

ASIA

Classification: United Nations

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*	4,886,874	4,812,482	4,735,517	4,747,537	4,781,982	5,383,418	5,770,345	4,188,097	3,642,714	3,801,709
Asylum-seekers**	1,995	10,149	14,653	26,453	24,723	45,645	33,111	28,933	57,184	56,157
Returned refugees***	496,521	299,943	155,637	162,730	455,256	350,529	49,246	1,996,660	713,700	1,146,314
Internally displaced	1,657,442	1,718,920	1,693,313	2,037,152	1,724,795	2,309,691	2,769,014	1,966,744	1,406,197	1,327,537
Returned IDPs	..	..	41,899	40,490	588	10,853	-	1,022,356	159,166	61,527
Stateless/Others	..	..	198,800	169,041	149,437	349,801	247,502	225,652	216,998	837,032
Total	..	..	6,839,819	7,183,403	7,136,781	8,449,937	8,869,218	9,428,442	6,195,959	7,230,276

* 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	41,780	144,090	138,685	48,546	408,689	374,823	213,138	14,354	12,718	29,100
Individually recognized*	1,962	22,114	13,709	10,349	11,757	105,860	11,081	8,846	13,144	25,623
Resettlement	231	151	157	323	45	135	40	-	-	9
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	500,052	313,153	147,045	163,350	466,105	349,758	49,788	1,996,687	712,780	1,010,715
Resettlement	13,982	11,302	11,688	7,868	8,730	15,852	14,231	10,802	9,112	8,450
Naturalization	..	2,143	2,202	71	7,519	204,040	16,512	10,536	38,186	5,219

* 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	4,001	23,625	29,663	38,813	38,579	292,164	35,570	27,013	48,166	61,099
1951 Convention status	1,962	22,114	13,557	10,329	11,202	95,093	10,710	8,714	5,766	8,674
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	152	20	555	10,767	371	132	7,380	16,949

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	2,132.4	2,099.9	2,066.3	2,071.6	2,086.6	2,349.1	2,517.9	1,827.5	1,589.5	1,658.9
Per 1,000 inhabitants	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.1	0.9	1.0
Per 1,000 km ²	166.1	163.5	160.9	161.3	162.5	182.9	196.1	142.3	123.8	129.2
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	2,984.6	3,134.5	3,114.1	3,687.1	3,870.1	4,114.1	2,703.6	3,154.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.2	2.3	2.4	1.6	1.9
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	232.4	244.1	242.5	287.1	301.4	320.4	210.5	245.7

* 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	244,002	714,723	892,550	90,285	656,199	2,597,758	13%	37%	46%	5%	48%
Male	250,518	745,669	964,885	92,328	708,237	2,761,637	12%	36%	47%	4%	52%
Total	494,519	1,460,392	1,857,434	182,613	1,364,436	5,359,395	12%	37%	46%	5%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	1,565,411
Urban	1,277,519
Dispersed/various	3,421,674
Total	6,264,604
Camps/centers	25%
Urban	20%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	1,658,262
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	430,292
Other/unknown*	1,713,144
Total	3,801,698
1951 UN Convention	44%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	3,358,938
Individually recognized	67,275
Other/unknown	375,485
Total	3,801,698
Prima facie (group)	88%
Individually recognized	2%