

## INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION NEWS

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### Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction Statistics as at 30 June 2003

#### ABDUCTION AND ACCESS APPLICATIONS: BY STATE AND TERRITORY

STATE/ TERRITORY	ABDUCT IN 01/02	ABDUCT OUT 01/02	ABDUCT IN 02/03	ABDUCT OUT 02/03	ACCESS IN 01/02	ACCESS OUT 01/02	ACCESS IN 02/03	ACCESS OUT 02/03
New South Wales	23	25	17	34	7	2	8	2
Queensland	12	22	10	17	3	2	1	1
Victoria	14	28	16	17	3	2	5	4
Western Australia	5	9	4	21	2	3	2	2
South Australia	2	3		4				2
Tasmania			1	2	2			
Northern Territory		1	2	1			1	
ACT		1		1		1		2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>

#### ABDUCTION APPLICATIONS: BY OUTCOME

	IN 01/02	OUT 01/02	IN 02/03	OUT 02/03
RETURNED	26	46	14	30
REJECTED	18	15	6	9
WITHDRAWN	11	23	10	19
PENDING	1	5	20	39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>97</b>

**Note:**

'IN' refers to applications for the return of children removed to Australia

'OUT' refers to applications for the return of children removed from Australia

#### ACCESS APPLICATIONS: BY OUTCOME

	IN 01/02	OUT 01/02	IN 02/03	OUT 02/03
ACCESS ARRANGED	8	3	2	0
REJECTED	3	3	2	1
WITHDRAWN	6	0	3	3
PENDING	0	4	10	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>

#### Total abduction and access applications received:

1998-99 = 176            2000-01 = 173            2002-03 = 177  
1999-00 = 170            2001-02 = 172

**ABDUCTION AND ACCESS APPLICATIONS: BY COUNTRY**

<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>ABDUCT IN 01/02</b>	<b>ABDUCT OUT 01/02</b>	<b>ABDUCT IN 02/03</b>	<b>ABDUCT OUT 02/03</b>	<b>ACCESS IN 01/02</b>	<b>ACCESS OUT 01/02</b>	<b>ACCESS IN 02/03</b>	<b>ACCESS OUT 02/03</b>
Argentina					1			1
Austria		1		1				
Belgium			1	1				1
Bosnia					1			
Canada	2	4	2	5	1	1		2
Chile				2	1			
Croatia				1				
Cyprus					1			
Czech Republic								
Denmark	1			2				
Fiji				1				
Finland				1				
France	3	2	1	1				
Germany	1	2	4	1	1			
Greece	1	2	1	1				1
Hong Kong			2	3				
Hungary			1	1				
Ireland		1		5		2		
Israel	1						1	
Italy	3	1	1	3				
Malta			1					
Netherlands	1	3	1	1				
New Zealand	23	30	13	24	6	2	3	3
Norway		2						
Poland		2		1				
Portugal				1				
Romania								1
Serbia (FYR)								
Slovak Republic			1					
Slovenia	1						1	
South Africa				1		1	1	
Spain	1	2			1		1	
Sri Lanka				1				
Sweden								
Switzerland	1	3		3	1			
Turkey		3		3				
United Kingdom	4	16	7	22	2	4	5	1
USA	11	15	14	11	1		4	3
Venezuela	1						1	
Zimbabwe	1							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>

**NON HAGUE CONVENTION COUNTRIES**
**KNOWN ABDUCTIONS AND INQUIRIES FOR QUARTER ENDING 30 JUNE 2003**

China	1	Iran	1	Saudi Arabia	1	South Korea	1
Indonesia	1	Lebanon	2	Solomon Islands	1	Syria	1

