

# **Foreign immigration and asylum-seekers in the Alps of Europe: an overview**

## **Case of Carinthia**

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# Statistical overview

- People in basic care
  - March 2017: ~ 4500 people
  - May, 8th 2018: 2648 people (+ 145 unaccompanied minors)
- People have to fulfil two criteria to be entitled for basic care
  - be in need of help: cannot cover the basic subsistence on his/her own
  - be in need of protection: mainly asylum seekers and refugees till 4 months after receiving their recognition as refugees

# Basic care

The basic care includes:

- Accommodation
- Food
- Pocket money
- Health care
- Travel costs in case of transfer (from one accommodation to another) and official interview dates
- Travel costs for pupils and costs covering the school supplies
- Grant for summer and winter clothes
- German language courses in the accommodations
- Repatriation advice
- Travel costs and start fee in case of voluntary return

# 4 types of accommodation

- A-quarter: full board and lodging, 24 hours care
- C-quarter: self-catering, accommodation units with kitchens; meals allowance
- Private housing: meals and rent allowance
- Quarters for unaccompanied minors

# Nationalities of asylum seekers

Nationality	Number
Afghanistan	1502
Iraq	320
Iran	174
Syria	173
Russian Federation	108
Unsettled	62
Somalia	41
Nigeria	29
Stateless	28
Armenia	27
Georgia	27
Ukraine	24
Pakistan	18

# Regional distribution on district level

Bezirk	Quote	Gesamt in GVS	Quartier Organis.	Privat
Feldkirchen	5,37	208	196	12
Hermagor	3,27	117	115	2
Klagenfurt	17,79	680	423	257
Klgf. Land	10,58	194	164	30
Villach	9,84	418	339	79
Villach Land	13,64	263	255	8
Spittal	10,99	143	125	18
St. Veit	11,54	256	248	8
Wolfsberg	7,51	217	192	25
Völkermarkt	9,49	193	185	8
<b>Gesamt</b>	<b>100,00</b>	<b>2689</b>	<b>2242</b>	<b>447</b>

Ref.: For all data see Land Carinthia (2018).

# Challenges

- Reduction of ~ 2000 asylum seekers
- Closing of accommodations
- „Allocation competition“
- Future use of closed accommodations