

### Background and Key Findings

According to the latest available figures from the Turkish Presidency of Migration Management (PMM), there are more than 5.2\* million foreign nationals present in Turkish territory, 3.9\* million of whom are seeking international protection. Most are Syrians (3,535,898\* individuals: 3,488,373\* urban caseload and 47,525\* residing in camps) who are granted temporary protection status in Türkiye. There is a decrease of 201,471 individuals in the number of Syrian nationals in comparison to last year's figures. According to PMM, as of end of 2022, there were 33,246\* international protection applicants most frequently nationals of Afghanistan, Iraq and Ukraine constitute another group of foreign nationals seeking Turkish humanitarian and legal protection.

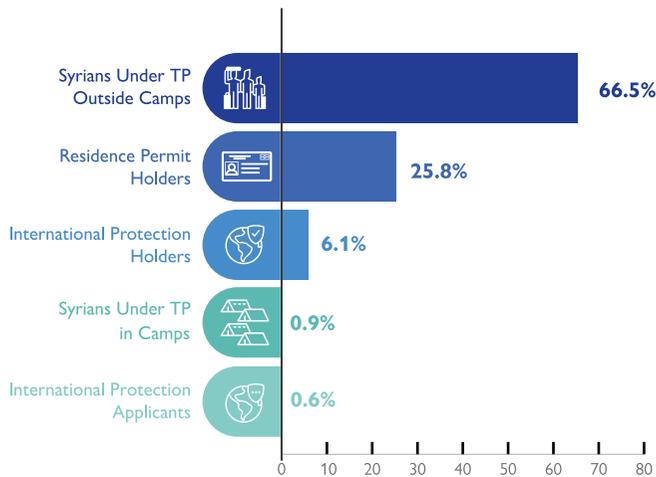
Moreover, according to UNHCR\*\*, there were 318,903 refugees and asylum-seekers in Türkiye as of mid of 2022.

In addition, there are 1,354,094\* foreign nationals present in Türkiye holding residency permits including humanitarian residence holders.

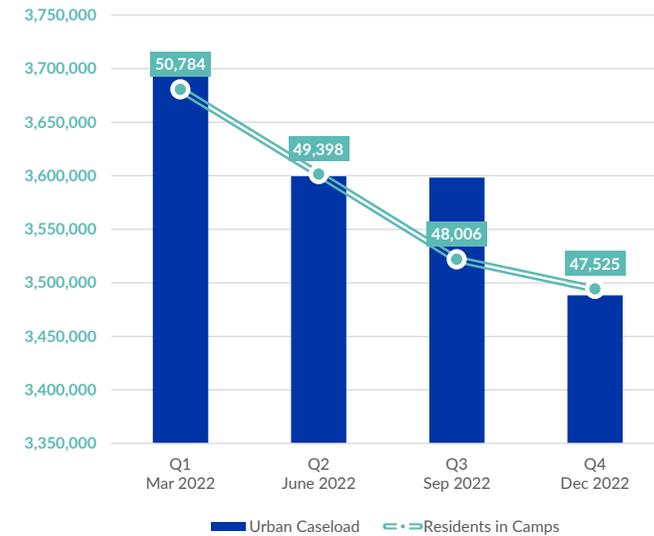
According to PMM, 285,027\* migrants in irregular situation of different nationalities were apprehended in Türkiye in 2022. Please see Page 4 for more details.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022  
\*\*Data source UNHCR, mid of 2022

### Legal Status of the Foreign Nationals Present in Turkish Territory



### Population Chart of Persons Under Temporary Protection



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Categories of the Foreigners in Türkiye

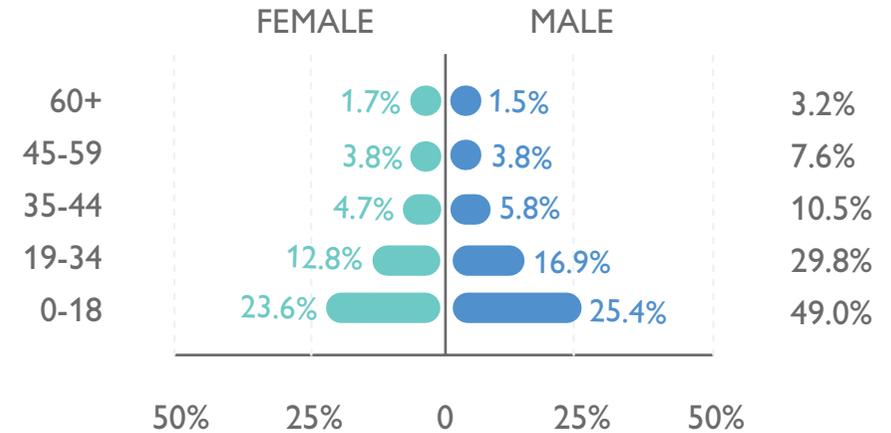
Temporary Protection (TP)

