



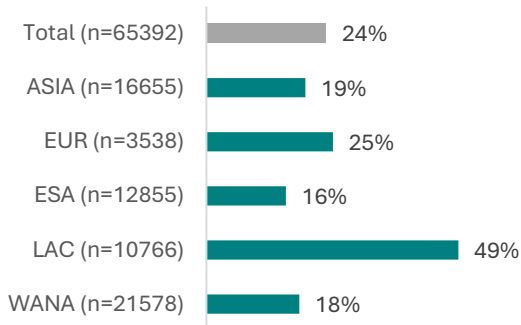
This infographic was designed to inform discussions at the 2024 Family Reunification Network Conference. The analysis draws upon 65,392 interviews conducted as part of the Mixed Migration Centre's 4Mi core migrant survey since 2021. 4Mi uses non-probability purposive sampling, hence the results are not statistically representative of the dynamics of mixed migration.



24% (n=15372) of all migrants surveyed mentioned desire for family reunification as a factor in their decision to migrate and/or their choice of destination.

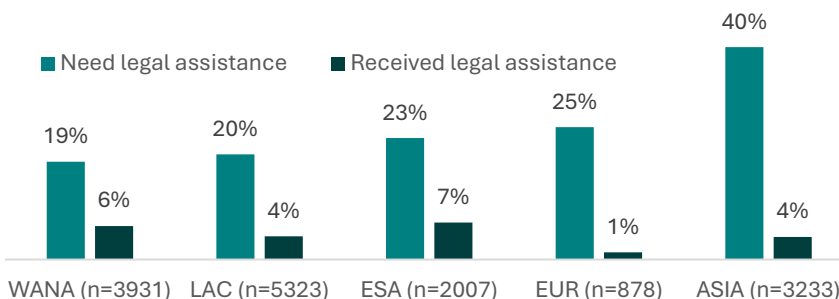
In **Latin America and the Caribbean**, this was the case for 49% (n=5323) of respondents.

Migrants influenced by desire for family reunification



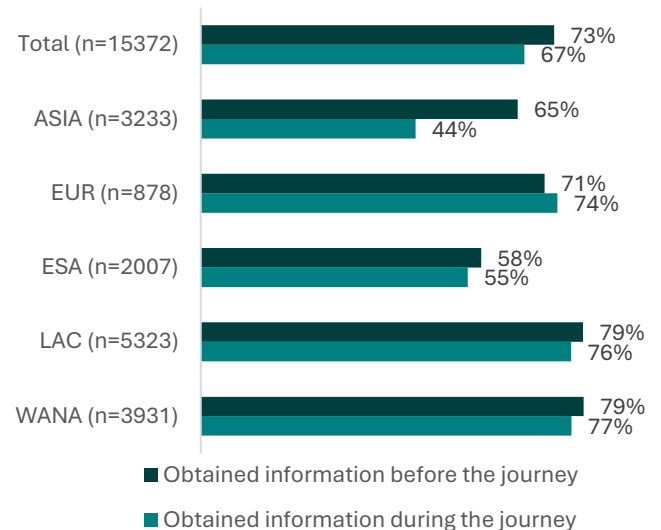
MMC's regions include Asia, Europe (EUR), Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC), East and Southern Africa (ESA), and West and North Africa (WANA).

A quarter (n= 3770) of migrants influenced by a desire for family reunification needed **legal assistance**, yet only 5% (n=776) had received any at the time of the interview.



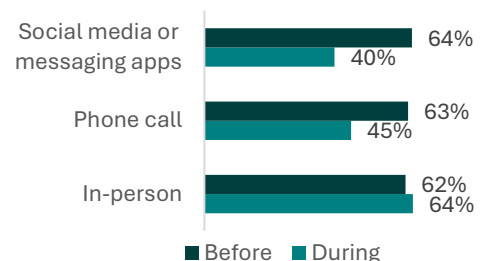
For migrants seeking family reunification, access to information was lowest in **Asia** and in **East and Southern Africa**.

Access to information



Among those who accessed information before the journey (n= 11178), 64% used **social media or messaging apps** as a means of obtaining information prior to migration; during migration, in person was more common.

Means of obtaining information



Key sources of information before and during migration (multi-select)

	Before migration		During migration	
	n	%	n	%
Friends / family in another country	8638	77%	4661	46%
Friends / family in country of departure	4340	39%	1860	18%
Other migrants	2873	26%	4984	49%
Smugglers	2908	26%	3456	34%
Online community / network	2477	22%	1754	17%
Returned migrants	1997	18%	944	9%
Travel agents	1512	14%	1132	11%
Wider diaspora	1006	9%	726	7%
Foreign embassies / consulates	405	4%	264	3%
Private employment agency	386	3%	156	2%
NGOs / UN	272	2%	766	7%
National government / authorities	282	3%	537	5%
Local people I met on my journey	334	3%	3062	30%

Family and friends in another country were the primary sources of information for 77% of migrants who expressed desire for family reunification and accessed information before the journey (n= 11178).

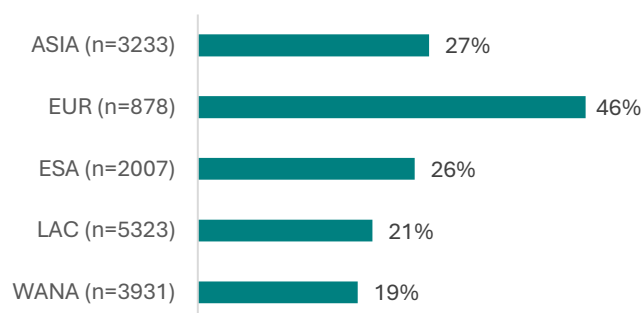
During migration meanwhile, **other migrants** were the most commonly reported source of information, mentioned by 49%. **Local people met on the journey** also emerge as an important new information source.

Europe stands out with regards to the role of **NGOs/UN** as sources of information during migration, cited by 22% (n=142) in the region. Conversely, in Asia, just 1% (n=20) of respondents received information from NGOs/UN during migration.

24% (n=3647) of migrants who expressed desire for family reunification felt they **lacked information** on legal processes regarding migration and asylum.

In **Europe**, this was the case for 46% (n=403) of respondents.

Lacked information on legal processes regarding migration and asylum



4Mi data collection

4Mi is the Mixed Migration Centre's flagship primary data collection system, an innovative approach that helps fill knowledge gaps, and inform policy and response regarding the nature of mixed migratory movements and the protection risks for refugees and migrants on the move. Note that the sampling approach means that the findings provide rich insights, but the figures cannot be used to make inferences about the total population.

See more 4Mi analysis and details on methodology at www.mixedmigration.org/4mi