

Table 3 Patterns of screening for TB in migrants among selected host countries

| Host country, study date | Reference | Type of migrant | No. screened | TB prevalence among migrants (cases per 1000 screened) | TB prevalence in host country (cases per 100 000 populn) | Screening at entry |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Australia, 1999 | [50] | Screened refugees | 1 863 | 38.11 | 6 | Planned |
| Belgium, 1993 | [51] | Asylum seekers | 4 794 | 3.96 | 15 | Planned |
| Canada, 2006 | [52] | Refugees | 68 | 0.0 | 4 | Planned |
| Denmark, 1995 | [53] | Refugees | 1 936 | 6.71 | 9 | Planned |
| Holland, 1994–197 | [54] | Asylum seekers | 46 424 | 2.22 | 8 | Routine |
| Holland, 1998–02 | [30] | Regular immigrants | 68 122 | 1.16 | 6 | Routine |
| Ireland, 1999–2000 | [55] | Refugees | 945 | 12.7 | 12 | Planned |
| Kuwait, 1997–2006 | [56] | Regular immigrants | 2 328 582 | 1.98 | 31 | Routine |
| New Zealand, 1999–2000 | [57] | Asylum seekers | 900 | 4.44 | 11 | Routine |
| Norway, 1987–95 | [21] | Asylum seekers | 19 912 | 2.16 | 8 | Routine |
| Norway, 1999 | [58] | Refugees | 800 | 5.0 | 5 | Planned |
| Spain, 1998 | [59] | Regular immigrants | 406 | 7.39 | 27 | Planned |
| Switzerland, 2001–02 | [60] | Asylum seekers | 13 507 | 5.26 | 6 | Planned |
| Switzerland, 1999 | [61] | Refugees | 3 119 | 2.56 | 8 | Planned |
| Switzerland, 1997–2004 | [62] | Regular immigrants | 42 601 | 1.01 | 7 | Routine |
| Switzerland, 2004 | [63] | Regular immigrants | 8 995 | 5.56 | 6 | Routine |
| UK, 2002–03 | [64] | Asylum seekers | 8 258 | 1.33 | 12 | Routine |
| UK, 1995–99 | [65] | Asylum seekers | 41 470 | 2.41 | 9 | Routine |
| UK, 1998 | [66] | Regular immigrants | 2 242 | 4.46 | 10 | Routine |
| USA, 1980 | [67] | Regular immigrants | 15 544 | 6.5 | 7 | Planned |
| USA, 1980 | [68] | Refugees | 9 328 | 8.36 | 7 | Planned |
| USA, 1981–82 | [69] | Refugees | 923 | 19.5 | 7 | Planned |

“Routine” refers to standard screening protocol adopted by the local authorities; “Planned” refers to screening protocol specifically adopted to face a specific situation or for the purpose of a study.

Source: Arshad et al. [28].