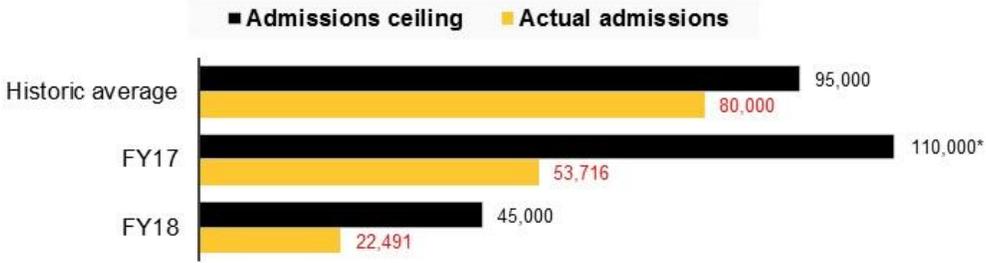




U.S. refugee admissions plummet in FY18

Nationwide refugee admissions dropped precipitously in Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18) compared to the year prior and historic trends.¹ The Trump administration set the FY18 refugee admissions ceiling at a mere 45,000 refugees – less than half of the 95,000 historic average annually. The fact that only 22,491 refugees were actually admitted is even more shocking.



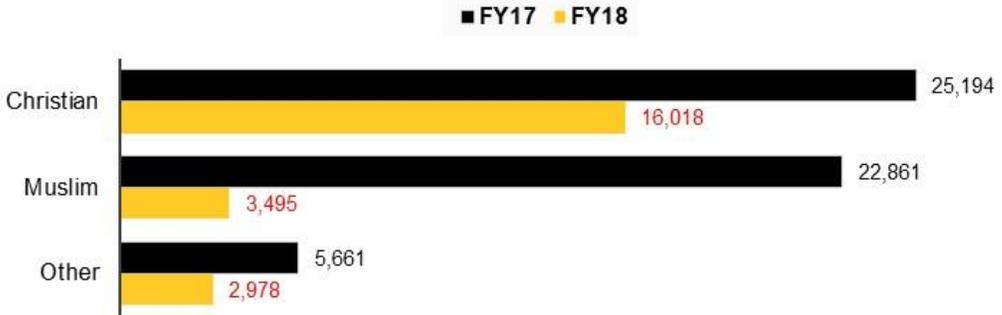
* NOTE: Days after assuming office, the President Trump issued an executive order lowering the FY17 refugee admissions ceiling to 50,000 refugees.

Refugee admissions decline in every state

State	FY17	FY18	State	FY17	FY18	State	FY17	FY18
Alabama	63	38	Louisiana	84	28	Ohio	2,867	1,408
Alaska	70	42	Maine	288	62	Oklahoma	260	92
Arizona	2,250	998	Maryland	1,072	465	Oregon	1,002	437
Arkansas	59	59	Massachusetts	1,089	464	Pennsylvania	2,147	906
California	5,160	1,370	Michigan	2,536	651	Rhode Island	204	86
Colorado	1,144	486	Minnesota	1,627	723	South Carolina	242	108
Connecticut	432	156	Mississippi	9	3	South Dakota	314	211
Delaware	16	21	Missouri	1,227	482	Tennessee	1,048	420
District of Columbia	2	1	Montana	92	115	Texas	4,768	1,692
Florida	1,698	591	Nebraska	1,194	343	Utah	714	320
Georgia	1,872	837	Nevada	469	213	Vermont	235	133
Hawaii	3	0	New Hampshire	339	162	Virginia	1,043	435
Idaho	628	360	New Jersey	379	162	Washington	2,923	1,544
Illinois	1,705	707	New Mexico	155	65	West Virginia	13	1
Indiana	1,042	493	New York	3,098	1,281	Wisconsin	942	404
Iowa	658	538	North Carolina	1,916	937	Wyoming	0	0
Kansas	580	383	North Dakota	420	162	Total	53,716	22,491
Kentucky	1,618	896						

