



Immigration and
Refugee Board of Canada
**Refugee Protection
Division**

Commission de l'immigration
et du statut de réfugié du Canada
**Section de la protection
des réfugiés**

COUNTRY REPORT - PERSECUTION

October to December 2015 & Year to Date 2015

Disclaimer:

- (1) Only data on the first country of persecution is gathered. The information is captured as entered in the tracking system.
- (2) Claims finalized in a given year may have been referred in a previous year

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Country of Alleged Persecution	Claims Referred		Accepted		Rejected		Abandoned		Withdrawn & Other		Total Finalizations		Pending
Regions	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	2015 Oct - Dec	2015 Jan - Dec	as of Dec 31 2015
National	4,691	16,521	2,376	9,531	1,140	5,332	47	381	222	1,085	3,785	16,329	16,238
Eastern	1,114	3,787	629	2,564	365	1,776	10	106	43	289	1,047	4,735	2,728
Central	3,044	10,813	1,407	5,789	590	2,821	25	234	160	661	2,182	9,505	12,494
Western	533	1,921	340	1,178	185	735	12	41	19	135	556	2,089	1,016

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Afghanistan	195	476	65	311	12	53	0	9	0	22	77	395	393
Albania	47	154	19	85	14	89	0	3	2	13	35	190	197
Algeria	12	59	7	40	9	52	0	0	0	5	16	97	24
Andorra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angola	2	15	0	7	4	16	0	0	0	0	4	23	14
Antigua and Barbuda	3	13	2	10	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	12	15
Argentina	2	8	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	3	1	7	5
Armenia	0	5	1	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	2	6	6
Aruba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Australia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Austria	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	4
Azerbaijan	6	18	2	6	0	3	0	0	1	1	3	10	25
Bahamas	20	67	9	18	5	15	0	5	1	2	15	40	46
Bahrain	0	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	4
Bangladesh	56	227	32	149	15	72	0	1	5	10	52	232	213
Barbados	8	35	7	17	0	9	0	0	2	2	9	28	34
Belarus(Byelorussia)	3	8	1	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	11
Belgium	3	16	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	9
Belize	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1
Benin	3	18	2	15	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	21	7
Bermuda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bhutan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bolivia	3	3	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	4	12
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0	5	0	3	1	3	0	1	0	1	1	8	10
Botswana	0	5	6	6	0	9	0	1	1	5	7	21	44
Brazil	15	41	1	4	0	10	2	5	2	4	5	23	41

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British Virgin Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brunei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bulgaria	2	5	2	4	0	5	0	0	1	5	3	14	25
Burkina Faso	6	21	4	13	1	2	0	0	1	1	6	16	9
Burundi	83	253	58	125	15	49	0	0	0	2	73	176	157
Cambodia	3	5	4	11	2	7	0	0	0	2	6	20	17
Cameroon	47	224	36	151	15	54	0	2	1	2	52	209	113
Cape Verde	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cayman Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Central African Rep	1	9	1	13	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	15	3
Chad	33	87	13	61	3	26	1	1	0	1	17	89	44
Chile	15	33	0	5	0	13	0	1	0	0	0	19	22
China	394	1,722	152	753	145	704	5	28	10	47	312	1,532	1,830
Colombia	173	705	95	320	60	278	0	7	8	52	163	657	671
Comoros	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Congo (Brazzaville)	6	36	3	17	5	13	0	0	0	1	8	31	25
Congo, Dem Rep (Zaire)	70	293	26	135	41	171	3	7	1	9	71	322	201
Costa Rica	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	6
Croatia	15	28	4	51	19	117	0	1	8	101	31	270	325
Cuba	29	96	13	83	2	36	2	11	2	6	19	136	61
Cyprus	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Czech Republic	17	118	1	34	9	15	0	0	14	24	24	73	140
Czechoslovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Djibouti	37	71	7	42	2	12	0	0	0	0	9	54	64
Dominica	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Dominican Republic	5	19	2	8	1	16	0	3	0	5	3	32	20
Ecuador	4	13	0	4	0	10	0	1	1	1	1	16	20

