



## 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](http://www.hcch.net) > under “Adoption Section” then “Statistics”.

States are encouraged to submit completed forms by e-mail to < [secretariat@hcch.net](mailto:secretariat@hcch.net) >.

## Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

Germany  
2005

State of origin	Total number of completed	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 8	9 to 18	Unknown		by family	by step-parents
<i>Afghanistan</i>	2								
<i>Albania</i>	1								
<i>Algeria</i>	1								
<i>Äthiopien</i>	28								
<i>Belarus</i>	2								
<i>Bolivia</i>	1								
<i>Brasilien</i>	16								
<i>Bulgaria</i>	17								
<i>Chile</i>	8								
<i>China</i>	2								
<i>Colombia</i>	64								
<i>Dominica</i>	2								
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1								
<i>El Salvador</i>	1								
<i>Estland</i>	1								
<i>Germany</i>	1								
<i>Ghana</i>	2								
<i>Guatemala</i>	1								
<i>Guinea</i>	1								
<i>Haiti</i>	27								
<i>Hungaria</i>	2								
<i>India</i>	14								
<i>Indonesia</i>	1								
<i>Iran</i>	1								
<i>Israel</i>	1								
<i>Jugoslawien</i>	3								
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	7								
<i>Kenia</i>	3								
<i>Kongo (Brazzaville)</i>	2								
<i>Lesotho</i>	3								
<i>Latvia</i>	3								
<i>Litauen</i>	6								
<i>Madagaskar</i>	4								
<i>Mali</i>	1								
<i>Morokko</i>	1								
<i>Mongolien</i>	4								
<i>Namibia</i>	2								
<i>Nepal</i>	36								
<i>Niger</i>	1								
<i>Nigeria</i>	1								
<i>Peru</i>	2								
<i>Philippinen</i>	4								
<i>Poland</i>	16								
<i>Russian Federation</i>	197								
<i>Romania</i>	3								
<i>Serbia Montenegro</i>	2								
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	11								
<i>South Africa</i>	35								
<i>Suriname</i>	1								
<i>Sweden</i>	1								
<i>Taiwan</i>	3								
<i>Tansania</i>	1								
<i>Thailand</i>	67								
<i>Togo</i>	3								
<i>Czech Republic</i>	7								
<i>Turkey</i>	10								
<i>Ukraine</i>	75								
<i>United State of America</i>	7								
<i>Uzbekistan</i>	1								
<i>Vietnam</i>	10								
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3309</b>							<b>122</b>	<b>1886</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4040</b>							<b>125</b>	<b>1892</b>

For intercountry adoptions there is unfortunately no "real" statistic in Germany. The numbers we filled in the table for intercountry adoptions completed are based on information of accredited adoption agencies and Regional Central Authorities according to the 1993 Hague Convention. They do, by law, have to inform the Federal Central Authority about every completed adoption mediated by them. The numbers do not include private and independent intercountry adoptions. The program used to save the data gives information about the age of children at the time of their adoption for one year and boys and girls together, it does not reveal the age and gender of children adopted from one specific country. The numbers regarding domestic adoptions are published by the German Federal Statistical Office. We cannot guarantee their correctness. The Federal Statistical Office also publishes data about intercountry adoptions, but the approach is different than ours: The office is not strictly defining intercountry adoptions according to the definition in Art. 2 of the 1993 Hague Convention (change of habitual residence as determining factor), but also nationality. Also, we are not sure about if and how private and independent adoptions are counted. We can therefore not refer to these data to fill out the annual statistic form for intercountry adoptions.

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".

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

## Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Germany  
Year: 2006

State of origin	Total number of completed	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 8	9 to 18	> 18	Unknown		by family	by step-parents
Afghanistan	3									
Albania	1									
Argentina	1									
Äthiopien	31									
Bolivien	1									
Bosnien und Herzegowina	3									
Brasilien	16									
Bulgaria	9									
Burkina Faso	7									
Chile	12									
China	1									
Colombia	76									
Dominican Republic	3									
Germany	1									
El Salvador	1									
France	2									
Ghana	1									
Haiti	27									
India	5									
Indonesia	1									
Iran	1									
Italia	1									
Jordania	1									
Jugoslawia	3									
Kazhakstan	17									
Kenia	3									
Kyrgyzstan	1									
Kongo, Dem. Rep.	1									
Laos, Dem. VR	1									
Lithuania	1									
Madagaskar	10									
Malawi	1									
Marokko	1									
Mexico	3									
Mongolia	3									
Mozambique	1									
Nepal	41									
Netherlands	2									
Niger	1									
Nigeria	1									
North Macedonia	1									
Pakistan	2									
Peru	5									
Philippines	2									
Poland	21									
Portugal	2									
Romania	3									
Russian Federation	172									
Slovakia	1									
Sri Lanka	10									
South Africa	46									
Taiwan	9									
Thailand	42									
Czech Republik	3									
Turkey	12									
Uganda	1									
Ukraine	51									
United Kingdom	1									
United State of America	1									
Vietnam	3									
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>		<b>63</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3360</b>								<b>114</b>	<b>1906</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4045</b>								<b>177</b>	<b>1913</b>

