

First Permits Completeness

EU 27	First permits issued for family reasons Table: First permits by reason, length of validity and citizenship (migr_resfirst)	
	Completeness	Description
BE	According to the Belgian national authority, permits issued to third country nationals joining an EU citizen are valid 5 years while permits issued for joining a non EU citizen are valid 1 year.	
BG	<p>The distribution by family member and length of validity category is not applicable for 2008-2010 reference periods. These categories are available from 2011 reference period.</p> <p>The "Other family members" category is included in "Spouse/Partner" category, for length of validity less than 12 months.</p> <p>The subcategory "Other family members joining a non-EU citizen" is not applicable.</p>	
DK	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available. However, permits issued for family reasons are issued only with a validity of 12 months or more.</p> <p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: data relate to persons joining a Danish citizen only. Persons joining a citizen of a Member State other than Denmark are recorded as persons joining a non EU citizen.</p> <p>2008 data:</p> <p>it is not possible to distinguish third country nationals joining an EU citizen and those joining a non EU citizen (information not available). The distribution by family member is not available.</p> <p>2011 data:</p> <p>"Spouse/Partner joining an EU citizen" subcategory includes 856 permits registered without length of validity. Most of these permits (94%) have a validity of 12 months or more and are therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>"Spouse/Partner Joining a non-EU citizen" subcategory includes 619 permits registered without length of validity. Most of these permits (73%) have a validity of 12 months or more and are therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>"Child joining an EU citizen" subcategory includes 159 permits registered without length of validity (for 2011 reference period).</p>	

According to Danish authority these permits are estimated to have a validity of 12 months or more and are therefore listed in this subcategory.

"Child joining a non EU citizen" subcategory includes 622 permits registered without length of validity. Most of these permits (72%) have a validity of 12 months or more and are therefore listed in this subcategory.

"Other family member joining a non-EU citizen" subcategory includes 1 permit registered without length of validity. This permit is estimated to have the length of validity of 12 months.

2012 data

The subcategories "Joining an EU citizen" with length of validity greater than 12 months:

- "Spouse/Partner" subcategory includes 9 permits registered without length of validity; 4% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of 6-12 months and 96% a validity of 12 months or more.

- "Children (Minor/Adult)" subcategory includes 117 permits registered without length of validity; 4% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 96% of these permits a validity of 12 months or more.

The subcategories "Joining a non-EU citizen" with length of validity greater than 12 months:

- Spouse/Partner subcategory includes 12 permits registered without length of validity; 1% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 5% of these permits a validity of 3-6 months, 17% a validity of 6-12 months and 77% a validity of 12 months or more.

- Children (Minor/Adult) subcategory includes 11 permits registered without length of validity. 2% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 4% of these permits a validity of 3-6 months, 14% a validity of 6-12 months and 80% a validity of 12 months or more.

2013 data

"Spouse/Partner" Joining an EU citizen subcategory includes 1 permit registered without length of validity. This permit is estimated to have a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this subcategory.

"Children (Minor/Adult)" "Joining an EU citizen" include 49 permits registered without length of validity. All of these permits are estimated to have a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this

	<p>subcategory.</p> <p>“Children (Minor/Adult)” “Joining a non-EU citizen” sub-category includes 6 permits registered without length of validity. 1% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 5% of these permits a validity of 3-6 months, 13% a validity of 6-12 months and 81% a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>2014 data</p> <p>“Spouse/Partner” Joining an EU citizen sub-category includes 7 permits registered without length of validity. 4% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of 6-12 months and 96% a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>“Children (Minor/Adult)” “Joining a non-EU citizen” sub-category includes 44 permits registered without length of validity. 3% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of 6-12 months and 97% a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this subcategory.</p>	
DE		<p>Citizens from Serbia, Kosovo, Serbia and Montenegro, Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>Following countries of citizenship cannot be provided separately: Recognised non-citizen, Western Sahara and Palestinian Territory.</p>
EE	<p>It is not possible to distinguish third country nationals joining an EU citizen (60% of all cases for 2008 and 2009 and 40% for 2010) and those joining a non EU citizen (information not available).</p> <p>For some cases (22 in 2008 and 13 in 2009) the distribution by family member is not applicable. These cases are recorded under the category "Other family member".</p> <p>The category "Other family member" includes some cases from "Partner" or "Child" categories.</p>	<p>Citizenships Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, Switzerland are not applicable.</p>
IE	<p>All persons from "Other family member" category were granted permission for 12 months or more.</p> <p>The number of children who joined an EU or non EU citizen is underestimated due to the fact that only persons over 16 are issued with a residence permit - with the exception of non-EEA family members who are applying for residence under the European Communities Regulations (Free Movement of Persons).</p>	<p>Citizens from Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>For 2008 and 2009 reference periods, citizens from the Republic of the Congo are included in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.</p> <p>Citizens from Democratic People's Republic of Korea are included in Republic of Korea.</p>