Türkiye’s Temporary Protection regime grants **3,535,898\*** Syrian nationals the right to legally stay in Türkiye as well as obtain some level of access to basic rights and services. The vast majority of **3,488,373\*** individuals live outside camps, mainly spread across cities at the Turkish border provinces of Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep and Hatay as well as other major cities in Türkiye. **47,525\*** Syrians live in **seven\*** Temporary Accommodation Centers (TACs). Please see Page 7 for more details.

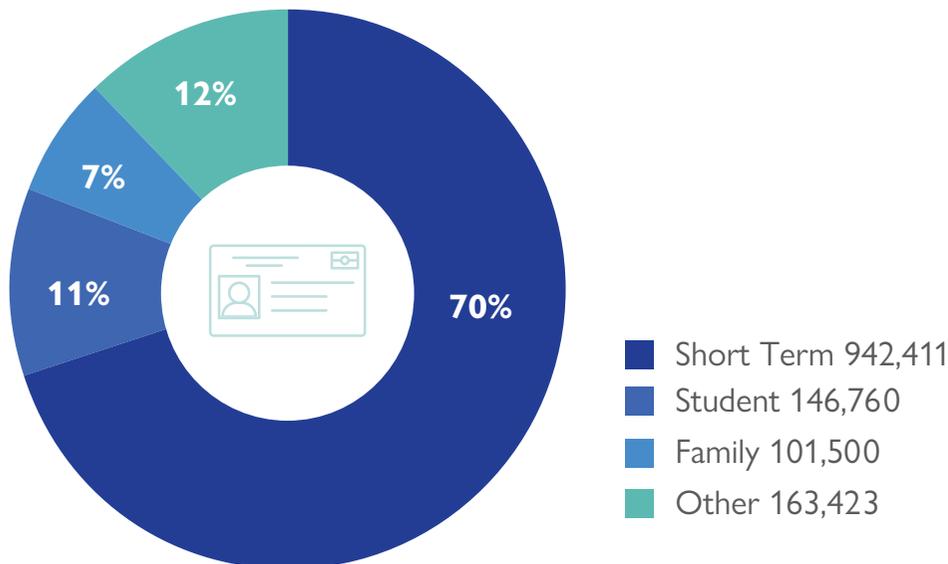
The demographic breakdown of Syrian nationals under temporary protection is shown on the graph on the right. Seventy nine per cent is below the age of 35.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

Demographic Breakdown of Biometrically Registered Syrians



Categories of Residence Permit



Residence Permit (RP)

Foreigners who seek stay in Türkiye beyond the duration of a visa or visa exemption -i.e. longer than 90 days, must obtain a residence permit. According to PMM, there are **1,354,094\*** residence permit holders in Türkiye with various categories of the residence permit, including short-term residence permit, family residence permit, student residence permit, long-term residence permit, humanitarian residence permit and residence permit for victims of human trafficking. A valid work permit as well as Work Permit Exemption Confirmation Document are also considered as a residence permit in Türkiye. As of 2021, there were **168,103\*\*** foreigners with work permit in Türkiye.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

