

## PANAMA

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

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

## 1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Refugees*	972	867	867	622	1,188	1,321	1,313	1,474	1,573	1,445
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	23	30	57	95	63	88	103
Returned refugees***	-	-	-	-	-	-	257	-	-	120
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	93	301
Total	..	..	..	645	1,218	1,378	1,665	1,537	1,754	1,969

\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. \*\* Pending applications. 1994-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. \*\*\* Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<i>Arrivals</i>										
Prima facie/group basis	61	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	-	23	25	410	124	61	59	-
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	30	25	-	-	-	40	257	68	3	90
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Naturalization	..	..	-	-	-	11	-	14	12	-

\* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1994-1995: industrialized countries only. \*\* Also based on country of return reports.

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

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
New applications	-	-	-	45	65	489	204	81	126	19
1951 Convention status	-	-	-	11	25	4	2	61	59	-
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	12	-	406	122	-	-	-

Responsibility (2003): Not available

## 4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
<i>Refugees</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	12.9	11.5	11.5	8.3	15.8	17.5	17.4	19.6	20.9	19.2
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	..	8.6	16.2	18.3	22.1	20.4	23.3	26.1

\* 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 2003

## 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	37	208	350	30	25	650	6%	33%	56%	5%	45%
Male	45	250	467	29	6	797	6%	32%	59%	4%	55%
Total	82	458	817	59	31	1,447	6%	32%	58%	4%	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	1,148
Dispersed/various	821
Total	1,969
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	58%

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

## 3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	706
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	739
Total	1,445
1951 Convention	49%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

## 4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	706
Individually recognized	-
Other/unknown	739
Total	1,445
Prima facie (group)	49%
Individually recognized	0%

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## C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN PANAMA -- MAIN ORIGIN

## 1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2003)

Origin*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Colombia	-	-	7	10	564	733	711	881	989	860
El Salvador	328	-	247	240	241	242	283	277	271	271
Nicaragua	310	-	230	222	218	210	180	174	170	170
Cuba	96	-	74	76	76	66	68	70	72	72

\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

## 2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Origin	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
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## D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM PANAMA -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

## 1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2003)

Asylum country*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Other										
Total	486	160	149	122	85	72	67	37	44	30

\* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

## 2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2003 -- 1994-95 data only incl. industrialized asylum countries)

Asylum country	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Canada	74	49	37	20	13	11	6	34	44	32
Other	8	9	7	3	8	4		2	8	4
Total	82	58	44	23	21	15		36	52	36

## E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN PANAMA -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	URB	1,150
Jaque	RUR	340
Darien Centro	RUR	280
Puerto Obaldia	RUR	110

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

Location name	Type*	Total
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## F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR PANAMA

