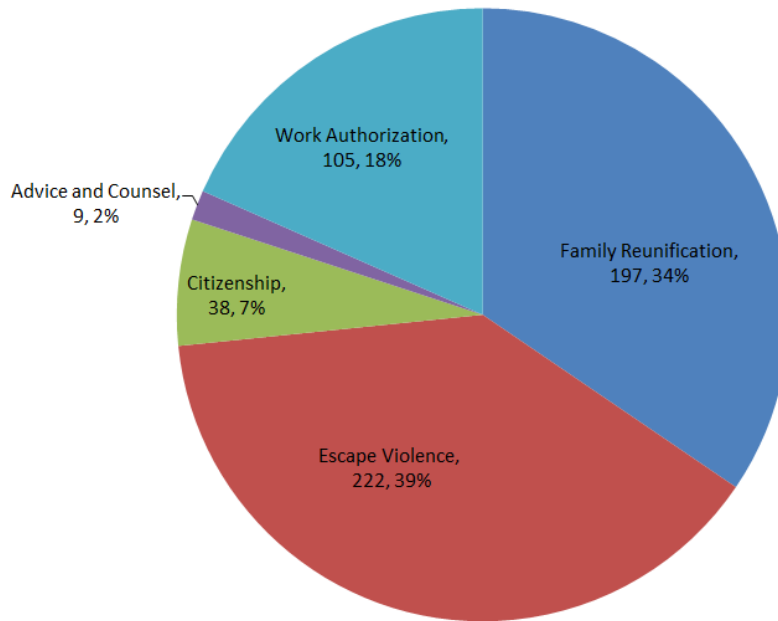
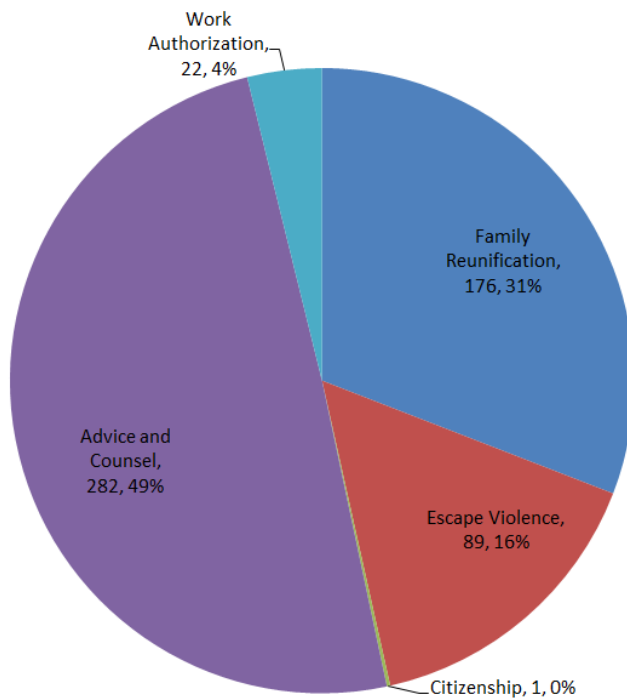


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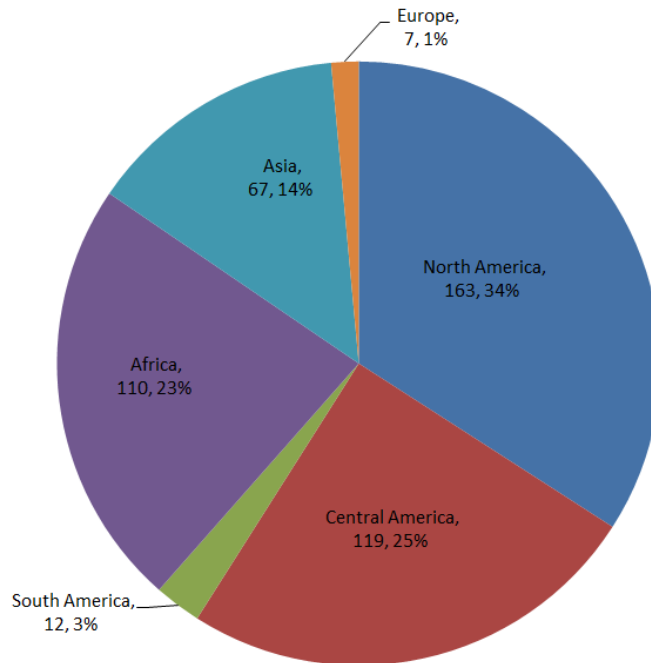
## Active Cases



