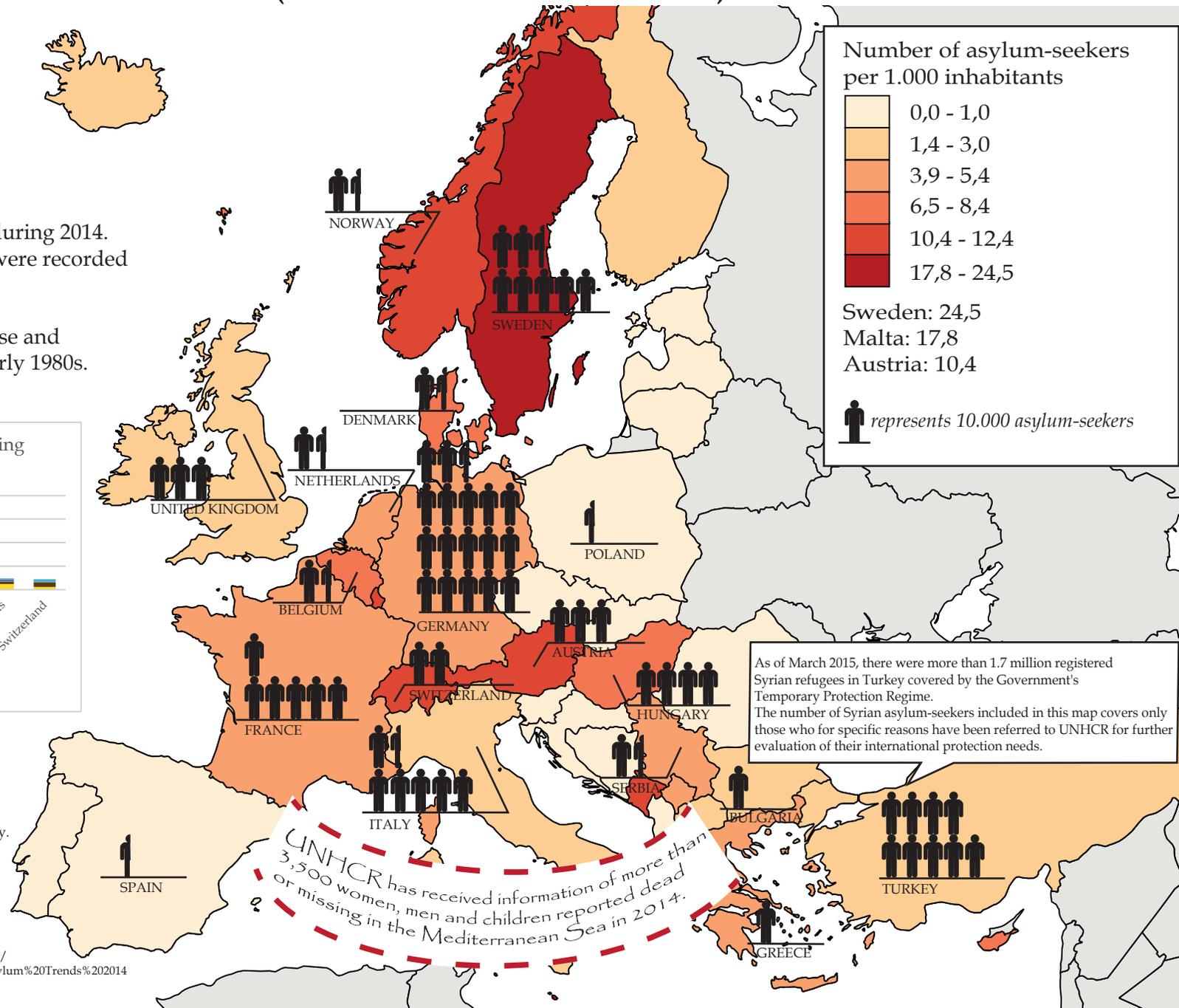
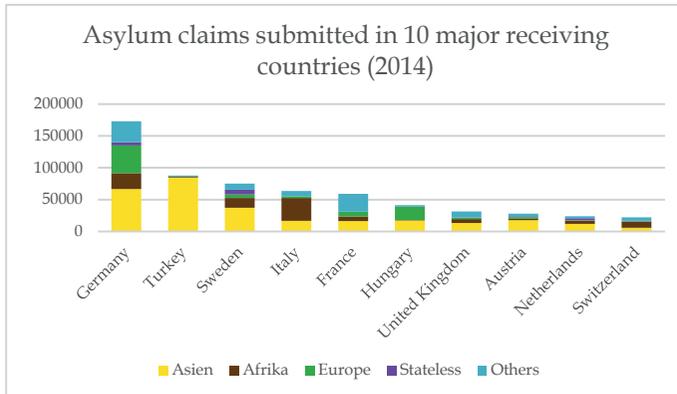


# Asylum-seekers in Europe 2010 - 2014

## (38<sup>[1]</sup> industrialized countries)

A combination of armed conflict, deterioration of security or humanitarian situation and human rights concerns in a number of countries - notably the Syrian Arab Republic - have been among the main reasons for the sharp increase in the number of asylum-seekers registered among industrialized countries during 2014. An estimated 866,000 asylum applications were recorded in 2014, some 269,400 claims more than the year before (+45%). This is the fourth consecutive annual increase and the second highest annual level since the early 1980s.



[1] The 38 countries are: the 28 Member States of the European Union, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Norway, Serbia and Kosovo, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey.  
[2] Serbia AND Kosovo  
[3] Top-20 ranking of countries summarized in continents  
Main refugees countries: Africa - Eritrea, Nigeria, Somalia  
Asien - Syrian Arab Republic, Iraq, Afghanistan  
Europe - Serbia and Kosovo, Albania, Ukraine

