

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	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees*	214,121	187,301	177,239	177,362	184,090	183,639	183,533	183,625	183,898	107,205
Asylum-seekers	980	736	366	265	574	581	173	299	512	2,467
Returned refugees**	1,531	10,692	6,951	2	4	2	-	14	1	1
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4
Others of concern***	..	-	3,570	29,916	29,500	29,500	29,500	29,500	29,500	29,500
Total	..	198,729	188,126	207,545	214,168	213,722	213,206	213,438	213,915	139,177

* Includes UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. ** Based on country of asylum and origin reports. *** Includes stateless persons up to 2003.

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	1,650	2,569	320	414	999	47	-	1	254	-
Individually recognized*	144	9,452	311	146	305	57	156	324	121	185
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	22,446	18,170	25,518	166	4	5	25	211	102	35
Resettlement	2	10	19	12	-	1	13	4	-	4
Naturalization	..	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

* 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	731	2,757	549	485	415	391	377	656	1,013	2,645
1951 Convention status	144	9,452	311	146	305	57	156	324	100	185
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	-

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	92.2	80.7	76.3	76.4	79.3	79.1	79.1	79.1	79.2	46.2
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	1.3
Per 1,000 km ²	38.6	33.8	32.0	32.0	33.2	33.1	33.1	33.1	33.2	19.3
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	85.6	81.0	89.4	92.3	92.1	91.8	91.9	92.1	60.0
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	1.7
Per 1,000 km ²	..	35.8	33.9	37.4	38.6	38.5	38.5	38.5	38.6	25.1

* 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	8,482	16,092	14,411	5,966	15,343	60,294	19%	36%	32%	13%	49%
Male	8,469	17,547	16,361	5,973	14,161	62,511	18%	36%	34%	12%	51%
Total	16,951	33,639	30,772	11,939	29,504	122,805	18%	36%	33%	13%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	90,000
Urban	7,310
Dispersed/various	29,500
Total	126,810
Camps/centers	71%
Urban	6%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	126
1969 OAU Convention	37
UNHCR Mandate	103,029
Other/unknown*	4,013
Total	107,205
1951 UN Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	105,845
Individually recognized	1,301
Other/unknown	59
Total	107,205
Prima facie (group)	99%
Individually recognized	1%