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## Uganda Refugee Response Plan (RRP) 2024-2025

#### **Overview**



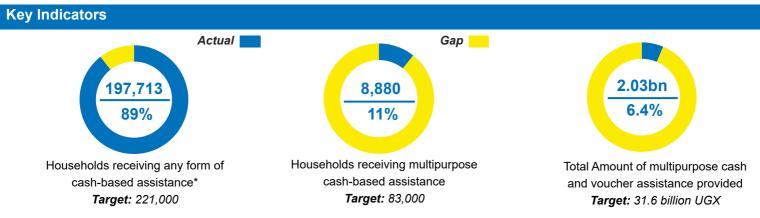
Cash-based interventions play a crucial role in promoting self-reliance within the refugee response. Increasingly, assistance is delivered through digital services like mobile money and agency banking. These methods allow vulnerable families to receive cash discreetly and efficiently, contributing to financial inclusion and local economies. Digital services are also cost-effective compared to physical cash, making them a preferred modality for humanitarian implementers and donors. The Uganda Cash Working Group (CWG) supports humanitarian actors that provide assistance through cash and voucher assistance (CVA). The forum serves both technical and strategic functions. Technical functions include sharing lessons learned, harmonizing cash delivery approaches, and developing guidelines. Strategic functions involve avoiding gaps, minimizing duplications, advocating for relevant assistance, and influencing policy. The CWG focuses on multi-purpose cash transfers (MPC) and sectoral cash grants.

#### Achievements / challenges of the sector

In quarter one, humanitarian actors injected UGX 41.7 billion into the Ugandan economy through cash assistance transfers, of which UGX 33 billion was cash for food, UGX 4.6 billion for livelihoods and UGX 2 billion multipurpose cash. Moreover, some 900 new families gained access to bank accounts and some 7,600 families to mobile money accounts, setting them on the pathway for financial inclusion. In quarter one, WFP initiated a transition from in-kind assistance or physical cash to digital services, aiming for 81% enrollment in digital cash modalities by the end of 2024. Additionally, UNHCR expanded cash assistance via mobile money to new arrivals, while the Uganda Cash Consortium (UCC) planned the extension of their multipurpose cash and education cash interventions. In January 2024, the Cash Working Group officially launched the 2024-2026 Harmonized Cash Approach, endorsed by OPM and major donors. The CWG continued to serve as a platform for knowledge exchange and support bringing together humanitarian actors, financial service providers social entrepreneurs, and academia. Despite progress, reporting gaps persist at both programmatic and individual levels. The principal challenge is to increase quality and frequency of partners reporting assistance provision to individual families into ProGres, which would reduce duplication and promote that assistance is provided to the most vulnerable.

#### Key priorities and gaps foreseen for 2024

As a key priority, the CWG is introducing a revised 5W reporting tool and collaborating with UNHCR's Registration and Identity Management team to implement compulsory individual beneficiary reporting. Efforts will also focus on promoting the use of Minimum Standards for Financial Literacy trainings jointly developed by the CWG and the Bank of Uganda. Enhancing financial literacy training quality and reach is a priority. Additionally, the CWG in collaboration with the Livelihoods and Self-Reliance Working Group (LHSRWG), will explore ways to enhance FSP participation in the refugee space. The CWG will continue supporting the implementation of the National Strategy on Financial Inclusion.



Target: 221,000		larget: 83,000		Target: 31.6 billion UGX	
Objective 1: Access to cash	and voucher as	sistance for basic needs	expanded		
Indicator	Actual	Target/Standard ('24)	Actual	Gap	
Households receiving any form of o	cash-based assista	nce*			
- Congolese Refugees	105,480	116,600	90%		
- South Sudanese Refugees	58,999	100,400	59%		
- Other refugees	33,234	4,000	>100%		
Households receiving multi-purpos	se cash-based assis	stance			
- Congolese Refugees	3,920	34,000	12%		
- South Sudanese Refugees	4,960	47,000	10.6%		
- Other refugees	0	2,000	0.0%		
Amount of multi-purpose cash and	voucher assistanc	е			
- Congolese Refugees	1.02bn	21.4bn	4.7%		
- South Sudanese Refugees	1.01bn	8.8bn	11.5%		
- Other refugees	0.00bn	1.4bn	0.0%		