EL	Permits valid between 3 and 5 months do not exist in the national legislation.	
ES	<p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: the distribution by family member is not available. These data has been estimated (e.g. for 2011 reference period has been estimated in 97% of the cases).</p> <p>The distribution by family member of third country nationals joining an EU citizen has been estimated in some cases.</p>	According to the Spanish national authority, family members of EU citizens are subject to the EU Scheme, in accordance with national legislation. All of these persons are issued with a Family Residence Card for EU Citizens. The family relationship is applicable but not available for statistics (is not available in electronic format).
FR	<p>The distribution by family member is not available for length of validity less than 12 months.</p> <p>The distribution by family member is not available.</p> <p>Data include only the metropolitan area (overseas territories and Mayotte are excluded).</p>	No permits are issued to minors, except for a few cases of workers 16-18 years old.
HR	Only the total of residence permits by citizenship is available.	
IT	<p>According to the Italian national authority, first permits issued for family reasons are in general valid 12 months, except for special cases (some data not available for length of validity less than 12 months).</p> <p>Joining an EU citizen not available for Permissions valid for at least 3 and less than 6 months.</p>	
CY	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>The distribution by family member is available for third country nationals joining a non EU citizen in 2008 only.</p>	
LV	<p>For 2008 - 2011,</p> <p>The distribution by family member is available only in case of third country national joins Latvian citizen or, in case of family reunification with a third country national, when a third country national joins non Latvia citizen.</p> <p>In case of family reunification with citizens of other EU countries and with third country nationals, all family members are included into category „ Spouse/Partner” which means that minor children and other family members are included into that category.</p>	
LT	The distribution by family member is not available for 2008-2011	

HU	<p>The disaggregation by "Spouse/Partner" is not applicable.</p> <p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: permits valid less than 12 months is a category not applicable.</p>	
NL	<p>It is not possible to distinguish third country nationals joining an EU citizen and those joining a non EU citizen (information not available).</p> <p>For 2008-2013,</p> <p>The distribution by length of validity is not available and all permits are reported under permissions valid for at least 6 months and less than 12 months.</p>	
AT	<p>The distribution by family member is not available and all cases are reported under "Other family member" category or under "Spouse/Partner" category.</p> <p>The category "Joining a non EU citizen" is not applicable.</p> <p>All family members do receive the same permit. The given figures in the category Spouse and Partner do show totals for top level categories Joining an EU Citizen and Joining an non EU citizen.</p> <p>The breakdowns by "age" and "sex" categories include permits with length of validity of less than 3 months.</p>	
PL	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: the distribution by family member is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>"Other family member joining a non EU citizen" category is not applicable for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>For 2011</p> <p>Categories: Spouse/Partner and Children (Minor/Adult) are included in "Other family members" category.</p> <p>Some revised data are expected (e.g. for 2012 reference period).</p>	
PT	<p>The distribution by family member is not fully available.</p>	
RO	<p>The distribution by family member and length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>For 2013</p> <p>Data on "Joining a non-EU citizens" is not available as desegregated by:</p>	

	Spouse/Partner and Children (Minor/Adult) and "Other family members".	
SI	<p>The distribution by family member is not available for 2008-2010 (it is available from 2011).</p> <p>Data reported under category "Joining an EU citizen" excludes 119 long-stay visas for 2012.</p> <p>Data reported under category "Joining an EU citizen" excludes 109 long-stay visas in 2013.</p> <p>For 2014, Data excludes long-stay visas.</p>	
SK	<p>For 2008 and 2009 reference periods, the distribution by length of validity is not available.</p> <p>For 2008 data on "Other family member" are not available.</p>	
FI	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008.</p> <p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: the distribution by family member is not available.</p>	
SE	<p>Third country nationals joining an EU citizen: data on "Other family member" are not available.</p> <p>The distribution by length and of validity is not available for 2008.</p>	
UK	<p>Third country nationals joining a non EU citizen: the distribution by length of validity is not available.</p> <p>For 2008 data the distribution by family member is not fully available.</p> <p>The statistics provided is using mainly the data from the passengers given leave to enter the United Kingdom in selected categories (via landing cards). It is estimated from a subset of information published in the Home Office's 'Immigration Statistics January - March 2014/2015' and other management information extracted in May/June 2014. Data exclude all EU nationals, nationals of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, which are all part of the EEA, and Switzerland. Figures exclude renewals and those who enter the UK in another capacity and subsequently switch. Figures for nationals joining an EU citizen are the initial recognition of right to reside by non-EEA nationals. The figures reflect persons issued documents under the 2004/38/EC/Directive</p>	<p>Third country nationals joining a non EU citizen: these figures are the initial recognition of right to reside by non EEA nationals; standard practice is that all grants of this permission to stay are for a period of 5 years. Other documents may be used for the same purpose so this data will exclude those who choose not to apply. Those people aged under 18 have been estimated as being children.</p>