\*\*Data source Ministry of Labor and Social Security, 2021

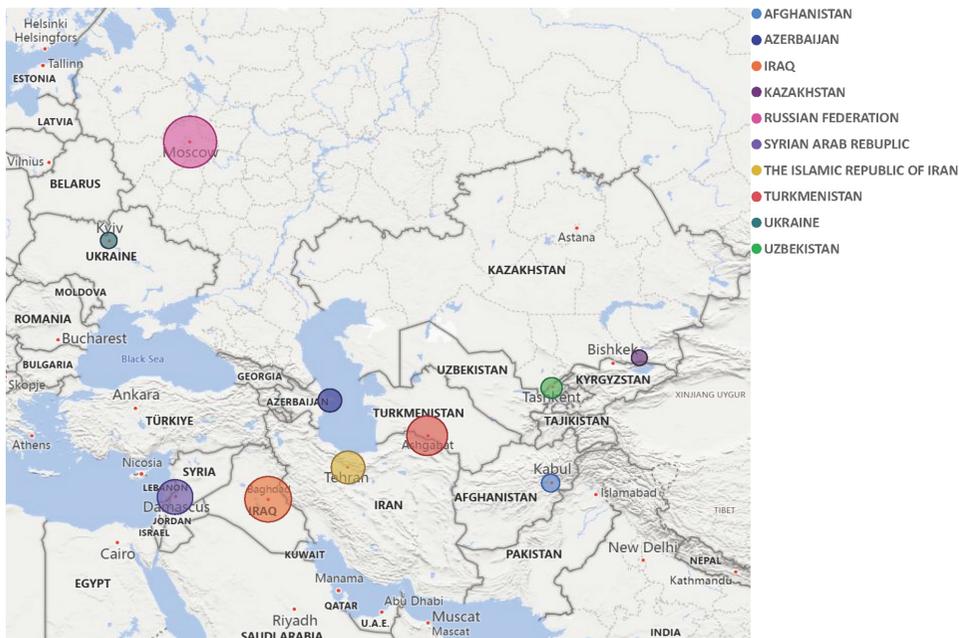
Categories of Foreigners in Türkiye

Residence Permit (RP)

942,411\* short-term residence holders compose the majority of all residence permit holders. The short-term residence holder number compared to previous year has decreased by 23,467 individuals. The RP holders are followed by 146,760\* student residence permit holders. Additionally, there are 101,500\* family residence permits granting the right to residence. Moreover, 163,423\* “other” residence permits were granted. Also, there is an increase by 22,166 in the number of other residency permit category in comparison to last year’s figures.

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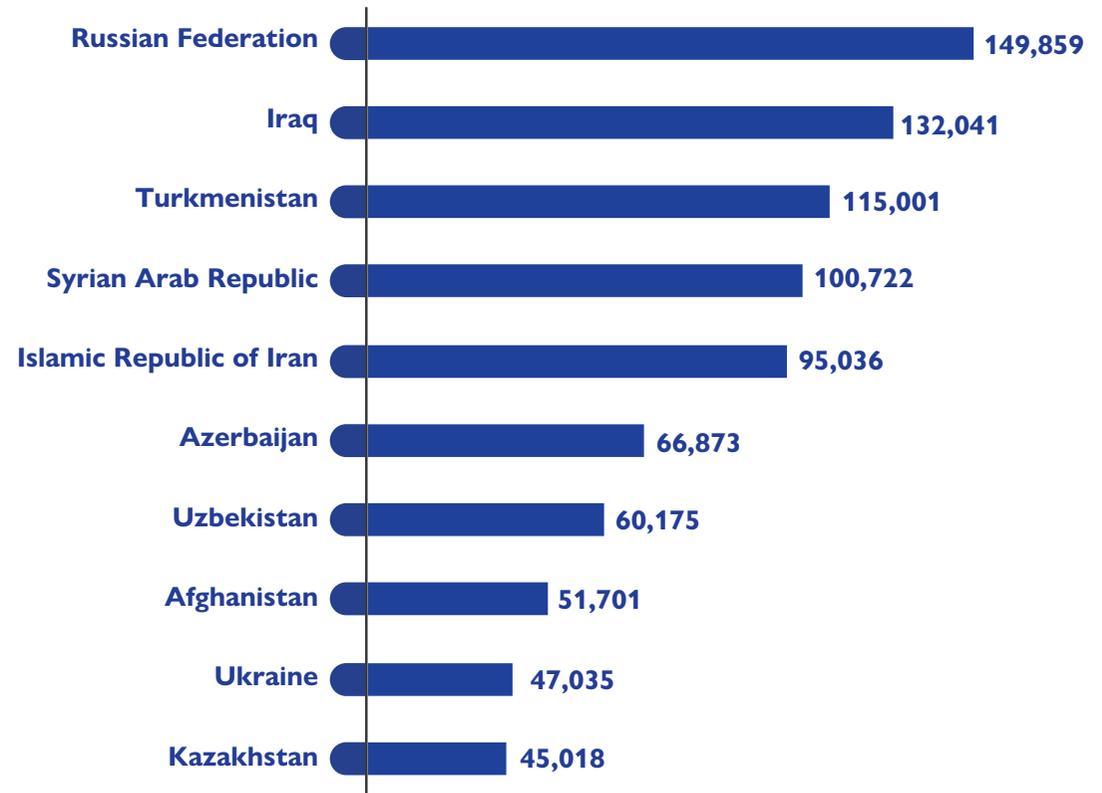
Main Countries of Origin for RP Holders in Türkiye for 2022



