

Principal Sources of Refugees

as of December 31, 2000

Table 4
REFUGEES

This table shows the countries that have produced the greatest numbers of refugees and asylum seekers. This table is derived from Table 2 and from additional data on individuals granted asylum during the year and pending asylum claims at year's end. Generally, this table does not include persons granted permanent status (or who, in USCR's view, are well on their way to receiving such a status) in another country. The figures in this list are rounded, and undoubtedly understate the total number of refugees and asylum seekers from a given country.

Palestinians	4,000,000*	Tajikistan	60,000*
Afghanistan	3,600,000*	Philippines	57,000
Sudan	460,000	Rwanda	55,000*
Iraq	450,000*	Chad	53,000
Burundi	420,000	Iran	51,000
Angola	400,000	Algeria	50,000*
Sierra Leone	400,000*	Mauritania	50,000
Burma	380,000*	North Korea	50,000*
Somalia	370,000*	Ethiopia	40,000*
Congo-Kinshasa	350,000	Russian Federation	38,000
Eritrea	350,000*	Turkey	36,000
Croatia	315,000*	Georgia	26,000
Vietnam	300,000	Haiti	23,000
Bosnia and Hercegovina	250,000*	Congo-Brazzaville	20,000
El Salvador	230,000**	Uganda	20,000
Liberia	200,000*	India	17,000*
Yugoslavia	190,000*	Cambodia	16,000
China	145,000	Nicaragua	16,000
Bhutan	144,000	Colombia	10,000
East Timor	120,000	Ghana	10,000
Sri Lanka	110,000	Senegal	10,000
Western Sahara	110,000*	Nigeria	7,000
Guatemala	100,000**	Indonesia	6,000

* Estimates vary widely in number reported.

** Includes asylum cases pending in the United States; USCR approximates the number of individuals represented per case.

