

## JAPAN

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
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	5,278	4,851	4,492	4,235	3,752	3,200	2,657	2,266	1,967	1,941
Asylum-seekers	199	332	268	297	311	328	316	428	496	533
Returned refugees*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,765
Others of concern	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
<b>Total</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>5,183</b>	<b>4,760</b>	<b>4,532</b>	<b>4,063</b>	<b>3,528</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>2,694</b>	<b>2,463</b>	<b>4,239</b>

\* 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
<b>Arrivals</b>										
Prima facie/group basis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	1	1	16	36	61	93	54	26	24	145
Resettlement	151	157	132	5	135	40	-	-	-	-
<b>Durable solutions</b>										
Voluntary repatriation**	16	7	2	2	5	1	-	3	2	5
Resettlement	4	6	2	10	5	-	-	-	-	14
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	147	242	133	223	216	353	250	336	426	384
1951 Convention status	1	1	16	16	22	26	14	10	15	46
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	20	39	67	40	16	9	99

Responsibility (2005): Government

## 4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>Refugees</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.1	0.1	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>	14.1	13.0	12.0	11.3	10.0	8.6	7.1	6.1	5.3	5.2
<b>Total population of concern to UNHCR</b>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	0.1	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
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	13.9	12.7	12.1	10.9	9.4	8.0	7.2	6.6	11.3

\* 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	-	-	-	-	896	896	-	-	-	-	36%
Male	-	-	-	-	1,570	1,570	-	-	-	-	64%
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,466</b>	<b>2,466</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	2,466
Dispersed/various	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,466</b>
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	167
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	9
Other/unknown*	1,765
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,941</b>
1951 Convention	9%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	1,939
Other/unknown	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,941</b>
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN JAPAN -- 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
Viet Nam	5,268	4,846	3,368	3,135	2,759	2,284	1,906	1,691	1,419	1,285
Myanmar	-	-	7	16	72	117	128	136	145	240
Cambodia	-	-	532	496	376	310	179	85	88	103
Afghanistan	-	1	2	11	41	58	62	61	61	56

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

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Myanmar	7	49	11	37	23	23	38	111	138	212
Turkey	46	94	8	-	40	123	52	77	131	40
Bangladesh	1	1	1	-	3	10	12	6	33	29

## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM JAPAN -- 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
Other										
Total							19	19	21	13

\* 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		21	17	49		13	18	15	17	13

## E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN JAPAN -- 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 JAPAN

