

NORTH AFRICA

Classification: UNHCR regions (Global Report)

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*	231,110	214,121	187,301	177,239	177,362	184,090	183,639	183,533	183,625	183,898
Asylum-seekers**	-	980	736	366	265	574	581	173	299	512
Returned refugees***	858	1,531	10,692	6,951	2	4	2	-	14	1
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	3,570	29,916	29,500	29,500	29,500	29,500	29,504
Total	..	..	198,729	188,126	207,545	214,168	213,722	213,206	213,438	213,915

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. ** 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
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	13,117	1,650	2,569	320	414	999	47	-	1	254
Individually recognized*	-	144	9,452	311	146	305	57	156	324	121
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	27,300	22,446	18,170	25,518	166	4	5	25	211	102
Resettlement	10	2	10	19	12	-	1	13	4	-
Naturalization	..	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

* 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	-	731	2,757	549	485	415	391	377	656	1,013
1951 Convention status	-	144	9,452	311	146	305	57	156	324	100
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	123.9	114.8	100.4	95.0	95.1	98.7	98.4	98.4	98.4	98.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.8	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Per 1,000 km ²	41.7	38.6	33.8	32.0	32.0	33.2	33.1	33.1	33.1	33.2
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	106.5	100.8	111.2	114.8	114.6	114.3	114.4	114.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	35.8	33.9	37.4	38.6	38.5	38.5	38.5	38.6

* 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	15,116	29,182	27,258	10,711	15,635	97,902	18%	35%	33%	13%	49%
Male	15,233	32,255	30,426	10,539	13,865	102,318	17%	36%	34%	12%	51%
Total	30,349	61,437	57,684	21,250	29,500	200,220	18%	36%	34%	12%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	165,000
Urban	16,997
Dispersed/various	31,798
Total	213,795
Camps/centers	77%
Urban	8%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	1,609
1969 OAU Convention	6
UNHCR Mandate	178,278
Other/unknown*	4,005
Total	183,898
1951 UN Convention	1%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	181,609
Individually recognized	1,467
Other/unknown	822
Total	183,898
Prima facie (group)	99%
Individually recognized	1%