

Refugee Quota Programme 2013/14 to 2015/16

In June 2013 Cabinet signed off the three-year rolling plan for New Zealand's refugee resettlement programme and agreed to the following:

- Refugee Quota Programme remains at 750 annually (plus or minus ten percent)
- Geographical diversity (Asia-Pacific; Africa; Middle East; Americas), with the main focus on refugees located in the Asia-Pacific Region
- Family-link criterion for the Africa and Middle East regions retained
- Continuation of family reunification subcategory – includes declared spouse and dependent children of quota refugees in New Zealand and UNHCR-referred cases with family links in New Zealand
- Ability to respond to emergency refugee crisis identified by UNHCR (50 individuals)

Composition of the Refugee Quota by region (country of asylum) for 2013/14

| Asia-Pacific Region | Rest of the World |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| 375 (50% of the 750 annual quota) | 375 (50% of the 750 annual quota) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Africa: 108 - Middle East: 107 - Americas: 160 |

2013/14 proposed Refugee Quota intakes and settlement regions

Intake One: July 2013 – Completed 127

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|-------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Afghanistan | Indonesia | Auckland |
| Sri Lanka | Indonesia | Auckland |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | Auckland, Wellington, Nelson |
| Bhutan | Nepal | Manawatu, Nelson |
| Eritrea | Yemen | Auckland, Waikato |
| Iraq | Syria | Auckland, Wellington |
| Palestine | Syria | Auckland |
| Colombia | Ecuador | Waikato, Wellington |

Intake Two: September 2013 – Completed 122

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Afghanistan | Indonesia | Auckland |
| Bhutan | Nepal | Manawatu, Nelson |
| Colombia | Ecuador | Waikato, Wellington |
| Congo | Uganda | Auckland |
| Eritrea | Sudan | Wellington |
| Ethiopia | Palau | Waikato |
| Iraq | Syria | Auckland, Wellington |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | Auckland, Waikato |
| Sri Lanka | Thailand | Wellington |

Intake Three: November 2013 – Completed 123

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Afghanistan | Indonesia | Auckland, Waikato |
| Bhutan | Nepal | Manawatu, Nelson |
| Iran | Indonesia | Wellington |
| Iraq | Syria | Auckland, Wellington |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | All settlement locations* |
| Palestine | Syria | Auckland |
| Various (family reunification) | Various | |

* Dependent on family links and ethnicities

Intake Four: January 2014 – Completed 125

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Colombia | Ecuador | Wellington, Waikato |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | All settlement locations* |
| Sri Lanka | Indonesia | Auckland, Wellington |
| Eritrea | Yemen | Auckland, Waikato, Wellington |
| Various (family reunification) | Various | |

* Dependent on family links and ethnicities

Intake Five: March 2014 – Completed 138

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Colombia | Ecuador | Wellington, Waikato |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | All settlement locations* |
| Various (family reunification) | Various | |

* Dependent on family links and ethnicities

Intake Six: May 2014 – Completed 115

| Nationality | Country of Asylum | Settlement Region |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Iraq | Syria | Auckland, Wellington |
| Palestine | Syria | Auckland |
| Bhutan | Nepal | Manawatu, Nelson |
| Burma | Thailand, Malaysia | All settlement locations* |
| Various (family reunification) | Various | |

* Dependent on family links and ethnicities

Composition of the Refugee Quota by region (country of asylum) for 2014/15 and 2015/16 financial years

- From 2014/15, up to 150 places will be allocated to refugees subject to offshore processing from Australia (“transferees”)
- 40 per cent will be allocated to UNHCR-referred refugees from the Asia-Pacific region
- 40 per cent will be allocated to UNHCR-referred refugees from the rest of the world as shown in the below table

| Asia-Pacific Region | Rest of the World | Transferees (subject to offshore processing in Australia) |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 300 (40% of the 750 annual quota) | 300 (40% of the 750 annual quota) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Africa: 83 (11%) - Middle East: 82 (11%) - Americas: 135 (18%) | Up to 150 |