

## SYRIAN ARAB REP.

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	Not State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Western Asia
United Nations:	Asia	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Central Asia, South West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East		
Region (UNHCR):	The Middle East		

## 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	36,222	27,759	22,704	20,974	6,474	3,463	3,351	2,918	3,681	15,604
Asylum-seekers*	-	22	592	6,442	5,008	2,643	605	503	943	785
Returned refugees**	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	158
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	2,121	-	-	-	5,340	300,000
Total	..	..	23,296	27,416	13,603	6,110	3,956	3,422	9,964	316,547

\* 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	1,440	918	1,847	-	173	47	12	-	-	12,023
Individually recognized*	-	228	438	377	1,582	1,058	267	177	133	122
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Durable solutions</b>										
Voluntary repatriation**	23	39	-	53	-	11	223	488	63	40
Resettlement	507	409	501	972	1,154	1,734	717	597	-	-
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	-	645	923	7,374	4,523	4,344	1,774	1,782	1,660	5,283
1951 Convention status	-	228	438	377	1,409	972	267	177	133	122
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	173	86	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2004): UNHCR

## 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	32.1	24.6	20.1	18.6	5.7	3.1	3.0	2.6	3.3	13.8
Per 1,000 inhabitants	1.9	1.5	1.2	1.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.8
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	194.3	148.9	121.8	112.5	34.7	18.6	18.0	15.7	19.7	83.7
<b>Total population of concern to UNHCR</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	20.6	24.3	12.0	5.4	3.5	3.0	8.8	280.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	16.6
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	125.0	147.1	73.0	32.8	21.2	18.4	53.5	1,698.4

\* 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 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	621	2,192	4,379	277	-	7,469	8%	29%	59%	4%	43%
Male	611	2,496	6,343	320	-	9,770	6%	26%	65%	3%	57%
Total	1,232	4,688	10,722	597	-	17,239	7%	27%	62%	3%	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	17,239
Dispersed/various	-
Total	17,239
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	-
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	15,604
Other/unknown*	-
Total	15,604
1951 Convention	0%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	13,036
Individually recognized	2,568
Other/unknown	-
Total	15,604
Prima facie (group)	84%
Individually recognized	16%

## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SYRIAN ARAB REP. -- 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
Iraq	33,912	26,817	21,143	19,360	3,387	1,829	1,677	1,716	2,435	14,391
Somalia	1,199	614	707	558	1,693	443	397	402	453	467
Afghanistan	-	-	6	6	127	172	407	428	425	360
Sudan	5	19	52	92	99	91	108	133	191	166
Yemen	15	250	622	695	728	748	662	143	93	85

## 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
Iraq	-	355	625	3,567	3,369	3,324	1,156	1,490	976	4,496
Somalia	-	89	59	832	250	259	132	68	175	330
Sudan	-	63	-	1,215	504	287	208	110	164	190
Islamic Rep. of Iran	-	24	-	128	134	192	68	59	44	65
Afghanistan	-	-	-	811	53	94	136	3	5	46

## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM SYRIAN ARAB REP. -- 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
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,398	15,745	16,184
Netherlands	1,274	1,502	1,636	1,711	1,654	1,618	1,518	1,454	1,479	1,588
Sweden	3,364	3,240	3,165	3,014	2,419	2,028	1,268	970	1,048	940
Iraq	-	-	-	-	-	49	101	100	100	489
Canada	365	340	324	333	364	390	427	432	424	459
Other	2,991	3,527	3,528	3,068	2,258	1,786	1,555	1,559	1,480	1,779
Total	7,994	8,609	8,653	8,126	6,695	5,871	4,869	18,913	20,276	21,439

\* 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
Germany	1,551	2,196	2,025	1,753	2,156	2,641	2,232	1,829	1,192	768
Cyprus	-	1	3	11	22	30	47	10	37	547
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	110	415
Sweden	134	102	131	226	307	335	441	541	666	411
Belgium	48	82	85	72	114	292	230	199	210	182
Other	719	926	1,066	1,444	2,063	2,293	1,652	1,318	1,442	1,186
Total	2,452	3,307	3,310	3,506	4,662	5,591	4,602	3,897	3,657	3,509

## E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN SYRIAN ARAB REP. -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Damascus	U	17,240

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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SYRIAN ARAB REP.

