Rohingya refugee population dashboard

Joint Government of Bangladesh - UNHCR | 31 Dec 2025

Rohingya refugee population in Bangladesh

1,177,962 individuals

245,221 families

1990s registered refugees

39,302 individuals **8,567** families

In early 1990s, Rohingya flee violence and persecution in Myanmar's Rakhine State. While most return, some remain in Bangladesh with the status of 'registered refugees'.

Post-2017 refugees

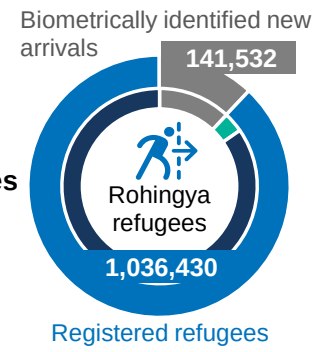
997,128 individuals **199,410** families

In August 2017, more than 740,000 refugees flee military clearance operation in Myanmar's Rakhine State, in the largest and swiftest forced movement in the region in decades.

Biometrically identified new arrivals

141,532 individuals **37,244** families

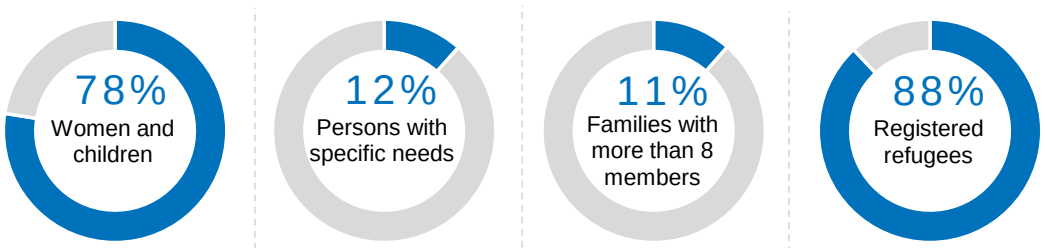
From 2024, targeted violence and persecution in Myanmar's Rakhine State forces thousands of Rohingya to seek safety in Bangladesh. Unlike refugee registration, biometrically identified individuals are not issued with individual refugee identity documents, rather family cards to facilitating lifesaving assistance.



As of 31 Dec 2025, UNHCR Bangladesh has registered/identified 1,177,962 Rohingya refugees (245,221 households) who fled persecution in Myanmar. Significant waves of arrivals occurred in 1990 and 2017. New refugees continue to seek safety in Bangladesh since 2024 due to escalating conflict in Rakhine State. As a result, a wave of new arrivals to the camps was identified in late 2024, and their biometric identification is ongoing.

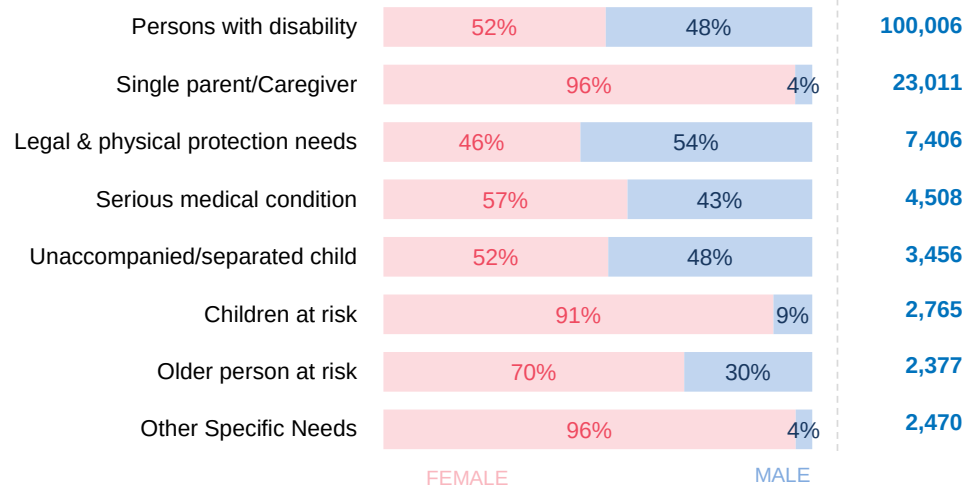
78% of the refugees are women and children, while 12% are individuals with specific needs including persons with disabilities, single parents, those with serious medical conditions, unaccompanied minors, older persons at risk, and others requiring legal and physical protection. 52% of the population is female and 48% male. The largest age group (44%) comprises adults aged 18–59. The average household has five members: around 35% of families consist of 4–5 people, while 11% live in households of eight or more.

The 33 camps in Cox's Bazar are densely populated: covering 23.6 square kilometres, the population density of 48,000 people per square kilometre is one of the highest in the world.

