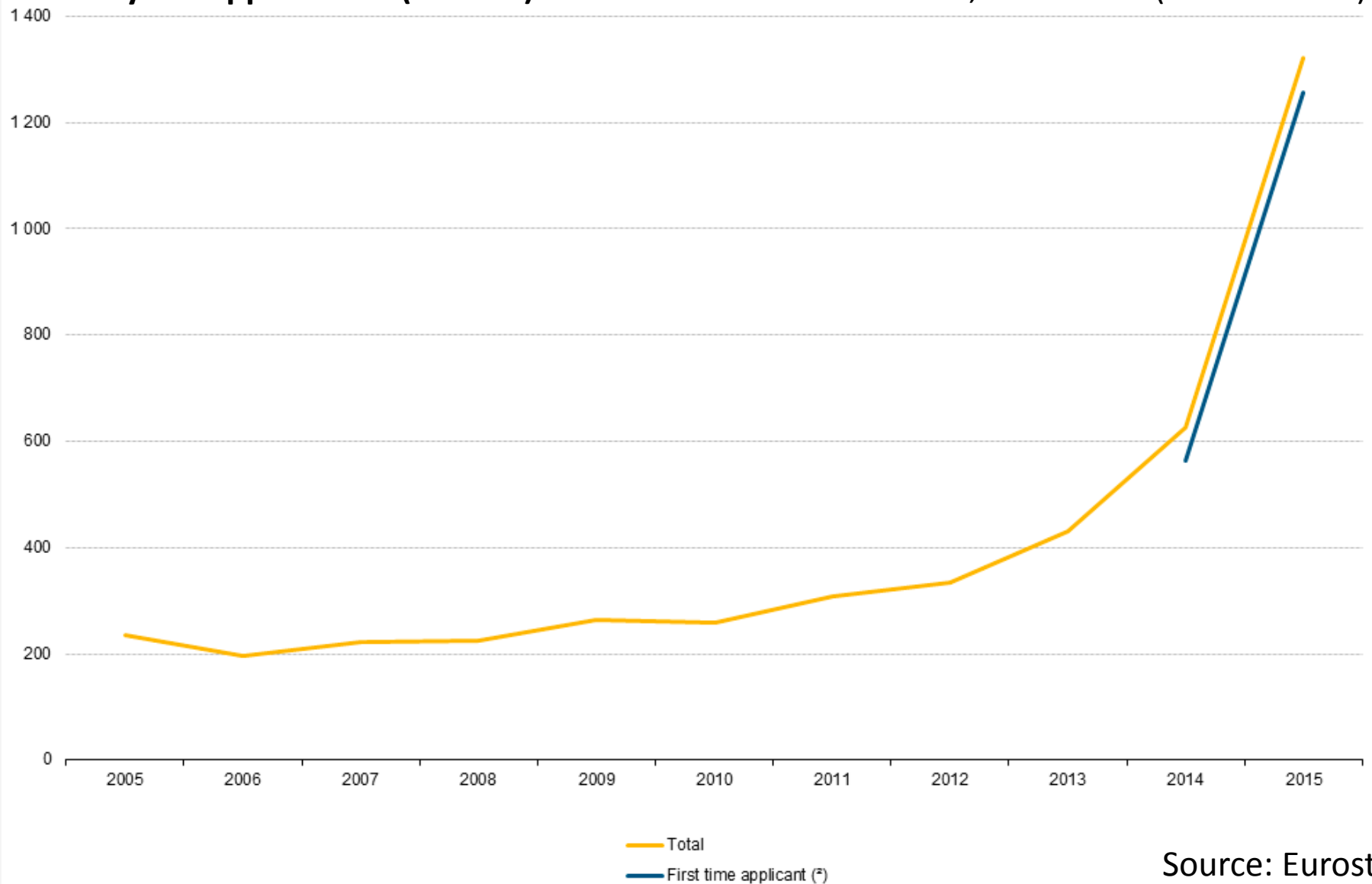


# Europe's share

Asylum applications (non-EU) in the EU-28 Member States, 2005-2015 (in thousands)



Source: Eurostat

# A historical refugee crisis

Global forced displacement has increased in 2015, with record-high numbers. By the end of the year, 65.3 million individuals were forcibly displaced worldwide as a result of persecution, conflict, generalized violence, or human rights violations. This is 5.8 million more than the previous year (59.5 million).

**65.3**

MILLION  
FORCIBLY  
DISPLACED  
WORLDWIDE

If these 65.3 million persons were a nation, they would make up the 21<sup>st</sup> largest in the world.

21.3 million persons were refugees

16.1 million under UNHCR's mandate

5.2 million Palestinian refugees registered by UNRWA

40.8 million internally displaced persons<sup>1</sup>

3.2 million asylum-seekers

Source: UNHCR Global Trends report 2015 p.2