

## SAUDI ARABIA

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|------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1951 Convention: | Not State party  | Region (MDGs):              | Developing regions |
| 1967 Protocol:   | Not State party  | Sub-region (MDGs):          | Western Asia       |
| United Nations:  | Asia   |                             |                    |
| Bureau (UNHCR):  | Central Asia, South West Asia,<br>North Africa and the Middle East | Other UN country groupings: | Not applicable     |
| Region (UNHCR):  | The Middle East  |                             |                    |

## 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*            | 17,965 | 13,169 | 9,852 | 5,833 | 5,531 | 5,562 | 5,309 | 245,268 | 245,290 | 240,835 |
| Asylum-seekers**     | -      | -      | -     | 1     | 31    | 138   | 171   | 234     | 124     | 93      |
| Returned refugees*** | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -       | -       | -       |
| Internally displaced | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -       | -       | -       |
| Returned IDPs        | ..     | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..      | ..      | ..      |
| Various/others       | ..     | ..     | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..    | ..      | ..      | ..      |
| Total                | ..     | ..     | ..    | 5,834 | 5,562 | 5,700 | 5,480 | 245,502 | 245,414 | 240,928 |

\* 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>          |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| Prima facie/group basis  | -     | 11    | -     | 20    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| Individually recognized* | -     | -     | -     | 20    | 4    | 26   | 41   | 48   | 67   | 20    |
| Resettlement             | -     | -     | -     | -     | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| <i>Durable solutions</i> |       |       |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |       |
| Voluntary repatriation** | -     | 520   | 40    | -     | 94   | 102  | 68   | 240  | 108  | 4,527 |
| Resettlement             | 4,897 | 4,618 | 3,593 | 4,285 | 471  | 57   | 347  | 8    | 45   | 31    |
| 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)

| Category                     | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Responsibility (2003): UNHCR |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |
| New applications             | -    | -    | -    | -    | 29   | 268  | 292  | 305  | 205  | 128  |
| 1951 Convention status       | -    | -    | -    | 20   | 4    | 26   | 31   | 8    | 67   | 20   |
| Allowed/humanitarian         | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 10   | 40   | -    | -    |

## 4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

| Indicator*                                  | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001  | 2002  | 2003  |
|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| <i>Refugees</i>                             |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Per 1 USD GDP/capita                        | 2.2  | 1.6  | 1.2  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 30.6  | 30.6  | 30.1  |
| Per 1,000 inhabitants                       | 0.8  | 0.6  | 0.4  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 10.4  | 10.4  | 10.2  |
| Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>                   | 9.2  | 6.8  | 5.1  | 3.0  | 2.8  | 2.9  | 2.7  | 125.8 | 125.8 | 123.6 |
| <i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i> |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Per 1 USD GDP/capita                        | ..   | ..   | ..   | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 0.7  | 30.6  | 30.6  | 30.1  |
| Per 1,000 inhabitants                       | ..   | ..   | ..   | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 10.4  | 10.4  | 10.2  |
| Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>                   | ..   | ..   | ..   | 3.0  | 2.9  | 2.9  | 2.8  | 125.9 | 125.9 | 123.6 |

\* 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 | 32 | 140  | 138   | 11   | -       | 321   | 10%    | 44%      | 43%       | 3%       | 35%     |
| Male   | 51 | 132  | 409   | 15   | -       | 607   | 8%     | 22%      | 67%       | 2%       | 65%     |
| Total  | 83 | 272  | 547   | 26   | -       | 928   | 9%     | 29%      | 59%       | 3%       | 100%    |

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

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

| Type              | Total   |
|-------------------|---------|
| Camps/centers     | 813     |
| Urban             | 240,115 |
| Dispersed/various | -       |
| Total             | 240,928 |
| 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  | -       |
| 1969 OAU Convention | -       |
| UNHCR Mandate       | 240,835 |
| Other/unknown*      | -       |
| Total               | 240,835 |
| 1951 Convention     | 0%      |

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

| Type                    | Total   |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Prima facie (group)     | 813     |
| Individually recognized | 4       |
| Other/unknown           | 240,018 |
| Total                   | 240,835 |
| Prima facie (group)     | 0%      |
| Individually recognized | 0%      |

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## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SAUDI ARABIA -- 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    |
|------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Occupied Palest. Terr. | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 240,000 | 240,000 | 240,000 |
| Iraq                   | 17,965 | 13,020 | 9,701 | 5,682 | 5,374 | 5,399 | 5,177 | 5,091   | 5,109   | 706     |
| Afghanistan            | -      | 149    | 151   | 151   | 157   | 161   | 107   | 149     | 149     | 107     |

\* 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 |
|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Somalia | ..   | ..   | -    | -    | 6    | 61   | 69   | 96   | 90   | 38   |

## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM SAUDI ARABIA -- 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 |
|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Norway          | -    | -    | -    | 107  | 107  | 3    | 3    | 1    | 2    | 105  |
| Germany         | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 31   | 70   |
| Other           | 183  | 260  | 242  | 251  | 255  | 230  | 74   | 34   | 76   | 61   |
| Total           | 183  | 260  | 242  | 358  | 362  | 233  | 77   | 35   | 109  | 236  |

\* 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 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Other          | 11   | 17   | 24   | 18   | 53   | 38   | 46   | 151  | 73   | 70   |
| Total          | 11   | 17   | 24   | 18   | 53   | 38   | 46   | 151  | 73   | 70   |

## E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN SAUDI ARABIA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

| Location name | Type* | Total   | Location name | Type* | Total |
|---------------|-------|---------|---------------|-------|-------|
| Various       | URB   | 240,000 |               |       |       |
| Rafha         | CAM   | 810     |               |       |       |
| Jeddah        | URB   | 70      |               |       |       |

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

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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SAUDI ARABIA

