

**KYRGYZSTAN**

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Commonwealth of Independent States (Asia)
United Nations:	Asia		
Bureau (UNHCR):	Central Asia, South West Asia, North Africa and the Middle East	Other UN country groupings:	
Region (UNHCR):	Central Asia	Landlocked Developing Country	

**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*	21,239	13,407	16,707	15,276	14,560	10,849	10,609	9,296	7,708	5,591
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	666	659	260	183	386	470	654	635
Returned refugees***	-	-	-	-	1,150	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	5,569	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,569	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	15,935	15,970	16,601	16,564	9,766	8,362	6,226

\* 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	-	-	851	1,013	-	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	16,611	1,013	704	381	1,719	353	215	28
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Durable solutions</i>										
Voluntary repatriation**	-	-	-	-	1,140	1,862	921	1,190	196	98
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	70	211
Naturalization	..	..	-	1,576	-	-	-	252	1,417	1,798

\* 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)**

Responsibility (2003): Government

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
New applications	-	-	4,776	3,068	1,195	735	2,192	702	401	210
1951 Convention status	-	-	16,611	1,013	704	381	1,719	162	215	24
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	191	-	4

**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	67.1	42.4	52.8	48.3	46.0	34.3	33.5	29.4	24.4	17.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	4.2	2.6	3.3	3.0	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.5	1.1
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	106.7	67.4	83.9	76.8	73.2	54.5	53.3	46.7	38.7	28.1
<i>Total population of concern to UNHCR</i>										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	50.4	50.5	52.5	52.4	30.9	26.4	19.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	1.9	1.7	1.2
Per 1,000 km <sup>2</sup>	..	..	..	80.1	80.2	83.4	83.2	49.1	42.0	31.3

\* 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	-	-	-	-	2,811	2,811	-	-	-	-	45%
Male	-	-	-	-	3,415	3,415	-	-	-	-	55%
Total	-	-	-	-	6,226	6,226	-	-	-	-	100%

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

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

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	1,591
Dispersed/various	4,635
Total	6,226
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	26%

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**3. Refugee population--legal basis**

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	5,562
1969 OAU Convention	-
UNHCR Mandate	29
Other/unknown*	-
Total	5,591
1951 Convention	99%

\* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

**4. Refugee population--recognition**

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	-
Individually recognized	5,591
Other/unknown	-
Total	5,591
Prima facie (group)	0%
Individually recognized	100%

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**C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN KYRGYZSTAN -- 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
Tajikistan	20,000	13,311	16,436	15,114	13,992	10,141	9,805	8,367	6,828	4,929
Afghanistan	1,200	-	105	162	568	708	804	922	871	648

\* 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
Russian Federation	..	..	47	-	-	-	260	329	144	96
Afghanistan	..	..	1,054	310	442	276	288	284	87	74

**D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM KYRGYZSTAN -- 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
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,106	2,242
United States	-	6	18	32	38	196	362	478	558	593
Canada	13	14	14	24	39	53	52	75	108	103
Russian Federation	-	-	17,081	16,255	7,363	3,749	321	84	70	64
Other	1	2	5	9	9	5	13	48	108	139
Total	14	22	17,118	16,320	7,449	4,003	748	685	2,950	3,141

\* 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
Sweden	-	5	2	4	4	10	6	63	197	241
France	-	1	-	-	2	3	5	31	71	97
Czech Rep.	-	4	-	-	-	6	52	50	59	80
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	33	39	76
Belgium	2	-	1	1	-	371	560	138	68	60
Other	33	40	45	135	106	140	413	387	398	216
Total	35	50	48	140	112	530	1,052	702	832	770

**E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN KYRGYZSTAN -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2003**

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Chui region	RUR	3,930
Bishkek City	URB	1,590
Osh	RUR	390
Batken	RUR	250

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

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**F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR KYRGYZSTAN**