

## GABON

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa		
Bureau (UNHCR):	Central Africa and the Great Lakes	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Region (UNHCR):	West Africa		

## 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*	597	791	798	862	1,124	15,070	17,982	15,581	13,473	14,005
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	78	568	2,110	3,036	3,636	5,663	5,118
Returned refugees***	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	940	1,692	17,180	21,024	19,217	19,136	19,123

\* 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	-	117	8	30	-	11,943	5,454	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	-	30	284	-	-	4	1,101	1,643
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	7	1	5	2,000	7	-	6	287	307	1,059
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	47	68
Naturalization	..	..	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

\* 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
New applications	-	-	-	133	346	2,004	935	609	3,548	1,663
1951 Convention status	-	-	-	30	284	-	-	4	74	73
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,027	1,570

Responsibility (2003): Government

## 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	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	4.0	4.7	4.1	3.5	3.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	11.5	13.8	11.9	10.3	10.7
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	2.2	3.0	3.0	3.2	4.2	56.7	67.6	58.6	50.7	52.7
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	0.2	0.4	4.5	5.5	5.0	5.0	5.0
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	0.7	1.3	13.2	16.1	14.7	14.7	14.6
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	..	3.5	6.4	64.6	79.1	72.3	72.0	71.9

\* 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	1,065	2,895	4,395	187	-	8,542	12%	34%	51%	2%	45%
Male	1,083	2,632	6,648	218	-	10,581	10%	25%	63%	2%	55%
Total	2,148	5,527	11,043	405	-	19,123	11%	29%	58%	2%	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	222
Urban	16,308
Dispersed/various	2,593
Total	19,123
Camps/centers	1%
Urban	85%

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

## 3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	1,288
1969 OAU Convention	12,705
UNHCR Mandate	8
Other/unknown*	4
Total	14,005
1951 Convention	9%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	11,868
Individually recognized	2,137
Other/unknown	-
Total	14,005
Prima facie (group)	85%
Individually recognized	15%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN GABON -- 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
Congo	-	-	-	25	231	12,174	17,555	15,001	11,945	12,122
Chad	120	145	148	150	148	1,423	39	189	1,053	1,312
Angola	84	111	109	110	115	199	37	37	124	132
Rwanda	-	77	72	77	82	91	78	80	88	104
Equatorial Guinea	78	112	118	126	145	106	123	124	64	80

\* 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
Congo	..	..	-	81	263	-	-	-	2,278	1,112
Chad	..	..	-	1	15	1,269	399	95	332	381
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	..	..	-	2	3	534	332	466	672	113
Rwanda	..	..	-	4	2	2	4	6	32	20

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM GABON -- 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
Other										
Total	22	25	24	19	28	26	26	27	37	39

\* 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
France	9	1	3	7	3	3	17	14	19	23
Other	19	17	13	9	23	19	41	67	54	43
Total	28	18	16	16	26	22	58	81	73	66

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN GABON -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Libreville	URB	5,070
Franceville	URB	3,630
Moanda	URB	3,180
Tchibanga	URB	2,380
Ndendé	URB	660

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

Location name	Type*	Total
Mouila	URB	580
Moulengui	RUR	410
Dilemba	RUR	370
Koula-Moutou	URB	300
Rinanzala	RUR	250

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR GABON

