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Unaccompanied minor applicants on the rise in Europe

 **42,000**

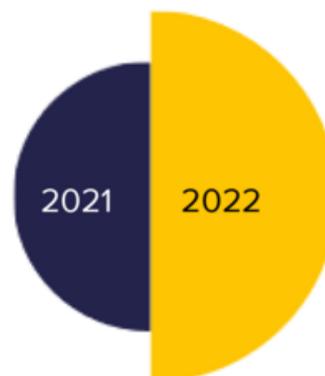
applications by unaccompanied minors lodged in 2022

18,000

applications by unaccompanied minors were withdrawn, twice as many as in 2021

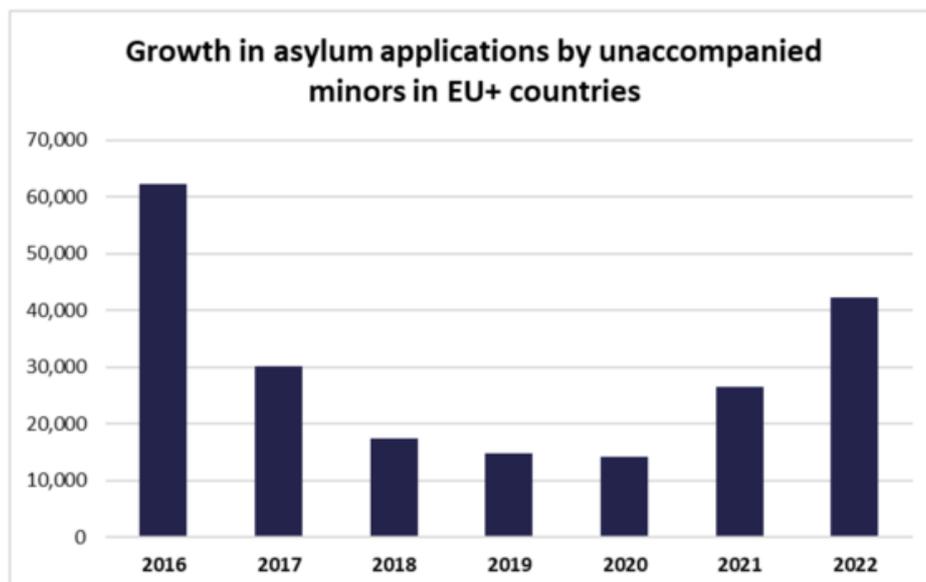
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of all unaccompanied minor applicants were from Syria and Afghanistan



Applications by unaccompanied minors increased by **3/5** compared to the previous year

The increase in the number of unaccompanied children seeking protection exerted additional pressure on asylum processes.



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