

IRELAND

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developed regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Developed countries
United Nations:	Europe	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	Europe		
Region (UNHCR):	Western Europe		

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*	69	430	600	2,835	2,543	3,598	5,380	5,971	6,542	7,113
Asylum-seekers	107	1,281	9,110	9,767	12,048	10,910	6,967	7,391	3,696	2,414
Returned refugees**	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Others of concern	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	1,711	9,710	12,602	14,591	14,508	12,347	13,362	10,238	9,527

* 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*	42	333	195	551	624	1,003	2,101	1,285	1,167	556
Resettlement	-	-	-	1,032	40	52	23	54	63	117
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	86	1	8	211	958	6	31	15	4	4
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naturalization	-	-	-	-	12	-	319	748	-	578

* 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	1,179	3,883	4,626	7,724	10,938	10,325	11,634	7,900	4,769	4,324
1951 Convention status	36	213	168	511	606	934	1,990	1,201	1,167	556
Allowed/humanitarian	6	120	27	40	-	69	111	-	-	-

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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.7
Per 1,000 km ²	1.0	6.2	8.6	40.8	36.6	51.7	77.4	85.9	94.1	102.3
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	0.4	2.3	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.2	2.5	2.3
Per 1,000 km ²	..	24.6	139.6	181.2	209.8	208.7	177.6	192.2	147.2	137.0

* 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	-
Dispersed/various	-
Total	-
Camps/centers	-
Urban	-

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	5,879
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	1,234
Total	7,113
1951 Convention	83%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	7,113
Other/unknown	-
Total	7,113
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN IRELAND -- 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
Nigeria	-	-	-	17	12	90	250	366	478	589
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	-	-	-	83	56	170	352	356	410	443
Serbia and Montenegro	-	-	-	1,069	111	200	273	295	336	368
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	1	175	271	312	342
Romania	-	-	-	81	8	76	211	255	303	321

* UNHCR estimates

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

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Nigeria	9	665	1,729	1,895	3,405	3,461	4,050	3,110	1,776	1,278
Romania	428	857	998	2,226	2,386	1,348	1,677	691	286	385
Somalia	139	258	75	123	138	70	77	183	198	367
Sudan	10	12	15	38	39	26	50	70	145	203
Islamic Rep. of Iran	7	1	1	2	24	27	17	48	72	202

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM IRELAND -- 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										21

* 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		13	12							

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN IRELAND -- 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 IRELAND