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**Note:** indicators marked with \* add up multiple forms of cash and voucher assistance and have the potential for overlap

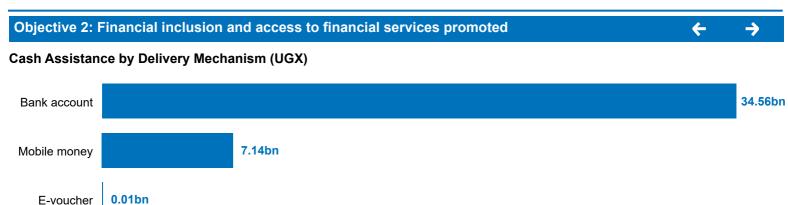




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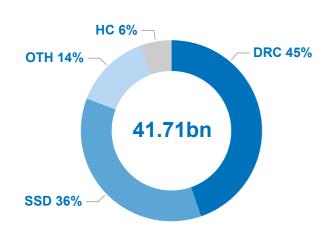
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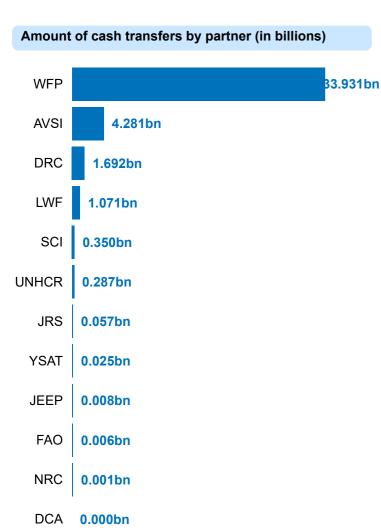
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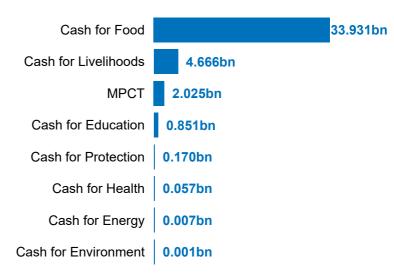
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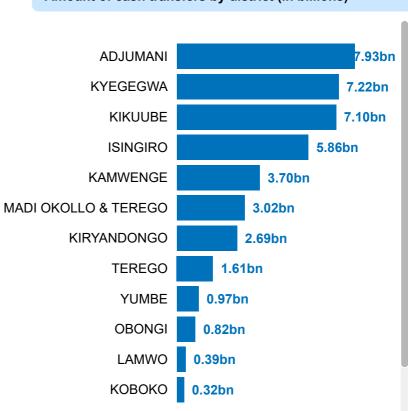


### Amount of cash transfers by sector (in billions)



**Note:** for Livelihoods & Resilience the value of CBI interventions is only based on cash-for-work, and amounts for households who received productive assets through cash. Host community interventions are included in all cases.

#### Amount of cash transfers by district (in billions)



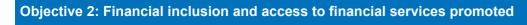




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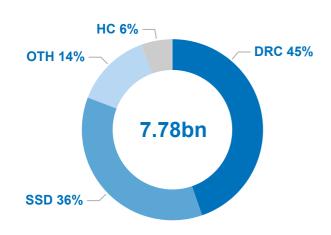




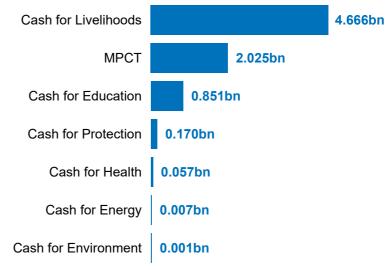


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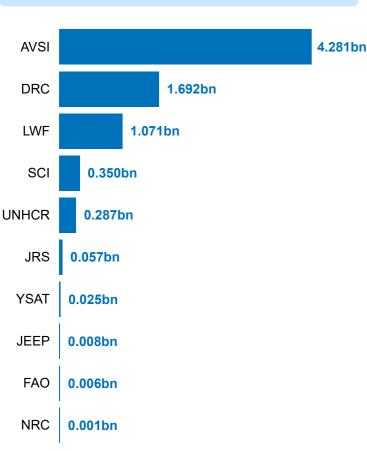


