

ERITREA

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	Not State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa	Other UN country groupings:	
Bureau (UNHCR):	East and Horn of Africa	Least Developed Country	
Region (UNHCR):	East and Horn of Africa		

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

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Refugees*	706	1,083	2,106	2,606	2,501	2,972	1,984	2,272	3,619	3,889
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	42	88	-	-	-	-	5	200
Returned refugees***	8,776	21,488	1,357	1,600	6,360	1,516	51,005	32,750	19,676	10,148
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100,000	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Various/others	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,420	100	..
Total	..	..	..	4,294	8,861	4,488	1,152,989	36,442	23,400	14,237

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. ** Pending applications. 1994-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. *** Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	-	35	1,024	1,720	-	342	-	603	1,972	271
Individually recognized*	-	-	204	-	493	587	382	-	6	6
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	3	-	1	-	-	-	15	57	-	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	30	-	28	31	143	8	7
Naturalization	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1994-1995: industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of return reports.

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

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
New applications	-	-	172	93	506	590	382	-	15	201
1951 Convention status	-	-	204	-	-	-	-	-	6	6
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	493	587	382	-	-	-

Responsibility (2003): UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	4.4	6.7	13.1	16.2	15.5	18.5	12.3	14.1	22.5	24.2
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.9	1.0
Per 1,000 km ²	5.7	8.8	17.1	21.2	20.3	24.1	16.1	18.4	29.4	31.6
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	26.7	55.0	27.9	7,162.7	226.4	145.4	88.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	1.1	2.2	1.1	288.9	9.1	5.9	3.6
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	34.9	71.9	36.4	9,358.3	295.8	189.9	115.6

* 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 2003

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	1,043	1,570	3,067	394	-	6,074	17%	26%	50%	6%	45%
Male	1,021	1,650	4,082	679	-	7,432	14%	22%	55%	9%	55%
Total	2,064	3,220	7,149	1,073	-	13,506	15%	24%	53%	8%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	3,912
Urban	178
Dispersed/various	10,147
Total	14,237
Camps/centers	27%
Urban	1%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	-
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	7
Other/unknown*	3,883
Total	3,890
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	3,883
Individually recognized	7
Other/unknown	-
Total	3,890
Prima facie (group)	100%
Individually recognized	0%

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2003)

Origin*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Somalia	704	1,044	1,982	2,494	2,342	2,270	1,253	1,743	2,990	3,261
Sudan	2	37	123	112	159	702	731	529	622	624

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Origin	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	195

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2003)

Asylum country*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Sudan	419,295	282,795	328,307	315,030	342,295	342,129	367,735	324,546	305,294	108,251
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,276	4,212	5,126	6,754
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,553	2,754
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	975	1,748
United States	-	5	23	46	187	437	807	1,153	1,380	1,246
Other	3,138	3,912	3,895	4,001	4,299	4,572	5,033	3,318	2,848	3,368
Total	422,433	286,712	332,225	319,077	346,781	347,138	376,851	333,229	318,176	124,121

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Asylum country	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Ethiopia	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,066	1,580
Italy	-	-	-	-	-	13	33	276	927	1,230
Sudan	..	..	-	-	4	-	121	-	26,851	1,063
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	620	1,180	952
Sweden	-	15	33	21	27	73	127	151	266	641
Other	157	348	577	727	1,358	2,308	2,394	1,978	1,990	2,065
Total	157	363	610	748	1,389	2,394	2,675	3,025	32,280	7,531

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN ERITREA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	RUR	9,420
Emkulu	CAM	3,260
Elit	CAM	620
Asmara	URB	180

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

Location name	Type*	Total
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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR ERITREA

