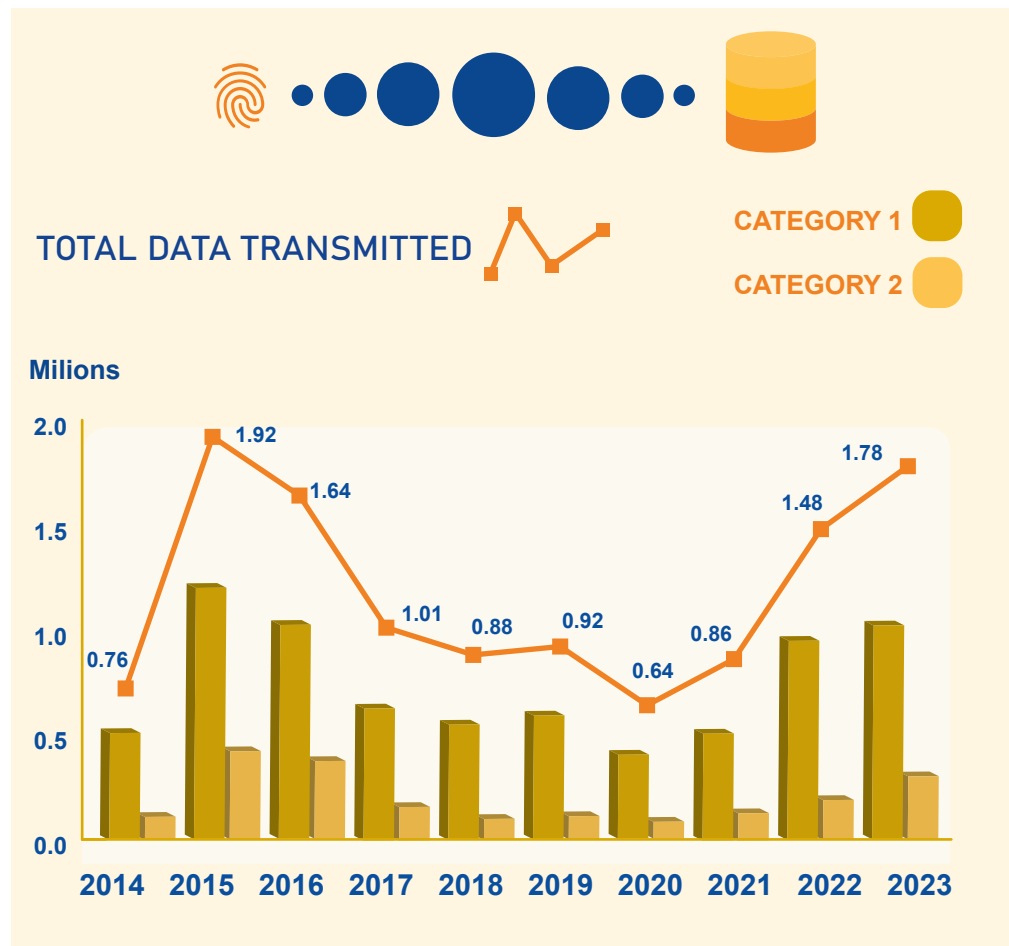


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The **European Dactyloscopy Database** (Eurodac) is the large-scale IT system used in the EU for managing asylum applications within the European Union and Schengen Associated Countries. The system permits fingerprint comparison and storage, and therefore, supports the effective implementation of Regulation (EU) No 604/2013, in determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States. Since 2013, Eurodac is under eu-LISA's operational management.

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2023

TOTAL DATA TRANSMITTED

1,776,914

Fingerprint datasets transmitted by Member States in **5 main categories** for storage and/or search purposes

CATEGORY 1

1,024,923

Asylum seekers

CATEGORY 2

302,137

Irregular crossings by third-country nationals (TCN)

1,776,914 fingerprint data sets were transmitted to Eurodac in 2023 (20% increase compared to 2022), reaching the highest level after the peak in 2015. In comparison to 2022, each main category in the system saw an increase in traffic. **1,024,923 data sets were recorded in Category 1** representing 58% of the total transmissions in 2023 and **302,137 data sets (17% of total)** were recorded in **Category 2**.

