

CANADA

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

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*	138,435	125,184	119,371	123,316	126,991	129,224	129,950	133,094	141,398	147,171
Asylum-seekers	21,803	28,537	23,293	24,726	30,176	45,804	52,761	41,575	26,978	20,552
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Others of concern	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	153,721	142,664	148,042	157,167	175,028	182,711	174,669	168,376	167,723

* UNHCR estimate. ** 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	9,541	10,031	12,884	12,954	13,989	13,336	15,161	17,682	16,005	12,061
Resettlement	10,937	10,369	9,645	9,779	13,518	12,245	10,389	10,761	10,521	10,400
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	-	-	3	1,787	437	196	495	122	29	12
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	26,120	22,584	23,838	29,393	34,252	44,038	39,498	31,937	25,750	20,786
1951 Convention status	9,541	10,031	12,884	12,954	13,989	13,336	15,161	17,682	16,005	12,061
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2005): Government

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	4.6	4.1	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.7	4.9
Per 1,000 inhabitants	4.3	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.4	4.6
Per 1,000 km ²	14.1	12.7	12.1	12.5	12.9	13.2	13.2	13.5	14.4	15.0
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	5.1	4.7	4.9	5.2	5.8	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	4.8	4.4	4.6	4.9	5.4	5.7	5.4	5.2	5.2
Per 1,000 km ²	..	15.6	14.5	15.1	16.0	17.8	18.6	17.8	17.1	17.1

* 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	627	1,513	6,385	371	-	8,896	7%	17%	72%	4%	43%
Male	695	1,647	9,072	242	-	11,656	6%	14%	78%	2%	57%
Total	1,322	3,160	15,457	613	-	20,552	6%	15%	75%	3%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	20,552
Dispersed/various	-
Total	20,552
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	147,171
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	-
Total	147,171
1951 Convention	100%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	147,171
Other/unknown	-
Total	147,171
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN CANADA -- 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
Afghanistan	5,056	6,046	6,754	7,922	9,115	11,371	12,957	14,616	15,242	15,535
Colombia	132	151	235	450	1,077	2,339	4,051	6,689	9,441	13,511
Sri Lanka	14,868	11,793	10,218	9,717	10,591	13,161	12,873	12,563	12,062	11,076
Pakistan	2,315	1,989	2,266	2,956	3,893	5,753	6,960	7,994	9,662	10,642
China	1,132	1,023	1,106	1,381	1,903	2,667	3,771	5,722	8,071	9,953

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

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Mexico	951	926	1,158	1,172	1,310	1,669	2,397	2,560	2,918	3,541
China	929	900	1,420	2,443	1,855	2,413	2,862	1,848	1,982	1,821
Colombia	87	71	270	622	1,063	1,831	2,718	2,131	3,664	1,487
Sri Lanka	2,946	2,665	2,634	2,915	2,822	3,001	1,801	1,270	1,141	934
India	1,367	1,166	1,157	1,346	1,360	1,300	1,313	1,125	1,083	844

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM CANADA -- 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
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	43	35	109
Other		11	15	18	26		4	17	21	13
Total		11	15	18	26		51	60	56	122

* 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
Other										
Total		25		12	10	11	22	15		18

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total

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

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR CANADA

