

CAMEROON

1951 Convention:	State party	Region (MDGs):	Developing regions
1967 Protocol:	State party	Sub-region (MDGs):	Sub-Saharan Africa
United Nations:	Africa	Other UN country groupings:	Not applicable
Bureau (UNHCR):	West Africa		
Region (UNHCR):	West Africa		

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*	44,013	44,036	45,781	46,407	47,057	47,826	49,227	43,680	41,186	58,288
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	-	3,493	3,705	4,272	737	1,633	2,577	5,308
Returned refugees***	1	1	5	-	1	6	-	3	1	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	..	50,763	52,104	49,964	45,316	43,764	63,596

* 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
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	3,247	809	812	753	335	861	612	-	-	17,000
Individually recognized*	-	-	-	16	335	193	789	28	629	163
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	602	309	11	739	675	213	18	2,287	3,096	-
Resettlement	3	1	-	3	3	12	5	72	20	51
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	-	-	-	1,910	816	861	1,588	1,353	1,709	2,897
1951 Convention status	-	-	-	16	209	19	784	28	629	163
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	126	174	5	-	-	-

Responsibility (2002): UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	76.4	76.5	79.5	80.6	81.7	83.0	85.5	75.8	71.5	101.2
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.8	2.6	3.7
Per 1,000 km ²	94.0	94.0	97.8	99.1	100.5	102.1	105.1	93.3	87.9	124.5
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	..	88.1	90.5	86.7	78.7	76.0	110.4
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	..	3.2	3.3	3.2	2.9	2.8	4.0
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	..	108.4	111.3	106.7	96.8	93.5	135.8

* 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	102	178	582	-	-	862	12%	21%	68%	0%	30%
Male	150	204	1,680	1	-	2,035	7%	10%	83%	0%	70%
Total	252	382	2,262	1	-	2,897	9%	13%	78%	0%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	2,897
Dispersed/various	60,699
Total	63,596
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	5%

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

3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	-
1969 OAU Convention	17,000
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	41,288
Total	58,288
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	17,000
Individually recognized	41,288
Other/unknown	-
Total	58,288
Prima facie (group)	29%
Individually recognized	71%

C. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN CAMEROON -- 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
Chad	43,153	43,018	44,445	44,566	44,103	44,561	44,640	42,325	39,289	39,293
Nigeria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,000
Rwanda	-	-	547	650	1,227	1,317	1,579	707	802	888
Central African Rep.	-	-	166	168	-	-	-	-	348	350
Burundi	-	-	180	237	332	361	375	290	287	289

* 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
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Data not available

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM CAMEROON -- 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
United States	45	119	304	423	547	755	1,006	1,376	1,849	2,759
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,223
Canada	-	58	89	93	104	156	165	139	205	230
France	-	-	77	80	83	88	97	94	116	164
Netherlands	3	3	15	18	19	26	28	35	47	82
Other	125	58	1,532	1,495	1,505	323	358	418	507	627
Total	173	238	2,017	2,109	2,258	1,348	1,654	2,062	2,724	5,085

* 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
United States	232	213	153	107	219	229	349	528	560	1,307
Germany	446	146	224	450	494	544	597	739	923	1,205
France	102	75	57	47	58	81	161	404	416	639
United Kingdom	70	75	85	95	175	95	245	-	-	615
Belgium	100	97	94	60	99	166	267	417	324	435
Other	97	141	161	194	260	494	574	738	1,023	1,188
Total	1,047	747	774	953	1,305	1,609	2,193	2,826	3,246	5,389

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Various	RUR	39,290
Yaounde	URB	2,900

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

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR CAMEROON