Refugee admissions by religion: no religious group is spared

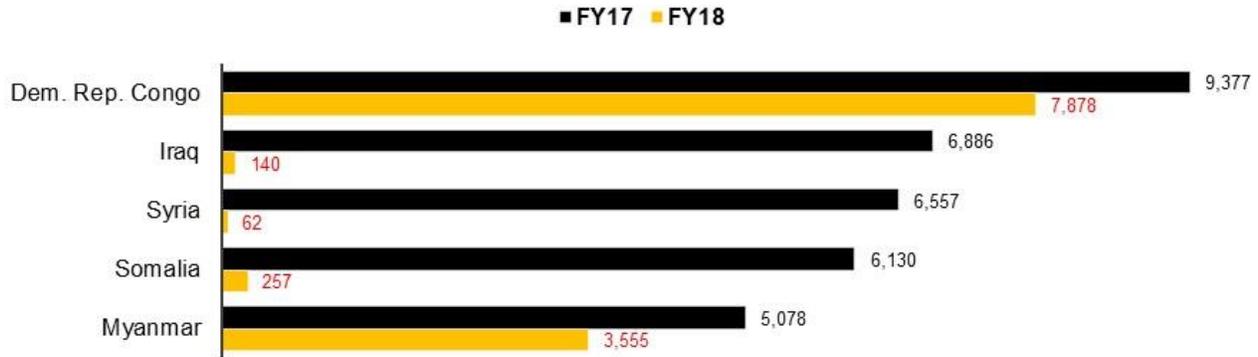
Admissions of Christian and Muslim refugees declined by 36% and 85% respectively in FY18 compared to FY17.



¹ All data publicly available on WRAPSnet.org.

Refugee admissions from FY17's top five countries show changing trends

Arrivals from Iraq, Somalia and Syria plummeted, making up 1% of less of total arrivals each in FY18.



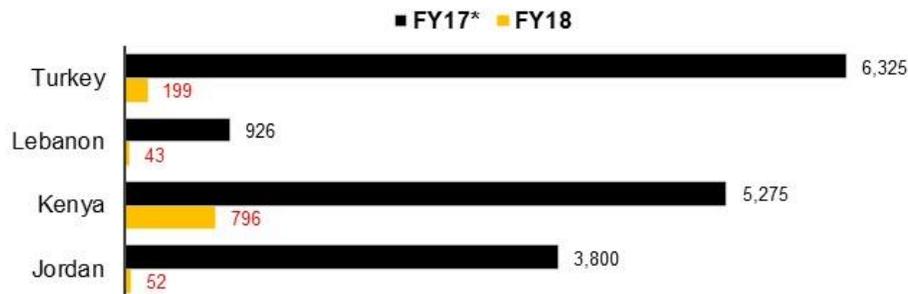
Refugee admissions from countries requiring additional security clearance slow to a trickle

Security Advisory Opinions (SAOs) are an additional security mechanism to screen refugees through a multi-agency process above and beyond the standard security vetting for refugees.² In October 2017, the Administration expanded automatic SAO clearance requirements for certain demographic profiles from 11 countries, 9 of which are Muslim majority, plus stateless refugees.³ Specifically, female refugees and younger refugees from these countries (ages 14 and 15 years old) now trigger an automatic SAO clearance.⁴ **In FY18, less than 3% of all refugee arrivals came from these 11 countries, compared to nearly 44% in FY17.**

Country	FY17	FY18	% Change
Egypt	9	1	-89%
Iran	2577	41	-99%
Iraq	6886	140	-98%
North Korea	12	5	-58%
Libya	3	1	-67%
Mali	6	0	-100%
South Sudan	176	13	-93%
Somalia	6130	257	-96%
Sudan	980	76	-92%
Syria	6557	62	-99%
Yemen	21	2	-90%

Admissions from major refugee-hosting countries drop in FY18

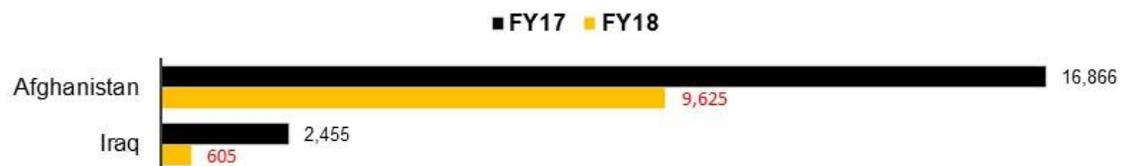
The US has often leveraged its commitment to resettle a small percentage of the most vulnerable refugees to encourage major refugee-hosting countries to continue supporting refugee populations and to secure refugee-friendly policies. **Refugee admissions from these critical allies hosting more than their fair share dropped drastically in FY18.**



* NOTE: FY17 data in this section is for the 11 month period of Oct. 1 – Aug. 31. Precise year-over-year comparisons cannot be made.

Admissions of Afghans and Iraqis who supported US missions abroad decline

Arrivals of Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) recipients declined 47% overall between FY17 and FY18.*



* NOTE: The Iraqi SIV program stopped accepting new applications in 2014 and Iraqis now apply directly to the US resettlement program instead.

² <http://www.rcusa.org/blog/security-advisory-opinion-fact-sheet>

³ The data below includes the 11 nationalities requiring SAO checks for refugees ages 14-50 (inclusive). Other nationalities may be subject to discretionary SAO checks.

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