Manchester Amnesty Campaigning for the rights of refugees June 2022





"Everyone has the right to seek and to enjoy in other countries asylum from persecution."

<u>Universal declaration of Human Rights Article 14.1</u>

149 countries, including the UK, signed the <u>1951 Refugee Convention</u> which says that refugees must not be turned away at borders or punished for entering a country without permission.

Refugees

We have seen an outpouring of compassion and generosity towards the people of Ukraine. But even before the war, 75% of British people thought that people fleeing war and persecution should be able to seek refuge in other countries, including Britain¹



Countries have to make adjustments and sacrifices to welcome refugees, but nothing like the adjustments and sacrifices that the refugees themselves are forced to make.

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Read on for some interesting facts and figures about refugees!



There are now over 100 million refugees worldwide.

Apart from Germany, the countries hosting the most refugees are not rich countries like the UK, but poor countries.

85% of refugees are in the world's developing countries².

Here's a question for you! There are 67 million people in the UK. How many are refugees?

(Answer below, after the pictures)

Countries with the most refugees in mid 2021* Turkey 3,696,800 Colombia 1,743,900 Uganda 1,475,300 Pakistan 1,438,500 Germany 1,235,200 Sudan 1,068,400 Bangladesh 889,800

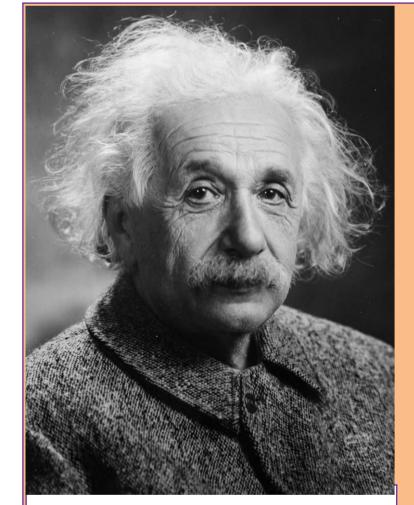
856,800

These figures are taken from UNHCR Global trends mid-year report 2021.

Since then, 3.5 million Ukrainian refugees have entered Poland.

It is estimated that up to 2 million are still there. https://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine

*Excludes Palestinian refugees who are counted separately.



Lebanon

Albert Einstein scientist

These people have something in common. They were all refugees



Nadhim Zadhawi Education Secretary





Freddie Mercury Rock icon

Lord Alf Dubs, former MP, Campaigner for refugees



How many refugees are there in the UK?

*ANSWER:

In Dec 2020, the UK had about 215,000 refugees and asylum seekers. That works out at 1 in every 313 members of the population. Compare this with Jordan, where 1 in every 6 people is a refugee².

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