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Introduction

The *Hague Convention of 29 May 1993 on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption* (1993 Hague Convention) provides for the collection and exchange of statistics on intercountry adoption as a means to promote cooperation 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.

Guide to Good Practice No 1 recognises the utility of statistics in measuring the effective implementation of the 1993 Hague 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.

In accordance with Recommendation No 9 of the 2005 Special Commission, the Permanent Bureau is working to promote the collection and exchange of intercountry adoption statistics by developing standard forms for Contracting States to complete. The Permanent Bureau is also in discussions with UNICEF and the International Social Service to consider how best to develop a centralised database which ensures the collection of regular, reliable and standardised statistics.

Statistics from Member States and Contracting States alone do not provide a complete picture of intercountry adoption. However, while progress is made towards implementing a centralised database, each State is asked to submit its statistics to the Permanent Bureau for the years 2005 to 2009 (inclusive) using the standard form which is available on the Hague Conference website at < www.hcch.net > under "Work in Progress" then "Intercountry Adoption".

The standard form has been simplified to promote greater comparability of data and to reduce the workload of Central Authorities to complete the forms.

The Permanent Bureau would be grateful to receive completed forms by **14 May 2010** so that the data may be considered by the Special Commission in June. States are encouraged to submit completed forms (where possible) by e-mail: < secretariat@hcch.net >

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States
Country: Iceland
Year: 2005

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		1-4		5-9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
China	35	0	6	0	29	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
India	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Rumania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Columbia	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Other countries	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	n/a	n/a
Total number of intercountry adoptions	41	0	7	2	30	0	0	2	0	n/a	n/a
Total number of domestic adoptions	34	2	1	0	2	0	0	11	18	n/a	27
Total number of adoptions	75	2	8	2	32	0	0	13	18	n/a	n/a

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

Note 2: If your national statistics are compiled according to other age groups, please indicate accordingly *e.g.* if you only count the number of children under 5, you should combine the two columns here that refer to children under 1 year old and between 1 and 4 years old.

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".

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States
Country: Iceland
Year: 2006

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions ⁵	Age and gender of child at adoption ⁶								Number of adoptions of special needs children ⁷	Number of intra-family adoptions ⁸
		<1		1-4		5-9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
China	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
India	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Rumania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Other countries	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	n/a	n/a
Total number of intercountry adoptions	19	0	1	1	13	1	0	2	1	n/a	n/a
Total number of domestic adoptions	57	2	1	1	2	3	1	20	27	n/a	38
Total number of adoptions	76	2	2	2	15	4	1	22	28	n/a	n/a

Note 5: This number includes adoptions completed in the State of origin and adoptions completed in your State.

Note 6: If your national statistics are compiled according to other age groups, please indicate accordingly *e.g.* if you only count the number of children under 5, you should combine the two columns here that refer to children under 1 year old and between 1 and 4 years old.

Note 7: 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 8: 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".

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States
Country: Iceland
Year: 2007

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions ⁹	Age and gender of child at adoption ¹⁰								Number of adoptions of special needs children ¹¹	Number of intra-family adoptions ¹²
		<1		1-4		5-9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
China	13	0	0	2	11	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Rumenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Columbia	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Other Countries	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	n/a	n/a
Total number of intercountry adoptions	18	1	1	2	12	0	0	0	2	n/a	n/a
Total number of domestic adoptions	33	3	3	1	0	0	0	6	20	n/a	29
Total number of adoptions	51	4	4	3	12	0	0	6	22	n/a	n/a

Note 9: This number includes adoptions completed in the State of origin and adoptions completed in your State.

Note 10: If your national statistics are compiled according to other age groups, please indicate accordingly *e.g.* if you only count the number of children under 5, you should combine the two columns here that refer to children under 1 year old and between 1 and 4 years old.

Note 11: 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 12: 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".

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States
Country: Iceland
Year: 2008

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions ¹³	Age and gender of child at adoption ¹⁴								Number of adoptions of special needs children ¹⁵	Number of intra-family adoptions ¹⁶
		<1		1-4		5-9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
China	13	0	2	4	7	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Rumenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Columbia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Other countries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Total number of intercountry adoptions	13	0	2	4	7	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Total number of domestic adoptions	56	8	4	1	0	2	3	16	22	n/a	46
Total number of adoptions	69	8	6	5	7	2	3	16	22	n/a	n/a

Note 13: This number includes adoptions completed in the State of origin and adoptions completed in your State.

Note 14: If your national statistics are compiled according to other age groups, please indicate accordingly *e.g.* if you only count the number of children under 5, you should combine the two columns here that refer to children under 1 year old and between 1 and 4 years old.

Note 15: 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 16: 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".

Annual adoption statistics for receiving States
Country: Iceland
Year: 2009

State of origin	Total number of completed adoptions ¹⁷	Age and gender of child at adoption ¹⁸								Number of adoptions of special needs children ¹⁹	Number of intra-family adoptions ²⁰
		<1		1-4		5-9		>10			
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
China	8	1	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
India	4	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Columbia	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a
Other countries	3	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	n/a	n/a
Total number of intercountry adoptions	17	1	0	7	8	0	1	2	2	n/a	n/a
Total number of domestic adoptions	39	1	2	2	0	1	4	10	19	n/a	28
Total number of adoptions	56	2	2	9	8	1	5	10	19	n/a	n/a

Note 17: This number includes adoptions completed in the State of origin and adoptions completed in your State.

Note 18: If your national statistics are compiled according to other age groups, please indicate accordingly *e.g.* if you only count the number of children under 5, you should combine the two columns here that refer to children under 1 year old and between 1 and 4 years old.

Note 19: 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 20: 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".