REGIONAL BUREAU FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

Complementary Pathways for Admission to Third Countries

As of 28 February 2025

Complementary pathways provide legal avenues for refugees and asylum seekers to reunite with their families, pursue employment, education, and other opportunities outside their countries of origin or asylum. These pathways ensure protection against refoulement and offer the chance to secure a durable legal status in the destination country. Additionally, they represent a significant demonstration of global solidarity, international cooperation, and a fairer distribution of responsibility among states in addressing the needs of forcibly displaced individuals.

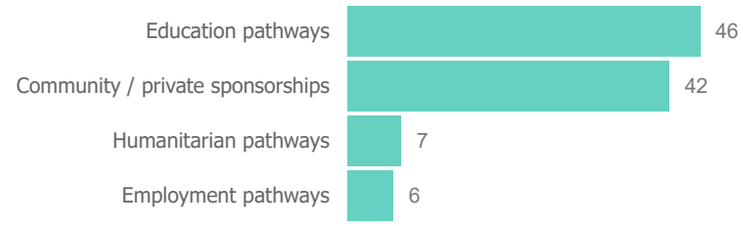
108 Departures

7 Children (0-17)

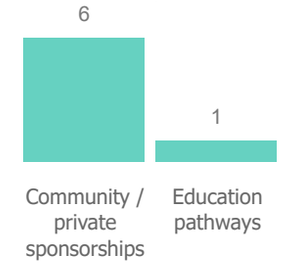
49 Woman and Children

1 Elders (60+)

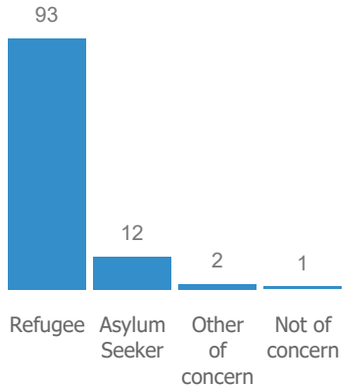
Reasons for Departure 2016 - 2024



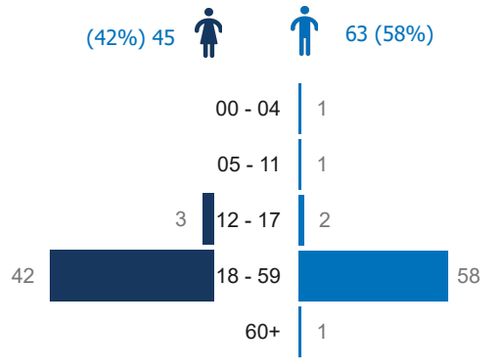
Reasons for Departure in 2025



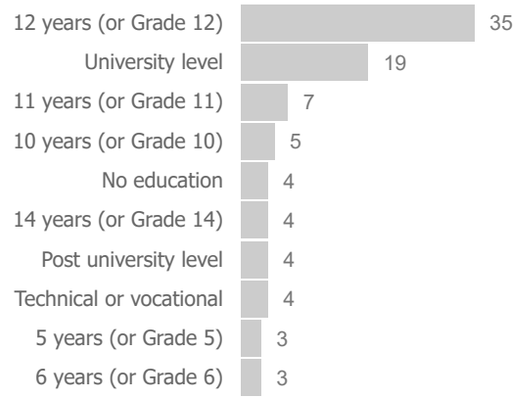
By Legal Status



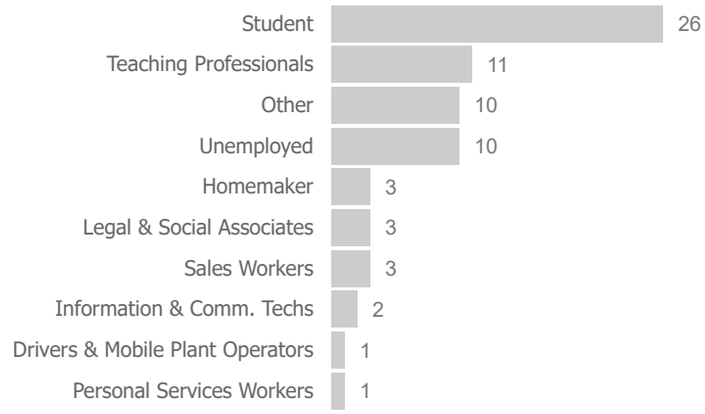
Demographic (by Age and Gender)



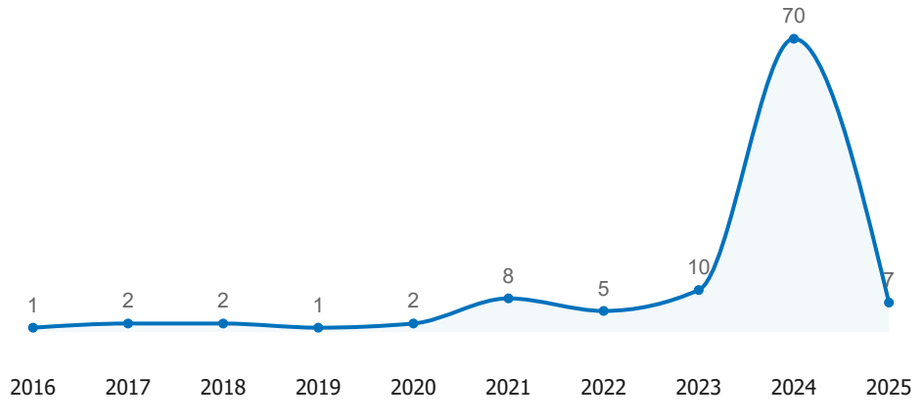
Top 10 Education Level



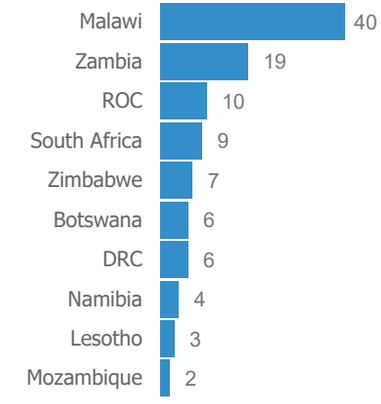
Top 10 Occupation / Work Experience



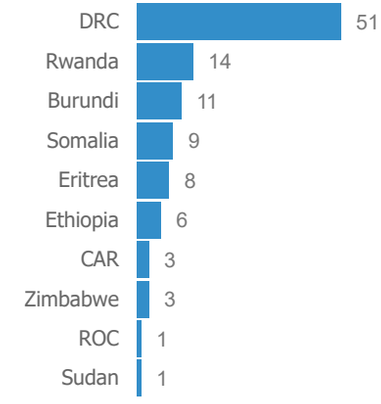
Trends (Number of Departure per Year)



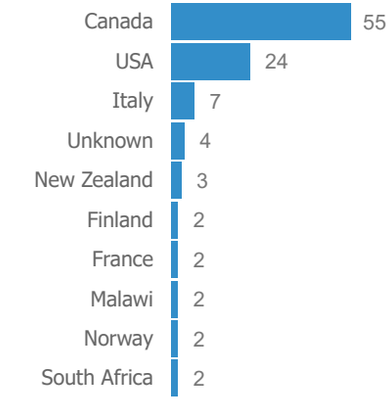
Top 10 Country of Asylum



Top 10 Country of Origin



Top 10 Country of Destination



DRC: Democratic Republic of the Congo, ROC: Republic of the Congo, CAR: Central African Republic, USA: United States of America

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