

# Refugee Resettlement In Madison/Wisconsin

## *An Introduction*

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# Define Refugee:

An individual who has a well-founded fear of persecution due to race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group, or political opinion, ***who has fled their country of origin and cannot safely return.*** In the context of the United States, all refugees arriving in the U.S. have been vetted and approved prior to arrival in the country.

## Define Special Immigrant Visa (SIV):

A special, expedited resettlement process category for ***Iraqi or Afghan nationals who worked with the US Armed Forces*** or under Chief of Mission authority, often as a translator or interpreter, and Iraqi nationals who worked for or on behalf of the U.S. Government in Iraq.

# Define Asylum Seeker:

A person forced to leave their country and directly seek legal status in the US, rather than abroad. Asylum seekers become asylees when they are granted legal status by the U.S. government.

# U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP)



UNHCR



U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration



U.S. Department of Homeland Security



U.S. Intelligence Agencies



1 of 9 Resettlement Agencies (HIAS, LIRS, IRC, etc)



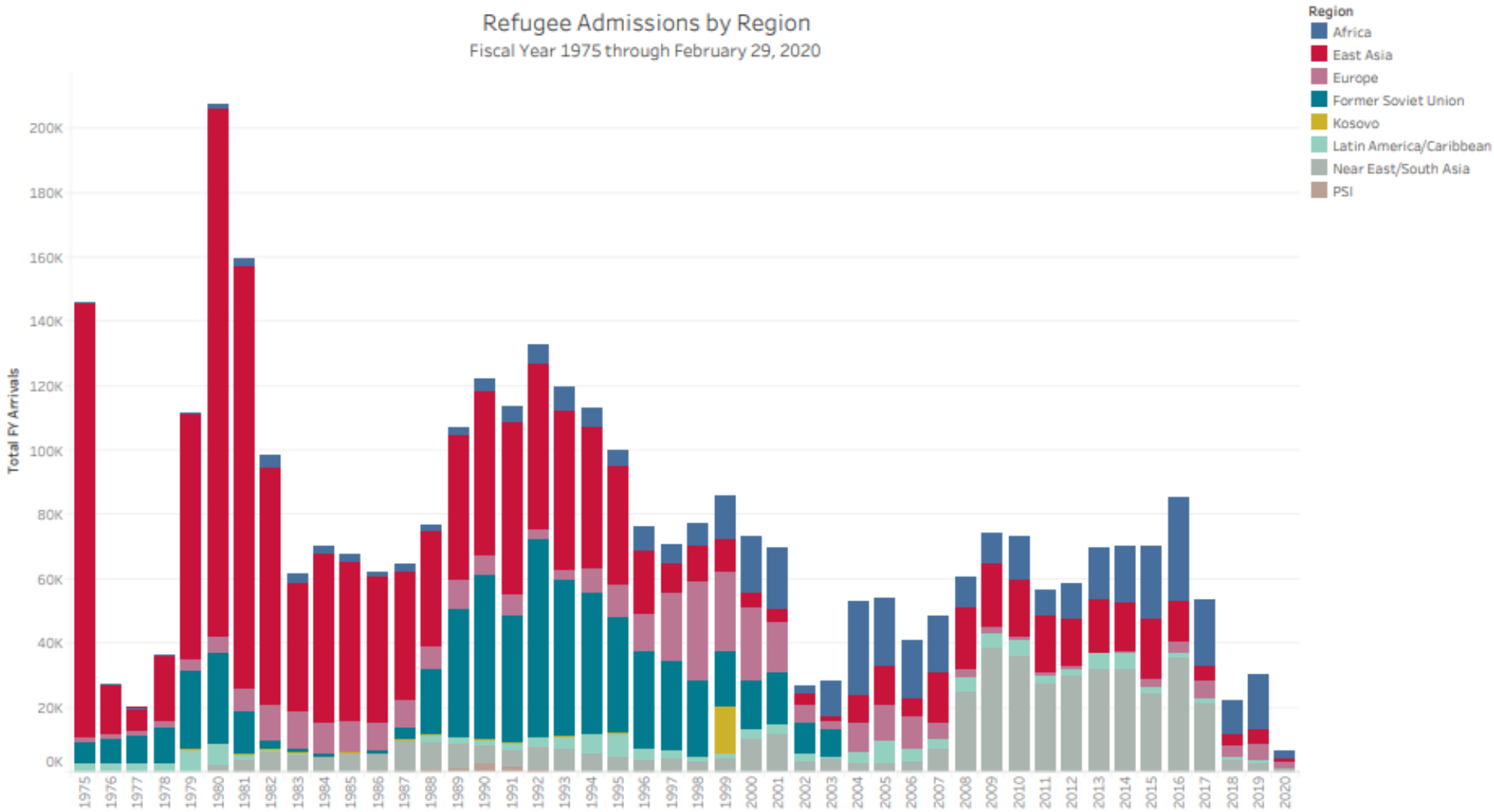
Local Resettlement Affiliates (~350 across the US)



