

LIBERIA

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa		
Bureau (UNHCR):	West Africa	Other UN country groupings:	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	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees	120,061	126,886	96,317	96,317	69,315	54,760	64,956	33,997	15,172	10,168
Asylum-seekers	1	17	18	29	-	-	10	-	5	29
Returned refugees*	737	15,182	240,442	104,264	42,363	2,548	21,901	21,000	56,872	70,288
Internally displaced	320,000	166,000	128,292	90,584	110,686	196,116	304,115	531,616	498,566	237,822
Returned IDPs	..	-	-	47,361	13,361	-	-	-	33,050	260,744
Stateless persons	-	-
Others of concern	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,000	35	34
Total	..	308,085	465,069	338,555	235,725	253,424	390,982	601,613	603,700	579,085

* Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	-	10,000	57,443	-	-	-	19,158	15,842	5,482	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	3	-	27	-	10	-	-	1
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	12	1,800	78,773	3,503	7,502	15,015	34,593	19,510	21,023	4
Resettlement	7	-	25	53	28	-	1	22	9	11
Naturalization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. ** Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
New applications	-	16	4	-	-	2	12	-	5	25
1951 Convention status	-	-	3	-	27	-	4	-	-	1
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-

Responsibility (2005): UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	801.0	846.6	642.6	642.6	462.5	365.4	433.4	226.8	101.2	67.8
Per 1,000 inhabitants	36.6	38.6	29.3	29.3	21.1	16.7	19.8	10.4	4.6	3.1
Per 1,000 km ²	1,246.9	1,317.7	1,000.3	1,000.3	719.8	568.7	674.6	353.1	157.6	105.6
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	2,055.5	3,102.9	2,258.8	1,572.7	1,690.8	2,608.6	4,013.9	4,027.9	3,863.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	93.8	141.6	103.1	71.8	77.2	119.1	183.2	183.9	176.4
Per 1,000 km ²	..	3,199.5	4,829.8	3,516.0	2,448.0	2,631.9	4,060.4	6,247.9	6,269.5	6,013.9

* Refugees and Total population of concern to UNHCR: annual estimates (Table A.1). Figures for GDP (Current) per capita, national population and land area are the most recent available estimates.

B. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, LOCATION, LEGAL BASIS AND RECOGNITION, END OF 2005

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	685	1,625	2,263	185	38,659	43,417	14%	34%	48%	4%	54%
Male	815	1,853	2,584	222	31,630	37,104	15%	34%	47%	4%	46%
Total	1,500	3,478	4,847	407	70,289	80,521	15%	34%	47%	4%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	142,625
Urban	179
Dispersed/various	175,539
Total	318,343
Camps/centers	45%
Urban	0%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	30
1969 OAU Convention	10,138
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	-
Total	10,168
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	10,138
Individually recognized	30
Other/unknown	-
Total	10,168
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 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Côte d'Ivoire	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,158	20,000	12,408	6,592
Sierra Leone	120,001	126,846	96,273	96,273	69,266	54,717	45,735	13,941	2,735	3,546

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
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D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM LIBERIA -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Sierra Leone	13,521	13,000	9,862	6,566	6,543	10,498	63,491	61,192	65,433	59,952
Guinea	415,003	243,036	183,031	129,096	117,069	82,792	119,293	149,639	127,256	54,810
Côte d'Ivoire	327,288	207,014	148,910	135,649	117,749	122,846	43,000	74,180	70,402	39,919
Ghana	15,178	17,145	12,569	10,373	9,454	8,865	28,298	42,466	40,853	38,684
United States	4,609	4,717	5,627	8,004	10,822	14,430	14,868	15,484	19,555	21,466
Other	8,409	8,428	5,399	5,006	5,293	5,177	6,472	10,383	11,968	16,308
Total	784,008	493,340	365,398	294,694	266,930	244,608	275,422	353,344	335,467	231,139

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Guinea	-	-	-	110	574	587	539	1,015	1,525	781
Italy	7	6	4	-	7	10	1,660	1,550	361	259
United Kingdom	330	205	70	65	-	-	-	780	425	190
Netherlands	635	471	193	175	240	167	290	440	140	181
United States	606	707	576	651	979	1,281	789	580	265	162
Other	5,283	4,786	864	725	2,392	10,267	7,738	11,004	3,609	1,584
Total	6,861	6,175	1,707	1,726	4,192	12,312	11,016	15,369	6,325	3,157

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN LIBERIA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2005

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	RUR	170,290
Salala	CAM	27,490
Buchanan	CAM	17,340
Conneh	CAM	15,730
Fendell	CAM	9,280

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

Location name	Type*	Total
E.J.Yancy	CAM	6,460
Mount Barclay	CAM	6,410
Jah Tondo	CAM	5,800
VOA 1	CAM	5,750
Ricks	CAM	5,730

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR LIBERIA

