

## NICARAGUA

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

## 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*	314	577	557	465	474	471	332	325	325	300
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	-	-	13	11	21	16	17
Returned refugees***	66	15	1,012	41	155	61	25	9	4	5
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	506	629	545	368	355	345	322

\* 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	-	7	1	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	1	6	5	-	2	3	8	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	130	25	16	12	-	-	25	-	-	-
Resettlement	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Naturalization	..	..	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	24

\* 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	-	-	1	9	12	22	22	13	22	11
1951 Convention status	-	-	1	6	5	-	2	3	8	-
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	2.4	4.5	4.3	3.6	3.7	3.6	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.3
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	..	3.9	4.9	4.2	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.5

\* 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	-	-	143	-	-	143	0%	0%	100%	0%	46%
Male	-	-	137	30	-	167	0%	0%	82%	18%	54%
Total	-	-	280	30	-	310	0%	0%	90%	10%	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	310
Dispersed/various	12
Total	322
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	96%

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

## 3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	300
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	-
Total	300
1951 Convention	100%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	300
Other/unknown	-
Total	300
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

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## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN NICARAGUA -- 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
El Salvador	286	524	517	434	434	434	330	322	314	290

\* 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
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## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM NICARAGUA -- 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
Costa Rica	19,504	18,984	17,990	17,842	17,732	17,532	2,715	2,636	2,635	2,632
Guatemala	2,175	1,040	1,067	1,032	594	533	512	503	501	481
El Salvador	148	148	148	106	30	21	57	56	56	230
Panama	310	-	230	222	218	210	180	174	170	170
Canada	967	541	361	311	295	236	192	210	160	145
Other	5,487	3,225	3,024	2,981	2,520	2,041	1,415	820	528	325
Total	28,591	23,938	22,820	22,494	21,389	20,573	5,071	4,399	4,050	3,983

\* 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
Canada	202	259	184	142	62	49	33	46	74	41
United States	4,445	1,712	1,444	658	327	92	55	42	52	30
Other	8	7	131	90	75	30	32	10	20	18
Total	4,655	1,978	1,759	890	464	171	120	98	146	89

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Managua	URB	310

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

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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR NICARAGUA

