



Monthly statistics December 2012: Forced returns from Norway

In December 2012, the National Police Immigration Service (NPIS) forcibly returned 436 persons, compared with 390 in 2011. 140 of those forcibly returned in December 2012 had a criminal conviction in Norway.

Over the course of 2012, the NPIS forcibly returned 4901 persons.

The NPIS is responsible for forcibly returning those who are not entitled to stay in Norway. The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) is responsible for voluntary returns.

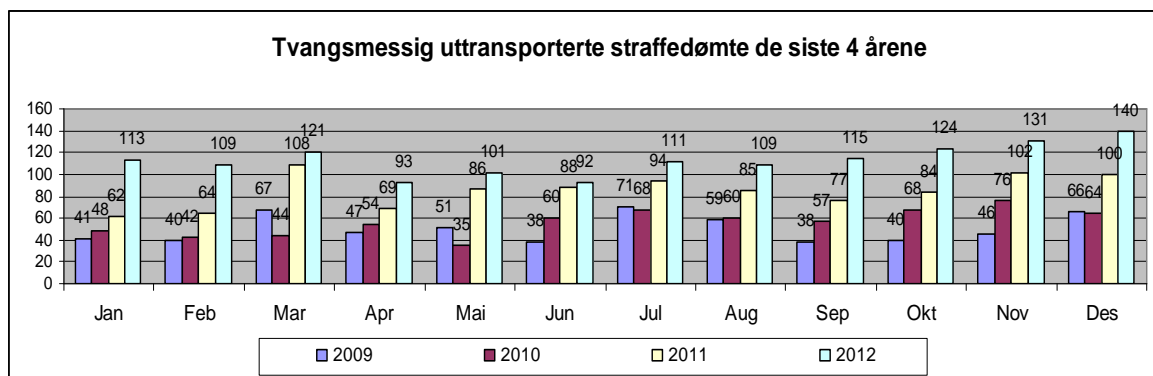
Compared with 2011:

	Forced returns
As of 31/12/2012	4 901
As of 31/12/2011	4 744
Change in percent	3

Convicted offenders

Returning convicted offenders is a priority. 140 convicted offenders were returned in December 2012. This is up 40 %, from 100 persons in December 2011.

Among convicted offenders returned in December 2012, 17 % were citizens of Nigeria, 17 % were citizens of Romania, 10 % were citizens of Poland and 7 % were citizens of Afghanistan.

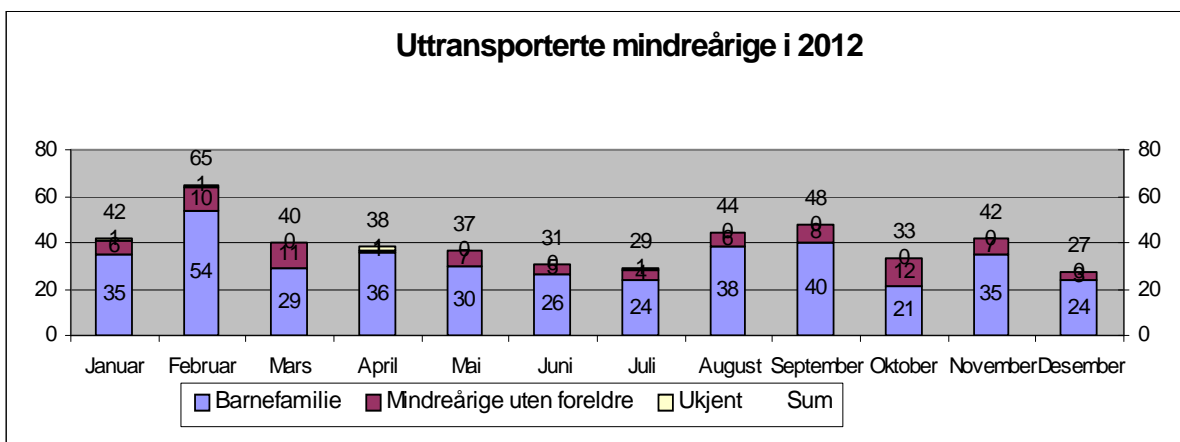


Forced returns of convicted offenders 2009 - 2012

Minors

27 minors were returned in December 2012, 24 of them together with their parents. The three returned unaccompanied minors were returned to other European countries under the Dublin Regulation. All returned unaccompanied minors in 2012 were returned to other European countries under the Dublin Regulation, except for one who was returned to his home country and met by responsible adults upon arrival.

