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**REFUGEE POPULATIONS, NEW ARRIVALS AND
DURABLE SOLUTIONS IN 95, MOSTLY DEVELOPING, COUNTRIES**

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Introduction

1. This brief report provides an overview of refugee trends in 95 countries for which UNHCR country offices had reported statistics to UNHCR Headquarters by end-September 2006. The 95 countries included are mostly developing countries where UNHCR has operations.¹ The main purpose of this report is to provide updated statistics for individual countries and operations.² Trends in the number of refugee status applications and decisions are analyzed separately in the document *Trends in Refugee Status Determination, 1 January – 30 June 2006*. The statistics presented here should be considered as provisional, subject to change.

CHANGES IN THE REFUGEE POPULATION

2. This section summarizes the main changes in the size of the refugee population from the beginning of the year 2006 to 30 June 2006. The main causes of these changes (new arrivals, durable solutions, registration) are provided in the following two sections.

3. In the 95 asylum countries considered here, the total refugee population remained stable at around 6.2 million. During the first half of 2006, the refugee population in these 95 countries combined increased by less than one per cent (+0.3%) or 16,000 persons. During the same period, the refugee population directly assisted by or through UNHCR remained at around 4.4 million, a marginal decrease of less than one per cent (-0.7%) (see *Table 1*).

4. Among the 48 countries hosting more than 5,000 refugees as of 30 June 2006, eleven recorded an **increase** in the refugee population of five per cent or more. The highest increase was reported by Uganda where the refugee population increased from 257,300 to 332,500 (+75,000). This increase is primarily the result of newly included estimates of Sudanese refugees in the Arua district (20,000) and an estimated 50,000 refugees from the Dem. Rep. of the Congo living in the border area. The refugee population in the Dem. Rep. of the Congo increased from 204,300 to 233,000 (+14%) as a result of a registration exercise conducted among spontaneously settled Angolan refugees in the provinces of Bas Congo and Kinshasa. Due to ongoing conflict in the Darfur region of Sudan and the volatile situation in the Central African Republic, the refugee population in Chad increased from 286,000 at the beginning of the year to 306,800 as of 31 March 2006³. This increase can be attributed to newly arriving refugees from Sudan (12,000) and the Central African Republic (6,900). Other major refugee-hosting countries experiencing an increase in their refugee population include Thailand (+12,200), Kenya (+8,100), Yemen (+6,100), and Malaysia (4,400).

5. Nine countries hosting more than 5,000 refugees recorded a **decrease** in the refugee population of at least five per cent. In Cameroon, the refugee figure fell from 52,000 to 18,700 (-64%) as a result of de-registration of some 32,300 Chadian and 2,200 Nigerian refugees. In Sierra Leone, 36 per cent fewer refugees were reported at 30 June 2006 as compared to the beginning of the year due to voluntary repatriation of some 21,600 refugees to Liberia. In Serbia and Montenegro⁴, the refugee figure fell by 23 per cent (from 148,300 to 114,500) due to loss of refugee status of some 32,300 Croatian and Bosnian refugees following a registration exercise conducted in the country in 2004-2005.

¹ For an overview of asylum trends in industrialized countries, see: <http://www.unhcr.org/statistics>, *Asylum Trends*.

² A comprehensive overview of global and regional trends on refugees and other persons of concern to UNHCR can be found in *2005 Global Refugee Trends* (see <http://www.unhcr.org/statistics>).

³ Data for Chad refers to 1 January-31 March 2006.

⁴ No separate statistics available for both countries.

NEW ARRIVALS

6. Among the 95 asylum countries included here, **new arrivals** involving more than 1,000 refugees were reported by 14 countries, including Chad (19,200), Thailand (10,600), Kenya (10,400), Yemen (5,700), Malaysia (5,100), Uganda (4,400), and India (4,100) (see *Table 1*).

7. These outflows concerned mostly Sudanese refugees (12,300) and refugees from the Central African Rep. (6,900) fleeing to Chad⁵ as well as Sudanese refugees fleeing to the Dem. Rep. of the Congo (1,800) and Kenya (3,800). Other major new arrivals were reported for refugees from Myanmar in Malaysia (4,400) and Thailand (10,300). Other countries of origin reporting outflows were recorded for Somalis fleeing to Kenya (6,200) and Yemen (5,700), Sri Lankan refugees arriving in India (3,800) as well as Iraqis arriving in the Syrian Arab Republic⁶ (3,600) (see *Tables 2 and 3*).