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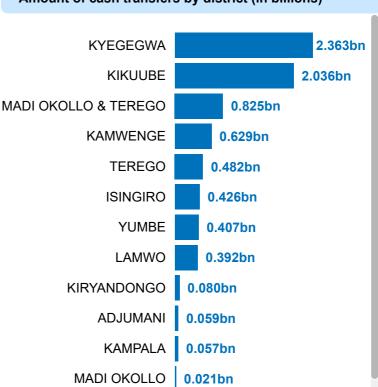
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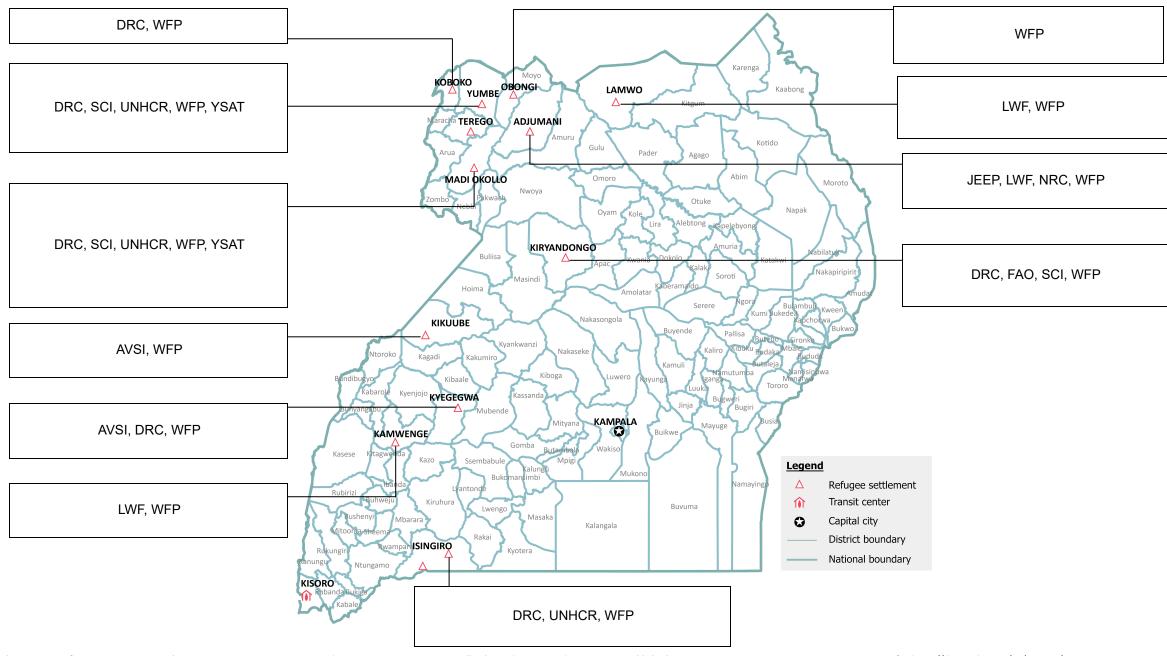
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## **Performance Indicator Summary**



#### **OUTCOME 1: Cash Based Interventions**

# of households provided with cash and voucher assistance for basic needs

Total amount of cash transfers for basic needs (UGX)



83,000

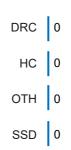


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# of households (non PSN) provided with cash and voucher assistance for basic needs



# of PSN households provided with cash and voucher assistance for basic needs



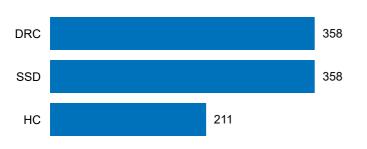
Total amount of cash transfers (UGX) for basic needs



#### **OUTCOME 2: Financial Inclusion**



Link to: Interactive dashboard



## # of Households enrolled in mobile money