Source: PMM, 31.12.2022

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Top 10 Nationality Groups for Residence Permit Holders



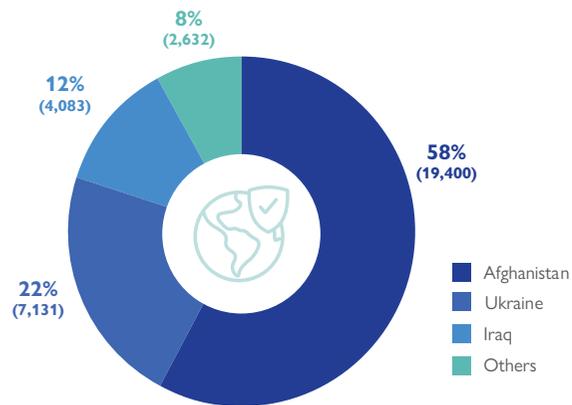
## Categories of Foreigners in Türkiye

### International Protection Applicants and Holders

There are 33,246\* international protection applicants in Türkiye of different nationalities, but primarily originating in Afghanistan, Ukraine and Iraq.

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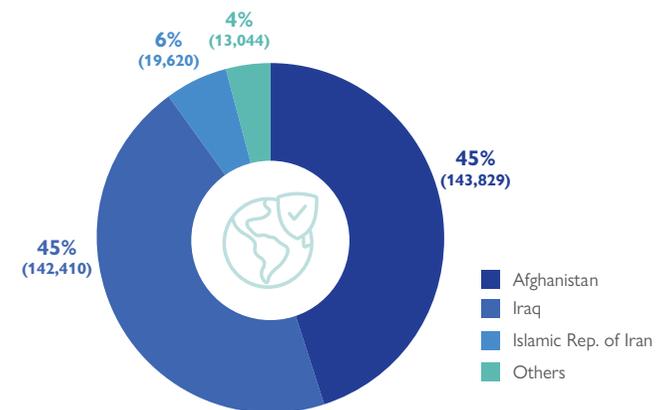
Nationalities of International Protection Applicants



As of mid 2022, there are 318,903\* refugees and asylum-seekers in Türkiye, most of whom from Iraq, Afghanistan and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

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Nationalities of International Protection Holders

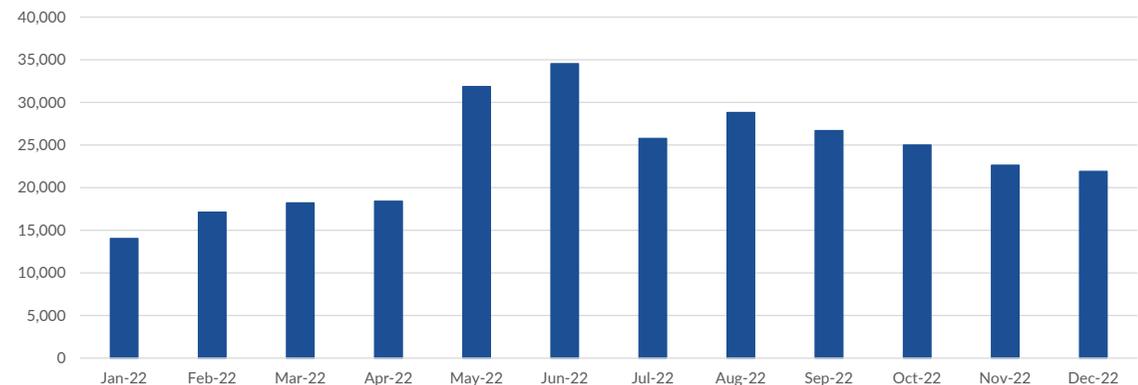


### Migrants in Irregular Situation

According to PMM figures, 285,027\* migrants in irregular situation and 9,147\* migrant smugglers were recorded in 2022, apprehended on various locations inside Türkiye. In 2021 said figures were 162,996 for migrants in irregular situation and 7,942 for migrant smugglers. The top three categories in 2022 are from Afghanistan, Syrian Arab Republic and Pakistan.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

