

## JAPAN

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
United Nations:	Asia	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Asia and Pacific		
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	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Refugees	5,435	5,278	4,851	4,492	4,235	3,752	3,200	2,657	2,266	1,967
Asylum-seekers*	101	199	332	268	297	311	328	316	428	496
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stateless/Others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	5,183	4,760	4,532	4,063	3,528	2,973	2,694	2,463

\* 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
<b>Arrivals</b>										
Prima facie/group basis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	1	1	1	16	36	61	93	54	26	24
Resettlement	231	151	157	132	5	135	40	-	-	-
<b>Durable solutions</b>										
Voluntary repatriation**	359	16	7	2	2	5	1	-	3	2
Resettlement	102	4	6	2	10	5	-	-	-	-
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	52	147	242	133	223	216	353	250	336	426
1951 Convention status	1	1	1	16	16	22	26	14	10	15
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	20	39	67	40	16	9

Responsibility (2004): Government

## 4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
<b>Refugees</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	14.6	14.1	13.0	12.0	11.3	10.0	8.6	7.1	6.1	5.3
<b>Total population of concern to UNHCR</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	13.9	12.7	12.1	10.9	9.4	8.0	7.2	6.6

\* 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	-	-	-	-	836	836	-	-	-	-	33%
Male	-	-	-	-	1,667	1,667	-	-	-	-	67%
Total	-	-	-	-	2,503	2,503	-	-	-	-	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	2,503
Dispersed/various	-
Total	2,503
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	100%

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## 3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	128
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	27
Other/unknown*	1,812
Total	1,967
1951 Convention	7%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	438
Other/unknown	1,529
Total	1,967
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	22%

## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN JAPAN -- 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
Viet Nam	5,432	5,268	4,846	3,368	3,135	2,759	2,284	1,906	1,691	1,419
Myanmar	-	-	-	7	16	72	117	128	136	145
Cambodia	-	-	-	532	496	376	310	179	85	88
Afghanistan	-	-	1	2	11	41	58	62	61	61

## 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
Myanmar	-	7	49	11	37	23	23	38	111	138
Turkey	-	46	94	8	-	40	123	52	77	131
Bangladesh	-	1	1	1	-	3	10	12	6	33

## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM JAPAN -- 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
Other										
Total								19	19	21

\* 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
Other										
Total			21	17	49		13	18	14	18

## E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN JAPAN -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2004

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total

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

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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR JAPAN

