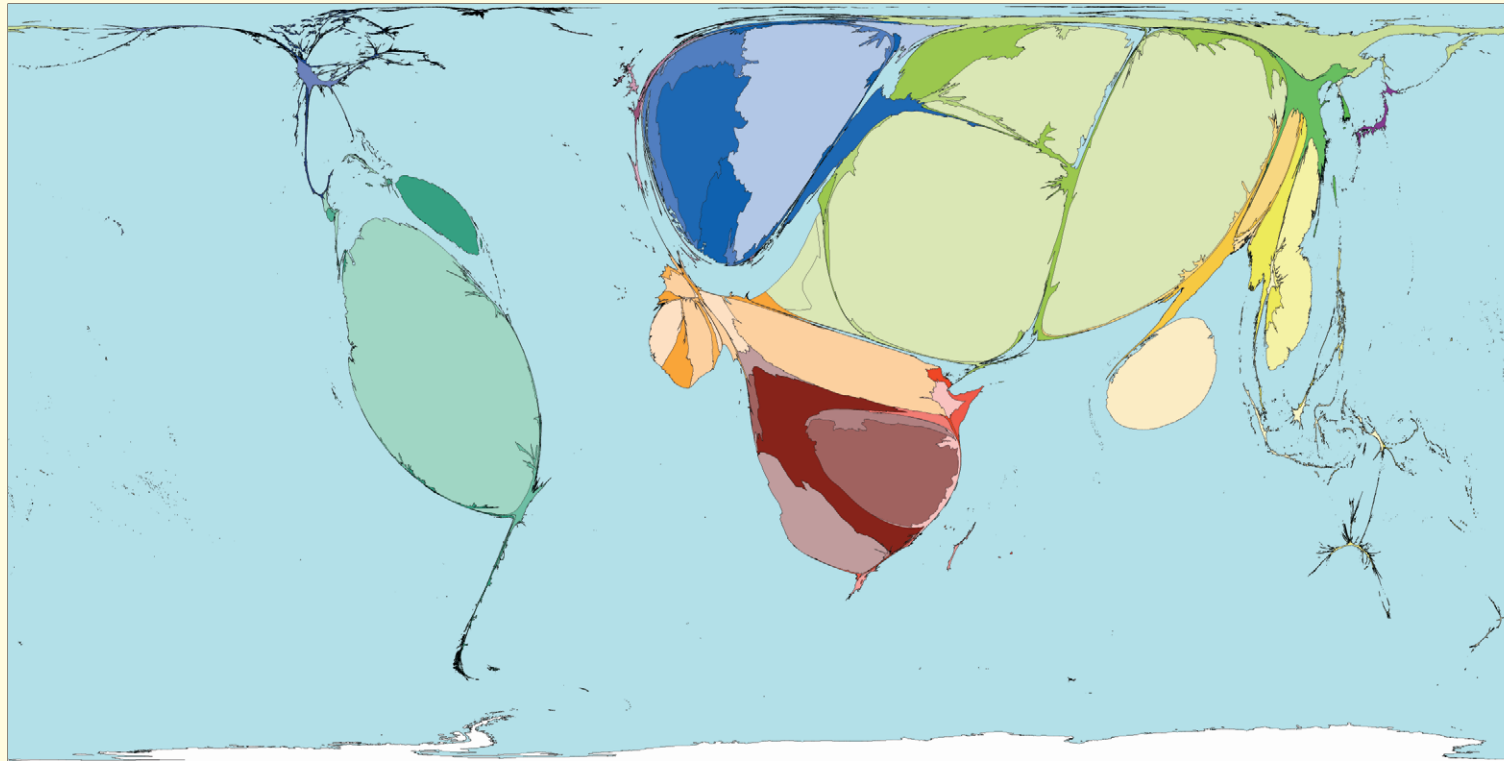


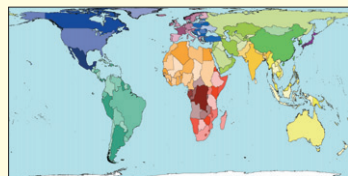
Refugee Origin



In 2003 there were 15 million refugees and internally displaced persons in the world. This map shows the origins of both combined. The origins are the territories these people came from.

The difference between refugees and internally displaced persons is that the former are outside their territory of origin, whilst the latter have stayed within national borders. The movement of these people is based on their "fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion" (UNHCR, 1951).

Territory size shows the global proportion of refugees and internally displaced persons originating there.



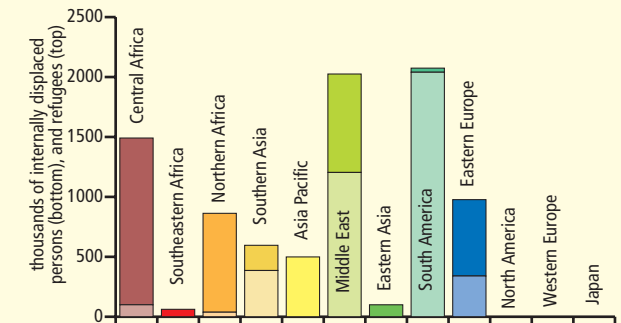
Land area

ORIGIN OF REFUGEES AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Serbia & Montenegro	12.0	11	Puerto Rico	4.7
1	Bosnia Herzegovina	12.0	11	Colombia	4.7
3	Iraq	9.9	13	Sri Lanka	2.5
3	Afghanistan	9.9	14	Angola	2.4
3	Azerbaijan	9.9	15	Western Sahara	1.7
6	Gaza Strip & West Bank	9.6	15	Sudan	1.7
7	Burundi	9.5	15	Liberia	1.7
8	Georgia	5.2	18	Sierra Leone	1.6
9	Bhutan	5.2	19	Tajikistan	1.0
9	Croatia	5.2	20	Mauritania	0.9

refugees and internally displaced persons as a % of resident population

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Technical notes

- Data source: United Nations Development Programme, 2004, World Development Report.
- Data are from 2003.
- Refugees and internally displaced people are included here.
- See website for further information.

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Akram, 2005