DURABLE SOLUTIONS

8. **Voluntary repatriation** departures involving more than 1,000 refugees⁷ were reported by the UNHCR country offices located in Pakistan (31,000), Sierra Leone (21,600), the United Rep. of Tanzania (15,300), the Dem. Rep. of the Congo (14,500), Guinea (8,500)⁸, Congo (6,900), and Uganda (3,500) (see *Tables 1 and 4*). The 95 countries included in this overview reported the departure of some 113,400 refugees, of whom some 89,200 were facilitated by UNHCR.

9. UNHCR offices in the 95 asylum countries included in this report resettled some 8,500 refugees during the first half year of 2006. Fourteen offices facilitated more than 100 departures. Most **resettlement departures** facilitated by UNHCR took place from Kenya (2,300), Egypt (1,350), Thailand (1,100), Turkey (1,000), Malaysia (540), the United Rep. of Tanzania (370), Uganda (320), and Ethiopia (320)⁹ (see *Table 1*).

10. Within these 95 first asylum countries, the nationalities benefiting mostly from resettlement facilitated by UNHCR included refugees from Somalia (2,100), Sudan (1,600), Myanmar (1,600), the Islamic Rep. of Iran (1,000), Afghanistan (550), Ethiopia (480)⁹, the Dem. Rep. of the Congo (470), Burundi (270), Colombia (230), and Liberia (190).

⁵ Data for Chad refers to 1 January - 31 March 2006.

⁶ Data for the Syrian Arab Republic refers to 1 January - 31 March 2006.

⁷ These figures are based on the reporting of departures from countries of asylum only. Often, they do not take into account the spontaneous return of refugees registered by the country of origin.

⁸ Data for Guinea refers to 1 January - 31 March 2006.

⁹ Data for Ethiopia refers to 1 January - 31 March 2006.