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 Regulation.



Returnees by destination and citizenship

Destination means the country the person is returned to, not necessarily the person's home country/country of nationality. Under the Dublin II Regulation, applications for asylum shall be processed in the first Schengen country the applicant arrives in. The table starts on the next page.

The overview of the destinations of the returnees can be found in a separate table at the end.

Chartered flights

The number of chartered forced return flights in December	2
<i>The number of chartered forced return flights organised by Frontex in December</i>	1
The number of chartered forced return flights in 2012	15
<i>The number of chartered forced return flights organised by Frontex in 2012</i>	10

Returnees by nationality in 2012					
Country	Asylum¹	Dublin²	Other³	Total	%
Total	1397	1114	2390	4901	
Afghanistan	195	85	111	391	8.0%
Angola	1	6	1	8	0.2%
Albania	110	0	126	236	4.8%
Argentina	0	1	3	4	0.1%
Armenia	1	1	1	3	0.1%
Australia	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Austria	0	0	2	2	0.0%
Azerbaijan	8	13	3	24	0.5%
Burundi	8	0	1	9	0.2%
Belgium	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Burkina Faso	2	1	3	6	0.1%
Bangladesh	7	5	17	29	0.6%
Bulgaria	11	0	10	21	0.4%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	30	0	9	39	0.8%
Belarus	9	21	9	39	0.8%
Brazil	0	0	8	8	0.2%
Central African Republic	0	1	0	1	0.0%
Canada	0	1	4	5	0.1%
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Chile	1	0	25	26	0.5%
People's Republic of China	3	2	4	9	0.2%
Ivory Coast	1	11	6	18	0.4%
Cameroon	16	8	3	27	0.6%
Dem. Rep. Congo (DRC)	13	2	2	17	0.3%
Rep. Congo (Brazzaville)	0	0	3	3	0.1%
Colombia	6	0	12	18	0.4%
Cuba	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Czech Republic	1	0	3	4	0.1%
Germany	0	0	11	11	0.2%
Denmark	0	0	4	4	0.1%
Dominican Republic	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Algeria	18	46	13	77	1.6%
Ecuador	1	0	2	3	0.1%
Egypt	2	1	18	21	0.4%
Eritrea	1	67	17	85	1.7%
Western Sahara	0	1	0	1	0.0%
Spain	1	0	22	23	0.5%
Estonia	0	0	17	17	0.3%
Ethiopia	3	17	9	29	0.6%
Finland	0	0	3	3	0.1%

¹ Return of persons who have had their application for asylum processed in Norway and who have not been granted a right to stay.

² Return of asylum applicants under the Dublin II Regulation. The core principle of the Dublin II Regulation is that only one EU member state will process an application for asylum submitted in the EU by a non-EU national (third-country national). Returnees are therefore sent to the country responsible for processing the application for asylum.

