



Introduction

The *Convention of 29 May 1993 on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption* (1993 Adoption Convention) provides for the collection and exchange of statistics on intercountry adoption as a means to promote co-operation amongst Central Authorities, verify that safeguards are met, and facilitate the provision of post-adoption services. Access to these statistics allows stakeholders to monitor the operation of the Convention, develop policy, and identify good practice in intercountry adoption.

HCCH Guide to Good Practice No 1 recognises the utility of statistics in measuring the effective implementation of the 1993 Adoption Convention (para. 189). In particular, when analysed alongside economic and demographic data, statistics can help stakeholders understand the fundamental nature of intercountry adoption and monitor its geographic and temporal trends.

The last meetings of the Special Commission (SC) have also underlined the importance for States Parties to submit general statistics on an annual basis to the Permanent Bureau using its standard forms (Rec. No 9 of the 2005 SC, Rec. No 30 of the 2010 SC and Rec. No 49 of the 2015 SC). Therefore, the Permanent Bureau would be very thankful if States, insofar as they have not already done so, could complete the updated standard forms for each year, from 2000 to the present year (States do not need to resubmit statistics that have previously been furnished). The forms are also available on the HCCH website at < www.hcch.net > under “Adoption Section” then “Statistics”.

States are encouraged to submit completed forms by e-mail to < secretariat@hcch.net >.

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2001

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>China (Macao)</i>	1				1						
<i>Mozambique</i>	1			1							
Total number of intercountry adoptions	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Total number of domestic adoptions	383	32	40	83	75	78	53	8	14	21	
Total number of adoptions	385	32	40	84	76	78	53	8	14	21	

Note [1]: This number includes adoptions completed in the State of origin and adoptions completed in your State.

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Note [3]: Children with special needs are those who may be suffering from a behaviour disorder or trauma, physically or mentally disabled, older children (usually above 7 years of age), or part of a sibling group.

Note [4]: Intra-family adoptions include step-parent adoptions. If possible, please indicate separately in this column the number of intra-family adoptions that are step-parent adoptions. If your national statistics do not distinguish adoptions by relatives, please state "n/a".

Note [5]: Please add as many States as required

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2002

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Brazil</i>	4			1	2		1				
Total number of intercountry adoptions	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	
Total number of domestic adoptions	400	34	33	100	68	78	63	14	10	26	
Total number of adoptions	404	34	33	101	70	78	64	14	10	26	

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2003

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Brazil</i>	1				1						
<i>Cape Verde</i>	1				1						
<i>Côte d'Ivoire</i>	1						1				
Total number of intercountry adoptions	3	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	
Total number of domestic adoptions	403	37	40	71	79	87	53	19	17	35	
Total number of adoptions	406	37	40	71	81	88	53	19	17	35	

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Portugal
2005

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age of child at adoption [2]					Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10	Unknown		
<i>Brazil</i>	7							
<i>Cape Verde</i>	7							
<i>France</i>	1							
Total number of intercountry adoptions	15	0	4	3	1	7		
Total number of domestic adoptions	319							
Total number of adoptions	334							

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Portugal
2006

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age of child at adoption [2]				Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10		
<i>Brazil</i>	6						
<i>Cape Verde</i>	2						
Total number of intercountry adoptions	8	0	4	3	1		
Total number of domestic adoptions	349						
Total number of adoptions	357						

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Portugal
2007

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age of child at adoption [2]				Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10		
<i>Cape Verde</i>	11						
<i>Thailand</i>	1						
Total number of intercountry adoptions	12	0	12	0	0		
Total number of domestic adoptions	346						
Total number of adoptions	358						

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Portugal
2008

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]					Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		Gender		Age				
		M	F	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10		
<i>Brazil</i>	1							
<i>Cape Verde</i>	11							
Total number of intercountry adoptions	12	3	9	9	2	1		
Total number of domestic adoptions	408							
Total number of adoptions	420							

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Portugal
2009

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]					Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		Gender		Age				
		M	F	1 to 4	5 to 9	>10		
<i>Brazil</i>	2							
<i>Cape Verde</i>	6							
Total number of intercountry adoptions	8	5	3	6	2	0		
Total number of domestic adoptions	718							
Total number of adoptions	726							

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2010

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Cape Verde</i>	5										
<i>Guinea-Bissau</i>	2										
<i>Other</i>	4										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	11			1	3	2	1				
Total number of domestic adoptions	384										
Total number of adoptions	395										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2011

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Brazil</i>	1							1		1	
<i>Cape Verde</i>	1					1					
<i>Guinea-Bissau</i>	2			1	1						
<i>São Tomé and Príncipe</i>	3					1	2			2	
<i>Other</i>	12										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	19										
Total number of domestic adoptions	420										
Total number of adoptions	439										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2012

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		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Cape Verde</i>	1					1					
<i>São Tomé and Príncipe</i>	2			1		1					
<i>Other</i>	21										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	24										
Total number of domestic adoptions	405										
Total number of adoptions	429										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2013

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Cape Verde</i>	2										
<i>São Tomé and Príncipe</i>	3										
<i>Other</i>	17										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	22			2	1		2				
Total number of domestic adoptions	389										
Total number of adoptions	411										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2014

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Cape Verde</i>	2										
<i>São Tomé and Príncipe</i>	3										
<i>Other</i>	9										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	14			2		1	2				
Total number of domestic adoptions	357										
Total number of adoptions	371										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2015

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>China</i>	1			1							
<i>Other</i>	1										
<i>Other</i>	10										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	12										
Total number of domestic adoptions	200										
Total number of adoptions	212										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2016

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
<i>Bulgaria</i>	1			1							
<i>Other</i>	14										
Total number of intercountry adoptions	15										
Total number of domestic adoptions	226										
Total number of adoptions	241										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2017

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Total number of intercountry adoptions	33										
Total number of domestic adoptions	235										
Total number of adoptions	268										

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Portugal
Year: 2018

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions [1]	Age and gender of child at adoption [2]								Number of adoptions of special needs children [3]	Number of intra-family adoptions [4]
		<1		1 to 4		5 to 9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
Total number of intercountry adoptions	13										
Total number of domestic adoptions	200										
Total number of adoptions	213										

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