Monthly Breakdown of Migrants in Irregular Situation in Türkiye for 2022



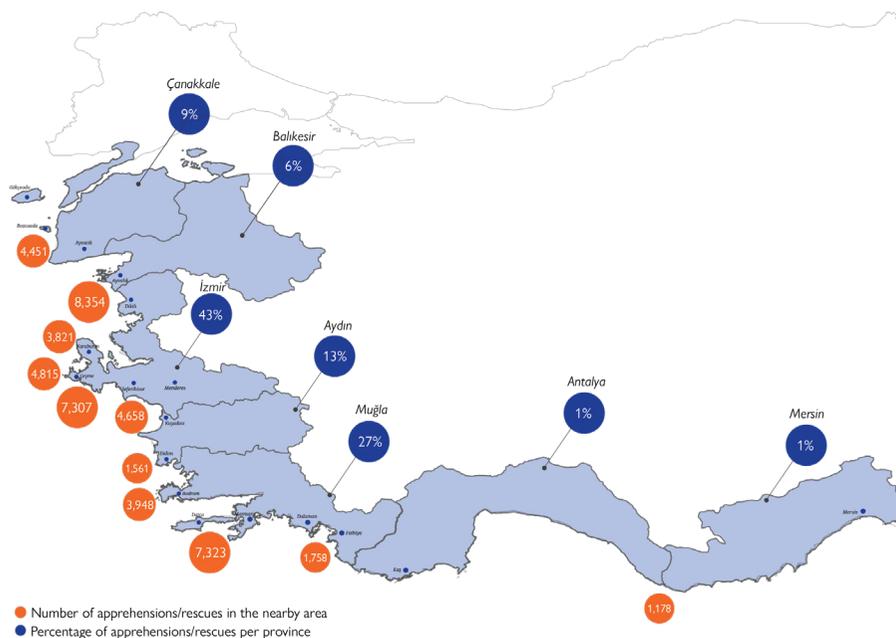
Migrants in Irregular Situation

Intercepted and Rescued Persons on Sea

According to Turkish Coast Guard (TCG) daily reports, TCG recorded 49,525\* migrants in irregular Situation at sea and registered 41\* fatalities in 2022. During the reporting period, there was an increase of 25,849 intercepted persons on sea by TCG compared to previous year. The top ten nationalities of intercepted/rescued persons are Afghan, Liberian, Syrian, Palestinian, Congolese, Bangladeshi, Yemeni, Eritrean, Central African and Iraqi.\*\*

\*Data source TCG, end of 2022

\*\*The information on nationality provided in this report is based on the nationality declared by migrants as reported by the Turkish authorities.



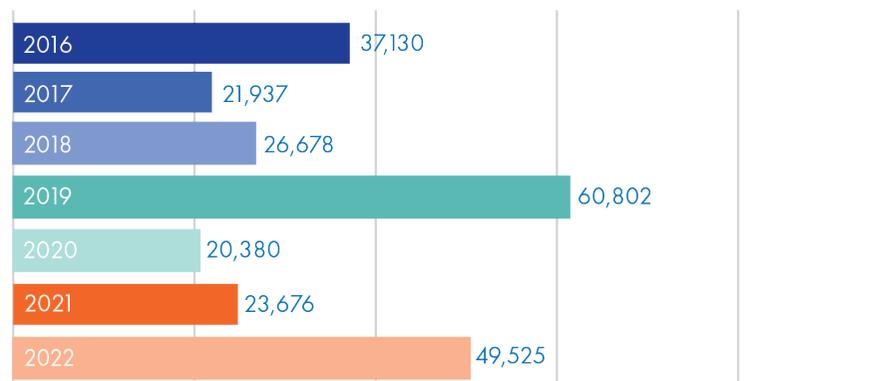
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“Interceptions/Rescues by Turkish Coast Guard Statistic for 2022 (1 January - 31 December)”