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Afghanistan	2								
Äthiopia	35								
Bolivia	2								
Bosnia Herzegowina	3								
Brasil	12								
Bulgaria	10								
Burkina Faso	10								
Canada	1								
Chile	5								
China	1								
Colombia	93								
Czech Republik	8								
Dominica	1								
El Salvador	1								
Eritrea	1								
Georgia	1								
Ghana	2								
Haiti	66								
Hungaria	1								
India	6								
Indonesia	1								
Iran	1								
Kazhakstan	32								
Kenia	4								
Kosovo	1								
Kuba	1								
Lithuania	6								
Madagaskar	9								
Mexico	2								
Moldova	1								
Mongolia									
Nepal	6								
Nicaragua	1								
Nigeria	1								
North Mazedonien	1								
Philippines	7								
Peru	7								
Poland	7								
Republic of Moldova									
Romania	2								
Russian Federation	250								
Serbia Montenegro	1								
Slovakia	1								
Sri Lanka	9								
South Africa	43								
Taiwan	7								
Thailand	49								
Togo									
Tschad	1								
Turkey	17								
Uganda	2								
Ukraine	68								
Usbekistan	1								
Vietnam	5								
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>805</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>17</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3077</b>							<b>95</b>	<b>1722</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3882</b>							<b>100</b>	<b>1723</b>

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Annual adoption statistics for receiving States

State: Germany  
Year: 2008

State of origin	Total number of completed	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 8	9 to 18	> 18	Unknown		by family	by step-parents
Afghanistan	1									
Albania	1									
Belarus	1									
Bhutan	1									
Bosnia Herzegowina	2									
Brasil	6									
Bulgaria	11									
Burkina Faso	6									
Burundi	1									
Cameroon	1									
Chile	5									
China	4									
Costa Rica	3									
Colombia	94									
Czech Republikl	7									
Denmark	1									
Egypt	1									
Ethiopia	72									
Equador	2									
Georgia	1									
Germany	3									
Ghana	3									
Guinea	2									
Haiti	36									
Hungaria	1									
India	17									
Indonesia	1									
Iran	1									
Kazhakstan	40									
Kosovo	1									
Kenia	1									
Kuba	1									
Lesotho	1									
Lithuania	3									
Latvia	1									
Mexico	3									
Mongolia	5									
Nepal	13									
Peru	6									
Philippines	2									
Poland	10									
Russian Federtion	191									
Senegal	1									
Slovakia	3									
Sri Lanka	11									
South Africa	38									
Taiwan	7									
Thailand	61									
Togo	2									
Turkey	11									
Ukraine	25									
Uzbekistan										
United States of Amerika	2									
United Kingdom	1									
Vietnam	5									
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>23</b>		<b>53</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>2950</b>								<b>112</b>	<b>1583</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3680</b>								<b>165</b>	<b>1583</b>

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**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2009

State of origin	Total number of completed	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 8	9 to 18	Unknown		by family	by step-parents
<i>Ethiopia</i>	72								
<i>Bhutan</i>	1								
<i>Bolivia</i>	1								
<i>Brasil</i>	2								
<i>Bulgaria</i>	19								
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	2								
<i>Chile</i>	3								
<i>Czech Republik</i>	2								
<i>Cote d'Ivoire</i>	1								
<i>Colombia</i>	69								
<i>Haiti</i>	45								
<i>Hungaria</i>	1								
<i>India</i>	13								
<i>Indonesia</i>	1								
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	43								
<i>Lithuania</i>	4								
<i>Madagaskar</i>	1								
<i>Mali</i>	27								
<i>Mexico</i>	3								
<i>Peru</i>	2								
<i>Philippines</i>	7								
<i>Poland</i>	6								
<i>Republic of Moldova</i>	1								
<i>North Mazedonia</i>	1								
<i>Russian Federation</i>	175								
<i>Serbia</i>	1								
<i>Slovakia</i>	1								
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	7								
<i>South Africa</i>	19								
<i>Taiwan</i>	9								
<i>Thailand</i>	49								
<i>Togo</i>	1								
<i>Turkey</i>	8								
<i>Ukraine</i>	14								
<i>United State of America</i>	1								
<i>Venezuela</i>	2								
<i>Vietnam</i>	1								
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>29</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>2863</b>							<b>92</b>	<b>1650</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3478</b>							<b>121</b>	<b>1657</b>

