

1,076,829

Total Refugees and Asylum-seekers
(1,012,749 refugees | 64,080* asylum-seekers)

291,247

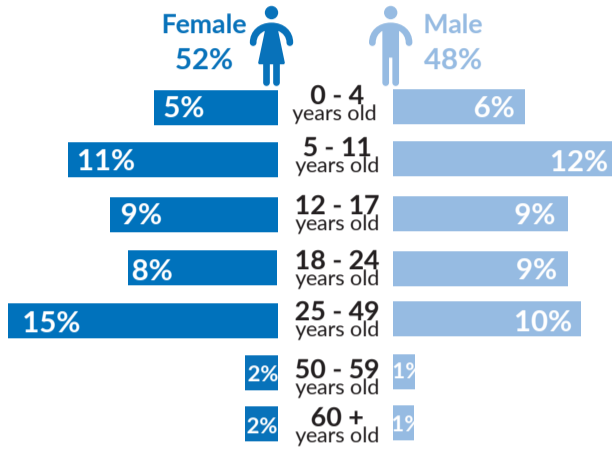
Households
(average family size: 4)

- 79%** Women & Children
- 52%** Children (0 -17 years)
- 46%** Adults (18 - 59 years)
- 3%** Elderly (60+)

Context & Highlight

Ethiopia is the third largest refugee hosting country in Africa, home to over **1M** refugees and asylum seekers—mainly from South Sudan, Somalia and Eritrea. Following the outbreak of armed conflict in Sudan (April 2023) , Ethiopia is receiving thousands of forcibly displaced people at several points of entry. On 6 March 2024, the Ethiopian government's Refugees and Returnees Service (RRS) in collaboration with the National ID Program (NIDP) and UNHCR launched the issuance of **digital identity documents** to foster inclusion of refugees in the national system.

Age-gender breakdown

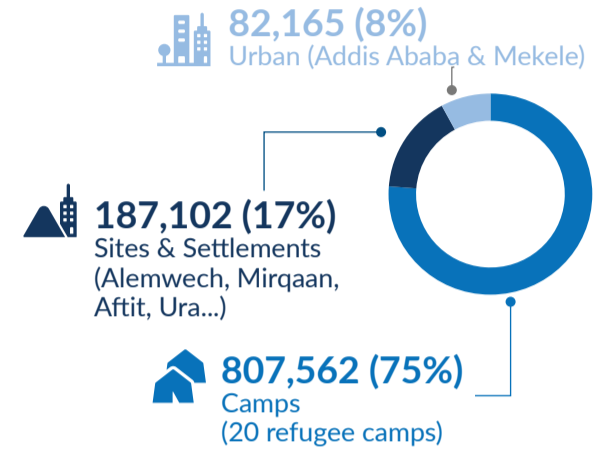


Countries of origin

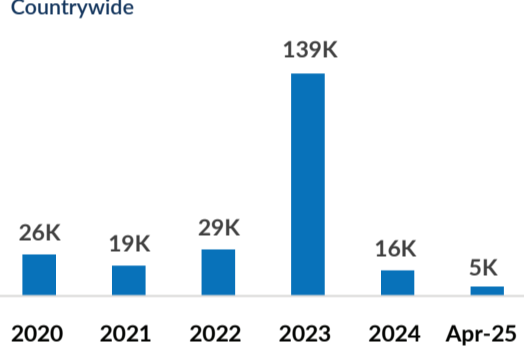
Country of origin	Total Individuals	Percentage
South Sudan	430,504	40%
Somalia	360,409	33%
Eritrea	180,053	17%
Sudan	94,941	9%
Kenya	5,672	1%
Yemen	2,609	<1%
DR Congo	927	<1%
Syrian Arab Republic	749	<1%
Others**	965	<1%
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Others include: Burundi (135 individuals); Djibouti (56)...In total refugees and asylum-seekers registered in Ethiopia come from **34 different countries.