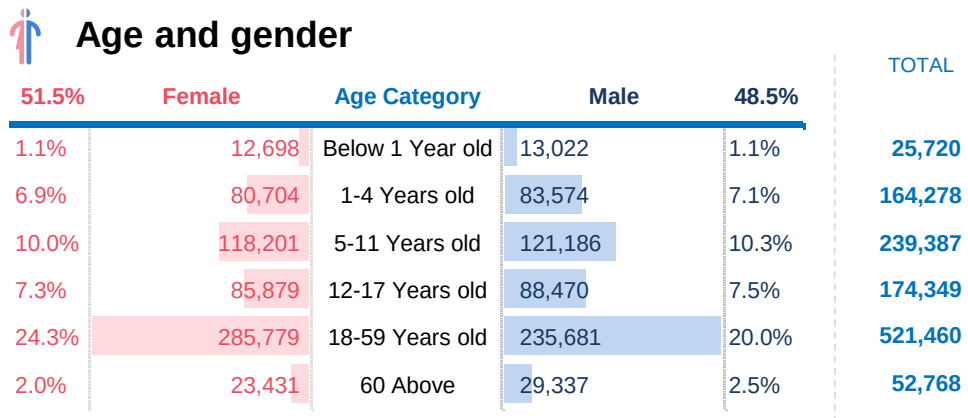


Persons with specific needs (PSN)

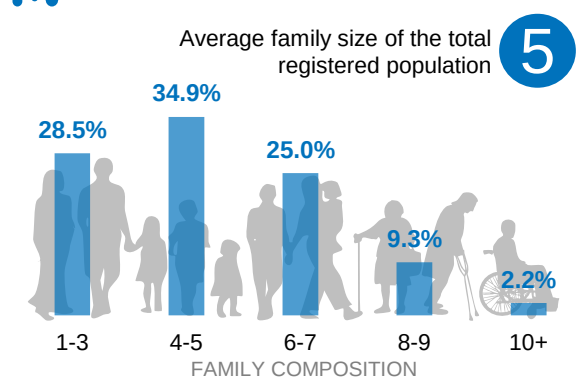
*An individual may have more than one specific need, The total unique persons with specific needs is 136,277