	<p>as initial recognition of right to reside as a family member of a EEA national; standard practice is that all grants of this permission to stay are for a period of 5 years. Other documents may be used for the same purpose, so these data will exclude those who choose not to apply.</p> <p>The category of "third country nationals joining a non-EU citizen" has been compiled using the visa data.</p>	
EEA		
IS		
LI	Data not available for 2008-2012.	
NO	Permission to for family reunifications joining an EU citizen is from 2010 limited. From 2010 there is a simplified process to register as family member.	

The term "**not available**" relates to permit category that exists in the national legal/administrative system but cannot be delivered under residence permit data collection for various reasons (e.g. no access to data etc.). For instance permits issued to "Seasonal workers" are issued by other national authority than the one delivering data on residence permits to Eurostat and cannot be obtained by the later institution.

The term "**available but cannot be delivered as a separate category**" means that the data for a specific category cannot be delivered as a separate permit category and are therefore included in one of the other categories of permits. For instance data on permits issued to "Seasonal workers" (specific permits issued to this employment group) cannot be distinguished from other employment related permits and are included in the category "Other remunerated activities".

The term "**not applicable**" relates to the categories of permits which do not exist in national legislation/administrative system and therefore such permits cannot be issued.

EU 27	First permits issued for education reasons	
	Completeness	Description
BE	<p>For 2008 and 2009 reference years, the length of validity for categories: 3 to 6 months and for greater than 12 months are not available.</p> <p>Complete breakdown by the length of validity is available since 2010</p> <p>Statistics are produced on the basis of data from two main sources: the National Population Register ("Registre national") and the database of the Immigration Office (EVIBEL). At national level different statistics are used on residence permits related to education and studies. The main difference is that cards issued to EU citizens are included. More information on the website: https://dofi.ibz.be.</p>	<p>For 2008 and 2009 reference years, the overwhelming majority of permits is valid between 6 and 11 months, according to the Belgian national authority.</p>
BG	<p>"Study" category is not available as a separate category (this category includes other educational related reason).</p>	
DK	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available. However, the majority of permits from all permits issued for education reasons have length of validity "12 month or more".</p> <p>For 2008 data: it is not possible to distinguish permits for "Study" and those issued for "Other educational reasons" (data not available).</p> <p>For 2011 data</p> <p>The number of permits related to "Study" with length of validity 3 to 6 months" subcategory includes 486 permits registered without length of validity. 1% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 29% a validity of 6-12 months, 30% a validity of 12 months or more and 38% of these permits a validity of 3-6 months and are therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>The number of permits related to "Other educational reasons" with length of validity at least 6 and less than 12 months includes 153 permits registered without length of validity. 5% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of less than 3 months, 18% a validity of 3-6 months, 16% a validity of 12 months and more and 61% a validity of 6-12 months and are therefore listed in this subcategory.</p>	
DE		<p>Citizens from Serbia, Kosovo, Serbia and Montenegro, Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>The following citizenship categories: "recognised non-citizen", "Western Sahara and Palestinian Territory, Occupied" were</p>

		not recorded as separate countries of citizenship in Germany and therefore were not provided.
EE	For 2008, 2009 and 2010 data it is not possible to distinguish permits for "Study" and those issued for "Other educational reasons" (categories applicable since 2011 reference period).	Citizenships Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, Switzerland are not applicable.
IE		Citizens from Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.
		For 2008 and 2009 reference periods, citizens from the Republic of the Congo are included in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Citizens from Democratic People's Republic of Korea are included in Republic of Korea.
EL	Permits valid between 3 and 5 months do not exist in the national legislation.	
ES	Categories " Study" and "Other educational reasons" are available but cannot be delivered as separate categories for 2008.	Until 2008 the level of studies was not recorded in first permits issued for study, but rather, in renewals only.
FR	"Other educational reasons" category is not applicable.	
	Data include only the metropolitan area (overseas territories and Mayotte are excluded).	
IT	It is not possible to distinguish permits issued to the "Students" and those issued to "Other educational reasons". "Students" category available only for length of validity of at least 6 and less than 12 months.	
LT	It is not possible to distinguish permits issued for "Study" and those issued for "Other educational reasons" (data not available) for 2008-2011.	
HU	"Other educational reasons" category contains figures of persons who are voluntary workers and are entitled for a stay to take part in a voluntary program scheme.	
	"Other educational reasons" category is not applicable for 2008.	
MT	"Other educational reasons" category is not applicable. The number of permits included under this category was granted for a temporary residence (no relative legislation is available under national law for these cases).	Data relate to third country nationals who qualified to be admitted under the conditions of the Students' Directive 2004/114 (implemented into national legislation by means of legal notice 29 of 2008). Third country nationals admitted for other educational activities, mostly in English language schools, were granted a temporary residence permit in view that no relative legislation is available under national law.
	Data for "Study" category relate to third country nationals qualified to be admitted under the conditions of the Students' Directive 2004/114 (implemented into national legislation since 2008). "in 2013 it was a general increase in the number of students comparing with previous years due to a new administrative	