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Egypt	62	188	56	164	4	17	0	0	1	10	61	191	130
El Salvador	71	194	33	145	7	85	2	5	2	10	44	245	182
England	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
Eritrea	73	286	68	259	5	17	2	3	0	8	75	287	198
Estonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethiopia	87	312	48	156	13	75	2	3	0	2	63	236	244
Fiji	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
France	4	10	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	6	7
French Guiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gabon	1	3	1	1	1	4	0	0	0	1	2	6	1
Gambia	7	18	2	10	1	11	0	1	0	0	3	22	26
Georgia	18	87	7	16	4	34	0	4	2	4	13	58	148
Germany	3	7	0	1	2	10	0	0	0	1	2	12	3
Germany DR (East)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ghana	22	89	10	33	13	48	0	0	1	5	24	86	82
Greece	4	18	0	0	11	35	0	1	1	9	12	45	19
Grenada	1	6	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	1	0	7	12
Guadeloupe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guatemala	8	46	4	25	5	22	1	2	2	2	12	51	73
Guinea	9	50	10	31	5	44	0	1	0	2	15	78	36
Guinea-Bissau	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Guyana	19	32	1	4	7	7	0	0	0	0	8	11	52
Haiti	66	313	39	158	48	210	6	8	0	12	93	388	159
Honduras	32	122	19	70	8	66	0	5	0	7	27	148	124
Hong Kong (SAR)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	3	21
Hungary	293	984	59	587	33	216	4	14	29	148	125	965	1,467

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Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
India	140	375	42	188	59	221	2	51	3	42	106	502	552
Indonesia	5	20	4	11	6	8	0	0	0	0	10	19	14
Iran	44	177	36	138	5	25	0	3	3	12	44	178	132
Iraq	205	587	153	536	13	42	0	1	17	33	183	612	335
Ireland	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	6	6
Israel	7	34	1	7	17	48	0	0	0	5	18	60	62
Italy	16	44	0	0	19	45	0	0	3	3	22	48	33
Ivory Coast	10	32	3	15	2	15	0	0	1	3	6	33	24
Jamaica	61	186	22	84	16	92	0	2	1	9	39	187	177
Japan	0	4	0	0	1	7	0	0	3	3	4	10	10
Jordan	30	85	3	37	14	41	0	0	0	4	17	82	67
Kazakhstan	8	20	6	16	3	3	0	1	0	0	9	20	61
Kenya	13	59	7	25	1	20	0	0	0	0	8	45	57
Kiribati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Korea DPR (North)	0	13	2	2	0	26	0	21	0	25	2	74	56
Korea R. (South)	2	13	0	0	0	10	0	1	0	3	0	14	20
Kosovo	4	47	5	21	0	24	0	4	1	3	6	52	59
Kuwait	4	13	2	6	2	7	1	1	1	1	6	15	6
Kyrgyzstan	6	30	9	16	3	9	1	1	0	0	13	26	17
Laos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Latvia	0	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	8	12
Lebanon	100	247	40	120	22	86	0	0	0	7	62	213	149
Lesotho	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liberia	1	5	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	4
Libya	125	536	94	375	10	56	0	0	0	2	104	433	208
Liechtenstein	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuania	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	1	5	11

