9	3	15
Spain		2		3	5
Sri Lanka		1	1	1	3
Stateless	8	1	16	2	27
United Kingdom	1	25		13	39
Sudan	2	1	5		8
Sweden		1		9	10
Syria	9	2	46	8	65
South Africa		2			2
South Korea		1			1
Tajikistan			3		3
Thailand		3		3	6
Trinidad and Tobago				1	1
Chad			1		1
Czechia		1			1
Tunisia	2	2	3	2	9
Turkmenistan			1	1	2
Türkiye	3	4	22	8	37

Returnees so far in 2024 by nationality					
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total
Germany		2		4	6
Uganda				1	1
Ukraine	5	17	194	2	218
Hungary				2	2
USA	1	8		13	22
Uzbekistan			5	1	6
Venezuela	12	3		1	16
Vietnam		2		9	11
Zimbabwe				2	2
Total	135	291	448	372	1246

Returnees so far in 2024 by destination					
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total
Afghanistan	7.00	J ,		1	1
Albania	4	7		19	30
Algeria	3	1		1	5
Argentina				3	3
Armenia	5			4	9
Azerbaijan		1		1	2
Australia		1		1	2
Belgium			4	1	5
Bosnia- Herzegovina	6			1	7
Brazil		1		13	14
Bulgaria	2		3	2	7
Canada	5			6	11
Chile				2	2
Colombia	9	12		8	29
Cuba		1			1
Denmark		27	11	3	41
United Arab Emirates		3			3
Estonia	1		4	1	6
Ethiopia	4			2	6
The Philippines		1		4	5
Finland		4	2	1	7
France	3	1	40	4	48
The Gambia				2	2

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R	Returnees so far in 2024 by destination					
	Asylum	Refused stay or entry	Dublin	Expulsion	Total	
Serbia	5	2		2	9	
Singapore		1			1	
Slovakia		1	3	2	6	
Somalia	2			2	4	
Spain	1	6	41	6	54	
Sri Lanka		1			1	
United Kingdom	1	41		16	58	
Switzerland		1	6		7	
Sweden	2	15	36	21	74	
South Africa		1			1	
Taiwan		1			1	
Thailand		2		2	4	
Trinidad and				1	1	
Tobago				1	1	
Czechia	1	2	4		7	
Tunisia	2			1	3	
Turkmenistan				1	1	
Türkiye	6	10		9	25	
Germany	4	8	78	11	101	
Uganda				2	2	
Hungary		3	5	3	11	
USA	1	8		10	19	
Uzbekistan				1	1	
Venezuela	12	2			14	
Vietnam				7	7	
Zimbabwe				2	2	
Austria	1	2	10		13	
Total	135	291	448	372	1246	

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