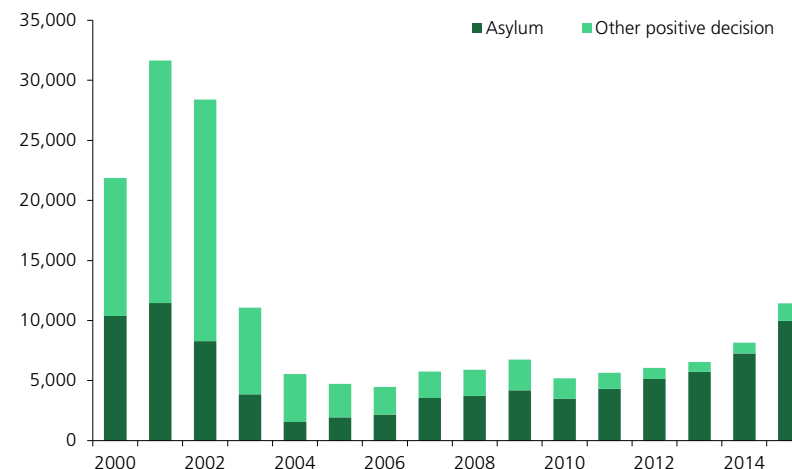


Asylum decisions, UK

- There were 28,622 initial asylum decisions made in 2015, which was 8,840 more than in 2014.
- 9,975 principal applicants were granted asylum at initial decision, 35% of all decisions. A further 1,446 people were granted discretionary leave, humanitarian protection, or some other form of leave to remain.
- Of those granted a positive asylum decision in 2015, around 20% were from Sudan, 16% were from Syria, 13% from Iran, 13% from Eritrea, and 4% from Afghanistan.
- In 2015, 35% of asylum appeals determined were allowed. There were 9,224 appeals determined, of which 3,260 were allowed.

Principal applicants granted asylum or other positive decision, UK, 2000-2015



Initial asylum application decisions made in-year: 2000-2015

Cases considered under normal procedures

	Recognised as refugee and granted asylum		Not recognised as refugee but given leave to remain		Refused	
	Number	% of initial decisions	Number	% of initial decisions	Number	% of initial decisions
2000	10,373	9%	11,495	11%	75,679	75%
2001	11,449	9%	20,192	17%	89,308	74%
2002	8,272	10%	20,136	24%	55,132	66%
2003	3,863	6%	7,211	11%	53,867	83%
2004	1,563	3%	3,995	9%	40,463	88%
2005	1,941	7%	2,798	10%	22,654	83%
2006	2,168	10%	2,304	11%	16,458	79%
2007	3,545	16%	2,198	10%	16,032	74%
2008	3,727	19%	2,166	11%	13,505	70%
2009	4,188	17%	2,554	11%	17,545	72%
2010	3,488	17%	1,707	8%	15,066	74%
2011	4,312	25%	1,337	8%	11,731	67%
2012	5,135	31%	924	6%	10,715	64%
2013	5,736	33%	806	5%	11,001	63%
2014	7,266	37%	884	4%	11,632	59%
2015	9,975	35%	1,446	5%	17,201	60%

Decisions are not necessarily related to applications made in same period; excludes dependants. Percentage calculations do not include applications withdrawn.

Source: Home Office, *Immigration Statistics*

Appeals allowed, UK, 2000-2015
% of appeals determined

