



DID YOU KNOW?

10 facts about immigration:

- Syria's **civil war**, which started in **2011**, has created the worst **humanitarian crisis** of our time. Half the country's pre-war population (an estimated **11 million** people) have been **killed** or **forced** to flee their homes.
- A **refugee** is someone who has been **forced to flee** his or her country because of **persecution**, **war**, or **violence**. Refugees are entitled to protection under international law.
- The crisis in Syria has reversed **10 years** of progress in education for **Syrian children**, according to the U.N children's agency.
- More than **75%** of Syrian refugees are **women** and **children**.
- **2/3 of refugees** come from only **5 countries**: Syria, Afghanistan, South Sudan, Myanmar, and Somalia.
- Most refugees stay in the Middle Eastern region, escaping to countries such as Jordan, Lebanon, **Turkey** and Iraq.
- Turkey shelters the greatest number of refugees, hosting **3.7 million refugees** as of mid-2019. Pakistan, Uganda, and Sudan follow.
- **Islam** is derived from the Arabic root "*Salema*": **peace**, **purity**, submission and **obedience**. In the religious sense, Islam means **submission to the will of God** and obedience to His law.
- Low- and middle-income countries host more than **85%** of the world's refugees.
- **EU** has accepted **85%** of asylum seeker requests.