

Key figures

70,174
 Estimated New Arrivals from DRC since Jan 2025
 (Mixed population including asylum seekers, migrants, returnees, etc.)

14,651
 Relocated refugees

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 Refugees from DRC in Burundi prior Jan 2025

2,374
 Assisted Burundians Spontaneous Returnees

26,772
 Registered Refugees Level 1

41,028
 Not yet verified

Demographic

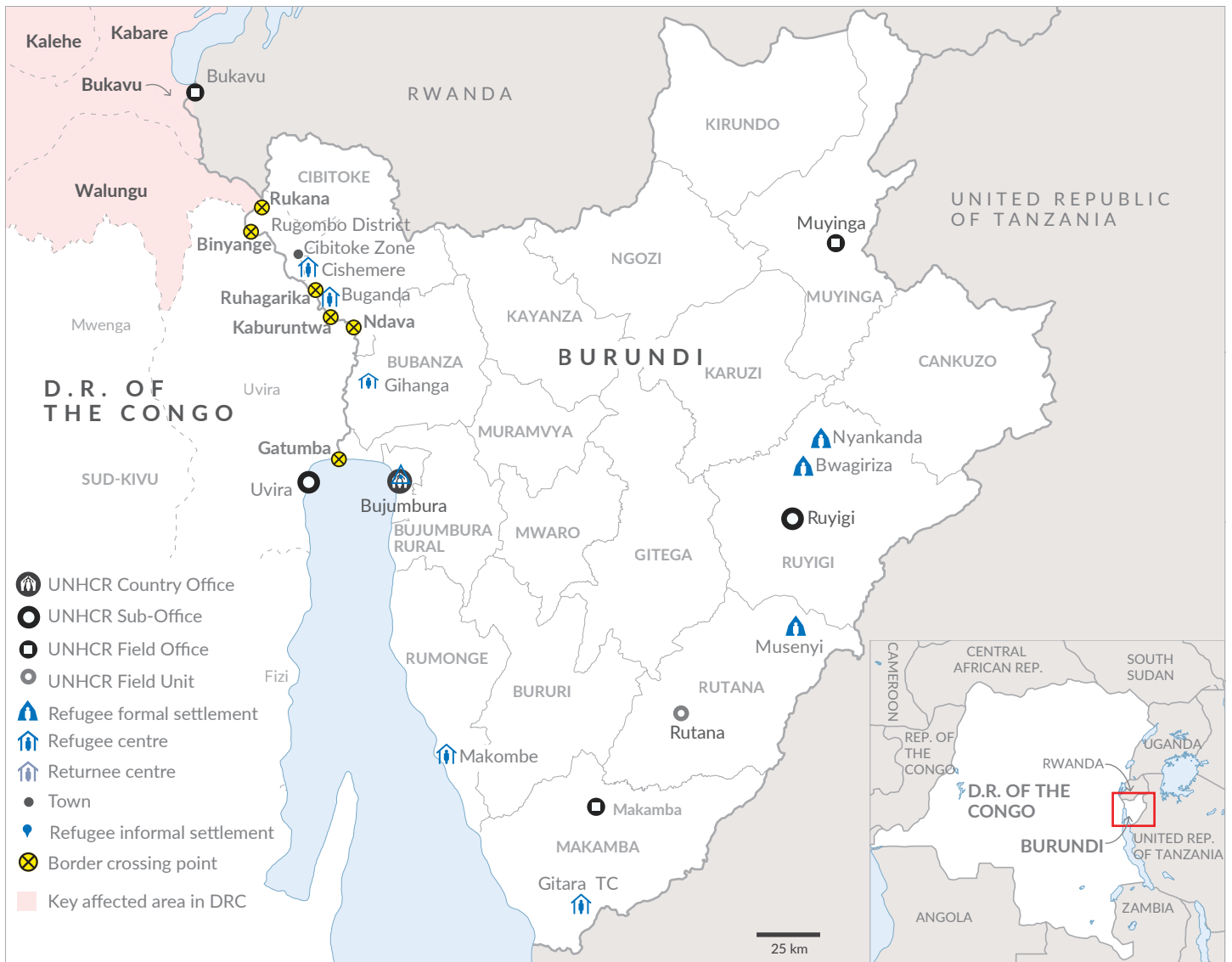
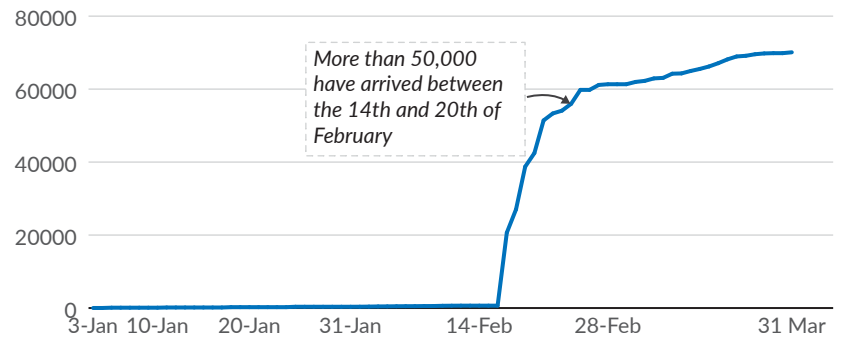
	Female (51%)	Male (49%)
Adults	25%	22%
Children	26%	27%

