

	Quick Facts	
	Immigration detainees (2019)	Not Available
	Detained minors (2017)	Not Available
	International migrants (2019)	512,230
	New asylum applications (2019)	1,163

NOTES ON USING THIS PROFILE

- Sources for the data provided in this report are available online at: <https://www.globaldetentionproject.org/countries/africa/chad>
- "Observation Dates" indicate the timeframe statistical data correspond to or other data were last validated. More than one statistical entry for a year indicates contrasting reports.

STATISTICS

Detention, expulsion, and incarceration statistics

		Observation Date			Observation Date
Total number of immigration detainees by year	Not Available	2019	Total number of detained minors	Not Available	2017
Criminal prison population	4,831	2011	Percentage of foreign prisoners	1.3	2002
	4,775	2010			
	3,416	2005			
	3,883	2002			
	2,385	2000			
	2,530	1996			
	2,867	1994			
Prison population rate (per 100,000 of national population)	39	2011			
	43	2010			
	34	2005			
	43	2002			
	29	2000			
	35	1996			
	42	1994			

Demographics and immigration-related statistics

		Observation Date			Observation Date	
Population	16,400,000	2020	International migrants	512,230	2019	
	14,037,000	2015			517,000	2015
International migrants as a percentage of the population	3.7	2015	Refugees	442,670	2019	
					451,210	2018
					411,482	2017
					391,235	2016
					369,540	2015
					452,897	2014
Ratio of refugees per 1000 inhabitants	26.99	2016	Total number of new asylum applications	1,163	2019	
	33.3	2014			164	2016
					2,386	2014
Refugee recognition rate	100	2014				

DOMESTIC LAW

LEGAL TRADITION		
Legal tradition	Name	Observation Date
	Civil law	2017
	Customary law	2017
COVID-19 UPDATES		
Latest Update	Update Status	Observation Date
	<p>Chad's geographic location--as Libya's southern neighbour and located at a crossroads between east and west Africa--has resulted in a "a complex humanitarian crisis," according to IOM, and one which is further impacted by the country's severe economic problems. As of mid-2020, there were an estimated 133,000 internally displaced persons and 475,000 refugees and asylum seekers. Compounding pressures on the country, according to UNHCR, as of July 2020, 108,809 Chadiens had been returned to the country. Despite these challenges, Chad has had a reputation as traditionally having "a positive and welcoming attitude towards refugees." It has also been a supporter of the Global Compact for Migration. To date, the GDP has been unable to establish the extent to which detention measures are used in Chad as part of immigration enforcement policies. Likewise, the GDP has found no details about whether any Covid-19-related measures have been taken in the country to safeguard people who are in custody for immigration reasons, including as part of deportation proceedings. UNHCR reported in July 2020 that no one of concern to their mandate, including refugees and returned Chadiens, had reported an infection. However, 47 persons of concerns had been placed in quarantine. On 24 March, visits to prisons were suspended and all public hearings of courts of justice were postponed. Between March and April, three collective escapes took place at the prisons of Amsiné and Bongor following the suspension of visits. The Ministry of Justice announced on 9 April the release of more than 3,200 prisoners, as an "exceptional measure taken to respect the preventive measures instituted by the highest authorities of the country against the coronavirus pandemic." This measure concerned vulnerable prisoners such as the elderly, minors, sick individuals, and pregnant women.</p>	2020

INTERNATIONAL LAW		
Relevant international treaties and date of ratification		
International treaties	Name	Ratification Year
	CRPD, Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	2019
	ICERD, International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination	1977
	ICESCR, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	1995
	ICCPR, International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	1995
	CEDAW, Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	1995
	CAT, Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment	1995
	CRC, Convention on the Rights of the Child	1990
	CRSR, Geneva Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees	1981
	CRSSP, Convention Relating to the Status of Stateless Persons	1999
	CTOCTP, Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children	2009
Ratio of relevant international treaties ratified	10/19	

Relevant international treaties and date of ratification				
Individual complaints procedure	Name		Acceptance Year	
	ICCPR, First Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, 1966		1995	
Relevant international treaties and date of ratification				
Ratio of complaints procedures accepted	Number		Observation Date	
	1/6		2017	
Regional treaties, regulations, and directives				
Regional legal instruments	Name		Year of Ratification (Treaty) / Transposed (Directive) / Adoption (Regulation)	
	ACHPR, African Charter on Human and Peoples Rights		1986	
	ACRWC, African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child		2000	
Non treaty-based international human rights mechanisms				
Relevant recommendations of the UN Universal Periodic Review	Recommendation Issued		Year Issued	Observation Date
	No		2009	2017
	No		2014	2017

INSTITUTIONAL INDICATORS

More information about immigration detention in Chad is available at the website of the Global Detention Project (www.globaldetentionproject.org)

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