

MALAYSIA

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	Not State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	South-eastern Asia
United Nations:	Asia	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Asia and Pacific		
Region (UNHCR):	East Asia and the Pacific		

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	5,278	5,309	5,285	50,614	50,517	50,487	50,466	50,612	7,424	24,905
Asylum-seekers*	-	8	8	570	30	25	252	1,571	9,205	10,322
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,053	62,311
Total	..	..	5,293	51,184	50,547	50,512	50,718	52,183	78,682	97,538

* 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	233	178	71	114	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	49	64	161	82	132	120	267	7,525	18,039
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	1,436	222	7	18	4	75	6	6	5	-
Resettlement	11	14	-	-	95	31	78	102	496	553
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	-	208	231	1,207	1,853	453	964	2,131	18,626	20,663
1951 Convention status	-	49	64	161	82	111	105	246	434	1,502
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	21	15	21	7,091	16,537

Responsibility (2004): UNHCR

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	1.3	1.3	1.3	12.4	12.3	12.3	12.3	12.4	1.8	6.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.3	1.0
Per 1,000 km ²	15.9	16.0	16.0	152.8	152.5	152.4	152.4	152.8	22.4	75.2
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	1.3	12.5	12.4	12.3	12.4	12.8	19.2	23.8
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	0.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	3.1	3.8
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	16.0	154.6	152.6	152.5	153.1	157.6	237.6	294.5

* 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	1,068	1,189	5,474	69	-	7,800	14%	15%	70%	1%	22%
Male	1,080	1,493	24,579	181	-	27,333	4%	5%	90%	1%	78%
Total	2,148	2,682	30,053	250	-	35,133	6%	8%	86%	1%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	35,133
Dispersed/various	62,311
Total	97,444
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	36%

* 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	1,447
Other/unknown*	23,458
Total	24,905
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	24,905
Other/unknown	-
Total	24,905
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN MALAYSIA -- 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
Indonesia	9	9	20	264	181	149	83	144	3,198	15,181
Myanmar	5,117	5,114	5,104	5,113	5,136	5,134	5,151	5,247	4,152	9,601

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
Indonesia	-	8	11	879	61	87	259	1,448	5,659	10,936
Myanmar	-	7	2	149	1,608	79	478	487	12,382	8,933
Sri Lanka	-	5	7	4	4	21	9	8	173	244
Cambodia	-	-	36	-	4	-	-	-	2	100
Liberia	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	2	89	86

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM MALAYSIA -- 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
Canada	72	77	68	60	46	35	61	75	100	139
United States	-	1	1	6	25	29	-	-	79	93
Other	7	25	18	24	15	18	18	44	60	60
Total	79	103	87	90	86	82	79	119	239	292

* 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
Canada	19	17	18	34	67	128	194	322	110	54
United States	-	-	-	23	25	-	32	35	32	26
Other	12	8	38	15	377	270	299	267	262	42
Total	31	25	56	72	469	398	525	624	404	122

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN MALAYSIA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Sabah	R	61,310
Kuala Lumpur	U	35,130
Various	R	1,000

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

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR MALAYSIA

