

Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner

Monthly statistics



June 2004 issue,

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**Asylum Applications. The Office of the Refugee Applications Commissioner.
Activity from 20/11/2000**

Table 1

	Pre 2002	2002	2003	2004 (30/06)	Total
Applications					
No. of new applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10316	11598	7483	2118	
No of re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	*9	36	417	242	
Total No. of applications for a declaration as a refugee	*10325	11634	7900	2360	
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Balance of applications awaiting a recommendation from 17/11/00	9,427				9427
Applications received from 20/11/00	11,457	11634	7900	2360	33351
Decisions returned for processing	237	34	20	0	291
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No. of applications processed since 20/11/00	21,094	11,632	6,286	928	39,940
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<i>Unprocessable</i>	18	4	4	0	26
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No. of applications outstanding	9	32	1,630	1,432	3,103

It should be noted that the above figures refer to the year in which the application was lodged and NOT to the year in which it was processed. These statistics reflect activity since the implementation of the Refugee Act 1996 (as amended) on 17/11/2000

Processing of Outstanding Applications

All adult applicants are scheduled for interview. In June 713 interviews were scheduled.

Excluding interviews postponed by ORAC, applicants attended in 78% of cases.

Decisions Returned for Processing

These are manifestly unfounded cases overturned at appeal and cases which were overturned following Judicial Review and which have therefore been returned to ORAC for further processing.

*2001 only

Activity breakdown for June 2004

Table 2

New applications for a declaration as a refugee	293
Re-applications for a declaration as a refugee	31
Total Applications for a declaration as a refugee	324
Total Cases Completed	604
These are broken down as follows:	
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee	31
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee:	
> Where Section 13(4)(b) applies	180
> Where Section 13(5) applies	178
> Where Section 13(2) applies	
- Withdrawn	21
- Deemed Withdrawn	171
Recommendations to refuse applicants a declaration to be a refugee and applications withdrawn under provision of the Act which existed prior to its amendment on 15/09/2003	
> Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee following interview - S13	4
> Recommendation that an application is Manifestly Unfounded following interview - S12(1)	0
> Recommendation to Refuse following failure to attend for second interview - S11(9)	0
> Applications to withdraw processed	2
Determinations made under Dublin Convention / Dublin Regulation	22
Unprocessable	-5

Cases Processed to Completion for 2002/2003/2004		Table 3		
	2002	2003	2004 (30/06)	
Positive recommendations	893	345	213	
Negative recommendations following Interview	5966	5461	2677	
Other Negative Recommendations and Cases Withdrawn	7565	3509	899	
Determinations made under Dublin Convention / Dublin Regulation	191	237	126	
Unprocessable	586	-911	-21	
Total	15,201	8,641	3,894	

It should be noted that these recommendations refer to the year in which the recommendations were made and NOT to the year in which the applications were lodged.

Table 4

Applications received and cases processed to completion which are subject to a Ministerial prioritisation directive under Section 12 of the Refugee Act

	June
Applications for a declaration as a refugee	133
Cases Completed These are broken down as follows:	156
Recommendations to declare applicant to be a refugee	0
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee where Section 13(4) B applies	46
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee where Section 13(5) applies	72
Recommendation to refuse applicant a declaration to be a refugee where Section 13(2) applies:	
- Withdrawn	12
- Deemed withdrawn	24
Determinations made under Dublin Convention / Dublin Regulation	2
Unprocessable	0

Applications for a declaration to be a refugee as at (30/06)