Thousands of private citizens who volunteer to help refugees

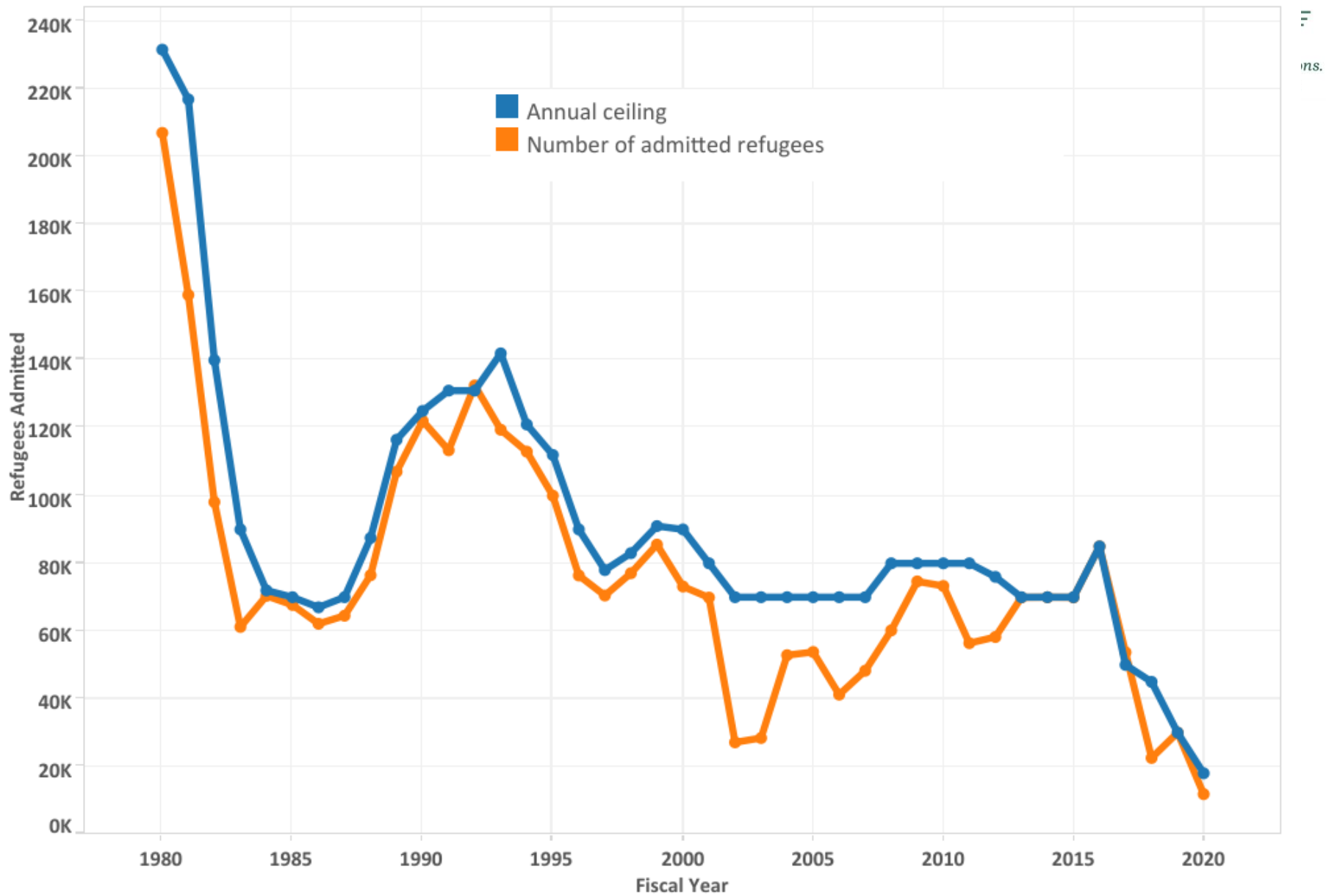
## Refugee Admissions by Region

Fiscal Year 1975 through February 29, 2020



Based on the terms of a settlement in Doe et al. v. Trump et al., No. 17-0178 (W.D. Wash), certain refugee applicants that arrive in FY 2020 and any future fiscal years are counted toward the FY 2018 refugee admissions ceiling.