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**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2010

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Aserbaidchan</i>	1							
<i>Belarus</i>	1							
<i>Brazil</i>	1							
<i>Bulgaria</i>	23							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	8							
<i>Cameroon</i>	2							
<i>Chile</i>	2							
<i>Colombia</i>	98							
<i>Croatia</i>	1							
<i>Czech Republic</i>	4							
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1							
<i>Ethiopia</i>	79							
<i>Ghana</i>	1							
<i>Haiti</i>	13							
<i>India</i>	9							
<i>Kazakhstn</i>	15							
<i>Kenia</i>	4							
<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	1							
<i>Kosovo</i>	3							
<i>Lithuania</i>	1							
<i>Mali</i>	17							
<i>Mongolia</i>	3							
<i>Morocco</i>	1							
<i>Nicaragua</i>	1							
<i>Nigeria</i>	1							
<i>Peru</i>	3							
<i>Philippines</i>	2							
<i>Poland</i>	3							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	140							
<i>South Africa</i>	22							
<i>Taiwan</i>	6							
<i>Thailand</i>	33							
<i>Turkey</i>	5							
<i>Ukraine</i>	5							
<i>United Kingdom</i>	1							
<i>Vietnam</i>	2							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>26</b>		<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>4021</b>						<b>168</b>	<b>2184</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4534</b>						<b>190</b>	<b>2190</b>

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**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2011

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
Armenia	1							
Bosnia and Herzegowina	1							
Brazil	2							
Bulgaria	21							
Burkina Faso	8							
Central African Republic	1							
Chile	1							
China	1							
Colombia	73							
Côte d'Ivoire	1							
Czech Republic	5							
Dominican Republic	3							
Ethiopia	65							
Gambia	1							
Haiti	78							
Hungary	2							
India	6							
Kazakhstan	1							
Kenia	7							
Madagaskar	2							
Mali	14							
Marokko	1							
Mexico	1							
Mongolia	3							
Nepal	2							
Peru	3							
Philippines	2							
Poland	1							
Russian Federation	231							
Slovakia	1							
Sri Lanka	10							
South Africa	14							
Taiwan	9							
Thailand	41							
Turkey	5							
Ukraine	2							
Venezuela	1							
United Kingdom	2							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>4060</b>						<b>104</b>	<b>2266</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4683</b>						<b>127</b>	<b>2289</b>

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**

State: Germany  
Year: 2012

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Algeria</i>	2							
<i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i>	1							
<i>Brazil</i>	2							
<i>Bulgaria</i>	22							
<i>Bukina Faso</i>	4							
<i>Cameroon</i>	4							
<i>Colombia</i>	37							
<i>Chile</i>	1							
<i>China</i>	1							
<i>Czech Republic</i>	3							
<i>Ethiopia</i>	36							
<i>Costa Rica</i>	2							
<i>Haiti</i>	102							
<i>India</i>	9							
<i>Indonesia</i>	2							
<i>Kazhakstan</i>	2							
<i>Kenia</i>	7							
<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	3							
<i>Kosovo</i>	2							
<i>Mali</i>	9							
<i>Mongolei</i>	5							
<i>Peru</i>	3							
<i>Philippines</i>	3							
<i>Poland</i>	3							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	130							
<i>Sierra Leone</i>	2							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	3							
<i>South Africa</i>	8							
<i>Taiwan</i>	4							
<i>Thailand</i>	34							
<i>Togo</i>	1							
<i>Uganda</i>	1							
<i>Ukraine</i>	2							
<i>Vietnam</i>	2							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3886</b>						<b>128</b>	<b>2215</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4338</b>						<b>4338</b>	<b>4338</b>

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 of age.