Time Period	Number of Cases	Number of Migrants in Irregular Situation	Number of Deaths	Number of Organizers
	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas	All Seas
January	77	1,929	1	6
February	83	2,637	2	49
March	76	2,771	0	10
April	117	3,243	2	17
May	139	4,680	0	45
June	160	4,660	1	24
July	161	5,103	1	23
August	194	6,331	3	43
September	165	5,710	22	38
October	169	4,777	6	23
November	143	3,666	1	4
December	133	4,018	2	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,617</b>	<b>49,525</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>292</b>

Annual Breakdown of Interceptions/Rescues by Turkish Coast Guard in Türkiye

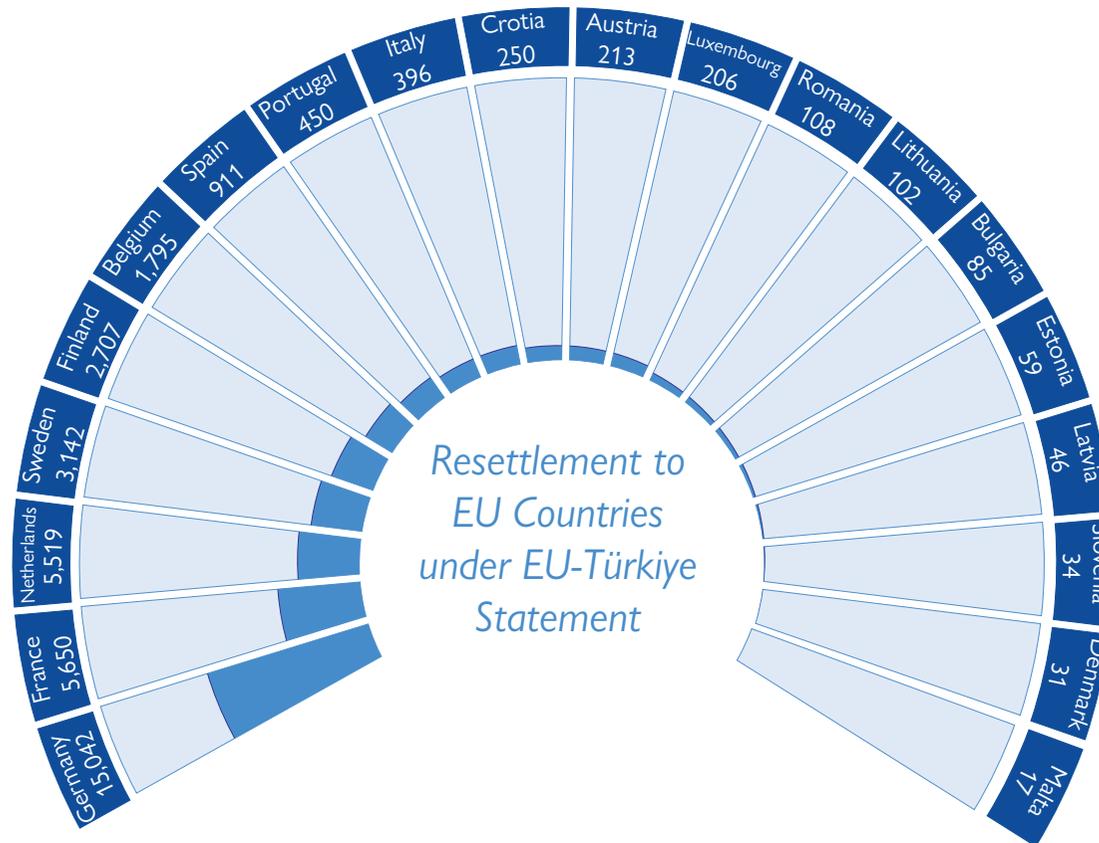
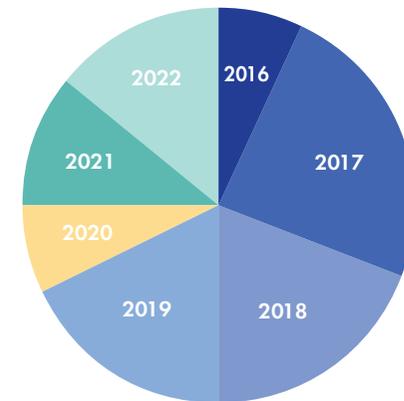


Resettled Syrians TP under EU-Türkiye Agreement

The agreement’s aim was to replace disorganized and irregular migratory flows by organized and safe pathways to European countries, in this regard, it is agreed on that for every Syrian being returned to Türkiye from the Greek islands, another Syrian will be resettled to Europe from Türkiye directly.