	<p>procedures"</p> <p>Data includes TCNs who have been granted a residence permit for the purpose of study for courses which do not fall under the provisions of Directive 2004/114 as implemented under Maltese legislation (e.g. English language students).</p>	
NL	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available and all permits are reported under category: "permissions valid for at least 6 months and less than 12 months".</p> <p>"Other educational reasons" category is not applicable.</p>	
AT	<p>The breakdowns by "age" and "sex" categories include permits with length of validity of less than 3 months.</p>	
PL	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p>	
SI	<p>For 2008, 2009 and 2010 data: the distinction between "Study" and "Other educational reasons" categories is not available. These categories are available since 2011 reference period.</p>	
SK	<p>For 2008 data: length of validity cannot be provided. However, according to the Slovak national authority, in 2008 permits valid between 3 and 5 months were not issued; almost all permits valid between 6 and 11 months were issued for "Other educational related reasons"; permits valid 12 months and more were issued to students.</p>	
FI	<p>Data on permits issued for "Other educational related reasons" are not available.</p>	
SE	<p>Data include trainees and au-pairs.</p>	
UK	<p>For 2008-2012 the reasons for issuing the permits are not available.</p> <p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008-2010 reference periods (available since 2012). Since 2012 it has been estimated using visa data.</p> <p>The information provided is mainly based on passengers given leave to enter the United Kingdom in selected categories (via landing cards). It is estimated from a subset of information published in the Home Office's 'Immigration Statistics January - March 2014' and other management information extracted in May/June 2014. Data exclude all EU nationals. Data exclude nationals of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, which are all part of</p>	

	the EEA, and Switzerland. Figures exclude dependants, renewals, and those who enter the UK in another capacity and subsequently switch.	
EEA		
IS		
LI	Data not available for 2008-2012.	

The term "**not available**" relates to permit category that exists in the national legal/administrative system but cannot be delivered under residence permit data collection for various reasons (e.g. no access to data etc.). For instance permits issued to "Seasonal workers" are issued by other national authority than the one delivering data on residence permits to Eurostat and cannot be obtained by the later institution.

The term "**available but cannot be delivered as a separate category**" means that the data for a specific category cannot be delivered as a separate permit category and are therefore included in one of the other categories of permits. For instance data on permits issued to "Seasonal workers" (specific permits issued to this employment group) cannot be distinguished from other employment related permits and are included in the category "Other remunerated activities".

The term "**not applicable**" relates to the categories of permits which do not exist in national legislation/administrative system and therefore such permits cannot be issued.

EU 27	First permits issued for remunerated activities	
	Completeness	Description
BE	<p>Length of validity cannot be provided. However, according to the Belgian national authority, the overwhelming majority of permits is valid between 6 and 11 months.</p> <p>Categories "Seasonal workers" and "EU Blue Card" are not applicable.</p> <p>The directive 2009/50/EC on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purposes of highly qualified employment was transposed on 10.09.2012 (article 61/27 of the law of 15.12.1980). No application was received in 2012.</p> <p>5 EU Blue Cards were issued in 2013 (see 2013 BC data collection), but none of them were first residence permits. The number of highly skilled workers is underestimated due to the frequent registration of these type of migrants in the category "other remunerated activities". No estimation of the impact is currently available.</p> <p>The methodology on considering highly skilled workers has been improved in 2014.</p>	
BG	<p>Distribution by activity is not applicable.</p> <p>"Highly skilled workers" category is included in "Other remunerated activities" category.</p> <p>"Seasonal workers" category is not available.</p>	
CZ	<p>"Seasonal workers" category is not applicable.</p> <p>"Highly skilled workers" category includes workers issued with Green Card A only. In 2009 Czech legislation introduced the "Green Card" as a single permit combination of residence and work permit. The type "Green Card A" is issued to highly qualified workers and key personnel. Therefore, highly qualified workers are coming to the Czech Republic using regular work/residence permit (are not recorded in this category).</p>	
DK	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008, 2009 and 2010. However, the vast majority of permits issued for remunerated activities have length of validity with 12 month or more.</p> <p>For 2008 data the distribution by activity is not available.</p> <p>Categories "EU Blue Card" and "Seasonal workers" are not available.</p>	
DE	<p>Data on "Seasonal workers" are "available but cannot be delivered as a separate category (are included in the category "Other remunerated activities").</p>	<p>Citizens from Serbia, Kosovo, Serbia and Montenegro, Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>"Recognised non-citizen", "Western Sahara</p>