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Returnees by nationality in 2012					
Country	Asylum¹	Dublin²	Other³	Total	%
Total	1397	1114	2390	4901	
France	0	0	7	7	0.1%
United Kingdom	0	0	20	20	0.4%
Georgia	19	25	10	54	1.1%
Ghana	3	10	38	51	1.0%
Guinea	9	10	14	33	0.7%
Gambia	29	2	44	75	1.5%
Guinea-Bissau	1	3	9	13	0.3%
Greece	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Guatemala	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Gaza Strip	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Honduras	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Croatia	4	1	4	9	0.2%
Hungary	18	0	11	29	0.6%
India	20	15	14	49	1.0%
Ireland	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Iran	28	41	14	83	1.7%
Iraq	95	44	49	188	3.8%
Israel	2	0	14	16	0.3%
Italy	3	3	8	14	0.3%
Jordan	18	6	6	30	0.6%
Japan	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Kazakhstan	0	3	3	6	0.1%
Kenya	2	0	2	4	0.1%
Kyrgyzstan	9	0	0	9	0.2%
South Korea	7	0	2	9	0.2%
Lebanon	13	2	0	15	0.3%
Liberia	1	3	2	6	0.1%
Libya	5	33	6	44	0.9%
Sri Lanka	55	3	13	71	1.4%
Lithuania	0	0	154	154	3.1%
Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Latvia	3	0	32	35	0.7%
Macedonia	19	0	10	29	0.6%
Morocco	20	34	74	128	2.6%
Moldova	1	1	1	3	0.1%
Mexico	1	1	0	2	0.0%
Mali	1	4	5	10	0.2%
Malta	0	1	0	1	0.0%
Myanmar	0	7	0	7	0.1%
Montenegro	6	0	2	8	0.2%
Mongolia	7	1	8	16	0.3%
Mauritania	0	0	3	3	0.1%
Malaysia	0	0	3	3	0.1%
Niger	0	4	0	4	0.1%
Nigeria	81	112	337	530	10.8%
Nicaragua	0	0	2	2	0.0%
The Netherlands	1	0	15	16	0.3%
Nepal	30	0	7	37	0.8%

Returnees by nationality in 2012					
Country	Asylum¹	Dublin²	Other³	Total	%
Total	1397	1114	2390	4901	
Pakistan	19	18	49	86	1.8%
The Philippines	0	0	9	9	0.2%
Poland	3	0	178	181	3.7%
Portugal	0	0	9	9	0.2%
Romania	1	1	252	254	5.2%
Russia	108	78	143	329	6.7%
Sudan	2	15	6	23	0.5%
Senegal	3	4	27	34	0.7%
Sierra Leone	2	6	10	18	0.4%
El Salvador	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Somalia	2	158	53	213	4.3%
Serbia	63	2	37	102	2.1%
South Sudan	1	0	1	2	0.0%
Surinam	0	1	0	1	0.0%
Slovakia	0	0	3	3	0.1%
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Sweden	0	1	12	13	0.3%
Syria	1	36	13	50	1.0%
Chad	0	2	0	2	0.0%
Togo	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Thailand	0	2	0	2	0.0%
Tajikistan	3	0	1	4	0.1%
Turkmenistan	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Tunisia	12	24	28	64	1.3%
Turkey	19	2	21	42	0.9%
The United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Uganda	2	6	0	8	0.2%
Ukraine	6	4	12	22	0.4%
USA	2	0	17	19	0.4%
Uzbekistan	24	10	5	39	0.8%
Vietnam	6	5	33	44	0.9%
The West Bank	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Kosovo	28	32	25	85	1.7%
Stateless	129	42	8	179	3.7%
Yemen	0	4	1	5	0.1%
Yugoslavia	0	0	1	1	0.0%
South Africa	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Zimbabwe	0	2	0	2	0.0%

For destinations, see the next page.

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Country	Asylum¹	Dublin²	Other³	Total	%
Total	1397	1114	2390	4901	
Afghanistan	194	0	6	200	4.1%
Angola	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Albania	107	0	105	212	4.3%
Argentina	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Armenia	1	0	1	2	0.0%
Australia	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Austria	0	29	3	32	0.7%
Azerbaijan	8	0	2	10	0.2%
Burundi	8	0	0	8	0.2%
Belgium	1	15	4	20	0.4%
Burkina Faso	2	0	0	2	0.0%
Bangladesh	7	0	1	8	0.2%
Bulgaria	11	7	11	29	0.6%
Bosnia-Herzegovina	29	0	9	38	0.8%
Belarus	9	0	9	18	0.4%
Brazil	0	0	7	7	0.1%
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Canada	0	0	4	4	0.1%
Switzerland	0	34	5	39	0.8%
Chile	1	0	25	26	0.5%
People's Republic of China	3	0	2	5	0.1%
Ivory Coast	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Cameroon	16	0	0	16	0.3%
Dem. Rep. Congo (DRC)	13	0	0	13	0.3%
Rep. Congo (Brazzaville)	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Colombia	6	0	12	18	0.4%
Cuba	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Cyprus	0	7	1	8	0.2%
Czech Republic	2	9	11	22	0.4%
Germany	0	82	21	103	2.1%
Denmark	0	37	5	42	0.9%
Dominican Republic	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Algeria	18	0	2	20	0.4%
Ecuador	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Egypt	10	0	5	15	0.3%
Eritrea	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Western Sahara	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Spain	5	58	344	407	8.3%
Estonia	0	3	19	22	0.4%
Ethiopia	3	0	3	6	0.1%
Finland	0	24	6	30	0.6%

