

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	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees*	6,495	5,942	5,435	5,278	4,851	4,492	4,235	3,752	3,200	2,657
Asylum-seekers**	84	106	101	199	332	268	297	311	328	316
Returned refugees***	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	..	5,183	4,760	4,532	4,063	3,528	2,973

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries. **Pending applications. 1993-1995: data available for industrialized countries only. ***Also based on country of asylum reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
<i>Arrivals</i>										
Prima facie/group basis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	6	1	1	1	1	16	36	61	93	54
Resettlement	558	456	231	151	157	132	158	135	40	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	213	547	359	16	7	2	2	5	1	-
Resettlement	8	4	102	4	6	2	10	5	-	-
Naturalization	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. 1993-1995: industrialized countries only. ** Also based on country of return reports.

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

Category	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
New applications	50	73	52	147	242	133	223	216	353	250
1951 Convention status	6	1	1	1	1	16	16	22	26	14
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	20	39	67	40

Responsibility (2002): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
<i>Refugees</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 km ²	17.4	15.9	14.6	14.1	13.0	12.0	11.3	10.0	8.6	7.1
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	..	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	13.9	12.7	12.1	10.9	9.4	8.0

* 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 2002

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	-	-	-	-	1,251	1,251	-	-	-	-	42%
Male	-	-	-	-	1,722	1,722	-	-	-	-	58%
Total	-	-	-	-	2,973	2,973	-	-	-	-	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	2,973
Dispersed/various	-
Total	2,973
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	100%

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3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	105
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	24
Other/unknown*	2,528
Total	2,657
1951 Convention	4%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	413
Other/unknown	2,244
Total	2,657
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	16%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN JAPAN -- MAIN ORIGIN

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2002)

Origin*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Viet Nam	6,495	5,942	5,432	5,268	4,846	3,368	3,135	2,759	2,284	1,906
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-	532	496	376	310	179
Lao People's Dem. Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	553	515	390	300	160
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-	7	16	72	117	128
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-	1	2	11	41	58	62

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Origin	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Turkey	-	-	-	46	94	8	-	40	210	52

Data not available

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM JAPAN -- MAIN COUNTRIES OF ASYLUM

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2002)

Asylum country*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Other										
Total										

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2002 -- data available for industrialized asylum countries only)

Asylum country	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Other										
Total										

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN JAPAN -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2002

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