	The subcategories "Highly skilled workers" with length of validity less than 12 months are not applicable.	and Palestinian Territory, Occupied" were not recorded as separate countries of citizenship in Germany and therefore were not provided
EE	Categories "Seasonal workers" and "Highly skilled workers" are not applicable.	Citizenships Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, Switzerland are not applicable.
IE	The category "Seasonal workers" is not applicable. However, persons granted permission to stay for reasons related to remunerated activities for less than 3 months have been included on a voluntary basis as "Seasonal workers".	Some citizens from Yugoslavia are included in Serbia. Citizens from the Republic of the Congo are included in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Citizens from Democratic People's Republic of Korea are included in Republic of Korea.
EL	Permits valid between 3 and 5 months do not exist in the national legislation.	
ES	"Other remunerated activities" category includes employment, social or family roots.	Other remunerated activities includes persons holding a residence permit granted due to exceptional circumstances (cases included in section 2 of Article 45 of the Regulations for the Law on Foreigners 4/2000 (Royal Decree 2392/2004).
FR	"Highly skilled workers" category: level of education is not recorded in the residence permit. Therefore it has been possible to include in this category only third country nationals who are " ompeten en mission" and those issued with a " ompetences et talents" card. Data include only the metropolitan area (overseas territories and Mayotte are excluded).	Seasonal workers : third country nationals issued with a card valid for 3 years allowing to stay for no longer than 6 months in one year.
HR	Highly skilled workers" category is not applicable.	
IT	"Highly skilled workers" category is included in "Other remunerated activities" category for 2009 and 2010 reference periods EU Blue Card not available for length of validity of 3 to 6 months.	
CY	"Length of validity" for permits valid more than 6 months is not applicable for categories "Researchers" and "Seasonal workers".	

LV	<p>"Seasonal workers" category is not applicable.</p> <p>"Highly skilled workers" category is not available for 2008 reference period.</p>	
LT	<p>Categories "Seasonal workers" and "EU Blue Cards" are not applicable.</p> <p>"Highly skilled workers" category: data relate to some kind of experts and consultants only for 2008-2011 reference years (available since 2012 reference year).</p>	
LU	<p>"Seasonal workers" category is not applicable.</p>	
HU	<p>"Highly skilled workers" category is not applicable. "EU Blue Card" category is not applicable for 2008-2011 is not applicable (available since 2012 reference year).</p>	
MT	<p>"Highly skilled workers" category is included in "Other remunerated activities".</p> <p>"EU Blue Card" category is not available.</p> <p>A general increase in the number of employment permits issued was recorded due to the new administrative procedure.</p>	
NL	<p>"Length of validity" category is not available and all permits are reported under "permissions valid for at least 6 months and less than 12 months" category.</p> <p>"Seasonal workers" category is not available as a separate category.</p> <p>"EU Blue Card" category is not applicable.</p>	
AT	<p>"Seasonal workers" category is not applicable.</p> <p>Some limitations exist for providing all the statistics on "EU Blue Card".</p> <p>The breakdowns by "age" and "sex" categories include permits with length of validity of less than 3 months.</p>	<p>"Seasonal workers": they do not formally receive a residence permit.</p>
PL	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>Categories "Seasonal workers" and "Highly skilled workers" are not applicable for 2008 and 2009.</p>	
PT	<p>"Researchers" category is included in "Highly skilled workers" category.</p> <p>"Seasonal workers" category is not</p>	

