

SIERRA LEONE

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa	Other UN country groupings:	
Bureau (UNHCR):	West Africa	Least Developed Country	
Region (UNHCR):	West Africa		

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	4,675	13,532	13,011	9,866	6,570	6,546	10,501	63,494	61,194	65,437
Asylum-seekers*	-	8	-	3	26	459	274	277	141	138
Returned refugees**	-	504	1,800	194,639	3,502	40,900	92,330	75,978	33,255	26,271
Internally displaced	654,600	654,600	670,000	670,000	500,000	300,000	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	200,000	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	684,811	874,508	510,098	547,905	103,105	139,749	94,590	91,846

* 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	1,247	1,016	-	-	22	-	3,935	52,961	10,816	2,407
Individually recognized*	-	-	-	3	-	3	722	7	-	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	2,564	-	500	643	1,129	-	-	-	-	14,775
Resettlement	4	5	-	-	-	3	7	7	17	542
Naturalization	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* 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	-	3	-	27	22	436	1	13	6	4
1951 Convention status	-	-	-	3	-	3	722	7	-	-
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2004): UNHCR

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	32.6	94.2	90.6	68.7	45.8	45.6	73.1	442.2	426.1	455.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.8	2.4	2.4	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.9	11.5	11.1	11.8
Per 1,000 km ²	64.4	186.3	179.1	135.8	90.5	90.1	144.6	874.2	842.6	901.0
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	4,768.9	6,090.0	3,552.3	3,815.5	718.0	973.2	658.7	639.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	123.9	158.3	92.3	99.2	18.7	25.3	17.1	16.6
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	9,428.9	12,040.8	7,023.3	7,543.9	1,419.6	1,924.1	1,302.4	1,264.6

* 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 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	5,095	11,192	14,136	1,184	32,276	63,883	16%	35%	45%	4%	53%
Male	5,216	11,357	12,743	1,018	26,728	57,062	17%	37%	42%	3%	47%
Total	10,311	22,549	26,879	2,202	59,004	120,945	17%	36%	43%	4%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	51,067
Urban	10,874
Dispersed/various	62,638
Total	124,579
Camps/centers	41%
Urban	9%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	3,080
1969 OAU Convention	58,853
UNHCR Mandate	1
Other/unknown*	3,503
Total	65,437
1951 Convention	5%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	58,853
Individually recognized	3,081
Other/unknown	3,503
Total	65,437
Prima facie (group)	90%
Individually recognized	5%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SIERRA LEONE -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2004)

Origin	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Liberia	4,667	13,521	13,000	9,862	6,566	6,543	10,498	63,491	61,192	65,433

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2004 -- 1995 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Origin	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
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D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM SIERRA LEONE -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2004)

Asylum country*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Guinea	254,070	248,827	192,235	297,231	370,631	310,024	95,527	60,553	25,000	7,165
United States	218	310	406	738	1,612	2,949	5,330	5,664	6,570	6,885
Gambia	4,050	4,263	5,427	5,419	12,044	7,631	7,101	7,734	6,127	5,955
United Kingdom	40	60	75	120	405	1,840	3,390	3,760	4,014	4,118
Netherlands	90	221	275	405	570	851	2,262	3,466	3,663	3,737
Other	121,027	121,423	130,909	102,164	104,799	79,512	65,503	60,298	25,206	13,941
Total	379,495	375,104	329,327	406,077	490,061	402,807	179,113	141,475	70,580	41,801

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2004 -- 1995 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Asylum country	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Guinea	-	-	-	-	432	953	523	1,285	2,894	1,870
Ghana	-	-	586	363	1,109	561	553	99	125	496
Côte d'Ivoire	-	-	3	-	-	-	337	-	77	433
United Kingdom	855	335	815	565	1,125	1,330	1,930	1,155	380	260
United States	72	-	122	275	336	499	876	683	365	218
Other	1,747	1,081	4,979	4,212	7,219	8,629	8,798	4,826	2,606	1,438
Total	2,674	1,416	6,505	5,415	10,221	11,972	13,017	8,048	6,447	4,715

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN SIERRA LEONE -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Kailahun	R	30,130
Pujehun	R	13,630
Kono	R	10,160
Gondama	C	7,950
Tobanda	C	7,660

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

Location name	Type*	Total
Largo	C	7,060
Jembe	C	6,590
Freetown	U	6,480
Taiiama	C	5,800
Gerrihun	C	5,780

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

F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SIERRA LEONE

