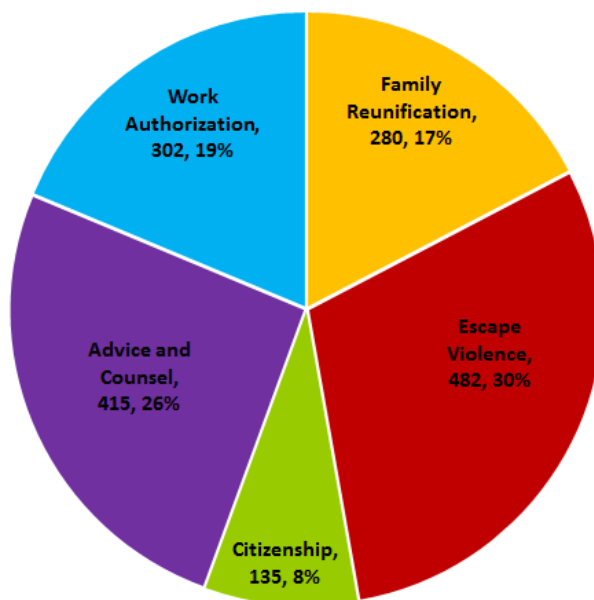
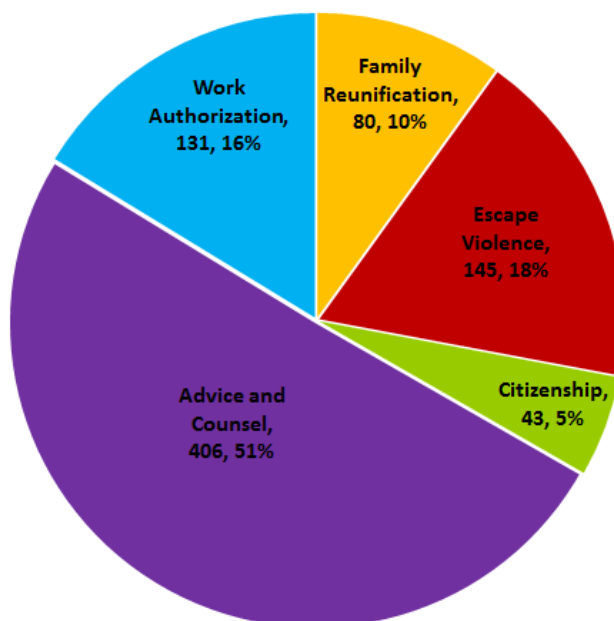


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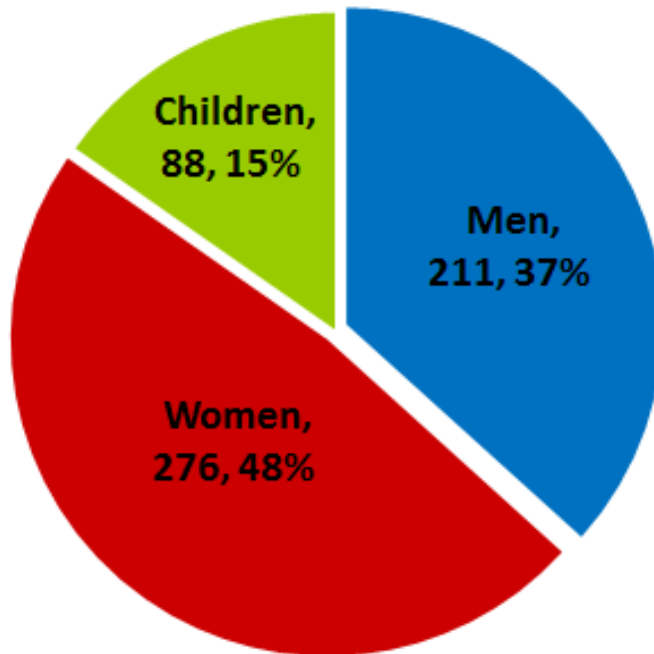
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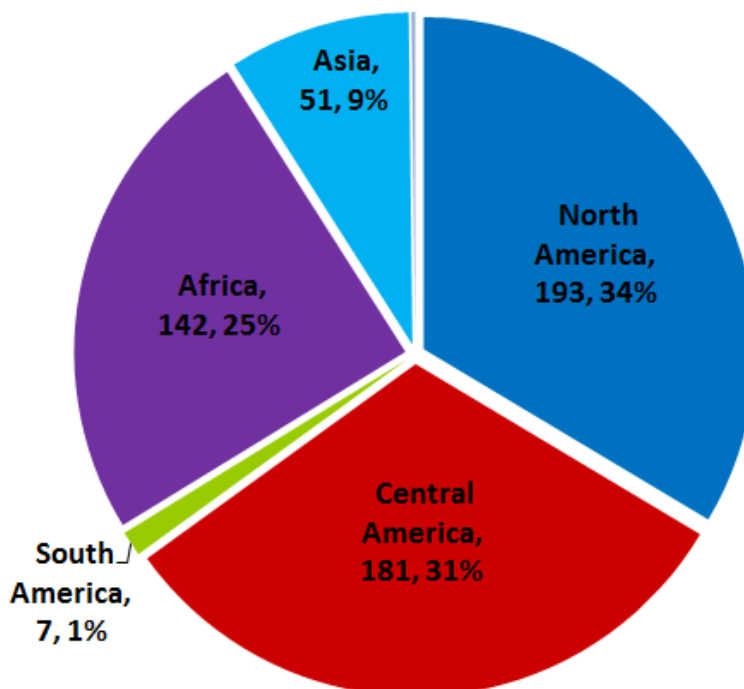
805 NEW Cases



575 New Clients



New Clients by Continent



New Clients Served by Country

172	Mexico	3	Rwanda
81	El Salvador	2	Colombia
67	Guatemala	2	Equatorial Guinea
35	Liberia	2	India
26	Honduras	2	Pakistan
21	Congo, Democratic Republic of the	2	Peru
16	Burma	2	South Africa
16	South Sudan	2	Venezuela
14	Sudan	1	Afghanistan
13	Burundi	1	Angola
10	Bhutan	1	Burkina Faso
9	Cuba	1	Cameroon
7	Somalia	1	China
6	Iraq	1	Dominican Republic
5	Haiti	1	Ecuador
5	United States	1	Egypt
4	Eritrea	1	Fiji
4	Ethiopia	1	Ghana
4	Kenya	1	Guinea
4	Nicaragua	1	Jamaica
4	Philippines	1	Morocco
4	Singapore	1	Nigeria
4	Togo	1	Thailand
3	Belize	1	Uganda
3	Cote d'Ivoire	1	Vietnam
3	Nepal	1	Zimbabwe

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.