	applicable.	
RO	The distribution by permit type is not available for 2008 and 2009. Categories "Highly skilled workers" and "EU Blue Card" are not applicable.	
SI	"Highly skilled workers" and "EU Blue Card" categories are not applicable.	
SK	"Highly skilled workers" category is not applicable. "EU Blue Card" category is not applicable. 2008 data on permits for "Other activities" valid between 3 and 5 months are not available.	
FI	Distribution by permit type is not available and all data are reported under "Other remunerated activities" category for 2008-2010 reference periods. "Seasonal workers" category is not available.	
SE	"Highly skilled workers" category is not available for 2008.	
UK	The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008-2011 reference periods. "Researchers" category is not available for 2008-2011 reference periods. "Seasonal workers" category is not applicable. The category of "Highly skilled workers" refers to third country nationals who have been admitted to the UK under Tier 1 of the Point Based System (Highly Skilled Migrants). The statistics provided is mainly based on passengers given leave to enter the United Kingdom in selected categories (via landing cards). It is estimated from a subset of information published in the Home Office's 'Immigration Statistics January - March 2014' and other management information extracted in May/June 2014. Data exclude all EU nationals. Data exclude nationals of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, which are all part of the EEA, and Switzerland. Figures exclude dependants, renewals, and those who enter the UK in another capacity and subsequently switch	Highly skilled workers: workers admitted under Tier 1 of the Point Based System (Highly Skilled Migrants). 2008 data include also less than 30 workers admitted under Tier 2 (Skilled workers) and Tier 5 (Youth mobility and temporary workers) of the Points Based System. "Other remunerated activities": workers admitted under Tier 2 (Skilled workers) and Tier 5 (Youth mobility and temporary workers) of the Points Based System. For 2008 data this kind of workers (less than 30 cases in 2008) was included in the above category "Highly skilled workers". The category include also: domestic servant accompanying employers (excluding servants of diplomats), nurses - supervised practice, postgraduate doctors or dentists, UK ancestry, au pairs, investors, ministers of religion, missionaries or members of a religious order, innovators, working holidaymakers, work permit holders given leave to enter for 12 months or more (excluding trainees), work permit holders given leave to enter for less than 12 months (excluding trainees), work permit trainees.
EEA		
IS		
LI	Data not available for 2008-2012.	

NO	"Researchers" category: data relate mainly to highly skilled workers employed by research institutions or universities and colleges. The category "Researchers" exist under the national rules but it is used for shorter stays only. The new Immigration act narrows the definition and this applies from 2010.	
EFTA		
CH	Only the total number of permits issued is available.	

The term "**not available**" relates to permit category that exists in the national legal/administrative system but cannot be delivered under residence permit data collection for various reasons (e.g. no access to data etc.). For instance permits issued to "Seasonal workers" are issued by other national authority than the one delivering data on residence permits to Eurostat and cannot be obtained by the later institution.

The term "**available but cannot be delivered as a separate category**" means that the data for a specific category cannot be delivered as a separate permit category and are therefore included in one of the other categories of permits. For instance data on permits issued to "Seasonal workers" (specific permits issued to this employment group) cannot be distinguished from other employment related permits and are included in the category "Other remunerated activities".

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EU 27	First permits issued for other reasons	
	Completeness	Description
BE	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>Statistics are produced on the basis of data from two main sources: the National Population Register ("Registre national") and the database of the Immigration Office (EVIBEL). At national level different statistics are used on residence permits related to other reasons. The main difference is that cards issued to EU citizens are included. More information on the website: https://dofi.ibz.be.</p> <p>The methodology used for producing residence permit data was modified in 2014 and applied for the year of reference 2010-2013. Data for 2008 and 2009 were produced using a different methodology (it is a break in series in 2010).</p>	
BG	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008, 2009 and 2010 data.</p> <p>"Refugee status and subsidiary protection", "Humanitarian reasons" and "Unaccompanied minors" categories are not available.</p>	
CZ	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008.</p> <p>"Humanitarian reasons" category is available but cannot be delivered as a separate category (is included in the "Subsidiary protection" category).</p>	
DK	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available. However, permits issued for other reasons are issued only with a validity of 12 month or more.</p> <p>"Residence only" and "Victims of trafficking in human beings" categories are not applicable.</p> <p>For 2011 data, "Other reasons not specified" subcategory with length of validity 12 months and more includes 40 permits registered without length of validity. Most of the permits (73%) are estimated to have a validity of 12 months (therefore these are listed in this category).</p> <p>For 2012 data, "Residual categories" for length of validity of more than 12 months include 23 permits registered without length of validity; 1% of these permits are estimated to have a validity of under 3 months, 25% of these permits a validity of 3-6 months, 32% a validity of 6-12 months and 42% a validity of 12 months or more.</p>	

