

UNITED STATES

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
United Nations:	North America	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	The Americas		
Region (UNHCR):	North America and the Caribbean		

A. REFUGEES, ASYLUM-SEEKERS AND OTHERS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees*	623,069	631,051	623,294	607,024	563,837	533,969	521,143	508,222	515,853	485,171
Asylum-seekers**	333,647	424,458	464,121	497,660	460,622	426,797	400,996	386,035	392,752	393,097
Returned refugees***	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	..	1,024,459	960,766	922,139	894,258	908,605	878,268

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. **Pending applications. 1993-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. ***Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	5,012	8,131	12,454	13,532	15,484	15,969	19,830	24,000	28,304	27,643
Resettlement	119,448	112,981	99,974	74,791	69,276	76,181	85,076	72,143	68,925	26,839
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	2	1	-	100	5	1	2,905	929	76	695
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naturalization	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1993-1995: industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of return reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
New applications	143,118	144,577	149,065	107,130	52,200	35,903	32,711	40,867	59,432	58,439
1951 Convention status	5,012	8,131	12,454	13,532	15,484	15,969	19,830	24,000	28,304	27,643
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2002): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	17.4	17.6	17.4	17.0	15.8	14.9	14.6	14.2	14.4	13.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.7
Per 1,000 km ²	67.0	67.8	67.0	65.2	60.6	57.4	56.0	54.6	55.4	52.1
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	..	28.6	26.8	25.8	25.0	25.4	24.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	110.1	103.2	99.1	96.1	97.6	94.4

* 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 2002

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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	-
Dispersed/various	878,268
Total	878,268
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	0%

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3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	485,171
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	-
Total	485,171
1951 Convention	100%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	485,171
Other/unknown	-
Total	485,171
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN UNITED STATES -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2002)

Origin*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1,887	9,248	19,413	31,656	53,082	82,137	97,504	106,410	108,803	92,293
Viet Nam	205,469	211,376	201,816	174,633	137,787	105,692	78,355	49,008	35,110	30,501
Ukraine	61	252	520	835	1,183	1,441	10,086	17,231	24,097	28,967
Somalia	5,207	8,784	11,414	18,201	22,613	24,419	27,874	34,005	33,750	28,693
China	1,852	2,111	2,120	2,477	3,509	5,418	7,499	11,148	17,105	23,696

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2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Origin	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
China	14,433	10,839	4,822	1,976	2,377	3,074	4,210	5,541	8,008	10,237
Mexico	6,390	9,266	9,148	7,820	13,663	4,460	2,251	3,669	8,747	8,775
Colombia	1,290	1,336	740	250	251	200	334	2,631	7,144	7,950
Haiti	10,858	9,403	2,396	3,792	4,310	2,676	2,492	4,257	4,938	3,643
India	5,657	4,415	3,135	3,942	3,776	1,764	1,180	1,289	1,894	1,708

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM UNITED STATES -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2002)

Asylum country*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	182
Canada	-	354	233	130	57	30	19	148	191	176
Other		12	12	13	18	21		28	28	25
Total		366	245	143	75	51		176	219	383

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2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Asylum country	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Canada	153	41	34	37	72	51	45	98	92	213
Other	22	14			40	11	22	35	28	34
Total	175	55			112	62	67	133	120	247

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN UNITED STATES -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2002

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total
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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR UNITED STATES

