

THAILAND

1951 Convention:	Not State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	Not State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	South-eastern Asia
United Nations:	Asia		
Bureau (UNHCR):	Asia and Pacific	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Region (UNHCR):	East Asia and the Pacific		

A. REFUGEES, ASYLUM-SEEKERS AND OTHERS OF CONCERN TO UNHCR

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees	107,962	169,154	138,332	100,133	104,965	110,711	112,614	119,053	121,139	117,053
Asylum-seekers	198	681	828	582	361	343	1,050	2,657	1,044	32,163
Returned refugees*	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Others of concern	..	200	1,200	38	7	5	5	5	5	135
Total	..	170,035	140,360	100,753	105,336	111,059	113,669	121,715	122,188	149,351

* Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

2. Refugees--displacement and durable solutions during the year

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	9,399	104,602	23,017	-	-	-	-	37	-	-
Individually recognized*	234	609	934	1,223	704	650	558	756	2,937	15,338
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	4,714	3,548	7,151	37,349	18	-	-	-	-	1
Resettlement	3,194	941	245	514	1,248	974	307	452	1,584	2,510
Naturalization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. ** Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

3. Asylum and refugee status determination during the year (incl. appeal/review)

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
New applications	466	2,133	2,443	1,900	1,081	1,453	3,034	4,025	2,468	47,285
1951 Convention status	234	609	934	1,223	594	650	558	756	2,937	719
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	110	-	-	-	-	14,619

Responsibility (2005): Government/UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	42.9	67.2	55.0	39.8	41.7	44.0	44.7	47.3	48.1	46.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	1.7	2.6	2.2	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8
Per 1,000 km ²	208.9	327.2	267.6	193.7	203.1	214.2	217.9	230.3	234.4	226.5
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	67.5	55.8	40.0	41.8	44.1	45.2	48.4	48.5	59.3
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	2.6	2.2	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.3
Per 1,000 km ²	..	329.0	271.5	194.9	203.8	214.9	219.9	235.5	236.4	288.9

* Refugees and Total population of concern to UNHCR: annual estimates (Table A.1). Figures for GDP (Current) per capita, national population and land area are the most recent available estimates.

B. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, LOCATION, LEGAL BASIS AND RECOGNITION, END OF 2005

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	10,027	25,036	36,418	2,659	-	74,140	14%	34%	49%	4%	50%
Male	10,510	26,276	35,860	2,565	-	75,211	14%	35%	48%	3%	50%
Total	20,537	51,312	72,278	5,224	-	149,351	14%	34%	48%	3%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	136,167
Urban	13,184
Dispersed/various	-
Total	149,351
Camps/centers	91%
Urban	9%

* 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	1,552
Other/unknown*	115,501
Total	117,053
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	115,501
Individually recognized	1,552
Other/unknown	-
Total	117,053
Prima facie (group)	99%
Individually recognized	1%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN THAILAND -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Myanmar	104,033	105,216	101,686	99,716	104,569	110,313	112,238	118,762	120,814	116,499
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	3,293	1,337	196	117	49	34	34	41	27	150
Cambodia	-	62,235	36,075	109	117	92	82	55	70	89
China	57	59	61	34	46	66	80	52	46	57

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Myanmar	305	1,035	1,467	1,516	479	848	1,659	2,930	1,270	46,378
Cambodia	-	896	721	57	102	45	60	70	129	317
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	569	165
Nepal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	54	100
China	17	7	20	18	43	63	61	60	57	67

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM THAILAND -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Australia	15	8	29	34	34	31	31	11	70	198
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	87
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	242	220	194	67
Other	269	264	266	284	183	63	71	65	55	72
Total	284	272	295	318	217	94	344	296	319	424

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Malaysia	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	7	206
Australia	253	262	247	146	169	186	303	181	54	61
Other	18	17	48	37	28	632	305	207	94	41
Total	271	279	296	183	198	818	608	389	155	308

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN THAILAND -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2005

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total
Mae La (Thasongyang)	CAM	38,140	Nu Po (Umphang)	CAM	9,770
Various	CAM	20,670	Tham Hin	CAM	9,400
Ban Mai Nai Soi	CAM	17,510	Mae Ra Ma Luang (Sob Moei)	CAM	8,830
Um Pium (Pob Phra)	CAM	15,300	Bangkok	URB	6,530
Mae La Oon	CAM	10,640	Mae Sot	URB	6,390

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR THAILAND

