

**SWITZERLAND**

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
United Nations:	Europe		
Bureau (UNHCR):	Europe	Other UN country groupings:	
Region (UNHCR):	Western Europe	Not applicable	

**A. REFUGEES, ASYLUM-SEEKERS AND OTHERS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR****1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year**

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Refugees*	75,295	82,943	84,413	83,203	81,903	82,298	57,653	58,494	54,113	50,144
Asylum-seekers**	29,598	25,513	23,896	25,729	44,660	45,409	27,469	25,654	27,955	24,533
Returned refugees***	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	108,932	126,563	127,707	85,122	84,148	82,068	74,677

\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. \*\* Pending applications. 1994-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. \*\*\* Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<i>Arrivals</i>										
<i>Prima facie/group basis</i>										
Individually recognized*	17,324	15,231	11,033	9,037	9,797	30,839	25,205	23,365	15,884	11,802
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	-	23	1,800	3,921	4,821	15,928	26,864	1,388	1,500	1,498
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naturalization	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

\* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1994-1995: industrialized countries only. \*\* Also based on country of return reports.

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

Responsibility (2003): Government

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
New applications	16,134	17,021	18,001	23,982	41,302	46,068	17,611	20,633	26,125	20,806
1951 Convention status	3,504	3,316	2,881	3,071	2,796	2,686	2,683	3,431	2,987	2,641
Allowed/humanitarian	11,523	9,520	5,692	2,860	2,700	22,843	16,966	8,922	4,172	3,314

**4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions**

Indicator*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<i>Refugees</i>										
<i>Per 1 USD GDP/capita</i>										
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.3
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	10.5	11.6	11.8	11.6	11.4	11.5	8.0	8.2	7.5	7.0
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	-	..	..	2.9	3.4	3.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.0
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	15.2	17.6	17.8	11.9	11.7	11.4	10.4
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	..	2,647.1	3,075.5	3,103.3	2,068.5	2,044.8	1,994.3	1,814.7

\* 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 2003****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	2,732	14,488	6,543	779	11,178	35,720	11%	59%	27%	3%	40%
Male	2,876	29,160	7,685	431	13,511	53,663	7%	73%	19%	1%	60%
Total	5,608	43,648	14,228	1,210	24,689	89,383	9%	67%	22%	2%	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	89,383
Dispersed/various	-
Total	89,383
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	24,674
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	25,470
Total	50,144
1951 Convention	49%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

**4. Refugee population--recognition**

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	50,144
Other/unknown	-
Total	50,144
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

**SWITZERLAND****C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SWITZERLAND -- MAIN ORIGIN****1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2003)**

Origin*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Serbia and Montenegro	4,883	710	1,358	7,038	3,006	4,481	9,309	12,493	12,001	11,249
Bosnia and Herzegovina	-	4,499	5,144	10,410	5,854	7,287	7,964	8,043	7,654	6,945
Turkey	3,410	3,750	3,870	5,549	4,580	5,952	6,229	6,171	5,859	5,779
Somalia	109	213	277	4,337	304	4,736	4,814	4,377	3,894	3,812
Sri Lanka	296	297	318	10,091	381	6,985	13,667	9,399	5,807	3,679

\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

**2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)**

Origin	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Serbia and Montenegro	4,124	5,491	6,228	6,913	20,396	28,913	3,613	3,425	3,692	2,921
Turkey	1,068	1,293	1,317	1,395	1,565	1,453	1,431	1,960	1,940	1,652
Iraq	151	321	413	522	2,041	1,658	908	1,201	1,182	1,444
Algeria	303	388	396	564	529	491	477	828	1,020	836
Georgia	-	-	57	300	813	323	179	273	687	756

**D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM SWITZERLAND -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM****1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2003)**

Asylum country*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	27	33	55	77	91	70	61	56	35	

Other

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\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

**2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)**

Asylum country	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Total	11									

Other

Total	11
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**E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN SWITZERLAND -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003**

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total

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

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**F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SWITZERLAND**