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Table 1. Refugee population and main changes by country of asylum											
Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006											
Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006											
Figures are provisional and subject to change. Source: UNHCR.											
*) Data only available from 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006											
Country of asylum	Population 1 January		Increases since 1 January		Decreases since 1 January					Population end-June 2006	
	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	New arrivals	Other	Vol. repatriation		Resettlement		Other	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
					Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted			
Afghanistan	32	32	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	33	33
Algeria ¹⁾	94,101	90,049	66	10	-	-	-	-	1	94,176	90,047
Angola	13,984	-	-	23	-	-	1	1	1,031	12,975	-
Argentina	3,074	747	19	6	4	4	-	-	11	3,084	241
Armenia	219,550	10,756	81	-	-	-	-	-	4,498	215,133	6,282
Azerbaijan	3,004	3,004	207	56	10	10	52	52	395	2,810	2,810
Bangladesh	21,098	20,954	-	417	-	-	-	-	34	21,481	21,343
Belarus	725	247	7	13	14	13	1	1	23	707	119
Belize	624	177	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	564	54
Benin	30,294	30,294	160	117	463	463	25	19	2,561	27,522	27,522
Bolivia	535	363	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	537	269
Bosnia and Herzegovina	10,568	3,361	8	588	665	564	10	10	1	10,488	3,247
Brazil	3,458	2,202	65	4	5	4	-	-	8	3,514	2,259
Burkina Faso	511	511	-	7	2	2	-	-	-	516	517
Burundi	20,681	17,973	1,357	104	-	-	-	-	51	22,091	19,987
Cambodia	127	124	45	2	-	-	12	12	2	160	155
Cameroon	52,042	14,560	1,241	30	20	20	66	66	34,497	18,730	-
Central African Rep.	24,569	24,569	59	17	2,036	2,057	2	2	8	22,599	14,625
Chad *	286,039	203,266	19,227	1,788	7	7	-	-	240	306,807	272,757
Chile	806	806	41	-	-	3	-	-	-	847	847
China	301,041	8,186	16	1	-	-	7	7	1	301,050	146
Colombia	155	53	-	-	-	-	5	5	2	148	27
Congo	66,075	51,288	-	122	6,947	6,947	4	4	-	59,246	44,340
Costa Rica	11,249	-	-	-	-	-	113	113	-	11,136	-
Côte d'Ivoire *	41,627	41,627	-	135	1,127	1,127	32	32	-	40,603	40,603
Croatia	2,927	2,927	-	-	53	3	6	6	187	2,681	2,681
Cuba	706	559	19	-	1	1	14	14	25	685	538
Cyprus	701	-	104	4	-	-	-	-	-	809	-
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	204,341	15,475	1,752	41,462	14,514	4,004	5	5	-	233,036	11,279
Djibouti	10,456	6,697	-	27	1,243	1,243	-	-	131	9,109	5,471
Ecuador	10,063	10,063	1,522	-	-	-	94	94	-	11,491	11,491
Egypt	88,946	18,946	436	273	79	43	1,421	1,351	642	87,513	17,513
El Salvador	49	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	34	3
Eritrea	4,388	4,388	94	68	-	-	13	13	17	4,520	4,520
Ethiopia *	100,817	100,817	688	526	-	-	320	320	50	101,661	101,661
Gabon	8,545	8,545	5	155	5	5	116	114	9	8,575	8,575
Gambia	7,330	2,287	1,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,930	1,739
Georgia *	2,497	2,480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,497	2,480
Guatemala	391	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	9	384	-
Guinea *	63,525	62,239	-	3,832	8,484	8,484	19	19	2	58,852	57,566
Guinea-Bissau	7,616	7,616	113	-	12	-	4	-	-	7,713	7,713
Honduras	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	-
India	139,283	11,356	4,076	157	65	61	81	66	1,253	142,117	11,440