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France	0	36	18	54	1.1%
United Kingdom	0	9	44	53	1.1%
Georgia	19	0	7	26	0.5%
Ghana	3	0	9	12	0.2%
Guinea	9	0	2	11	0.2%
Gambia	29	0	11	40	0.8%
Guinea-Bissau	1	0	1	2	0.0%
Greece	4	7	43	54	1.1%
Guatemala	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Gaza Strip	20	0	1	21	0.4%
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Croatia	4	0	3	7	0.1%
Hungary	18	4	22	44	0.9%
India	20	0	7	27	0.6%
Ireland	0	2	1	3	0.1%
Iran	25	0	6	31	0.6%
Iraq	93	0	6	99	2.0%
Israel	3	0	14	17	0.3%
Italy	7	329	423	759	15.5%
Jordan	39	0	1	40	0.8%
Japan	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Kazakhstan	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Kenya	2	0	1	3	0.1%
Kyrgyzstan	9	0	0	9	0.2%
South Korea	7	0	2	9	0.2%
Lebanon	14	0	0	14	0.3%
Liberia	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Libya	5	0	2	7	0.1%
Sri Lanka	55	0	3	58	1.2%
Lithuania	0	14	155	169	3.4%
Luxembourg	0	1	0	1	0.0%
Latvia	3	8	33	44	0.9%
Macedonia	18	0	6	24	0.5%
Morocco	20	0	20	40	0.8%
Moldova	1	0	1	2	0.0%
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Mali	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Malta	0	22	2	24	0.5%
Myanmar	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Montenegro	6	0	1	7	0.1%
Mongolia	7	0	4	11	0.2%
Mauritania	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Malaysia	0	0	3	3	0.1%
Niger	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Nigeria	76	0	19	95	1.9%
Nicaragua	0	0	2	2	0.0%
The Netherlands	1	27	20	48	1.0%
Nepal	30	0	3	33	0.7%

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Total	1397	1114	2390	4901	
Pakistan	19	0	7	26	0.5%
The Philippines	0	0	6	6	0.1%
Poland	4	62	182	248	5.1%
Portugal	0	2	26	28	0.6%
Romania	1	11	257	269	5.5%
Russia	108	1	137	246	5.0%
Sudan	2	0	3	5	0.1%
Senegal	3	0	2	5	0.1%
Sierra Leone	1	0	1	2	0.0%
El Salvador	1	0	0	1	0.0%
Somalia	2	0	0	2	0.0%
Serbia	65	0	35	100	2.0%
South Sudan	1	0	1	2	0.0%
Surinam	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Slovakia	0	1	2	3	0.1%
Slovenia	0	6	0	6	0.1%
Sweden	0	267	77	344	7.0%
Syria	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Chad	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Togo	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Thailand	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Tajikistan	3	0	1	4	0.1%
Turkmenistan	0	0	1	1	0.0%
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Tunisia	12	0	9	21	0.4%
Turkey	20	0	25	45	0.9%
The United Arab Emirates	2	0	3	5	0.1%
Uganda	2	0	0	2	0.0%
Ukraine	5	0	11	16	0.3%
USA	3	0	18	21	0.4%
Uzbekistan	24	0	3	27	0.6%
Vietnam	6	0	23	29	0.6%
The West Bank	78	0	3	81	1.7%
Kosovo	28	0	31	59	1.2%
Stateless	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Yemen	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Yugoslavia	0	0	0	0	0.0%
South Africa	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0.0%