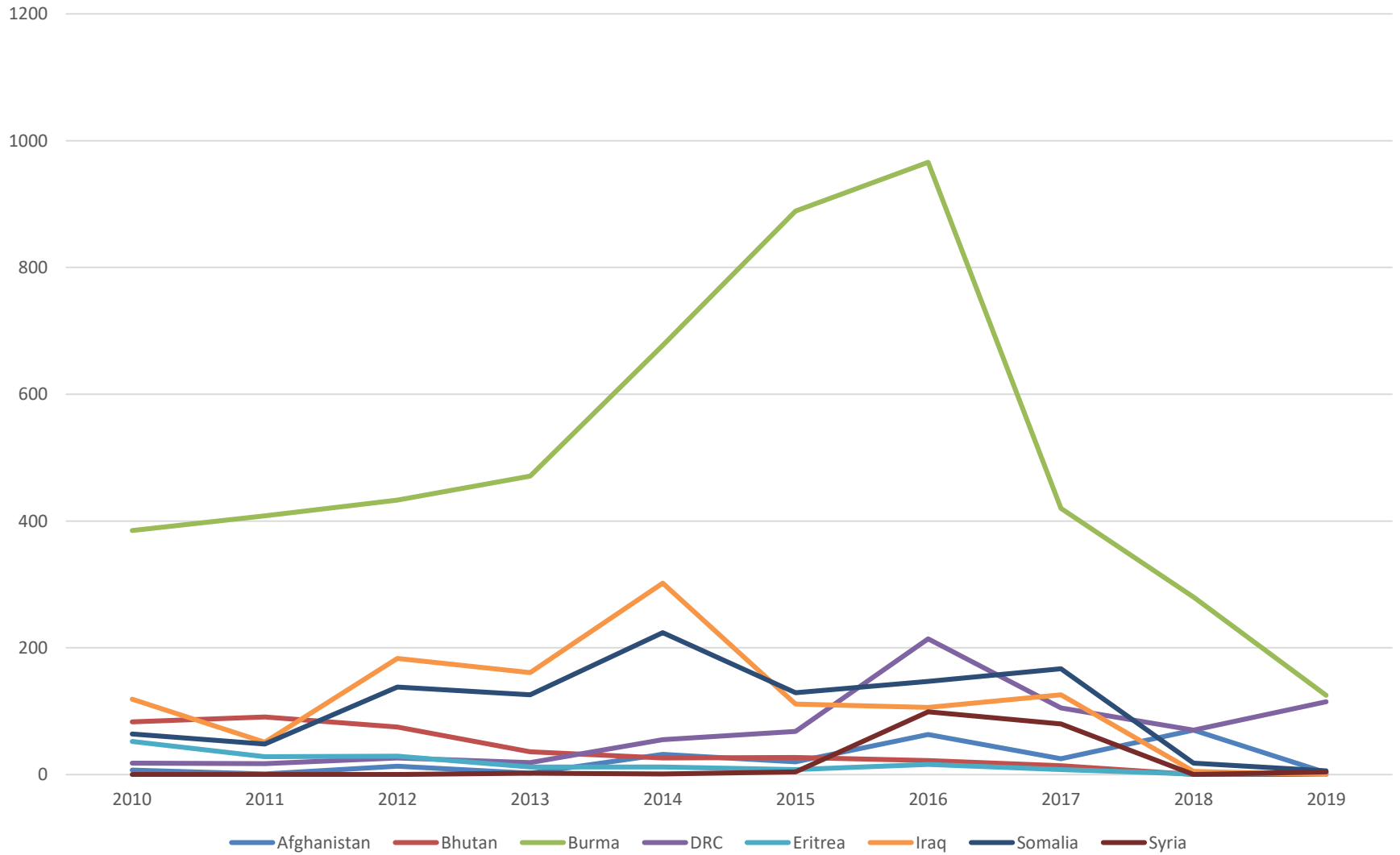
# U.S. Refugee Admissions and Refugee Resettlement Ceilings, Fiscal Years 1980-2020



# Resettlement in Madison/Wisconsin



## Wisconsin Refugee Admissions by Nationality



# Significant Refugee Populations in Wisconsin

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Afghanistan</b>	7	1	13	2	32	20	63	25	70	4	0
<b>Bhutan</b>	83	91	75	36	26	27	22	14	0	0	0
<b>Burma</b>	385	408	433	471	677	889	966	420	280	258	196
<b>DRC</b>	18	17	26	19	55	68	214	105	70	282	27
<b>Eritrea</b>	52	28	29	12	12	8	16	8	1	3	0
<b>Iraq</b>	119	51	183	161	302	111	106	126	5	6	13
<b>Somalia</b>	64	48	138	126	224	129	147	167	18	11	0
<b>Syria</b>	0	0	0	2	1	4	99	80	0	9	4
<b>Total Arrivals in Wisconsin</b>	832	760	785	946	1132	1415	1691	942	404	596	265

## Largest Resettlement Locations

1. Milwaukee – 7,087
2. Fox Valley – 847
3. Madison - 612

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