Indonesia	89	89	6	-	1	1	43	43	-	51	51
Iraq	50,177	50,177	4	59	79	10	2	2	553	49,606	49,606
Islamic Rep. of Iran	974,296	974,296	-	-	2,784	2,784	245	245	-	971,267	971,267
Kazakhstan	7,265	1,019	78	4	9	9	17	17	2	7,319	650
Kenya	251,271	251,271	10,387	6,381	1,060	1,060	2,330	2,330	5,250	259,399	259,399
Kuwait	1,519	790	1	-	-	-	-	-	724	796	796
Kyrgyzstan	2,598	2,587	23	11	3	3	20	20	388	2,221	2,195
Lebanon *	1,078	1,073	18	19	1	1	63	63	16	1,035	649
Liberia	10,168	4,798	-	802	-	-	-	-	4	10,966	1,612
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya ²⁾	3,436	1,924	9	47	9	9	-	-	634	2,849	1,175
Malaysia	33,693	33,693	5,122	-	-	-	539	539	170	38,106	38,106
Mali	11,233	11,233	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,233	11,233
Mexico	3,229	176	42	-	-	-	-	-	3	3,268	-
Morocco *	219	31	100	-	-	-	20	-	-	299	-
Mozambique *	1,954	1,095	-	9	-	-	9	9	-	1,954	1,095

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Table 1 (continued)

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					Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Other		
Nepal	126,436	106,282	107	997	-	-	1	1	317	127,222	107,067
Nicaragua	227	44	-	3	-	-	-	-	19	211	12
Niger	301	-	2	4	1	1	9	8	-	297	-
Nigeria	9,019	9,019	-	637	588	588	60	60	9	8,999	8,999
Oman	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7
Pakistan ³⁾	1,084,694	1,084,694	18	1	30,975	30,975	70	70	9	1,053,659	1,053,659
Panama *	1,730	1,602	33	-	-	-	5	-	-	1,758	1,664
Papua New Guinea	9,998	2,498	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	9,995	2,495
Paraguay	50	50	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	54
Peru	848	126	37	-	-	-	-	-	7	878	83
Qatar	46	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	46
Rep. of Korea	69	67	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	83	80
Rep. of Moldova	84	84	55	-	1	1	-	-	-	138	138
Rwanda *	45,206	45,206	-	321	124	124	1	1	27	45,375	45,375
Saudi Arabia	240,701	701	17	166	-	-	50	50	-	240,834	834
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴⁾	148,264	148,264	1	-	1,453	185	5	5	32,303	114,504	114,504
Sierra Leone	59,965	47,993	16	241	21,574	9,346	118	118	-	38,530	36,476
Singapore	3	3	1	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-
South Africa	29,714	-	265	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,979	-
Sri Lanka	106	106	22	1	-	-	-	-	-	129	129
Syrian Arab Rep. *	26,089	-	3,914	57	-	-	98	-	1	29,961	-
Tajikistan	1,018	903	21	92	20	20	120	120	94	897	535
TfYR Macedonia	1,274	1,250	-	66	43	29	-	-	34	1,263	1,239
Thailand	117,053	116,664	10,592	2,942	2	2	1,112	1,112	255	129,218	128,810
Timor-Leste	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
Togo	9,287	1,287	13	3	-	-	4	-	4	9,295	-
Tunisia	87	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	85	50
Turkey	2,399	2,399	803	36	4	4	1,034	1,034	28	2,172	2,172
Turkmenistan	11,963	11,963	14	-	7	7	40	40	-	11,930	11,930
Uganda	257,256	208,480	4,370	77,470	3,468	3,468	323	323	2,790	332,515	216,465
Ukraine	2,346	172	19	65	-	-	4	4	88	2,338	209
United Arab Emirates	104	105	94	2	-	-	17	-	4	179	179
United Rep. of Tanzania	548,824	350,590	1,475	22,629	15,284	15,284	372	372	11,037	546,235	348,001
Uruguay	121	74	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	122	66
Venezuela	408	352	122	-	4	-	21	21	-	505	366
Yemen	81,937	81,937	5,736	560	170	170	31	31	33	87,999	87,999
Zambia	155,718	75,463	313	3,920	10	9	215	215	4,935	154,791	79,791