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: Germany  
Year: 2013

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Bulgaria</i>	19							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	6							
<i>Chile</i>	3							
<i>Colombia</i>	9							
<i>Czech Republic</i>	6							
<i>Ethiopia</i>	17							
<i>Haiti</i>	72							
<i>India</i>	7							
<i>Kazhakstan</i>	3							
<i>Kenia</i>	10							
<i>Kirgisistan</i>	1							
<i>Kongo</i>	1							
<i>Kosovo</i>	1							
<i>Lithuania</i>	2							
<i>Macedonia</i>	1							
<i>Madagaskar</i>	1							
<i>Marokko</i>	1							
<i>Peru</i>								
<i>Philippines</i>	3							
<i>Poland</i>	6							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	66							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	1							
<i>South Africa</i>	10							
<i>Taiwan</i>	3							
<i>Thailand</i>	31							
<i>Turkey</i>	2							
<i>Vietnam</i>	4							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3793</b>						<b>113</b>	<b>2232</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4079</b>						<b>129</b>	<b>2233</b>

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.

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2014

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Aserbaidchan</i>	1							
<i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i>	1							
<i>Bulgaria</i>	24							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	8							
<i>Chile</i>	5							
<i>Haiti</i>	11							
<i>Honduras</i>	2							
<i>India</i>	5							
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	19							
<i>Kenya</i>	17							
<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	1							
<i>Colombia</i>	14							
<i>Kosovo</i>	1							
<i>Madagascar</i>	2							
<i>Mongolia</i>	3							
<i>New Zealand</i>	1							
<i>Peru</i>	2							
<i>Philippines</i>	2							
<i>Poland</i>	3							
<i>Roumania</i>	1							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	46							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	3							
<i>South Africa</i>	12							
<i>Taiwan</i>	4							
<i>Thailand</i>	33							
<i>Togo</i>	2							
<i>Tunisia</i>	1							
<i>Turkey</i>	1							
<i>Vietnam</i>	1							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>								
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>								

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".

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2015

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Belarus</i>	2							
<i>Bulgaria</i>	15							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	4							
<i>China</i>	3							
<i>Colombia</i>	15							
<i>Czech Republic</i>	3							
<i>Germany</i>	1							
<i>Haiti</i>	35							
<i>Iran</i>	1							
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	13							
<i>Kenia</i>	8							
<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	1							
<i>Lithuania</i>	2							
<i>Madagascar</i>	2							
<i>Mali</i>	2							
<i>Mongolia</i>	1							
<i>Nicaragua</i>	1							
<i>Nigeria</i>	3							
<i>Peru</i>	1							
<i>Poland</i>	8							
<i>Romania</i>	3							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	36							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	3							
<i>South Africa</i>	3							
<i>Taiwan</i>	5							
<i>Thailand</i>	23							
<i>Togo</i>	2							
<i>Vietnam</i>	5							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3812</b>							
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>4013</b>							

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".

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2016

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Albania</i>	1							
<i>Belarus</i>	1							
<i>Bulgaria</i>	13							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	6							
<i>Chile</i>	2							
<i>China</i>	1							
<i>Colombia</i>	2							
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1							
<i>Germany</i>	3							
<i>Haiti</i>	49							
<i>India</i>	4							
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	5							
<i>Kosovo</i>	1							
<i>Lithuania</i>	1							
<i>Madagascar</i>	3							
<i>Mexico</i>	2							
<i>Mongolia</i>	2							
<i>Philippines</i>	3							
<i>Poland</i>	3							
<i>Republic of Moldova</i>	3							
<i>Russian Federation</i>	20							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	1							
<i>South Africa</i>	13							
<i>Taiwan</i>	5							
<i>Thailand</i>	38							
<i>Togo</i>	2							
<i>Turkey</i>	3							
<i>Uganda</i>	1							
<i>Uzbekistan</i>	2							
<i>Venezuela</i>	1							
<i>Vietnam</i>	7							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>		<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3719</b>						<b>70</b>	<b>2474</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3918</b>						<b>94</b>	<b>2475</b>

For intercountry adoptions there is unfortunately no "real" statistic in Germany. The numbers we filled in the table for intercountry adoptions completed are based on information of accredited adoption agencies and Regional Central Authorities according to the 1993 Hague Convention. They do, by law, have to inform the Federal Central Authority about every completed adoption mediated by them. The numbers do not include private adoptions. The program used to save the data gives information about the age of children at the time of their adoption for one year and boys and girls together, it does not reveal the age and gender of children adopted from one parent. The numbers regarding domestic adoptions are published by the German Federal Statistical Office. We cannot guarantee their correctness. The Federal Statistical Office also publishes data about intercountry adoptions. The office is not strictly defining intercountry adoptions according to the definition in Art. 2 of the 1993 Hague Convention (change of habitual residence as determining factor), but also nationality. Also, we are not sure how private and independent adoptions are counted. We can therefore not refer to these data to fill out the annual statistic form for intercountry adoptions.