	<p>For 2013 data, residence permits valid for 12 months and more, categories "Humanitarian reasons", "Unaccompanied minors" and "Residual categories" include respectively 52, 8 and 3 permits without length of validity.</p> <p>For 2014 data residence permits valid for 12 months and more, categories "Humanitarian reasons", "Unaccompanied minors" and "Residual categories" include respectively 27 permits registered without length of validity. All of these permits are estimated to have a validity of 12 months or more and a therefore listed in this subcategory.</p> <p>The distribution by reason is not available for 2008 reference period.</p>	
DE	"Unaccompanied minors" category is not applicable.	<p>Citizens from Serbia, Kosovo, Serbia and Montenegro, Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>"Recognised non-citizen", "Western Sahara and Palestinian Territory, Occupied" were not recorded as separate countries of citizenship in Germany and therefore were not provided.</p>
EE	<p>Categories "Residence only" and "Humanitarian reasons" are not applicable.</p> <p>"Other reasons" (for 2009 data) and "Residual categories" (for 2010 data) categories include all permits issued to citizens from Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland since for these permits the distribution by reason (family, education, work) is not applicable.</p> <p>Categories "Refugee status and subsidiary protection", "Humanitarian reasons" and "Victims of trafficking in human beings" are not applicable for citizenships of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.</p>	
IE	<p>"Unaccompanied minors" category is not applicable.</p> <p>"Victims of trafficking in human beings" category is not available.</p> <p>All permits issued for "Refugee status and subsidiary" reason have 6 months or more length of validity.</p> <p>"Refugee status and subsidiary protection" category excludes a large portion of person under 16 years of age. Therefore, the data for "Refugee status and subsidiary protection" is not matching with the data provided for Asylum statistics.</p>	<p>Some citizens from Yugoslavia are included in Serbia.</p> <p>Citizens from the Republic of the Congo are included in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.</p> <p>Citizens from Democratic People's Republic of Korea are included in Republic of Korea.</p>
EL	Permits valid between 3 and 5 months do not exist in the national legislation.	
ES	"Unaccompanied minors" category is not applicable.	

	<p>"Other reasons not specified" category includes:</p> <p>a) Persons holding a residence permit granted due to exceptional circumstances.</p> <p>b) Persons holding a permanent residence permit which allows them to work under the same conditions as Spaniards (around 2.2%). In exceptional cases these permits may be considered a "First Permit".</p> <p>c) Citizens of Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein and the Switzerland (around 2.3%).</p> <p>"Humanitarian reasons" category include some temporary residence permits on grounds of exceptional circumstances: humanitarian reasons, victims of domestic or gender-based violence; displaced persons; victim of a crime, illness suffered after the entrance in the country, collaboration with administrative, police, fiscal, public interest and others.</p>	<p>Persons holding a residence permit granted due to exceptional circumstances are cases included in sections 2 and 5 of Article 45 of the Regulations for the Law on Foreigners 4/2000: employment, social or family roots (94.0%); collaboration with administrative, police, fiscal or judicial authorities or when public interest or interests of national security justify the need to grant a residence permit in Spain, etc. (1.4%).</p>
FR	<p>"Humanitarian reasons" category is not applicable.</p> <p>Data include only the metropolitan area (overseas territories and Mayotte are excluded).</p>	<p>"Residence only" category: data relate to visitors, retired persons, ex-servicemen, retired for industrial accident.</p> <p>"Other reasons not specified": data relate to patients unable to be treated in the home country, exceptional admissions, others.</p>
IT	<p>"Other reasons not specified" category include permits issued for the reason of medical treatment, permits issued to persons assisting the national authorities and permits issued for religious reasons, others.</p> <p><i>During the 2011 some amendments to the rules and procedures for issuing a residence permit in Italy led to the adaptations of the methodologies used for the production of statistics :</i></p> <p><i>1) The effective date of the start of validity of residence permit was modified, all the documents which will be considered valid for 2011 data are those when validated by the immigration office. Therefore, the documents that are not yet finalized ("archives" and "pre-archives" files) are excluded since 2011.</i></p> <p><i>2) From this year, it is possible to include in statistics all non-EU foreigners registered on the permit of another foreigner (parent, carer, family, etc.) regardless of the age.</i></p> <p>Categories "Refugee status and subsidiary protection", "Humanitarian reasons" and "Victims of trafficking in human beings" are not available for length of validity of 3 to 6 months.</p> <p>"Humanitarian reasons" category is not available for length of validity 12 months and more</p>	

CY	Permits for "Refugees" and "Humanitarian reasons": the distribution by length of validity is not available.	
LU	Categories "Unaccompanied minors" and "Victims of trafficking in human beings" are not available.	
LV	"Victims of trafficking in human beings" category is not applicable.	
HU	<p>Categories "Refugee status and subsidiary protection" and "Humanitarian reasons" are not applicable for length of validity of less than 12 months.</p> <p>Other reasons not specified: 2009 data include 1.012 permits issued for other reasons, 759 permits issued for official duty, 156 permits issued for visit and 36 permits issued for the reason of medical treatment.</p> <p>"Victims of trafficking in human beings" category is not available.</p> <p>"Residence only" category is not applicable.</p>	
MT	<p>"Unaccompanied minors" (non-asylum related) and "Residence only" data is not available.</p> <p>Categories "Refugee status and subsidiary protection" and "Humanitarian reasons" are not applicable for length of validity less than 12 months.</p> <p>For 2008-2012, this table include students studying in educational establishments which are not classified as higher educational establishments, persons awaiting employment licences and family members who do not fall under the family reunification or exempt person category. Hence a decrease in overall numbers because such persons are, under the data since 2013, being included in the study, remunerated activities and family formation categories. At the same time during 2013, more temporary permits were granted to parents sending their children to private schools in Malta and more permits issued for health reasons (i.e. persons receiving health treatment in Malta.</p>	
NL	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available. All permits are reported under "permissions valid for at least 6 months but less than 12 months".</p> <p>Permits for "Refugees" and "Humanitarian reasons" valid less than 12 months are not applicable.</p> <p>The statistics related to the "Unaccompanied minors" 2012 reference period are not available.</p>	