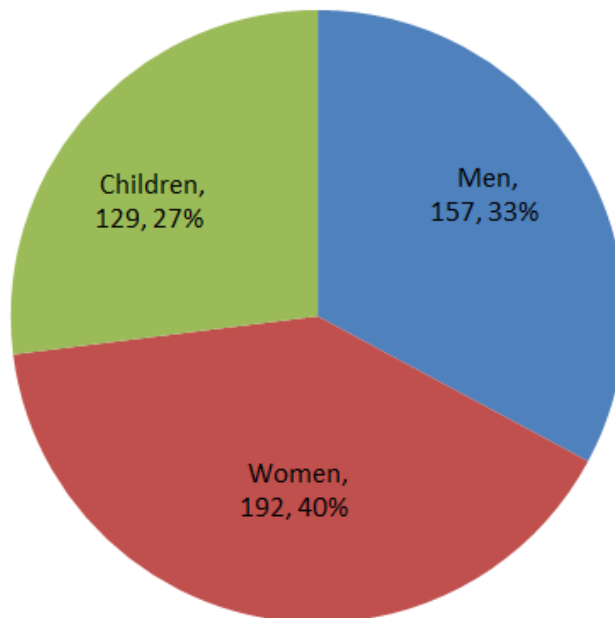
## Total Cases Handled since January 1, 2016



## New Clients Served in 2016 by Continent



## New Clients Served in 2016 by Gender



## New Clients Served by Country

Mexico	135	Ecuador	2
El Salvador	52	Ethiopia	2
Guatemala	48	Laos	2
Burma	36	Nigeria	2
Somalia	22	Portugal	2
Liberia	19	Afghanistan	1
United States	19	Belize	1
Honduras	17	Bosnia and Herzegovina	1
Iraq	13	Cameroon	1
South Sudan	11	Canada	1
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	9	Central African Republic	1
Venezuela	8	Colombia	1
Tanzania	7	Cuba	1
Eritrea	6	India	1
Bhutan	5	Italy	1
Burundi	5	Kuwait	1
Dominican Republic	4	Nicaragua	1
Gabon	4	Peru	1
Kenya	4	Philippines	1
Congo, Republic of the	3	Romania	1
Egypt	3	Rwanda	1
Ghana	3	South Africa	1
Haiti	3	Ukraine	1
Sudan	3	United Kingdom	1
Thailand	3	Vietnam	1
Togo	3		
Yemen	3		

## Explanation of Case Types

**Work Authorization:** These cases enable eligible immigrants to receive authorization to work in the U.S. by obtaining a work permit. This includes “dreamers” who arrived in the U.S. as children and have lived here for most of their lives. Though most cannot apply for a permanent legal status, they are allowed to work here and contribute to their families and communities.

**Family Unification:** These cases allow families to reunite after long separations, or to stay united. This includes helping refugees apply for their green cards as well as enabling spouses, parents, children, and siblings to live in the United States together, permanently and lawfully.

**Escape Violence:** These cases include individuals seeking asylum in the U.S. due to a fear of persecution in their home country. They also include immigrants (usually women) who experience domestic violence and who can apply to remain in the U.S. without dependence on their abuser. Other cases in this category involve victims and witnesses of violent crimes (such as domestic violence, hit and runs, assaults, and many more) who have aided the police in the investigation or prosecution of the crime.

**Citizenship:** This involves naturalization cases for immigrants who are eligible to attain U.S. citizenship. While most immigrants seek citizenship in the U.S., not all are eligible for it, and many must wait years. Citizenship enables immigrants to vote, to petition for family members to join them here, to no longer fear deportation, and to access many benefits afforded to Americans.

**Advice and Counsel:** These cases enable an immigrant to learn their options under the law through intake with volunteers and staff attorneys. One benefit of this case type, which is undertaken with most first-time JFON clients, is to provide individuals the peace of mind to know their options in a trustworthy and affordable environment and to prevent them from becoming scammed by those who make false promises and steal their money. Some clients with advice and counsel cases are referred to other organizations and some have no legal options, but many are accepted by JFON for additional representation to achieve one of the outcomes of the other case types above.