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 1 to 4 years old.

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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 relationship, please indicate the total number of intra-family adoptions.

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2017

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Bulgaria</i>	4							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	3							
<i>Czech Republic</i>	2							
<i>China</i>	1							
<i>Colombia</i>	8							
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1							
<i>Haiti</i>	25							
<i>India</i>	1							
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	2							
<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	1							
<i>Madagascar</i>	2							
<i>Mongolia</i>	1							
<i>Philippines</i>	2							
<i>Poland</i>	2							
<i>Romania</i>	2							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	5							
<i>South Africa</i>	6							
<i>Taiwan</i>	3							
<i>Thailand</i>	20							
<i>United State of America</i>	1							
<i>Vietnam</i>	4							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3391</b>						<b>110</b>	<b>2182</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3487</b>						<b>122</b>	<b>2182</b>

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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 :

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

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2018

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 8	9 to 18		by family	by step-parents
<i>Bulgaria</i>	6							
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	5							
<i>Colombia</i>	5							
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1							
<i>Ghana</i>	1							
<i>Haiti</i>	27							
<i>India</i>	1							
<i>Kazhakstan</i>	1							
<i>Madagaskar</i>	2							
<i>Philippines</i>	3							
<i>Romania</i>	3							
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	2							
<i>South Africa</i>	8							
<i>Thailand</i>	22							
<i>Togo</i>	1							
<i>Vietnam</i>	3							
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3316</b>						<b>77</b>	<b>2128</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3407</b>						<b>93</b>	<b>2128</b>

For intercountry adoptions there is unfortunately no “real” statistic in Germany. The numbers we filled in the table for intercountry adoptions completed are based on information of accredited adoption agencies and Regional Central Authorities according to the 1993 Hague Convention. They do, by law, have to inform the Federal Central Authority about every completed adoption mediated by them. The numbers do not include private adoptions. The program used to save the data gives information about the age of children at the time of their adoption for one year and boys and girls together, it does not reveal the age and gender of children adopted from one specific country. The numbers regarding domestic adoptions are published by the German Federal Statistical Office. We cannot guarantee their correctness. The Federal Statistical Office also publishes data about intercountry adoptions, but this data is not strictly defining intercountry adoptions according to the definition in Art. 2 of the 1993 Hague Convention (change of habitual residence as determining factor), but also nationality. Also, we are not sure about how private and independent adoptions are counted. We can therefore not refer to these data to fill out the annual statistic form for intercountry adoptions.

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 indicate the total number of intra-family adoptions.

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

**Annual adoption statistics for receiving States**

State: Germany  
Year: 2019

State of origin	Total number of completed	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 8	9 to 18	Unknown		by family	by step-parents
<i>Benin</i>	1								
<i>Bulgaria</i>	1								
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	2								
<i>Colombia</i>	2								
<i>Dominican Republic</i>	1								
<i>Gambia</i>	1								
<i>Haiti</i>	10								
<i>Honduras</i>	1								
<i>India</i>	3								
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	1								
<i>Philippines</i>	8								
<i>Poland</i>	1								
<i>Russian Federation</i>	10								
<i>Sri Lanka</i>	2								
<i>South Africa</i>	8								
<i>Taiwan</i>	3								
<i>Thailand</i>	17								
<i>Togo</i>	3								
<i>Vietnam</i>	10								
<b>Total number of intercountry adoptions</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total number of domestic adoptions</b>	<b>3385</b>							<b>95</b>	<b>2231</b>
<b>Total number of adoptions</b>	<b>3470</b>							<b>111</b>	<b>2231</b>

For intercountry adoptions there is unfortunately no "real" statistic in Germany. The numbers we filled in the table for intercountry adoptions completed are based on information of accredited adoption agencies and Regional Central Authorities according to the 1993 Hague Convention. They do, by law, have to inform the Federal Central Authority about every completed adoption mediated by them. The numbers do not include private and independent intercountry adoptions. The program used to save the data gives information about the age of children at the time of their adoption for one year and boys and girls together, it does not reveal the age and gender of children adopted from one specific country. The numbers regarding domestic adoptions are published by the German Federal Statistical Office. We cannot guarantee their correctness. The Federal Statistical Office also publishes data about intercountry adoptions, but the approach is different than ours: The office is not strictly defining intercountry adoptions according to the definition in Art. 2 of the 1993 Hague Convention (change of habitual residence as determining factor), but also nationality. Also, we are not sure about if and how private and independent adoptions are counted. We can therefore not refer to these data to fill out the annual statistic form for intercountry adoptions.

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.

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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