

IOM Resettlement Support January – June 2021

European Economic Area



7,320 beneficiaries resettled/admitted to countries in the European Economic Area (EEA) from January to June 2021



13 EEA countries received beneficiaries of resettlement or humanitarian admission programmes



48% of IOM's resettlement or humanitarian admission support worldwide was for countries in the EEA

IOM's support in Resettlement

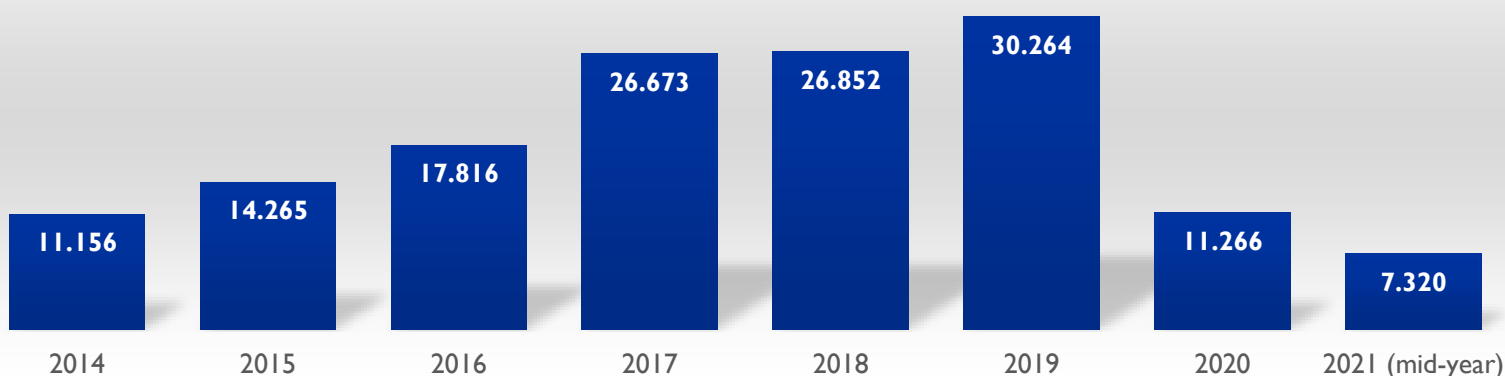
For **70 years**, IOM has played a vital role in resettlement, providing a range of supporting activities upon request of the receiving states and to ensure the transfer of its beneficiaries in conditions of safety and dignity. These include support to **case processing, pre-migration health activities, movement management, and pre-departure and post-arrival integration support**. IOM works closely with **governments and UNHCR, as well as other partners such as EASO and NGOs** to help persons in need of international protection.

While 2020 was heavily impacted by COVID-19, and only 11,266 refugees were resettled/admitted to 18 EEA countries, **2021 shows signs of recovery with the resettlement / humanitarian admission of 7,320 only in the first half of the year**. During this period, IOM continued supporting refugees and the use of **resettlement as a critical protection measure**, in liaison with donors and partners, while adopting a range of **measures to minimize the risk of transmission** during movements and pre-departure activities.