Table 5

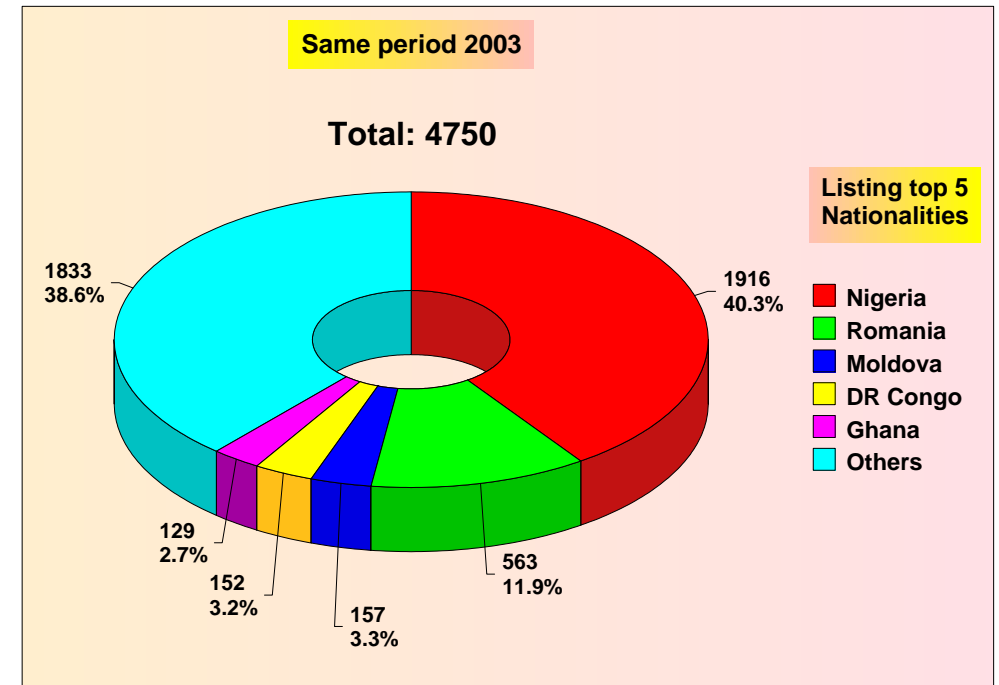
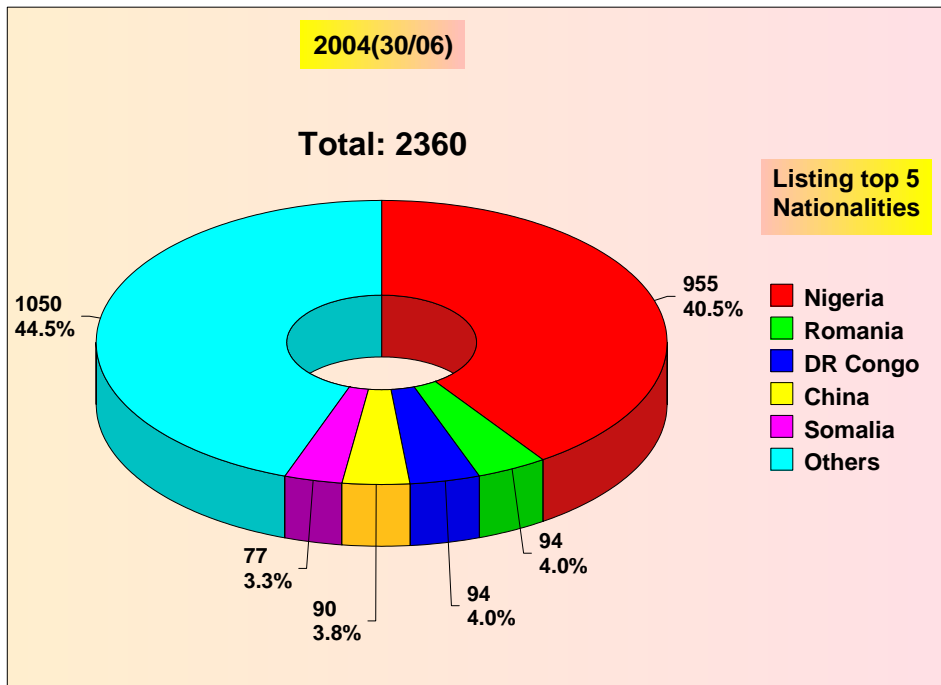


Table 6**Family Reunification Applications and Cases Processed.**

	June		2004 (30/06)	
	Applications	Dependants	Applications	Dependants
Number of Family Reunification applications received by ORAC	9	14	184	344
Number of cases commenced (questionnaire issued)	8	13	216	408
Number of cases processed to completion (report to minister)	28	55	280	569

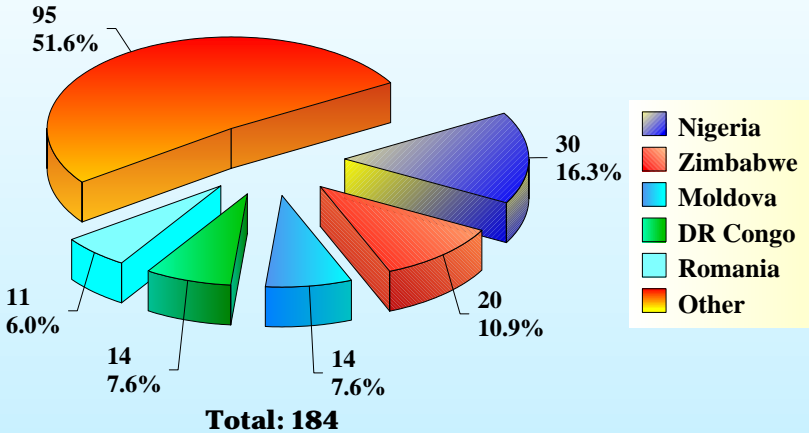
Family Reunification Applications and Cases Processed.

	2001 - 2004 (30/06)	
	Applications	Dependants
Number of Family Reunification applications received to date	1195	2623
Total Number of family reunification applications processed to date	946	2109
Number of cases outstanding	249	514

Family Reunification Applications - Top 5 Nationalities

Table 7

Top 5 Nationalities (30/06 2004)



Top 5 Nationalities Same Period 2003

