

HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

1951 Convention: Not State party
 1967 Protocol: Not State party
 United Nations: Asia
 Bureau (UNHCR): Asia and Pacific

Region (MDGs): Developing regions
 Sub-region (MDGs): Eastern Asia

Other UN country groupings:
 Not applicable

Region (UNHCR): East Asia and the Pacific

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

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees	1,348	1,229	1,039	974	983	1,390	1,496	1,902	1,868	1,934
Asylum-seekers	39	15	16	4	51	468	190	196	670	1,097
Returned refugees*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Others of concern	..	600	2	1	37	38	36	-	-	-
Total	..	1,844	1,057	979	1,071	1,896	1,722	2,098	2,538	3,031

* Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	3	321	-	-	-	358	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	94	321	10	14	4	45	98	116	60	97
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	14,622	4,512	56	78	11	1	-	1	1	-
Resettlement	299	485	168	63	9	-	29	129	93	39
Naturalization	-	-	69	19	-	-	-	4	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. ** Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
New applications	724	473	88	48	78	631	309	390	798	998
1951 Convention status	94	321	7	14	1	38	95	108	59	93
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	3	-	3	7	3	8	1	4

Responsibility (2005): UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

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

B. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, LOCATION, LEGAL BASIS AND RECOGNITION, END OF 2005

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	18	11	239	-	699	967	7%	4%	89%	0%	32%
Male	16	33	895	-	1,120	2,064	2%	3%	95%	0%	68%
Total	34	44	1,134	-	1,819	3,031	3%	4%	94%	0%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	3,031
Dispersed/various	-
Total	3,031
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	100%

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3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	-
1969 OAU Convention	18
UNHCR Mandate	93
Other/unknown*	1,823
Total	1,934
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	115
Other/unknown	1,819
Total	1,934
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	6%

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C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN HONG KONG SAR, CHINA -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Viet Nam	1,345	1,213	1,022	968	975	1,341	1,382	1,810	1,814	1,828

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Sri Lanka	7	12	23	6	19	116	41	60	147	310
India	1	-	-	2	2	14	13	5	20	113
Nepal	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	12	278	101
Ghana	3	3	-	-	-	-	2	11	22	101
Pakistan	9	17	14	7	32	435	164	152	103	89

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM HONG KONG SAR, CHINA -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Other										
Total	105	50	42	20	13					

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Other										
Total		30		18		14	15	32	29	28

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN HONG KONG SAR, CHINA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2005

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total
Hong Kong	URB	3,030			

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

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR HONG KONG SAR, CHINA

