

VENEZUELA

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Latin America and the Caribbean
United Nations:	Latin America and the Caribbean	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	The Americas		
Region (UNHCR):	South America		

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*	2,177	1,613	1,596	301	158	188	132	59	58	58
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	1	-	1	75	311	1,019	2,291
Returned refugees***	131	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	26,192
Total	..	..	..	302	158	189	211	370	51,077	28,541

* 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
<i>Arrivals</i>										
Prima facie/group basis	56	14	17	20	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	17	21	3	39	18	-	-	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	202	40	34	-	14	6	4	-	-	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	4	-	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	-	-	34	27	20	64	102	212	708	1,356
1951 Convention status	-	-	17	21	3	39	18	-	-	-
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2003): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<i>Refugees</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 km ²	2.4	1.8	1.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	13.7	7.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	1.1
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	55.8	31.2

* 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	120	383	555	48	-	1,106	11%	35%	50%	4%	47%
Male	143	406	639	55	-	1,243	12%	33%	51%	4%	53%
Total	263	789	1,194	103	-	2,349	11%	34%	51%	4%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	1,559
Dispersed/various	26,982
Total	28,541
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	5%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	7
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	52
Total	59
1951 Convention	12%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	59
Other/unknown	-
Total	59
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

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C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN VENEZUELA -- 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
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* 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
Colombia	4	8	4	38	95	205	705	1,345

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM VENEZUELA -- 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
United States	-	-	3	11	30	51	54	-	189	318
Canada	363	466	546	588	531	496	407	457	307	235
Other	8	10	8	9	9	9	10	9	30	45
Total	371	476	557	608	570	556	471	466	526	598

* 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
United States	-	-	-	-	33	18	-	96	259	899
Canada	446	1,071	379	115	99	97	98	165	330	619
Spain	25	8	2	2	4	3	4	-	3	35
Other	-	6	6	11	13	12	31	8	26	64
Total	471	1,085	387	128	149	130	133	269	618	1,617

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
El Nula (Apure)	URB	480
Caracas	RUR	350
Guasdalito (Apure)	URB	300
Ureña (Táchira)	URB	210
San Cristóbal (Táchira)	URB	170

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

Location name	Type*	Total
Pto. Infante-Macanillal (Apure)	RUR	160
El Cruce (Zulia)	RUR	90
San Antonio (Táchira)	URB	80
Mesa de Seboruco (Táchira)	RUR	70
Various	URB	60

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR VENEZUELA

