

Reported Abductions and Returns

2010 – 2020

Year	Reported Abductions Outgoing	Returns to the United States	Reported Abductions Incoming	Returns from the United States	Requests for Access Outgoing	Requests for Access Incoming
2010	1475	665	397	156	172	97
2011	1365	685	394	174	213	86
2012	1144	580	474	162	130	93
2013	1005	510	522	192	124	91
2014	851	405	503	166	169	110
2015	771	338	397	136	99	103
2016	643	307	514	79	116	117
2017	680	269	564	104	79	126
2018	699	251	546	119	74	64
2019	710	259	623	127	89	80
2020	473	182	423	112	66	95

Definitions

Reported Abductions Outgoing: The number of children involved in international parental child abductions and reported to the Office of Children’s Issues during a calendar year, including those filed with a foreign central authority and those which remained in preliminary status. This includes abductions to both Hague and Non-Hague countries.

Reported Abductions Incoming: The number of children involved in international parental child abductions submitted to the Office of Children’s Issues during a calendar year. Almost all of these instances would have been submitted by a foreign central authority. This includes abductions from both Hague and Non-Hague countries.

Returns: All children previously reported as abducted who returned to their country of habitual residence during the calendar year. The number is based on the year of actual return, regardless of the year in which the child was abducted or when the Office of Children’s Issues was informed of the return.

Requests for Access: The number of children involved in requests for access under the Hague Convention received by the Office of Children’s Issues during the calendar Year.