



How much do you know about refugees?

Take our Refugee Quiz to find out!

1. **How many refugees are there in the world today?**
 - a. Under 1 million
 - b. Over 5 million
 - c. Over 15 million
 - d. Over 21 million
2. **How many refugees have been resettled by Lutherans in the U.S. since LIRS's founding in 1939?**
 - a. Around 150,000
 - b. 212,000
 - c. Over 500,000
 - d. Around 300,000
3. **Out of the millions of refugees currently in need, how many were resettled in a third country last year?**
 - a. 140,000 thousand
 - b. 1.5 million
 - c. 850,000 thousand
 - d. 5 million
4. **What are the top three states for resettlement?**
 - a. California, Texas, Michigan
 - b. Wisconsin, Maryland, New York
 - c. Alabama, South Dakota, Florida
 - d. Washington, Colorado, Illinois
5. **From which countries do the 5 largest refugee populations currently being resettled in the United States come from?**
 - a. Syria, South Sudan, Iraq, Ukraine, Russia
 - b. Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Syria, Myanmar (also known as Burma), Iraq, and Somalia
 - c. Palestine, Syria, Afghanistan, Eritrea, Bhutan
 - d. Pakistan, Somalia, Iran, Iraq, Syria
6. **How many refugees have fled Syria since the start of the war in 2011?**
 - a. Less than a million
 - b. 1.5 million
 - c. 2 million
 - d. 4.95 million
7. **How long does it take a refugee to go through the vetting and background checks?**
 - a. 2 weeks to 1 month
 - b. 5 months
 - c. 10 months
 - d. 18 months to 24 months
8. **What percentage of refugees are ever resettled?**
 - a. Less than 1%
 - b. 5%
 - c. 15%
 - d. 50%
9. **Which country hosts the most refugees in protracted displacement?**
 - a. Turkey
 - b. Pakistan
 - c. United States
 - d. Kenya
10. **How many refugees were resettled in the United States last fiscal year?**
 - a. 46,050
 - b. 69,933
 - c. 92,121
 - d. 120,650



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Answer Key and Further Information

- 1. How many refugees are there in the world today?**
D. 21.3 million people have been forced to flee their homes to other countries, 16.1 million are under the U.N. Refugee Agency's mandate. A staggering 65.3 million people are forcibly displaced worldwide, which includes refugees and internally displaced persons within their own countries.
(<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/figures-at-a-glance.html>)
- 2. How many refugees have been resettled by Lutherans in the U.S. since LIRS's founding in 1939?**
C. Lutherans have welcomed over 500,000 refugees and helped them restart their lives.
(<http://lirs.org/>)
- 3. Out of the millions of refugees currently in need, how many were resettled in a third country last year?**
A. In 2016, only around 140,000 resettlement spaces were made available by the 30 countries, of which the United States is one, who take refugees.
(<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/resettlement-in-the-united-states.html>)
- 4. What are the top three states for resettlement?**
A. California, Texas, and Michigan were the top three states for resettlement in fiscal year 2016.
(<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/resettlement-in-the-united-states.html>)
- 5. From which countries do the five largest refugee populations currently being resettled in the United States come from?**
B. The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Syria, Myanmar (also known as Burma), Iraq, and Somalia were the primary countries of nationality, accounting for 71 percent (60,204) of all refugees admitted in 2016. Rounding out the top ten were Bhutan, Iran, Afghanistan, Ukraine, and Eritrea. Together, nationals of these ten countries totaled 91 percent (77,000) of all refugee arrivals in 2016.
(<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/frequently-requested-statistics-immigrants-and-immigration-united-states#RefugeesAsylum>)
- 6. How many refugees have fled Syria since the start of the war in 2011?**
D. As of March 2017 over 4,958,000 Syrians had registered as refugees. There are over 6.5 million people, including 2.8 million children, displaced within Syria, the largest internally displaced population in the world.
(<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php>)
- 7. How long does it take a refugee to go through the vetting and background checks?**
D. The refugee admissions process can take up to 18 to 24 months, and longer in some cases. They must pass through a series of security screenings, including biographic and biometric checks, medical screenings, forensic document testing, and in-person interviews. The information examined to confirm a refugee's identity is checked against law enforcement and intelligence databases, including those of the National Counterterrorism Center, Department of Defense, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of State, and Department of Homeland Security. If there is any doubt about who a refugee is or their motivations, he or she will not be admitted to the United States. Period.
(<http://www.state.gov/j/prm/policyissues/issues/protracted/>)
- 8. What percentage of refugees are resettled?**
A. Less than 1%. Most refugees will never be able to participate in the resettlement process and will either wait to return home or attempt to integrate into the countries to which they fled.
(<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/resettlement-in-the-united-states.html>)
- 9. Which country hosts the most refugees in protracted displacement?**
A. Turkey. Turkey hosts nearly three million refugees as of March 2017.
(<http://www.unhcr.ie/about-unhcr/facts-and-figures-about-refugees>)
- 10. How many refugees were resettled in the United States last year?**
B. According to the U.S. State Department Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System (WRAPS) data, 84,994 refugees were admitted to the United States in FY 2016. The Obama administration had raised the refugee ceiling to 110,000 for FY 2017, considering the overwhelming need. However, President Trump has sought to reduce that ceiling to 50,000 for FY 2017.
(<http://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/frequently-requested-statistics-immigrants-and-immigration-united-states#RefugeesAsylum>)