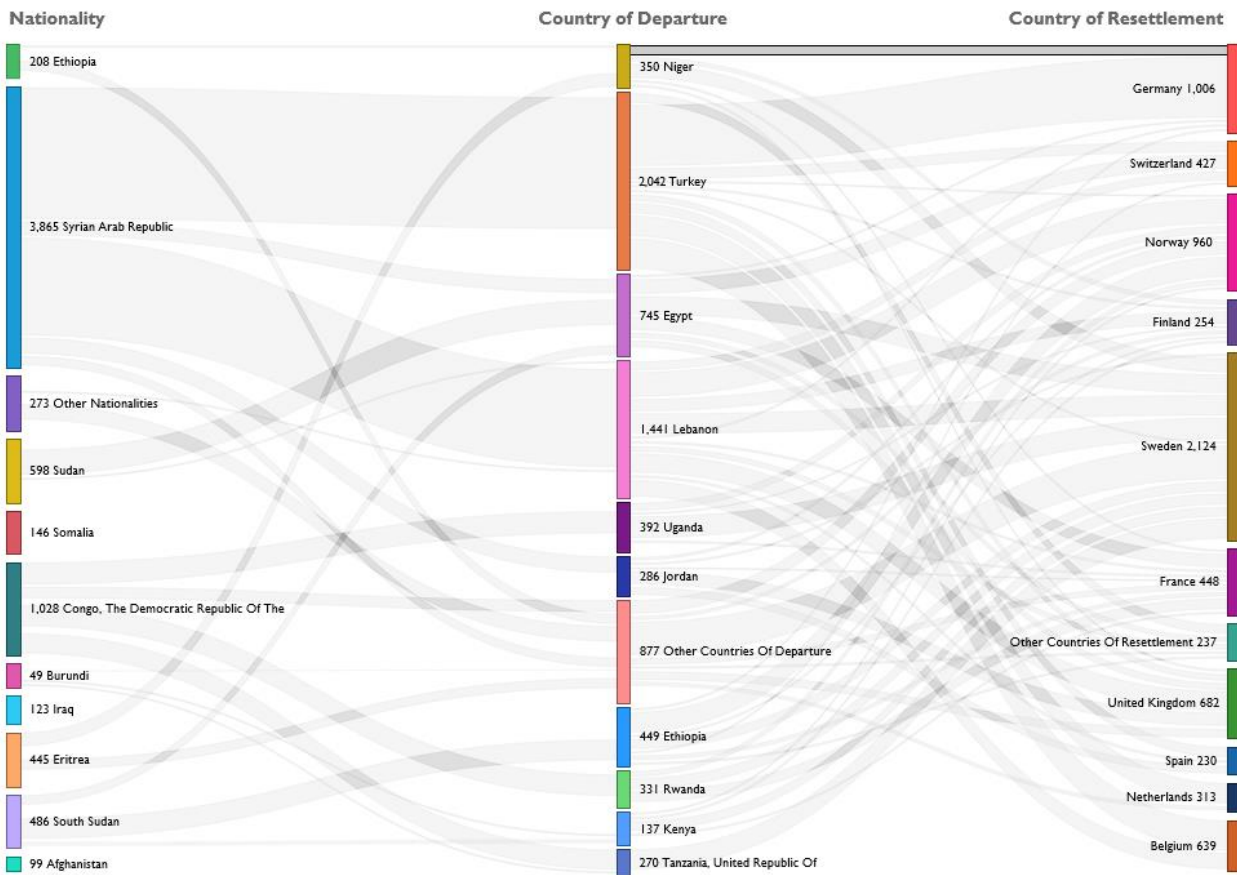
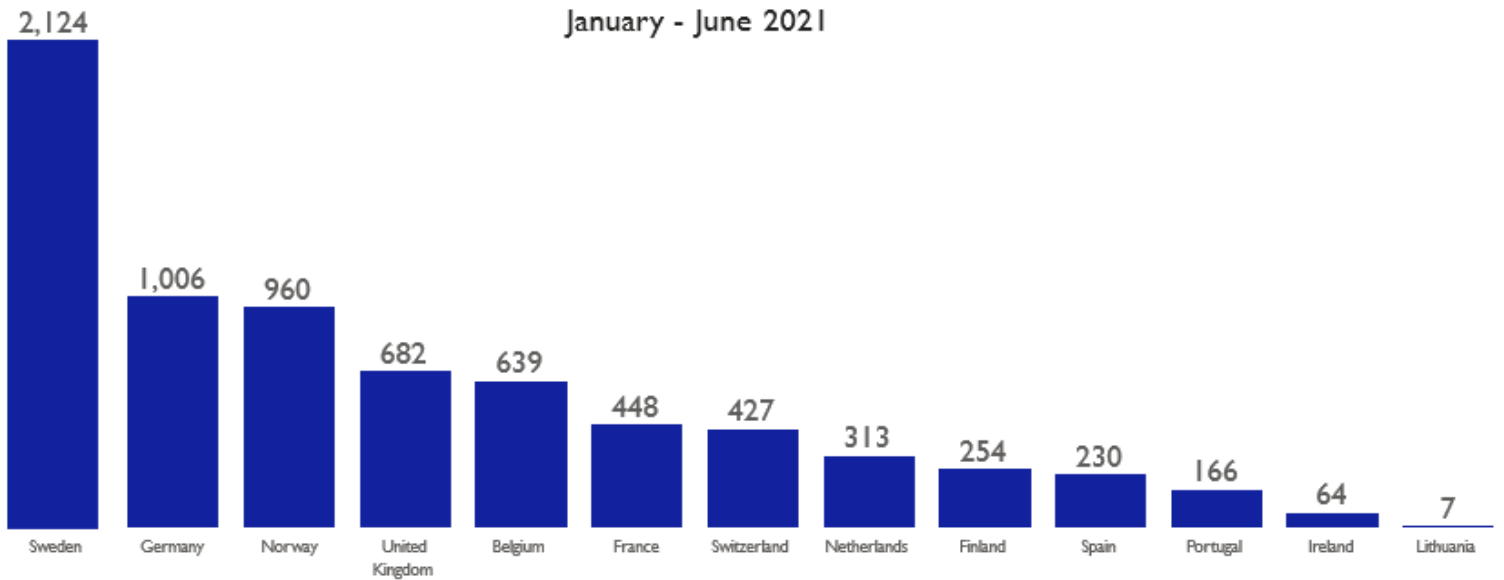
From January to June 2021, IOM assisted **90 refugees to reunite with their families** in the EEA and supported the **humanitarian admission of 879 beneficiaries** of international protection.



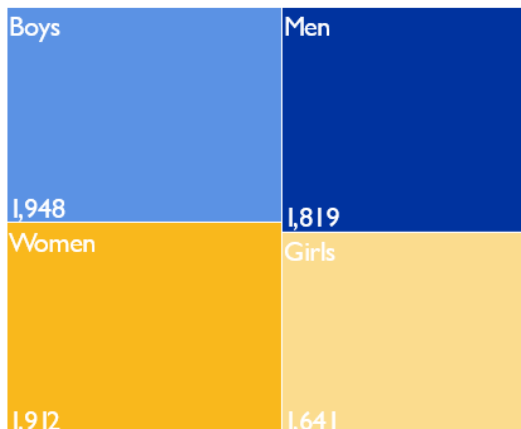
Resettlement and humanitarian admission to the EEA
Beneficiaries supported by IOM (2014-2021)



Resettlement and humanitarian admissions to the EEA January - June 2021



Sex and Age Breakdown



NOTE: IOM recognizes the diversity of gender identities, however for the purpose of the current the report a binary classification is used to match the available records.