Notes
The data are generally provided by Governments, based on their own definitions and methods of data collection.
A dash (-) indicates that the value is zero, not available or not applicable.
1) According to the Government of Algeria, there are an estimated 165,000 Saharawi refugees in Tindouf camps.
2) Revised figures as per 1 January 2006 following verification exercise.
3) UNHCR figures for Pakistan only include Afghans living in camps who are assisted by UNHCR. According to a 2005 government census of Afghans in Pakistan and subsequent voluntary repatriation during the year, there are an additional 1.5 million Afghans living outside camps, some of whom may be refugees. Those Afghans living outside camps receive no UNHCR assistance except access to UNHCR-facilitated voluntary repatriation.
4) No separate statistics available for both countries
Source: UNHCR/Governments. Compiled by: UNHCR, FICSS.

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Table 2. Refugee population and main changes by origin and country of asylum

Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006

The origin is listed if the total population at end June 2006 was 500 or above

Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006

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*) Data only available from 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006

Country of asylum	Origin	Population 1 January		Increases since 1 January		Decreases since 1 January					Population end-June 2006		
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	New arrivals	Other	Vol. repatriation		Resettlement			Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	
						Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	Other			
Algeria	Occupied Palestinian Territory	4,005	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,005	-
Algeria ¹⁾	Western Sahara	90,000	90,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,000	90,000
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	13,464	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	856	-	12,608	-
Argentina	Lao People's Dem. Rep.	1,333	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,333	4
Armenia	Azerbaijan	219,324	10,530	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,497	-	214,827	5,976
Azerbaijan	Russian Federation	2,828	2,828	207	-	10	10	17	17	376	-	2,632	2,632
Bangladesh	Myanmar	21,053	20,953	-	417	-	-	-	-	34	-	21,436	21,342
Belize	El Salvador	553	164	-	-	-	-	-	-	51	-	502	48
Benin	Congo	1,126	1,126	6	4	6	6	8	8	-	-	1,122	1,122
Benin	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	856	856	35	2	2	2	7	7	2	-	882	882
Benin	Rwanda	599	599	1	-	-	-	3	3	1	-	596	596
Benin	Togo	26,632	26,632	39	105	449	449	-	-	2,554	-	23,773	23,773
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	7,458	2,763	-	583	665	564	-	-	-	-	7,376	2,681
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Serbia and Montenegro ⁴⁾	3,098	598	8	5	-	-	10	10	1	-	3,100	566
Brazil	Angola	1,751	1,113	7	2	1	1	-	-	3	-	1,756	1,119
Burundi	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	20,359	17,954	1,317	104	-	-	-	-	51	-	21,729	19,947
Cameroon	Central African Rep.	712	-	723	4	-	-	17	17	3	-	1,419	-
Cameroon	Chad	39,303	7,000	120	9	-	-	-	-	32,303	-	7,129	-
Cameroon	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	592	-	81	4	-	-	30	30	1	-	646	-
Cameroon	Nigeria	9,711	7,560	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,151	-	7,560	-
Cameroon	Rwanda	1,037	-	232	11	1	1	13	13	-	-	1,266	-
Central African Rep.	Chad	822	822	12	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	832	19
Central African Rep.	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	3,267	3,267	33	12	72	72	1	1	4	-	3,235	2,500
Central African Rep.	Sudan	19,960	19,960	11	2	1,954	1,954	-	-	2	-	18,017	12,000
Chad *	Central African Rep.	51,873	-	6,896	11	-	-	-	-	6	-	58,774	58,774
Chad *	Sudan	228,836	202,266	12,331	1,775	-	-	-	-	233	-	242,709	212,981
China	Viet Nam	300,897	8,045	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300,897	-
Congo	Angola	2,975	991	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	2,972	988
Congo	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	56,380	50,128	-	-	6,923	6,923	-	-	-	-	49,457	43,205
Congo	Rwanda	6,478	89	-	122	17	17	4	4	-	-	6,579	68
Costa Rica	Colombia	9,493	-	-	-	-	-	113	113	-	-	9,380	-
Costa Rica	Cuba	553	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	553	-
Costa Rica	Nicaragua	619	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	619	-
Côte d'Ivoire *	Congo	560	560	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	560	560
Côte d'Ivoire *	Liberia	39,919	39,919	-	131	1,123	1,123	31	31	-	-	38,896	38,896
Croatia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	2,545	2,545	-	-	53	3	-	-	158	-	2,334	2,334
Cuba	Western Sahara	641	523	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	-	618	515
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Angola	106,772	5,848	-	41,390	980	-	-	-	-	-	147,182	2,395
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	19,032	726	-	1	86	86	-	-	-	-	18,947	701
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Congo	5,243	832	-	1	4,411	-	-	-	-	-	833	193
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Rwanda	42,360	328	-	4	3,088	3,088	5	5	-	-	39,271	328
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Sudan	11,723	7,455	1,752	64	914	830	-	-	-	-	12,625	7,374
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	18,954	29	-	-	5,035	-	-	-	-	-	13,919	29
Djibouti	Ethiopia	544	423	-	2	-	-	-	-	7	-	539	419
Djibouti	Somalia	9,828	6,190	-	19	1,243	1,243	-	-	124	-	8,480	4,962
Ecuador	Colombia	9,851	9,851	1,496	-	-	-	94	94	-	-	11,253	11,253
Egypt	Occupied Palestinian Territory	70,255	255	-	1	-	-	-	-	63	-	70,193	193
Egypt	Somalia	3,940	3,940	368	29	1	1	497	496	186	-	3,653	3,653
Egypt	Sudan	13,446	13,446	25	228	77	42	851	785	342	-	12,429	12,429
Eritrea	Somalia	3,620	3,620	94	52	-	-	8	8	16	-	3,742	3,742
Eritrea	Sudan	718	718	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	720	720
Ethiopia *	Eritrea	10,700	10,700	545	-	-	-	26	26	50	-	11,169	11,169
Ethiopia *	Somalia	15,901	15,901	-	386	-	-	95	95	-	-	16,192	16,192
Ethiopia *	Sudan	73,927	73,927	-	140	-	-	195	195	-	-	73,872	73,872
Gabon	Chad	874	874	-	13	-	-	-	-	1	-	886	886
Gabon	Congo	7,298	7,298	5	119	4	4	102	100	7	-	7,309	7,309
Gambia	Liberia	780	418	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	780	418
Gambia	Senegal	548	548	1,600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,148	-
Gambia	Sierra Leone	5,955	1,274	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,955	1,274
Georgia *	Russian Federation	2,483	2,480	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,483	2,480
Guinea *	Côte d'Ivoire	3,233	3,233	-	780	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,013	4,013
Guinea *	Liberia	54,810	54,810	-	1,818	8,476	8,476	19	19	-	-	48,133	48,133
Guinea *	Sierra Leone	5,423	4,137	-	1,234	8	8	-	-	-	-	6,649	5,363
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	7,320	7,320	45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,365	7,365

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Table 2 (continued)