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Luxembourg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Macao	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Macedonia	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	10
Madagascar	0	1	1	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	5	2
Malawi	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Malaysia	0	5	0	2	1	2	1	1	0	0	2	5	12
Maldives	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mali	20	87	6	27	14	38	0	1	0	3	20	69	48
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Martinique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mauritania	14	43	2	18	1	8	1	1	0	0	4	27	25
Mauritius	4	5	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
Mexico	28	103	16	47	52	95	1	7	1	25	70	174	161
Moldova	3	6	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	19
Mongolia	15	36	7	19	0	13	0	0	0	0	7	32	28
Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Montserrat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morocco	11	26	2	11	6	19	0	0	1	4	9	34	17
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myanmar, Burma	0	4	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5	3
Namibia	1	7	0	9	0	18	0	1	0	1	0	29	62
Nauru	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nepal	43	95	14	49	2	7	0	1	0	0	16	57	80
Netherlands	0	6	0	4	0	7	0	0	0	1	0	12	2
Netherlands Antilles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nevis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Caledonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Zealand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Nicaragua	4	13	0	1	3	8	0	1	0	1	3	11	7
Niger	1	6	0	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	7	2
Nigeria	226	848	100	404	54	279	0	3	2	30	156	716	817
Norway	3	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	3	3
Oman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	282	948	170	698	43	174	0	1	3	15	216	888	629
Palau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Palestine	48	132	13	57	13	37	0	1	4	12	30	107	85
Panama	1	2	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	9	9
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peru	10	34	2	14	5	28	0	2	1	9	8	53	31
Philippines	4	25	0	2	4	19	0	0	0	4	4	25	20
Pitcairn Island	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Poland	3	19	4	15	1	18	1	12	0	11	6	56	50
Portugal	11	14	0	0	0	12	0	1	0	3	0	16	18
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qatar	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Romania	0	4	0	2	0	13	3	67	1	1	4	83	181
Russia	37	107	13	63	6	24	0	1	0	3	19	91	116
Rwanda	18	62	10	39	2	21	0	1	0	4	12	65	47
Saint Kitts and Nevis, Fed. Of	0	8	0	2	0	7	0	1	0	0	0	10	9
Saint Lucia	5	33	19	39	5	33	0	2	1	8	25	82	165
Saint Vincent	3	38	2	25	8	28	0	2	0	1	10	56	131
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Sao Tome and Principe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi Arabia	27	76	18	41	3	9	0	1	0	0	21	51	46
Senegal	11	56	8	40	2	14	0	0	2	2	12	56	21

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Serbia	0	2	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	5	28
Serbia and Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seychelles	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Sierra Leone	2	12	1	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	2	7	9
Singapore	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	5
Slovakia	124	374	20	168	8	52	0	5	46	104	74	329	534
Slovakia (Slovak Republic)	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	6
Solomon Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Somalia	166	517	73	219	48	135	3	18	1	12	125	384	452
South Africa	6	32	0	18	5	10	0	0	0	0	5	28	25
Spain	2	13	0	3	0	8	0	2	1	5	1	18	9
Sri Lanka	64	306	43	223	13	80	1	2	1	10	58	315	735
Stateless	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Sudan	21	94	27	73	2	22	0	4	0	4	29	103	83
Sudan (South)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Suriname	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swaziland	0	4	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	26
Sweden	2	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	4
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Syria	194	592	206	594	15	30	0	2	6	10	227	636	211
Taiwan	1	3	0	2	1	5	0	1	0	0	1	8	3
Tajikistan	4	6	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4	7
Tanzania	15	29	2	9	3	11	0	0	1	1	6	21	29
Thailand	4	8	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	3	9
Togo	15	20	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	16	18
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trinidad and Tobago	1	12	1	4	1	4	0	1	1	5	3	14	20

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Tunisia	6	34	8	21	0	18	0	1	0	1	8	41	31
Turkey	90	295	26	111	11	63	0	1	4	19	41	194	360
Turkmenistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
Turks and Caicos Islands	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	3
Tuvalu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
U.S. Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uganda	23	88	18	47	5	15	0	1	0	1	23	64	70
Ukraine	75	393	40	191	25	126	0	3	1	6	66	326	298
United Arab Emirates	0	7	2	11	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	17	5
United Kingdom	0	2	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	3
United States of America	16	68	0	3	14	80	1	9	1	22	16	114	88
Unknown	3	23	1	25	1	7	0	0	0	3	2	35	18
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
USSR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uzbekistan	11	35	4	20	1	6	0	0	1	1	6	27	36
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Venezuela	68	242	60	160	8	41	0	0	0	9	68	210	155
Vietnam	3	14	1	5	3	5	0	1	0	1	4	12	12
Yemen	42	155	59	129	1	5	0	0	0	0	60	134	68
Yemen Dem Rep (YEM-South)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambia	1	4	1	3	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	6	5
Zimbabwe	14	45	7	32	2	10	0	0	0	3	9	45	43
Blank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	4,691	16,521	2,376	9,531	1,140	5,332	47	381	222	1,085	3,785	16,329	16,238