

## SWITZERLAND

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
United Nations:	Europe	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Europe		
Region (UNHCR):	Western Europe		

## 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	82,943	84,413	83,203	81,903	82,298	57,653	58,494	54,113	50,144	47,678
Asylum-seekers*	25,513	23,896	25,729	44,660	45,409	27,469	25,654	27,955	24,630	18,633
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Total	..	..	108,932	126,563	127,707	85,122	84,148	82,068	74,774	66,336

\* 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
<b>Arrivals</b>										
Prima facie/group basis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	15,231	11,033	9,037	9,797	30,839	25,205	23,365	15,884	11,802	11,687
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Durable solutions</b>										
Voluntary repatriation**	23	1,800	3,921	4,821	15,928	26,864	1,388	1,500	1,498	991
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naturalization	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

\* 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	17,021	18,001	23,982	41,302	46,068	17,611	20,633	26,125	20,806	14,248
1951 Convention status	3,316	2,881	3,071	2,796	2,686	2,683	3,431	2,987	2,641	2,705
Allowed/humanitarian	9,520	5,692	2,860	2,700	22,843	16,966	8,922	4,172	3,314	4,198

Responsibility (2004): Government

## 4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Refugees</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	11.4	11.6	11.5	11.3	11.3	7.9	8.1	7.5	6.9	6.6
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	2,015.5	2,051.2	2,021.8	1,990.3	1,999.9	1,401.0	1,421.4	1,315.0	1,218.5	1,158.6
<b>Total population of concern to UNHCR</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	2.5	2.9	2.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	15.0	17.5	17.6	11.7	11.6	11.3	10.3	9.1
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	2,647.1	3,075.5	3,103.3	2,068.5	2,044.8	1,994.3	1,817.0	1,612.0

\* 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	1,921	5,144	10,161	720	10,906	28,852	11%	29%	57%	4%	44%
Male	2,115	5,640	14,771	400	13,181	36,107	9%	25%	64%	2%	56%
Total	4,036	10,784	24,932	1,120	24,087	64,959	10%	26%	61%	3%	100%

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

## 2. Population of concern--location\*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	66,311
Dispersed/various	-
Total	66,311
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	100%

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

## 3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	24,271
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	23,407
Total	47,678
1951 Convention	51%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	47,678
Other/unknown	-
Total	47,678
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SWITZERLAND -- 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
Serbia and Montenegro	710	1,358	7,038	3,006	4,481	9,309	12,493	12,001	11,249	10,956
Bosnia and Herzegovina	4,499	5,144	10,410	5,854	7,287	7,964	8,043	7,654	6,945	6,553
Turkey	3,750	3,870	5,549	4,580	5,952	6,229	6,171	5,859	5,779	5,613
Somalia	213	277	4,337	304	4,736	4,814	4,377	3,894	3,812	3,747
Iraq	378	599	1,065	1,082	1,783	2,107	2,575	3,175	3,307	3,208

## 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
Serbia and Montenegro	5,491	6,228	6,913	20,396	28,913	3,613	3,425	3,692	2,921	1,777
Turkey	1,293	1,317	1,395	1,565	1,453	1,431	1,960	1,940	1,652	1,154
Georgia	-	57	300	813	323	179	273	687	756	731
Stateless	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	162	700
Iraq	321	413	522	2,041	1,658	908	1,201	1,182	1,444	631

## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM SWITZERLAND -- 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	27	33	55	77	91	70	61	56	35	12

\* 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
Other										
Total								11		

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total

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

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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SWITZERLAND

