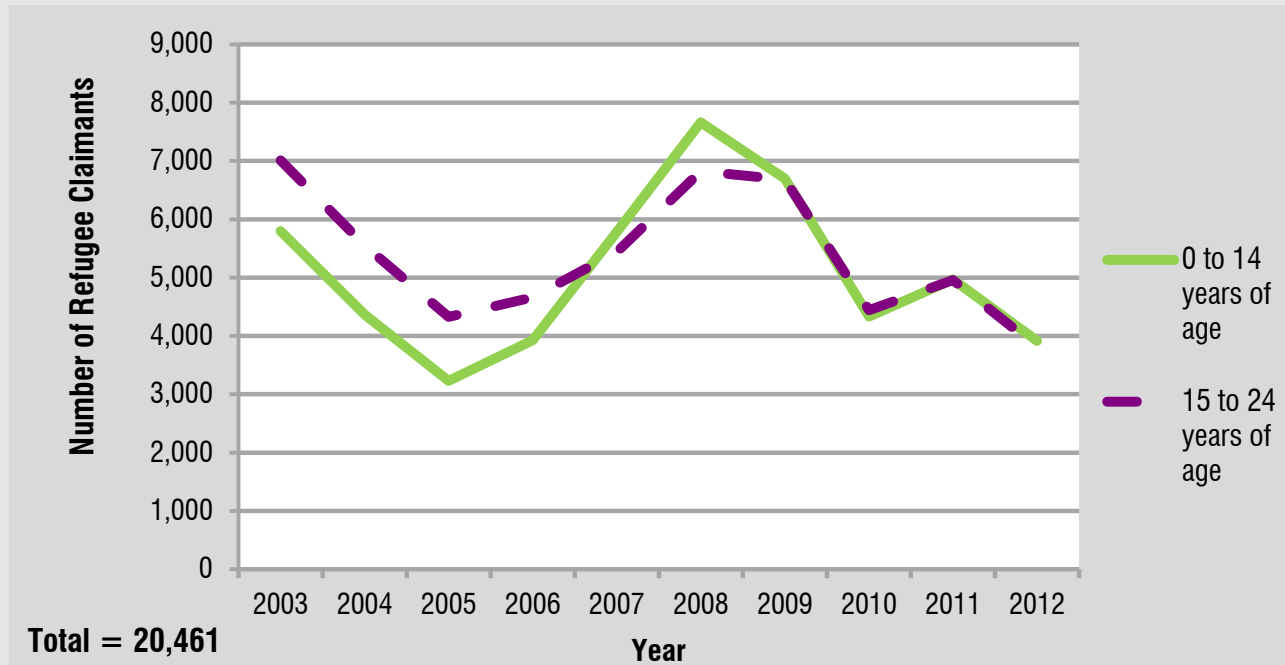




### 1.4.2 Number of Refugee Claimants\* under 25 Years (total entries) by Age Group, Canada, 2003 to 2012



\* Refugee claimants are defined by Citizenship and Immigration Canada as "Temporary residents in the humanitarian population who request protection upon or after arrival in Canada [...] A refugee claimant whose claim is accepted may make an application in Canada for permanent residence." <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/pdf/research-stats/facts2010.pdf>.

Graphic created by CICH using data from Facts and figures 2012 – Immigration overview: Permanent and temporary residents. Temporary residents. Canada – Total entries of refugee claimants by gender and age. <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/resources/statistics/facts2012/index.asp>

The number of individuals under 25 years who claim refugee status in Canada varies from year to year. The number of claimants was high in 2003, with almost 6,000 claimants from 0 to 14 years and roughly 7,000 from 15 to 24 years. By 2005, these numbers dropped significantly to just over 3,000 claimants aged 0 to 14 years and roughly 4,500 claimants from 15 to 24 years. After peaking again in 2008, the number of refugee claimants under 25 years fell substantially until 2012 to under 4,000 for both 0 to 14 and 15 to 24 year olds.

