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Climate Refugees, by Collectif Argos (MIT, £22.95)

Climate-change migration will be a major problem in the near future. From Alaska to the Maldives, people are already being displaced by global warming. Some 200m people may be forced into exile and as yet countries do not grant refugee status to those fleeing the effects of climate change. This beautifully produced book by the ten French journalists and photographers who make up the Collectif Argos contains 11 illustrated essays from around the world, including the Pacific coral islands of Tuvalu, where the islanders know that in 50 years their homeland will have vanished; the village of Longbaoshan, north of Beijing, which is slowly being enveloped by sand dunes, where rainfall is decreasing and "yellow dragons" (sandstorms) are becoming more common; and a report from New Orleans after Katrina caused the largest displacement of population in America's history. "Rebuild New Orleans not Iraq", says a handwritten sign outside a trailer in one of Cédric Faimali's striking photographs. A powerful book about an important subject. **PD Smith**