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SPORT AGAINST RACISM IRELAND

SARI was founded in 1997 as a direct response to racist attacks in the Dublin area.

SARI is an NGO which uses the power of sport to challenge discrimination, promote cultural integration and drive social inclusion throughout Ireland.

Working with schools, Direct Provision Centres, refugee and local communities SARI delivers anti-discrimination educational workshops, intercultural sporting events and a Young Leaders youth development and employability programme collectively creating opportunities for all.

FOOTBALL VERSUS DISCRIMINATION

SEXISM

HOMOPHOBIA

RACISM

'Race'

How many races are there?

'Race'

There is only one 'race', the human race. To suggest otherwise is only to perpetuate the myth of white superiority.

The classification of humans into superior and inferior beings was created to morally justify the enslavement of Africans by white people in the pursuit of wealth.

Did racism cause slavery or did slavery cause racism?



SOCCERNITES



HIJABS & HAT-TRICKS



EMPLOYABILITY PROGRAMME







**FOOTBALL
FOR UNITY**













**I CAME HERE KNOWING NO ONE AND
NOW I FEEL LIKE I KNOW ALMOST HALF
OF THE COUNTRY. IT'S A GOOD PLACE.**



**I DON'T HAVE THE WORDS TO
DESCRIBE HOW FOOTBALL
MAKES ME FEEL. FOOTBALL IS
EVERYTHING TO ME.**



**REFLECTING ON MY JOURNEY SO FAR I
THINK IF I WAS STILL IN GAZA I DON'T
THINK I WOULD HAVE ANY HOPE.
BEING IN IRELAND AND PLAYING
FOOTBALL HERE HAS GIVEN ME THE
DREAM THAT ONE DAY I MIGHT EVEN
GET TO PLAY AT A HIGHER LEVEL
SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE.**







**IT ALL JUST STARTED WITH KICKING
A FOOTBALL AROUND. IT LED ME
TO WHERE I AM IN LIFE NOW. THE
FRIENDSHIPS I HAVE - THE ONES
THAT LAST - ARE PRIMARILY THE
RELATIONSHIPS I FORMED AT SARI.**



**FOOTBALL HAS GIVEN ME
CONFIDENCE. GIVEN ME BETTER
SKILLS. HELPED ME TO FEEL
BETTER. GIVEN ME GREAT JOY.**





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WORLD REFUGEE DAY



In 2010 SARI was asked to partner with UNHCR Ireland for the inaugural World Refugee Day Fair Play Cup.

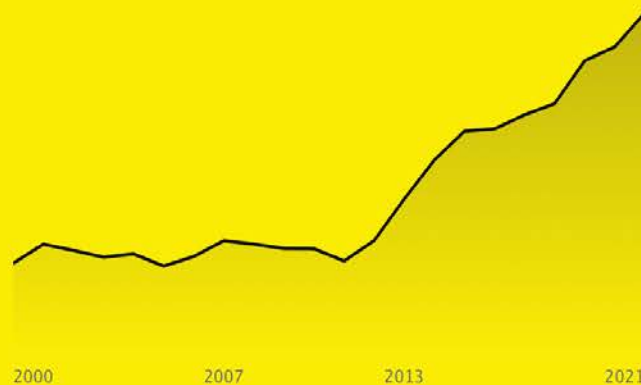
War persecution and global upheavals have displaced over 89 million people worldwide.

Approximately 50% are children.

89.3 MILLION

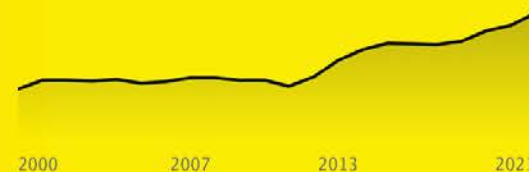
Forcibly displaced people worldwide

at the end of 2021 as a result of persecution, conflict, violence, human rights violations or events seriously disturbing public order.



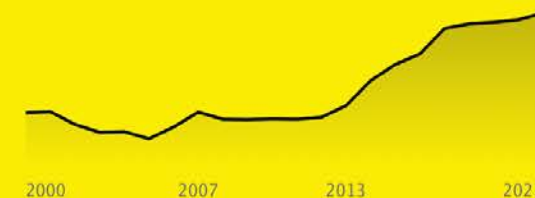
53.2 MILLION

are internally displaced people (Source: IDMC)



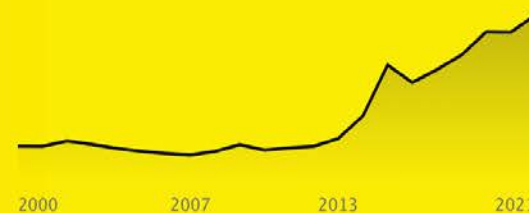
27.1 MILLION

are refugees



4.6 MILLION

are asylum seekers



Last update: 16 June 2022

Welcome to UNHCR's Refugee Population Statistics Database

Before, during and after the Second World War many countries took in Jewish refugees. The Irish Dept. of Justice refused to do so in the 1930s and persisted with this attitude after the war refusing to take in 100 child survivors of the concentration camps. They called Jews:

“A POTENTIAL IRRITANT IN THE BODY POLITIC”

In 1950 the UNHCR was set up to help Europeans who had fled their homes.

In 1951 The Refugee Convention was signed by 144 states. An agreement not to return people to a country where they face threat.

Programmed refugees:

1956: 530 Hungarians

1973: 123 Chileans

1985: 26 Iranian Bahas

1992: 770 Bosnians

From 2015 to 2019 a total of 3,207 people arrived under the Irish
Refugee Protection programme

Recent stats on refugee numbers:

55 refugees were resettled to Ireland in the first half of 2021, of which 6 were Syrians travelling from Jordan and 19 from Lebanon.

Another 50 people arrived from Greece in September.

Direct Provision

There are approximately 12,000 adults and children living in more than 38 Direct Provision Centres across Ireland.

More recently, due to lack of Direct Provision housing, government have taken over hotels with anything from 300 – 600 asylum seekers being housed in each hotel

Language

