

SAUDI ARABIA

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	Not State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Western Asia
United Nations:	Asia	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Central Asia, South West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East		
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	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Refugees	13,169	9,852	5,833	5,531	5,562	5,309	245,268	245,290	240,835	240,552
Asylum-seekers*	-	-	1	31	138	171	234	124	93	170
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	5,834	5,562	5,700	5,480	245,502	245,414	240,928	240,722

* 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	11	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	20	4	26	41	48	67	20	92
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	520	40	-	94	102	68	240	108	4,527	493
Resettlement	4,618	3,593	4,285	471	57	347	8	45	31	2
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	-	-	-	29	268	292	305	205	128	233
1951 Convention status	-	-	20	4	26	31	8	67	20	57
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	10	40	-	-	35

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	1.5	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	28.1	28.1	27.6	27.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8
Per 1,000 km ²	6.8	5.1	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.7	125.8	125.8	123.6	123.4
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	28.1	28.1	27.6	27.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.8
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.8	125.9	125.9	123.6	123.5

* 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 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	28	97	89	3	79,202	79,419	13%	45%	41%	1%	33%
Male	31	99	363	5	160,805	161,303	6%	20%	73%	1%	67%
Total	59	196	452	8	240,007	240,722	8%	27%	63%	1%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	440
Urban	240,282
Dispersed/various	-
Total	240,722
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	240,543
Other/unknown*	-
Total	240,543
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	440
Individually recognized	62
Other/unknown	240,041
Total	240,543
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	0%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SAUDI ARABIA -- 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
Occupied Palest. Terr.	-	-	-	-	-	-	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,007
Iraq	13,020	9,701	5,682	5,374	5,399	5,177	5,091	5,109	706	440
Eritrea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	58

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
Eritrea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	60
Sudan	-	-	-	7	40	48	24	25	18	58
Somalia	-	-	-	6	61	69	96	90	38	51
Liberia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	32

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 2004)

Asylum country*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	70	120
Other	260	242	358	362	233	77	35	78	166	94
Total	260	242	358	362	233	77	35	109	236	214

* 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
Sweden	-	-	4	2	-	-	3	5	3	32
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	20
Other	17	24	14	51	38	46	148	68	59	54
Total	17	24	18	53	38	46	151	73	72	106

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN SAUDI ARABIA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	U	240,010
Rafha	C	440
Jeddah	U	120
Riyadh	U	90
Gizan	U	50

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

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR SAUDI ARABIA