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Country of asylum	Origin	Population 1 January		Increases since 1 January		Decreases since 1 January					Population end-June 2006	
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	New arrivals	Other	Vol. repatriation	Resettlement	Other	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted		
India	Afghanistan	9,700	9,700	24	118	37	33	47	45	176	9,582	9,582
India	China	77,197	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77,197	-
India	Myanmar	1,471	1,471	185	34	-	-	14	1	10	1,666	1,666
India	Sri Lanka	50,730	-	3,837	-	27	27	-	-	1,060	53,480	-
Iraq	Islamic Rep. of Iran	13,382	13,382	-	23	68	-	2	2	353	12,982	12,982
Iraq	Occupied Palestinian Territory	22,698	22,698	-	-	-	-	-	-	172	22,526	22,526
Iraq	Syrian Arab Rep.	627	627	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	626	626
Iraq	Turkey	13,332	13,332	-	36	10	10	-	-	28	13,330	13,330
Islamic Rep. of Iran	Afghanistan	920,248	920,248	-	-	2,784	2,784	235	235	-	917,229	917,229
Islamic Rep. of Iran	Iraq	54,000	54,000	-	-	-	-	9	9	-	53,991	53,991
Kazakhstan	Afghanistan	760	352	12	2	-	-	-	-	2	772	265
Kazakhstan	Russian Federation	5,000	598	-	-	9	9	-	-	-	4,991	270
Kazakhstan	Tajikistan	1,446	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,446	13
Kenya	Burundi	1,188	1,188	8	41	20	20	11	11	2	1,204	1,204
Kenya	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	2,306	2,306	13	103	5	5	58	58	37	2,322	2,322
Kenya	Eritrea	612	612	1	12	-	-	15	15	16	594	594
Kenya	Ethiopia	14,862	14,862	300	2,067	2	2	409	409	736	16,082	16,082
Kenya	Rwanda	2,361	2,361	1	28	-	-	26	26	8	2,356	2,356
Kenya	Somalia	150,459	150,459	6,208	3,560	2	2	1,339	1,339	2,364	156,522	156,522
Kenya	Sudan	76,646	76,646	3,821	558	1,031	1,031	471	471	2,064	77,459	77,459
Kenya	Uganda	2,834	2,834	35	11	-	-	-	-	22	2,858	2,858
Kyrgyzstan	Tajikistan	2,320	2,320	-	3	-	-	-	-	388	1,935	1,935
Lebanon *	Iraq	797	797	5	11	1	1	20	20	3	789	499
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire	6,592	1,228	-	800	-	-	-	-	-	7,392	1,612
Liberia	Sierra Leone	3,546	3,546	-	2	-	-	-	-	4	3,544	-
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya ²⁾	Occupied Palestinian Territory	2,337	996	5	6	-	-	-	-	416	1,932	612
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya ²⁾	Somalia	753	718	-	-	-	-	-	-	141	612	418
Malaysia	Indonesia	19,153	19,153	650	-	-	-	16	16	2	19,785	19,785
Malaysia	Myanmar	14,208	14,208	4,395	-	-	-	506	506	160	17,937	17,937
Mali	Côte d'Ivoire	2,712	2,712	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,712	2,712
Mali	Mauritania	6,165	6,165	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,165	6,165
Mali	Sierra Leone	1,344	1,344	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,344	1,344
Mexico	El Salvador	1,680	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1,679	-
Mexico	Guatemala	1,231	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,231	-
Mozambique *	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	1,079	868	-	9	-	-	9	9	-	1,079	868
Nepal	Bhutan	106,248	106,248	32	997	-	-	-	-	316	106,961	106,961
Nepal	Tibet	20,153	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,153	-
Nigeria	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	703	703	-	58	-	-	5	5	6	750	750
Nigeria	Liberia	6,051	6,051	-	512	578	578	19	19	3	5,963	5,963
Nigeria	Sierra Leone	1,670	1,670	-	48	7	7	5	5	-	1,706	1,706
Pakistan ³⁾	Afghanistan	1,084,208	1,084,208	-	-	30,970	30,970	57	57	-	1,053,181	1,053,181
Panama *	Colombia	1,137	1,103	32	-	-	-	5	-	-	1,164	1,164
Papua New Guinea	Indonesia	9,991	2,491	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,991	2,491
Peru	Cuba	504	14	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	509	10
Rwanda *	Burundi	3,743	3,743	-	17	124	124	-	-	1	3,635	3,635
Rwanda *	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	41,403	41,403	-	304	-	-	-	-	26	41,681	41,681
Saudi Arabia	Occupied Palestinian Territory	240,015	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	240,015	15
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴⁾	Bosnia and Herzegovina	46,951	46,951	-	-	96	2	5	5	13,471	33,379	33,379
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴⁾	Croatia	100,651	100,651	-	-	1,356	183	-	-	18,832	80,463	80,463
Serbia and Montenegro ⁴⁾	TYR Macedonia	629	629	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	629	629
Sierra Leone	Liberia	59,952	47,980	5	241	21,574	9,346	118	118	-	38,506	36,452
South Africa	Angola	5,764	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,767	-
South Africa	Burundi	2,183	-	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,212	-
South Africa	Congo	1,160	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,164	-
South Africa	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	10,609	-	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,689	-
South Africa	Rwanda	1,276	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,279	-
South Africa	Somalia	7,548	-	93	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,641	-
Syrian Arab Rep. *	Iraq	24,874	-	3,568	5	-	-	13	-	-	28,434	-
Syrian Arab Rep. *	Somalia	593	-	246	23	-	-	36	-	-	826	-

