

## **Incoming Hague Convention Cases to the U.S. Central Authority: Applications for Return and Access in 2020**

In 2020, the U.S. Central Authority acted on a total of 889 cases under the Convention from all the countries and areas in the table below. There were 358 new cases opened in 2020. As of December 31, 2020, there were 393 cases that had been closed, and 496 cases that remained open.

<b>Country</b>	<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>New Cases Opened</b>	<b>Cases Closed</b>	<b>Cases Open at End of Year</b>
<b>Argentina</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Armenia</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Australia</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Bahamas, The</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Belize</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bermuda</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Brazil</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>British Overseas Territories</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bulgaria</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Canada</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Cayman Islands</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Chile</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Colombia</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Costa Rica</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Croatia</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Czech Republic</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Denmark</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Dominican Republic</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Ecuador</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>El Salvador</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Estonia</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>France</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Germany</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Greece</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Guatemala</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Honduras</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>134</b>
<b>Hong Kong</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Hungary</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Ireland</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Israel</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Italy</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Jamaica</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Japan</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Latvia</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Lithuania</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Macedonia, North</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Malta</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Mexico</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>109</b>
<b>Montenegro</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Morocco</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Netherlands</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>Northern Ireland</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Norway</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Panama</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Paraguay</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Peru</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Poland</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Portugal</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Republic of Korea</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Romania</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Singapore</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Slovakia</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Spain</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>St. Eustatius</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>St. Kitts And Nevis</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sweden</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Switzerland</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Thailand</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Trinidad And Tobago</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Türkiye</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Ukraine</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Venezuela</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Zimbabwe</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>496</b>