

CAMEROON

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

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*	44,036	45,781	46,407	47,057	47,826	49,227	43,680	41,186	58,288	58,583
Asylum-seekers**	-	-	3,493	3,705	4,272	737	1,633	2,577	5,308	5,675
Returned refugees***	1	5	-	1	6	-	3	1	-	4
Internally displaced	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Returned IDPs	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Various/others	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	..	..	..	50,763	52,104	49,964	45,316	43,764	63,596	64,262

* 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
Arrivals										
Prima facie/group basis	809	812	753	335	861	612	-	-	17,000	-
Individually recognized*	-	-	16	335	193	789	28	629	163	491
Resettlement	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-
Durable solutions										
Voluntary repatriation**	309	11	739	675	213	18	2,287	3,096	-	158
Resettlement	1	-	3	3	12	5	72	20	51	26
Naturalization	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* 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)

Category	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
New applications	-	-	1,910	816	861	1,588	1,353	1,709	2,897	1,356
1951 Convention status	-	-	16	209	19	784	28	629	163	491
Allowed/humanitarian	-	-	-	126	174	5	-	-	-	-

Responsibility (2003): UNHCR

4. Indicators of host country capacity and contributions

Indicator*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Refugees										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	76.5	79.5	80.6	81.7	83.0	85.5	75.8	71.5	101.2	101.7
Per 1,000 inhabitants	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	2.8	2.6	3.7	3.7
Per 1,000 km ²	94.0	97.8	99.1	100.5	102.1	105.1	93.3	87.9	124.5	125.1
Total population of concern to UNHCR										
Per 1 USD GDP/capita	..	..	..	88.1	90.5	86.7	78.7	76.0	110.4	111.6
Per 1,000 inhabitants	..	..	..	3.2	3.3	3.2	2.9	2.8	4.0	4.1
Per 1,000 km ²	..	..	..	108.4	111.3	106.7	96.8	93.5	135.8	137.2

* 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	965	4,030	3,734	160	-	8,889	11%	45%	42%	2%	52%
Male	1,067	3,807	2,915	305	-	8,094	13%	47%	36%	4%	48%
Total	2,032	7,837	6,649	465	-	16,983	12%	46%	39%	3%	100%

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

2. Population of concern--location*

Type	Total
Camps/centers	-
Urban	47,787
Dispersed/various	16,983
Total	64,770
Camps/centers	0%
Urban	74%

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3. Refugee population--legal basis

Type	Total
1951 UN Convention	285
1969 OAU Convention	17,189
UNHCR Mandate	-
Other/unknown*	41,109
Total	58,583
1951 Convention	0%

* Including allowed to remain for humanitarian reasons.

4. Refugee population--recognition

Type	Total
Prima facie (group)	16,983
Individually recognized	41,600
Other/unknown	-
Total	58,583
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 2003)

Origin*	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Chad	43,018	44,445	44,566	44,103	44,561	44,640	42,325	39,289	39,293	39,261
Nigeria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,000	16,983
Rwanda	-	547	650	1,227	1,317	1,579	707	802	888	995
Central African Rep.	-	166	168	-	-	-	-	348	350	379
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	-	19	50	182	264	1,245	135	232	236	300

* 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
Central African Rep.	-	-	-	-	-	451	127	342
Dem. Rep. of the Congo	49	138	103	986	580	626	2,018	325
Chad	825	177	442	79	246	176	106	246
Rwanda	350	66	113	263	178	181	182	168
Congo	-	248	59	119	155	142	270	96

D. REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS FROM CAMEROON -- 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
United States	119	304	423	547	755	1,006	1,376	1,849	2,759	2,962
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,223	1,742
Canada	58	89	93	104	156	165	139	205	230	247
United Kingdom	-	-	-	5	25	25	25	25	175	241
France	-	77	80	83	88	97	94	116	164	226
Other	61	1,547	1,513	1,519	324	361	428	529	674	788
Total	238	2,017	2,109	2,258	1,348	1,654	2,062	2,724	5,225	6,206

* 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
United States	213	153	107	219	229	349	528	560	1,307	1,626
Germany	146	224	450	494	544	597	739	923	1,205	910
France	75	57	47	58	81	161	404	416	639	806
Belgium	97	94	60	99	166	267	417	324	435	625
United Kingdom	75	85	95	175	95	245	-	-	615	505
Other	141	161	239	312	830	903	863	1,129	1,743	1,774
Total	747	774	998	1,357	1,945	2,522	2,951	3,352	5,944	6,246

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

Data generally not available for industrialized countries

Location name	Type*	Total
Yaounde	URB	47,790
Banyo	RUR	16,980

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F. HOST COUNTRY INDICATORS FOR CAMEROON