<p>AT</p>	<p>"International protection status" category is not available for 2008.</p> <p>The permits recorded under "refugee status and subsidiary protection" refer to the decisions taken in the asylum process, granting either asylum or subsidiary protection. The permits to reside for these people are issued based on the asylum law and not on the residence and settlement act. These permits do not have length of validity and are declared in one of the duration sub-category.</p> <p>The breakdowns by "age" and "sex" categories include permits with length of validity of less than 3 months.</p> <p>Data not available for 2014 reference period (at the date 15/10/2015).</p>	
<p>PL</p>	<p>The distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>"Residence only" category is not applicable for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>For 2012, around 9 400 permits were not included in the published data and some revisions are expected (about 46 300 of permits in total were issued for other reasons).</p> <p>"Unaccompanied minors" category is not applicable</p>	
<p>PT</p>	<p>"Humanitarian reasons" category is included in the category "Subsidiary protection".</p> <p>Permits for "Refugees" are always valid 12 months and more.</p>	
<p>RO</p>	<p>The distribution by reason and length of validity is not available for 2008 and 2009.</p> <p>"Humanitarian Reasons" and "Residence Only" categories are not applicable.</p>	
<p>SI</p>	<p>The distribution by reason is not fully available. The distribution by reason is not applicable for the categories: "Humanitarian reasons", "Unaccompanied minors (non-asylum related)" and "Residence only".</p>	
<p>FI</p>	<p>The distribution by reason and length of validity is not available for 2008.</p> <p>"Residence only" category is not applicable.</p> <p>"Victims of trafficking in human beings" category is not available.</p>	
<p>SE</p>	<p>"Residence only" category consists of tourism, visiting family etc.</p>	
<p>UK</p>	<p>"Residence only" category is not available for 2008-2011 reference periods.</p>	<p>Other reasons not specified: data relate to diplomat, consular officer etc treated as exempt from control; retired persons of</p>

	<p>"Refugee status and subsidiary protection" and "Humanitarian reasons" categories: according to the British national authorities these permits are always valid 12 months and more (indefinite validity).</p> <p>"Subsidiary protection": according to the British national authorities these permits are always valid 6 months unless the individual is an unaccompanied child, in which case they are granted permission to stay up until they are aged 17.5.</p> <p>"Victims of trafficking in human beings" category is not applicable</p> <p>"Other reasons not specified": the distribution by length of validity is not available for 2008-2011 reference periods.</p> <p>Other reasons not specified. The category includes: diplomat, consular officer etc. treated as exempt from control; retired persons of independent means; all other passengers given limited leave to enter who are not included in any other category; non-asylum discretionary leave; Leave Outside the Rules (concession); Leave Outside the Rules (no concession).</p> <p>The statistics provided is mainly based on passengers given leave to enter the United Kingdom in selected categories (via landing cards). It is estimated from a subset of information published in the Home Office's 'Immigration Statistics January - March 2014' and other management information extracted in May/June 2014. Data exclude all EU nationals, nationals of Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, which are all part of the EEA, and Switzerland. Figures exclude renewals and those who enter the UK in another capacity and subsequently switch.</p>	<p>independent means; all other passengers given limited leave to enter who are not included in any other category; non-asylum discretionary leave; Leave Outside the Rules (concession); Leave Outside the Rules (no concession).</p>
EEA		
IS	No data sent.	
LI	No data sent.	
NO	Permits issued for "Residence only" category are not applicable.	
EFTA		
CH	"Unaccompanied minors" category is not available.	

The term "**not available**" relates to permit category that exists in the national legal/administrative system but cannot be delivered under residence permit data collection for various reasons (e.g. no access to data etc.). For instance permits issued to "Seasonal workers" are issued by other national authority than the one delivering data on residence permits to Eurostat and cannot be obtained by the later institution.

The term "**available but cannot be delivered as a separate category**" means that the data for a specific category cannot be delivered as a separate permit category and are therefore included in one of the other categories of permits. For instance data on permits issued to "Seasonal workers" (specific permits issued to this employment group) cannot be distinguished from other employment related permits and are included in the category "Other remunerated activities".

The term "**not applicable**" relates to the categories of permits which do not exist in national legislation/administrative system and therefore such permits cannot be issued.