

LIBERIA

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:	
Bureau (UNHCR):	West Africa	Least Developed Country	
Region (UNHCR):	West Africa		

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

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees*	150,153	120,163	120,080	120,061	126,886	96,317	96,317	69,315	54,760	64,956
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	1	17	18	29	-	-	10
Returned refugees***	16,291	5,465	9,666	737	15,182	240,442	104,264	42,363	2,548	21,901
Internally displaced	-	220,000	320,000	320,000	166,000	128,292	90,584	110,686	196,116	304,115
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	-	-	47,361	13,361	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	..	308,085	465,069	338,555	235,725	253,424	390,982

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. **Pending applications. 1993-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. ***Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	-	12	-	-	10,000	57,443	-	-	-	19,158
Individually recognized*	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	27	-	10
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	-	113	-	12	1,800	78,773	3,503	7,502	15,015	34,593
Resettlement	-	-	-	7	-	25	53	28	-	1
Naturalization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1993-1995: industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of return reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
New applications	-	-	-	-	16	4	-	-	2	12
1951 Convention status	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	27	-	4
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

Responsibility (2002): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	862.4	690.2	689.7	689.6	728.8	553.2	553.2	398.1	314.5	373.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	46.4	37.1	37.1	37.1	39.2	29.7	29.7	21.4	16.9	20.1
Per 1,000 km ²	1,559.4	1,247.9	1,247.1	1,246.9	1,317.7	1,000.3	1,000.3	719.8	568.7	674.6
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	..	1,769.5	2,671.2	1,944.6	1,353.9	1,455.6	2,245.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	95.1	143.6	104.5	72.8	78.2	120.7
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	3,199.5	4,829.8	3,516.0	2,448.0	2,631.9	4,060.4

* 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 2002

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	6,137	7,802	9,073	1,007	11,169	35,188	26%	32%	38%	4%	52%
Male	5,345	8,101	7,419	819	10,731	32,415	25%	37%	34%	4%	48%
Total	11,482	15,903	16,492	1,826	21,900	67,603	25%	35%	36%	4%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	45,640
Urban	63
Dispersed/various	345,279
Total	390,982
Camps/centers	12%
Urban	0%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	5
1969 OAU Convention	64,893
UNHCR Mandate	52
Other/unknown*	6
Total	64,956
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	64,893
Individually recognized	42
Other/unknown	21
Total	64,956
Prima facie (group)	100%
Individually recognized	0%

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2002)

Origin*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Sierra Leone	150,000	120,000	120,002	120,001	126,846	96,273	96,273	69,266	54,717	45,735
Côte d'Ivoire	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,158

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Origin	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
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Data not available

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2002)

Asylum country*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Guinea	416,064	398,314	418,210	415,003	243,036	183,031	129,096	117,069	82,792	119,293
Sierra Leone	16,264	15,861	4,667	13,521	13,000	9,862	6,566	6,543	10,498	63,491
Côte d'Ivoire	250,863	359,351	297,117	327,288	207,014	148,910	135,649	117,749	122,846	43,000
Ghana	15,000	15,924	13,899	15,178	17,145	12,569	10,373	9,454	8,865	28,298
United States	2,138	3,033	3,768	4,609	4,717	5,627	8,004	10,822	14,430	14,868
Other	3,722	5,352	6,976	8,409	8,428	5,399	5,006	5,293	5,177	6,468
Total	704,051	797,835	744,637	784,008	493,340	365,398	294,694	266,930	244,608	275,418

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Asylum country	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
United States	846	761	694	606	707	576	651	979	1,281	789
Netherlands	702	411	343	635	471	193	175	240	167	290
Germany	2,711	904	637	866	487	90	65	55	66	247
Switzerland	267	109	153	79	31	25	35	26	45	172
France	130	93	52	77	63	24	44	32	38	121
Other	1,073	601	1,087	1,587	1,081	430	236	211	195	485
Total	5,729	2,879	2,966	3,850	2,840	1,338	1,206	1,543	1,792	2,104

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN LIBERIA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2002

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Montserrado	RUR	136,770
Bong	RUR	60,010
Lofa	RUR	37,000
Montserrado	CAM	26,480
Bomi	RUR	25,950

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

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	RUR	21,900
Grand Cape Mount	RUR	9,940
Grand Cape Mount	CAM	9,870
Gbarpolu	RUR	9,600
Nimba	CAM	8,710

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

F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR LIBERIA

