

GABON

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

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

1. Population of concern to UNHCR, end of year

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees	798	862	1,124	15,070	17,982	15,581	13,473	14,005	13,787	8,545
Asylum-seekers	-	78	568	2,110	3,036	3,636	5,663	5,118	4,839	4,843
Returned refugees*	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Stateless persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Others of concern	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	940	1,692	17,180	21,024	19,217	19,136	19,123	18,626	13,388

* Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	8	30	-	11,943	5,454	-	-	-	-	-
Individually recognized*	-	30	284	-	-	4	1,101	1,643	18	3
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	5	2,000	7	-	6	287	307	1,059	749	291
Resettlement	-	-	3	-	-	3	47	68	22	130
Naturalization	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Includes Convention status and allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons, first instance and appeal. ** Based on country of asylum and origin reports.

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

Category	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
New applications	-	133	346	2,004	935	609	3,548	1,663	119	227
1951 Convention status	-	30	284	-	-	4	74	73	18	3
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,027	1,570	-	-

Responsibility (2005): Government

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.9	3.4	3.0	2.6	2.7	2.6	1.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	0.6	0.6	0.8	10.9	13.0	11.3	9.7	10.1	10.0	6.2
Per 1,000 km ²	3.0	3.2	4.2	56.7	67.6	58.6	50.7	52.7	51.9	32.1
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	0.2	0.3	3.3	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	2.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	0.7	1.2	12.4	15.2	13.9	13.8	13.8	13.5	9.7
Per 1,000 km ²	..	3.5	6.4	64.6	79.1	72.3	72.0	71.9	70.0	50.3

* Refugees and Total population of concern to UNHCR: annual estimates (Table A.1). Figures for GDP (Current) per capita, national population and land area are the most recent available estimates.

B. DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS, LOCATION, LEGAL BASIS AND RECOGNITION, END OF 2005

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	830	1,735	2,954	126	-	5,645	15%	31%	52%	2%	44%
Male	810	1,735	4,437	147	-	7,129	11%	24%	62%	2%	56%
Total	1,640	3,470	7,391	273	-	12,774	13%	27%	58%	2%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	11,455
Dispersed/various	1,319
Total	12,774
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	90%

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3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	1,304
1969 OAU Convention	7,228
UNHCR Mandate	13
Other/unknown*	-
Total	8,545
1951 Convention	15%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	7,035
Individually recognized	1,510
Other/unknown	-
Total	8,545
Prima facie (group)	82%
Individually recognized	18%

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main origin (main nationalities in 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Congo	-	25	231	12,174	17,555	15,001	11,945	12,122	11,988	7,298
Chad	148	150	148	1,423	39	189	1,053	1,312	1,216	874
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	49	63	92	674	20	21	42	72	83	90
Rwanda	72	77	82	91	78	80	88	104	103	62
Angola	109	110	115	199	37	37	124	132	132	53

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main origin (main nationalities during 2005)

Origin	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Congo	-	81	263	-	-	-	2,278	1,112	46	129
Côte d'Ivoire	-	-	-	1	-	1	6	2	10	33
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	-	2	3	534	332	466	672	113	35	31

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

1. Refugee population, end of year--main countries of asylum (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country*	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Other										
Total	24	19	28	26	26	27	37	39	53	81

* UNHCR estimates for most industrialized countries.

2. Asylum applicants during the year--main asylum countries (main countries in 2005)

Asylum country	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
France	3	7	3	3	17	14	19	23	28	27
Other	13	9	23	19	41	67	54	43	62	50
Total	16	16	26	22	58	81	73	66	90	77

E. POPULATION OF CONCERN IN GABON -- MAIN LOCATIONS, END OF 2005

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total	Location name	Type*	Total
Libreville	URB	3,940	Port-Gentil	URB	460
Franceville	URB	1,860	Ndendé	URB	380
Moanda	URB	1,700	Moulengui-Binza Commune	RUR	350
Tchibanga	URB	1,470	Dilemba	RUR	300
Mouila	URB	610	Koulamoutou	URB	250

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR GABON