Resettlements from Türkiye to Europe								
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Resettlements	2,718	8,941	6,779	6,771	2,370	4,037	5,147	36,763

Annual Breakdown of Resettlements



Since April 4<sup>th</sup> when EU-Türkiye agreement on the readmission of migrants to Türkiye arriving in Greece after 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016 entered into force, a total number of **36,763\*** Syrians were resettled on the right mentioned countries according to One-to-One mechanism with the assistance of IOM.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

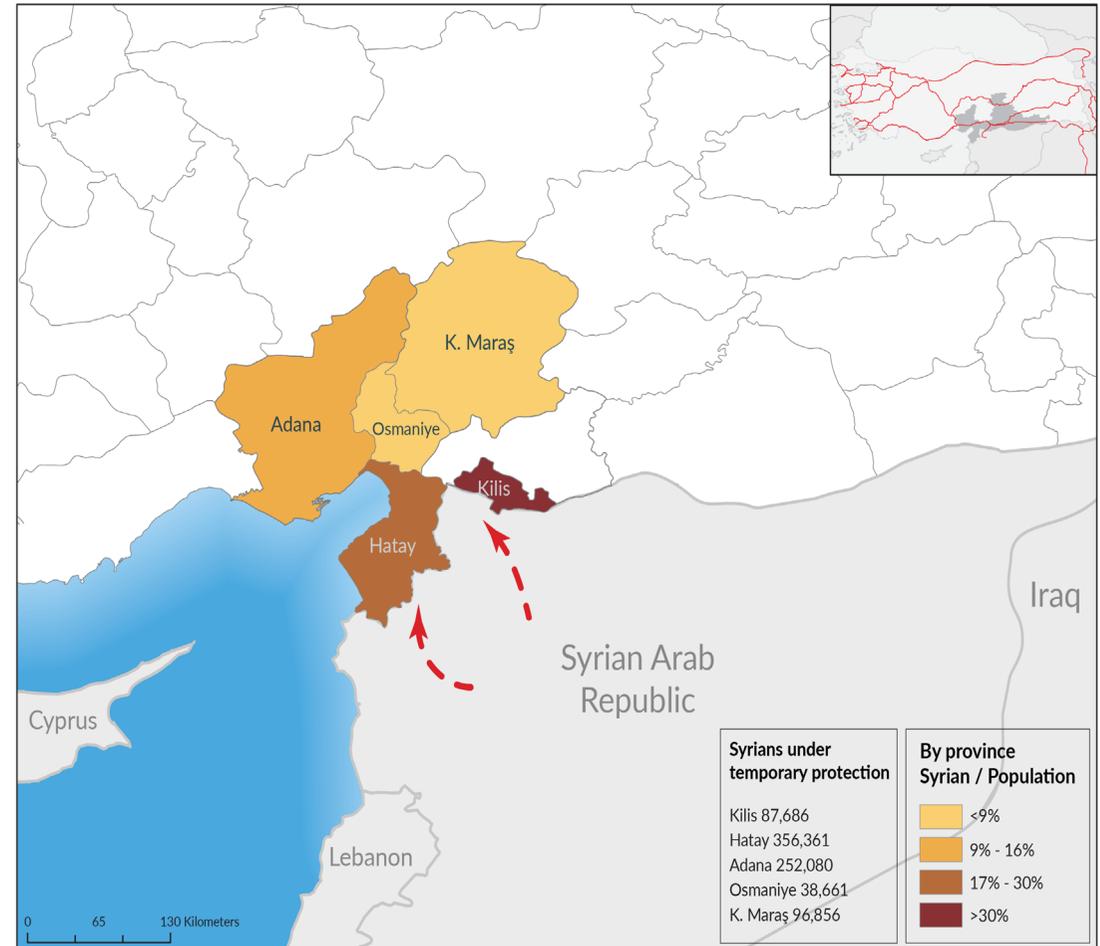
## Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Türkiye

There are **seven\*** Temporary Accommodation Centers for persons under Temporary Protection (mainly for Syrians under TP) dispersed in five cities in Türkiye namely Adana, Kahramanmaraş, Hatay, Osmaniye and Kilis run by PMM.

