UDI to reduce capacity by 550 places across reception centres

The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) announced a reduction in asylum reception capacity following lower-than-expected numbers of asylum applicants during the summer, while municipalities have continued to settle a high number of people granted residence permits. To align capacity with current needs, the UDI will reduce capacity by 550 places across 22 asylum reception centres (25 places per centre) rather than closing entire facilities. The reductions will take effect on 9 October 2026, following the 3-month contractual notice period. Below is an overview of the various reception centres and capacity after the reduction:

Reception name	Capacity from 09.10.26	Municipality
Porsgrunn	125	Porsgrunn
Håkvik	125	Narvik
Ofoten	125	Narvik
Gibbostad	125	Senja
Revetal	125	Tønsberg
Nord Fron	125	Nord-Fron
Eels ordinary	125	Eel
Home	125	Home
Sunndal	125	Sunndal
Lødingen	125	Lødingen
Sulitjelma	125	Fauske
Tjeldsund	125	Tjeldsund
Evje	125	Evje and Hornes
Farsund	125	Farsund
Courtyard	125	Holmestrand

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Reception name	Capacity from 09.10.26	Municipality
List	125	Farsund
Skien	125	Skien
Voss	125	Voss
Soldier	125	Soldier
Gjerdrum	125	Gjerdrum
Salt	125	Salt
Southern Land	125	Southern Land

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