

GABON

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Central Africa and the Great Lakes		
Region (UNHCR):	Central Africa and Great Lakes		

A. REFUGEES, ASYLUM-SEEKERS AND OTHERS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Refugees	791	798	862	1,124	15,070	17,982	15,581	13,473	14,005	13,787
Asylum-seekers*	-	-	78	568	2,110	3,036	3,636	5,663	5,118	4,839
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	940	1,692	17,180	21,024	19,217	19,136	19,123	18,626

* Pending applications. 1995: data available for industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of asylum reports.

2. Refugees--displacement and durable solutions during the year

Category	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	117	8	30	-	11,943	5,454	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	30	284	-	-	4	1,101	1,643	18
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	1	5	2,000	7	-	6	287	307	1,059	749
Resettlement	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	47	68	22
Naturalization	..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1995: industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of return reports.

3. Asylum and refugee status determination during the year (incl. appeal/review)

Category	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
New applications	-	-	133	346	2,004	935	609	3,548	1,663	119
1951 Convention status	-	-	30	284	-	-	4	74	73	18
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,027	1,570	-

Responsibility (2004): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	3.4	4.1	3.6	3.1	3.2	3.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	10.9	13.0	11.3	9.7	10.1	10.0
Per 1,000 km ²	3.0	3.0	3.2	4.2	56.7	67.6	58.6	50.7	52.7	51.9
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	0.2	0.4	3.9	4.8	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	0.7	1.2	12.4	15.2	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.5
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	3.5	6.4	64.6	79.1	72.3	72.0	71.9	70.0

* Refugees and Total population of concern to UNHCR: annual estimates (Table A.1). Figures for GDP per capita, national population and land area are the most recent available estimates.

B. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, LOCATION, LEGAL BASIS AND RECOGNITION, END OF 2004

1. Population of concern to UNHCR--demographic characteristics*

Sex	<5	5-17	18-59	60+>	Various	Total	<5 (%)	5-17 (%)	18-59 (%)	60+> (%)	F/M (%)
Female	852	2,783	4,274	200	-	8,109	11%	34%	53%	2%	44%
Male	855	2,711	6,695	256	-	10,517	8%	26%	64%	2%	56%
Total	1,707	5,494	10,969	456	-	18,626	9%	29%	59%	2%	100%

* May not reflect the total population of concern to UNHCR.

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	223
Urban	15,812
Dispersed/various	2,591
Total	18,626
Camps/centers	1%
Urban	85%

* May not reflect the total population of concern to UNHCR.

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	1,192
1969 OAU Convention	12,587
UNHCR Mandate	6
Other/unknown*	2
Total	13,787
1951 Convention	9%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	11,725
Individually recognized	2,062
Other/unknown	-
Total	13,787
Prima facie (group)	85%
Individually recognized	15%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN GABON -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2004)

Origin	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Congo	-	-	25	231	12,174	17,555	15,001	11,945	12,122	11,988
Chad	145	148	150	148	1,423	39	189	1,053	1,312	1,216
Angola	111	109	110	115	199	37	37	124	132	132
Rwanda	77	72	77	82	91	78	80	88	104	103
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	49	49	63	92	674	20	21	42	72	83

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2004 -- 1995 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Origin	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Congo	-	-	81	263	-	-	-	2,278	1,112	46
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	-	-	2	3	534	332	466	672	113	35

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM GABON -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2004)

Asylum country*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Other										
Total	25	24	19	28	26	26	27	37	39	53

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2004 -- 1995 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Asylum country	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
France	1	3	7	3	3	17	14	19	23	28
Other	17	13	9	23	19	41	67	54	41	62
Total	18	16	16	26	22	58	81	73	64	90

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN GABON -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Libreville	U	5,200
Franceville	U	3,320
Moanda	U	2,690
Tchibanga	U	2,180
Moulengui	R	1,230

*CAM = Camps/centers; URB = Urban; RUR = Rural/dispersed/various.

Location name	Type*	Total
Ndendé	U	650
Mouila	U	610
Mabanda	R	370
Koula-Moutou	U	330
Lastourville	U	300

*CAM = Camps/centers; URB = Urban; RUR = Rural/dispersed/various.

F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR GABON