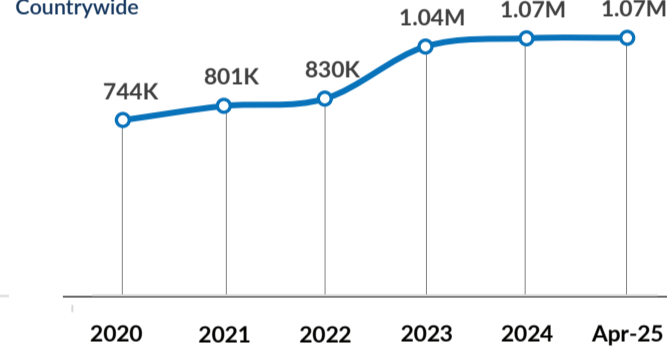
Population distribution



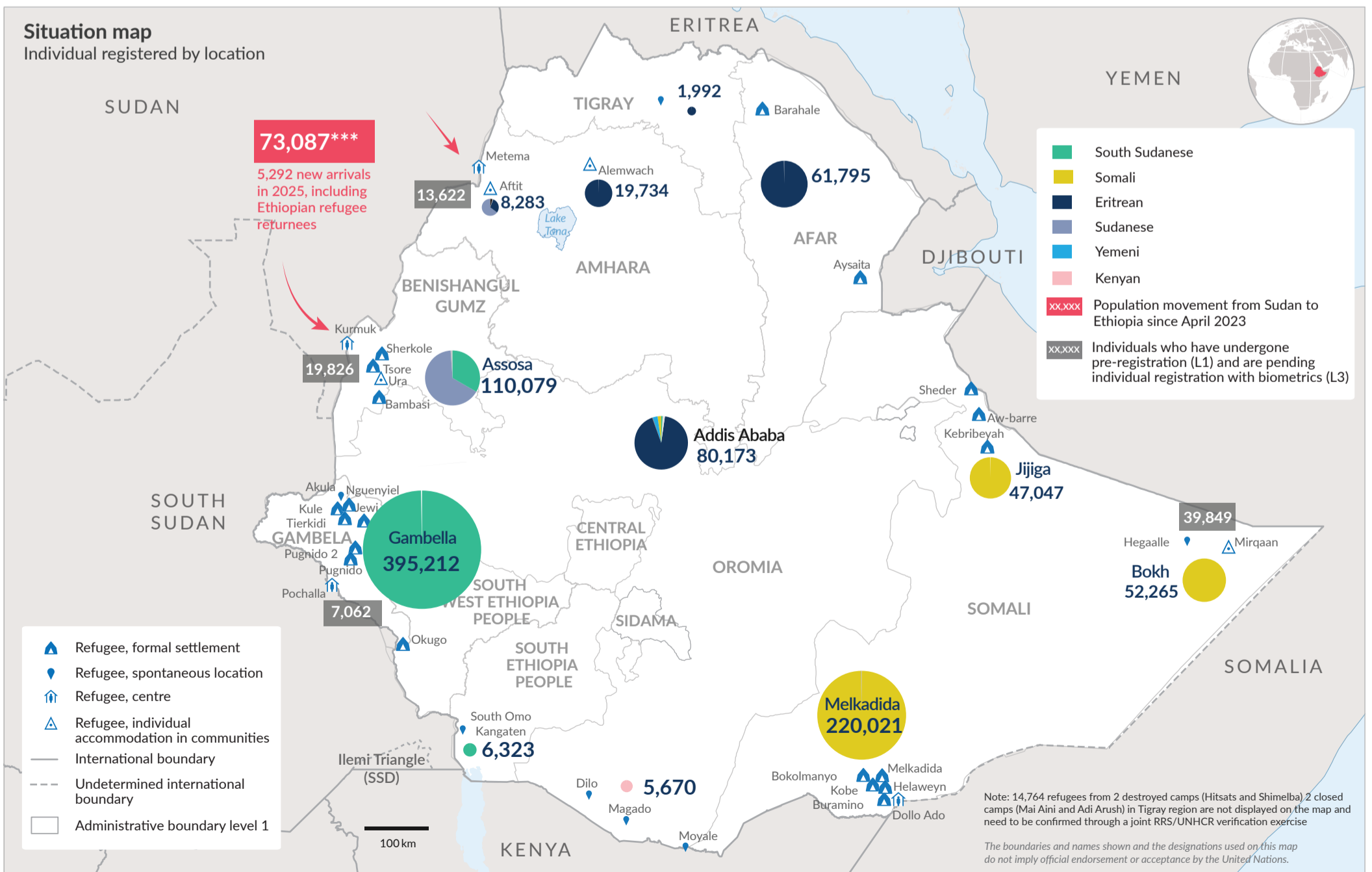
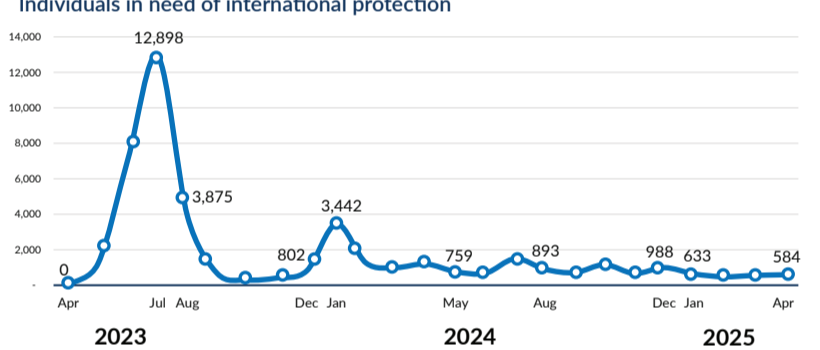
New arrivals per year



Population trend



Arrival trends Sudan emergency



*Among the total 63,655 asylum seekers, 53,829 are pending individual Refugee Status Determination (RSD) procedures, the remaining 9,826 are household level pre-registered (L1) and categorized as 'asylum seeker'
 ***Sudan Emergency: arrivals in need of international protection from April 2023 to April 2025. Level 1 (L1) pre-registration figures. A total of 73,087 individuals pre-registered, including 43,692 Sudanese, 10,461 other nationalities, and 18,934 Ethiopian refugee returnees.
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