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Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006												
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Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006												
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Country of asylum	Origin	Population 1 January		Increases since 1 January		Decreases since 1 January					Population end-June 2006	
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted	New arrivals	Other	Vol. repatriation	Resettlement	Other	Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted		
Tajikistan	Afghanistan	1,006	900	21	88	20	20	107	107	94	894	533
TFYR Macedonia	Serbia and Montenegro ¹⁾	1,249	1,249	-	66	43	29	-	-	34	1,238	1,238
Thailand	Myanmar	116,499	116,166	10,341	2,942	-	-	1,054	1,054	239	128,489	128,175
Togo	Ghana	8,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,000	-
Togo	Rwanda	809	809	2	1	-	-	4	-	2	806	-
Turkey	Islamic Rep. of Iran	1,959	1,959	683	15	4	4	935	935	10	1,708	1,708
Turkmenistan	Afghanistan	749	749	11	-	-	-	40	40	-	720	720
Turkmenistan	Tajikistan	11,173	11,173	-	-	7	7	-	-	-	11,166	11,166
Uganda	Burundi	1,660	1,660	23	31	-	-	2	2	26	1,686	1,675
Uganda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	20,564	20,302	3,182	50,642	9	9	85	85	581	73,713	23,435
Uganda	Rwanda	20,213	15,815	402	396	-	-	18	18	239	20,754	16,415
Uganda	Somalia	1,811	1,811	56	842	-	-	92	92	20	2,597	2,463
Uganda	Sudan	212,857	168,747	707	25,429	3,459	3,459	123	123	1,904	233,507	172,310
Ukraine	Afghanistan	1,213	74	14	-	-	-	4	4	30	1,193	102
United Rep. of Tanzania	Burundi	393,611	195,377	970	10,578	4,959	4,959	221	221	9,321	390,658	192,424
United Rep. of Tanzania	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	150,112	150,112	186	11,690	10,321	10,321	72	72	1,659	149,936	149,936
United Rep. of Tanzania	Somalia	2,663	2,663	-	41	-	-	-	-	8	2,696	2,696
Yemen	Ethiopia	1,616	1,616	-	251	17	17	27	27	-	1,823	1,823
Yemen	Iraq	1,046	1,046	-	188	11	11	-	-	-	1,223	1,223
Yemen	Somalia	78,582	78,582	5,736	88	142	142	4	4	33	84,227	84,227
Zambia	Angola	75,468	26,385	283	3,103	-	-	-	-	123	78,731	29,731
Zambia	Burundi	2,089	991	19	159	1	1	18	18	854	1,394	994
Zambia	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	61,243	44,330	-	373	-	-	192	192	1,667	59,757	44,757
Zambia	Rwanda	5,669	3,627	7	252	8	8	5	5	2,211	3,704	2,804
Zambia	Somalia	1,693	6	2	9	-	-	-	-	15	1,689	989

Notes
The data are generally provided by Governments, based on their own definitions and methods of data collection.
A dash (-) indicates that the value is zero, not available or not applicable.

1) According to the Government of Algeria, there are an estimated 165,000 Saharawi refugees in Tindouf camps.

2) Revised figures as per 1 January 2006 following verification exercise.

3) UNHCR figures for Pakistan only include Afghans living in camps who are assisted by UNHCR. According to a 2005 government census of Afghans in Pakistan and subsequent voluntary repatriation during the year, there are an additional 1.5 million Afghans living outside camps, some of whom may be refugees. Those Afghans living outside camps receive no UNHCR assistance except access to UNHCR-facilitated voluntary repatriation.