According to PMM statistics, a total population of **47,525\*** are currently residing in the camps. During the one year period, there was a decrease of 3,946 Syrian nationals in the camps' population. The density map of the Syrian nationals under temporary protection in the provinces, where camps are located, in comparison to the province populations are shown on the right. The camp populations in provinces are provided in the table below.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

Adana	15,856
Kahramanmaraş	9,629
Osmaniye	7,486
Kilis	7,423
Hatay	7,131



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## Accommodation Capacity and Services for Hosting Foreign Nationals in Türkiye

Removal centers host and monitor foreigners under administrative detention. **30\*** removal centers are operating in the provinces of Adana, Ağrı, Ankara, Antalya, Aydın, Bursa, Çanakkale, Çankırı, Edirne, Erzurum, Gaziantep, Hatay, İstanbul, İzmir, Kayseri, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Kütahya, Malatya, Muğla, Niğde, Şanlıurfa, Van and Iğdır. In total, the removal centers can currently hold **20,540\*** persons.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022



# 20,540

Current Capacity  
(Managed by PMM)

## Victims of Trafficking (VoTs)

According to PMM, the gradual decline in trafficking victims' numbers between 2010-2013 was replaced by a progressive increase starting from 2013 and continue till 2017. **215\*** individuals were identified in 2019, **282\*** in 2020, **402\*** in 2021 and **342\*** as of December 2022.

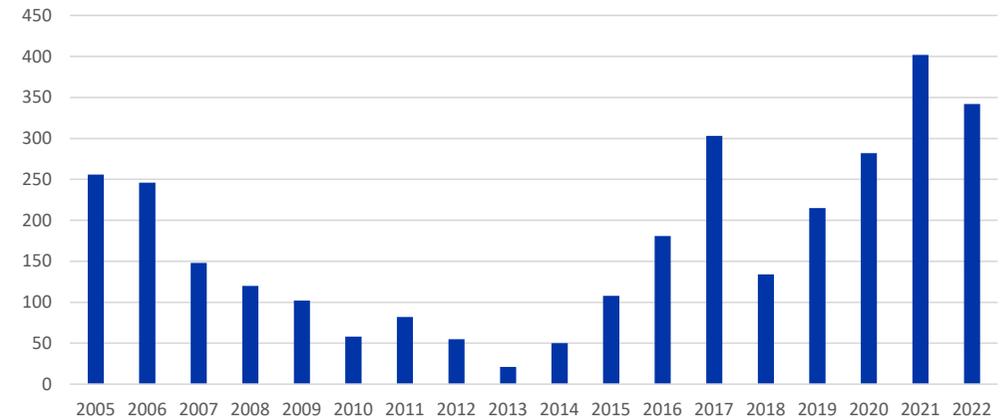
Two shelters for victims of trafficking are operational with a total capacity of **42\*** individuals. The shelters are operated by PMM.

\*Data source PMM, 31.12.2022

The number of victims of trafficking in shelters have not been published in 2021 and 2022.

Shelters for VOTs in Türkiye	Shelter Capacity
Shelter in Ankara	30
Shelter in Kırkkale	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>

## Annual Breakdown for Victims of Trafficking in Türkiye



## Main Exit and Entry Points

Known entry points by land: Hatay, Kilis, Şanlıurfa (from Syrian Arab Republic), Silopi, Çukurca (from Iraq), Şemdinli, Yüksekova, Başkale, Ağrı, Doğubeyazıt (from The Islamic Republic of Iran)

Known entry points by air: İstanbul, İstanbul Sabiha Gökçen, Antalya, Esenboğa Ankara (from third countries)

Known exit points by sea: Çeşme, Ayvalık, Didim, Bodrum, Küçükkuyu (Locations close to Lesbos, Samos, Chios, Symi, Kos and Rodos), and Kırklareli, Kocaeli, İstanbul on the Black Sea.

Known exit points by land: Edirne (to Greece and Bulgaria), Kırklareli (to Bulgaria)

Known exit points by air: İstanbul, İstanbul Sabiha Gökçen (to certain EU member states)



Source: DTM, 31.12.2022

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