Context

Since January 2025, over 70,000 people arriving in Burundi from the Democratic Republic of Congo are in need of international refugee protection and humanitarian assistance. The refugees include rural and urban populations fleeing conflict from the DRC, and some returning Burundians. Most arrivals are from Uvira, Walungu, Bukavu, Saké, Minova, and Goma. In response, the Minister of the Interior has granted prima facie refugee status to those seeking protection since 2025.

Total new arrivals (cumulative since 3 Jan. 2025)

Number of people



Arrival & relocation

Border entry points	Transit Centers/Locations	Protection	Refugee Camps / Settlements
	Current population		New Arrivals
Rukana	Rugombo Commune	• Protection screening and counseling	Musenyi
Binyange	Cibitoke Zone	• Level 1 Registration	12,399
Ruhagarika	Gitara	• Protection & Border Monitoring	15,435
Kaburantwa	Cishemere	• Organized relocation	Nyankanda
Ndava	Makombe	• Community engagement, outreach and feedback	8
Gatumba	Gihanga	• Protection desks	11,975
		• Assistance to person with specific needs	Bwagiriza
			1
			9,457
			Kavumu
			0
			18,847
			Kinama
			0
			6,910
			Musasa
			0
			8,434

Key sectorial indicator (border transit locations: Cibitoke Zone, Cishemere, Musenyi)

Individuals with SPN Identified	283 186 668	Global Acute Malnutrition (kids 6-59 month)	3% 1% 2%	Children received a measles containing vaccine	303 205 645	Individuals supported with access to water and sanitation services	6,166 391 14,307
UASC identified/ Referred/ Assisted	233 101 623	Global Acute Malnutrition (pregnant women)	1% 1% 1%	Average litres of potable water available per person per day	7.5 20 30	Emergency Latrines (Communal)	25 12 220
Consultations provided for health care services	3,083 1,800 429	Persons receiving food assistance (in-kind or cash assistance)	6,166 391 14,882	GBV survivors who received specialized case management services	100% 100% 100%	Individuals received GBV information	3,902 0 0

3 W (border transit locations)

Coordination	DGRRR, ONPRA, UNHCR	3
Food	AIRD, CARITAS, NGO RCF, SAD, WFP	5
Health/ Nutrition	AFM/MWA, Concern, Global Health, Health District, HNTPO, PRONIANUT, Midwives in Action Association, MSF, UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, Women's Solidarity	12
Logistic	AIRD, COPED, IRC, OIM, UNHCR	5
Livelihood	FVS, World Vision International	2
NFI/Shelter	Burundi Red Cross, COPED, UNHCR, UNICEF	4
Protection	ACPDH, AIRD, Burundi Red Cross, CGM, DGRRR, Finbank, JRS, Local volunteers, ONPRA, SAD, Save the Children, SCI, Spring Communities, Terre des Hommes, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, World Vision International	18
Reintegration for Returnees	DGRRR, IOM, UNHCR	3
Security	Burundian National Police	1
WASH	Burundi Red Cross, COPED, Fondation Stamm, MSF, UNICEF, World Vision International	6