



EurAdopt is an association of Western European adoption organizations founded in 1993.

EurAdopt advocates intercountry adoption as an option in child welfare when pursued in the best interest of the child and according to the principle of subsidiarity.

EurAdopt has developed a set of Ethical Rules and promotes their application by the member organizations and others.

EurAdopt presently has 28 member organisations in 14 European countries. The members help to place more than 4,000 children a year with new parents.

EurAdopt has been represented at the Special Commission Meetings on the Adoption Convention in The Hague. At the last of these meetings, in September 2005, seven Work Documents, produced jointly with the Nordic Adoption Council, were presented by EurAdopt.

Number of Intercountry Adoptions – Selected Receiving States and Years

Country	1988	1998	2003	Country	1988	1998	2003
USA	9,120	15,774	21,616	Sweden	1,074	928	1,046
France	2,441	3,777	3,995	Norway	566	643	714
Spain	93	1,487	3,951	Germany	875	922	674
Italy	2,078	2,233	2,772	Denmark	523	624	522
Canada	232	2,222	2,181	Australia	516	245	278
Netherl.	577	1,122	1,154	Finland	78	181	238



Source: Peter Selman

Intercountry Adoptions per 100,000 Population Year 2003 – Selected Receiving States

Country	No. Adoptions	Rate per 100,000	Country	No. Adoptions	Rate per 100,000
Norway	714	15.8	Netherl.	1,154	7.1
Sweden	1,046	11.8	Canada	2,181	6.9
Luxemb.	51	11.3	France	3,995	6.6
Denmark	522	9.7	Switzerl.	366	5.1
Spain	3,951	9.6	Italy	2,772	4.8
Ireland	341	8.6	Finland	238	4.6
USA	21,616	7.4	Australia	278	1.4
New Z.	278	7.2	Germany	674	0.8
Netherl.	1,154	7.1	UK	300	0.5

Source: Peter Selman

Percentage of Children arriving from Selected States of Origin to Selected Receiving States 2005

State of origin 	China % (rank)	Korea % (rank)	Russia % (rank)	Guatemala % (rank)	Colombia % (rank)
Receiving state 					
USA FY 2005 (Top 20 states)	36.0 % (1)	7.4 % (4)	20.1 % (2)	16.6 % (3)	1.3 % (9)
France 2005 (Top 20 states)	12.1 % (3)	1,0 %	9.5 % (5)	0.0 % (-)	7.8 % (6)
Sweden 2005 (All 24 states)	48.4 % (1)	10.9 % (2)	3.2 % (8)	0.0 % (-)	4.4 % (5)
Norway 2005 (All 17 states)	50.8 % (1)	13.4 % (2)	0.2 % (16)	0.0 % (-)	12.2 % (3)