4) No separate statistics available for both countries

Source: UNHCR/Governments. Compiled by: UNHCR, FICSS.

Table 3. New Refugee Arrivals		
Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006		
New arrivals numbering 100 or more		
Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006		
Figures are provisional and subject to change. Source: UNHCR.		
*) Data only available from 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006		
Origin	Country of asylum	New arrivals
Angola	Zambia	283
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	970
Central African Rep.	Cameroon	723
Central African Rep.	Chad *	6,896
Chad	Cameroon	120
Colombia	Ecuador	1,496
Colombia	Venezuela	118
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Burundi	1,317
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	3,182
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	186
Eritrea	Ethiopia *	545
Ethiopia	Kenya	300
Indonesia	Malaysia	650
Iraq	Syrian Arab Rep. *	3,568
Islamic Rep. of Iran	Turkey	683
Myanmar	India	185
Myanmar	Malaysia	4,395
Myanmar	Thailand	10,341
Russian Federation	Azerbaijan	207
Rwanda	Cameroon	232
Rwanda	Uganda	402
Senegal	Gambia	1,600
Somalia	Egypt	368
Somalia	Kenya	6,208
Somalia	Syrian Arab Rep. *	246
Somalia	Yemen	5,736
Sri Lanka	India	3,837
Sudan	Chad *	12,331
Sudan	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	1,752
Sudan	Kenya	3,821
Sudan	Uganda	707

Table 4. Voluntary Repatriation Departures			
Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006			
Departures numbering 50 or more			
Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006			
Figures are provisional and subject to change. Source: UNHCR.			
*) Data only available from 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006			
Origin	Country of asylum	Vol. repatriation	
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
Afghanistan	Islamic Rep. of Iran	2,784	2,784
Afghanistan	Pakistan	30,970	30,970
Angola	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	980	-
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	53	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Serbia and Montenegro ¹⁾	96	2
Burundi	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	86	86
Burundi	Rwanda *	124	124
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	4,959	4,959
Congo	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	4,411	-
Croatia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	665	564
Croatia	Serbia and Montenegro ¹⁾	1,356	183
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Central African Rep.	72	72
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Congo	6,923	6,923
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	10,321	10,321
Islamic Rep. of Iran	Iraq	68	-
Liberia	Côte d'Ivoire *	1,123	1,123
Liberia	Guinea *	8,476	8,476
Liberia	Nigeria	578	578
Liberia	Sierra Leone	21,574	9,346
Rwanda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	3,088	3,088
Somalia	Djibouti	1,243	1,243
Somalia	Yemen	142	142
Sudan	Central African Rep.	1,954	1,954
Sudan	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	914	830
Sudan	Egypt	77	42
Sudan	Kenya	1,031	1,031
Sudan	Uganda	3,459	3,459
Togo	Benin	449	449
Uganda	Dem. Rep. of the Congo	5,035	-
Notes			
1) No separate statistics available for both countries			

Table 5. Resettlement Departures			
Period: 1 January to 30 June 2006			
Departures numbering 50 or more			
Coverage: 95 asylum countries for which statistics were available at end-September 2006			
Figures are provisional and subject to change. Source: UNHCR.			
*) Data only available from 1 January 2006 to 31 March 2006			
Origin	Country of asylum	Resettlement	
		Total	of which: UNHCR-assisted
Afghanistan	Islamic Rep. of Iran	235	235
Afghanistan	Pakistan	57	57
Afghanistan	Tajikistan	107	107
Burundi	United Rep. of Tanzania	221	221
Colombia	Costa Rica	113	113
Colombia	Ecuador	94	94
Congo	Gabon	102	100
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Kenya	58	58
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Uganda	85	85
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	United Rep. of Tanzania	72	72
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	Zambia	192	192
Eritrea	Saudi Arabia	50	50
Ethiopia	Kenya	409	409
Islamic Rep. of Iran	Turkey	935	935
Liberia	Sierra Leone	118	118
Myanmar	Malaysia	506	506
Myanmar	Thailand	1,054	1,054
Somalia	Egypt	497	496
Somalia	Ethiopia *	95	95
Somalia	Kenya	1,339	1,339
Somalia	Uganda	92	92
Sudan	Egypt	851	785
Sudan	Ethiopia *	195	195
Sudan	Kenya	471	471
Sudan	Uganda	123	123