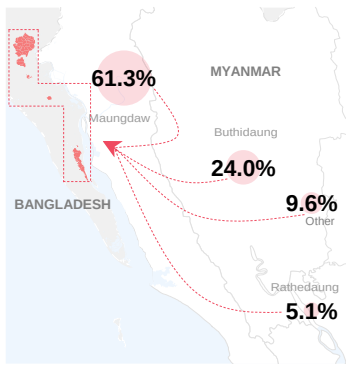
Age and gender



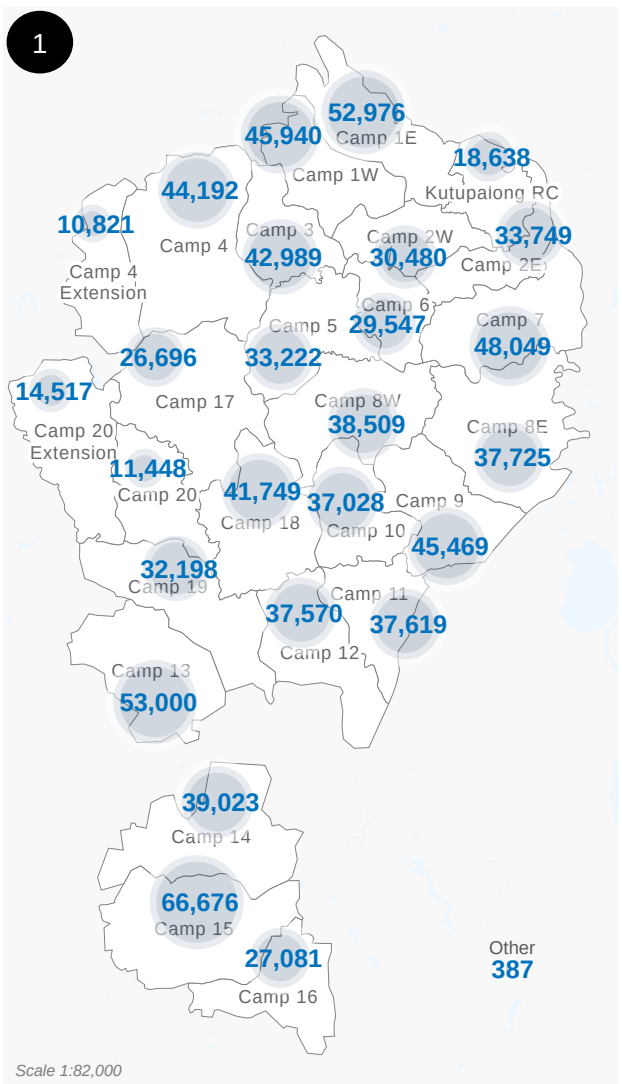
Family size

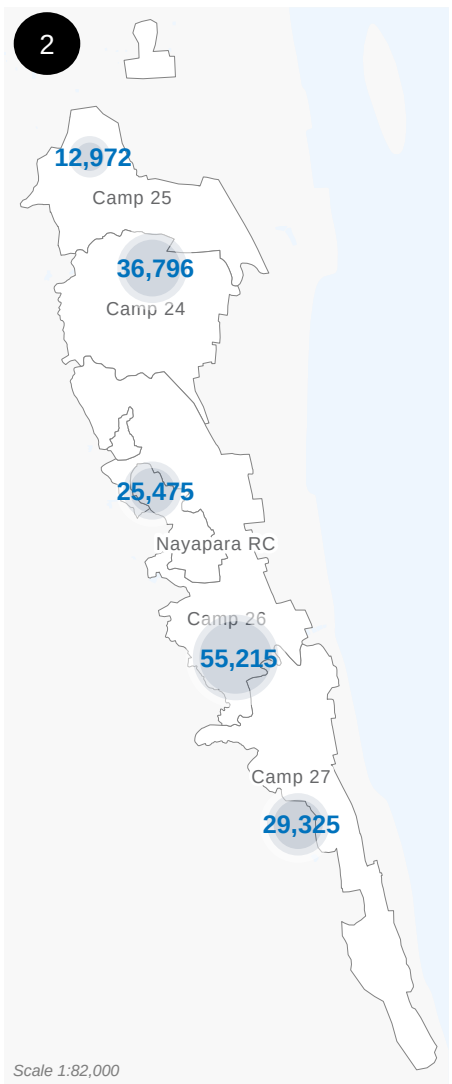


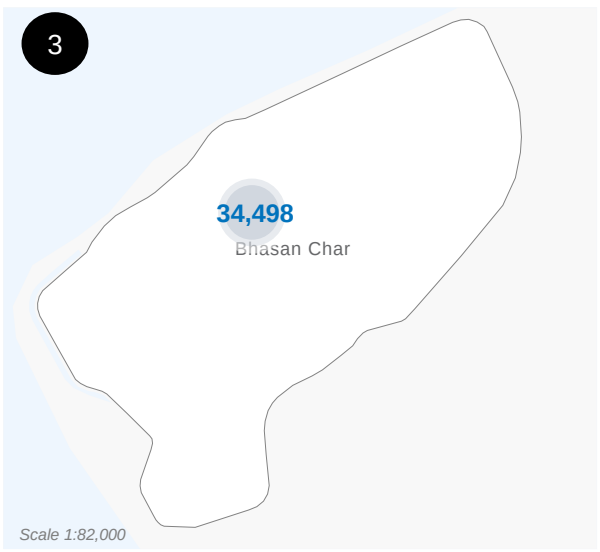
Place of origin

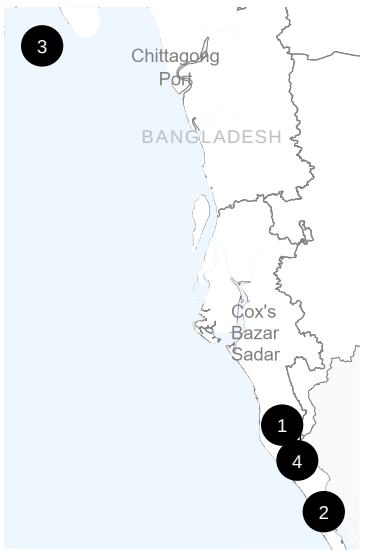


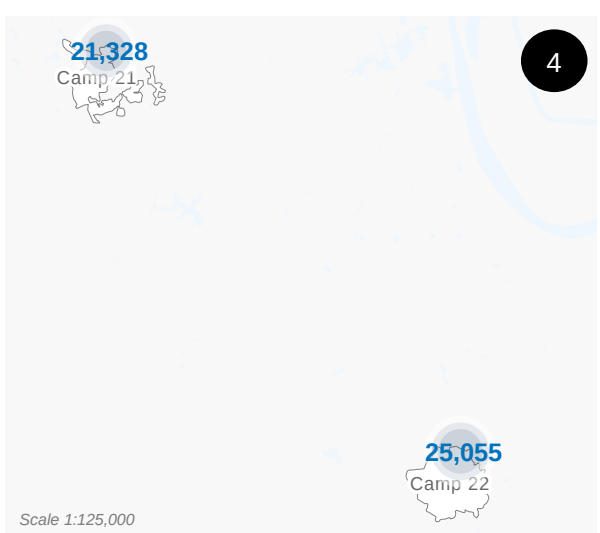
Geographic overview (population by camp)











Legend

- # of refugees per camp
- Camp boundary
- Water body

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