UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

DRC AT A GLANCE

as of 31 August 2021

Highlights

1. The DRC[1] is the country with the largest internally displaced population in Africa
2. DRC hosts over 0.5 M[2] refugees and asylum seekers
3. Lack of a proper civil registration system puts many at risk of statelessness in DRC. UNHCR[3] joins the United Nations Legal Identity Program to help the DRC government put in place a strong registration system that is inclusive for all types of populations, ensuring that no one is left behind.

Refugees and Asylum Seekers in DRC
(as of 31 August 2021)
533,204

- **Refugees** 517,140
- **Asylum Seekers** 16,064

IDPs[4]
(as of 31 August 2021)
5.52 M

Returnees (IDPs)
(as of 31 August 2021)
2.78 M

Repatriated from DRC to neighboring Countries
(in 2021)
6,865

Repatriated from neighboring Countries to DRC
(in 2020)
344

Congolese Refugees In Africa
(as of 31 August 2021)
962,141

NIGERIA
CAMEROON
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
5,774
SOUTH SUDAN
16,985
ETHIOPIA
Gbadolite
Yakoma
Libenge
NORD-UBANGI
98,729
15,287
SUD-UBANGI
47,756
36
BAS-UELE
59,413
Faradje
HAUT-UELE
43,014
10
7,040
Aru
945,596
12,909
ITURI
1,727,703
Bunia
432,390
UGANDA
MONGALA
342
EQUATEUR
TSHOPO
151,045
15,831
Beni
1,068,216
169,235
NORD-KIVU
207
1,809,058
Goma
1,253
RWANDA
74,836
KENYA
28 579
GABON
REPUBLIQUE OF CONGO
TSHUAPA
14
Bukavu
4
1,176,706
SUD-KIVU
393,493
78,942
Baraka
38,013
628
MANIEMA
256,872
79,662
BURUNDI
Uvira
5,612
MAI-NDOMBE
KASAI
SANKURU
Kinshasa
KINSHASA
997
187
19
KONGO CENTRAL
817
KWILU
60,906
37,258
KASAI CENTRAL
Kananga
322
28,785
3,668
4,697
406
11
LOMAMI
852
975
52
TANGANYIKA
274,183
536
241,324
Kalemie
79,002
UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
OCEAN ATLANTIQUE
KWANGO
Tshikapa
ANGOLA
KASAI ORIENTAL
HAUT-LOMAMI
37,430
LUALABA
9,983
1,186
4
14,745
43,492
277
1,742
ZAMBIA
61,570
HAUT-KATANGA
3
MALAWI
MOZAMBIQU
N
100 km

- UNHCR Representation
- UNHCR Sub-Office
- UNHCR Field Office
- UNHCR Field Unit
- Refugees Camp
- Refugee Center
- Refugees Settlement
- Relocation Settlement
- Hydrography
- Province Borders
- Other Countries

Total Number of Refugees, Displaced and Returnees

- 14 - 4,057
- 4,058 - 60,256
- 60,257 - 516,095
- 516,096 - 3,046,509
- Congolese Refugees from the DRC

XX XXX **Figures of Returnees (ex IDPs)**

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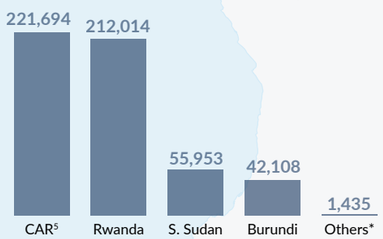
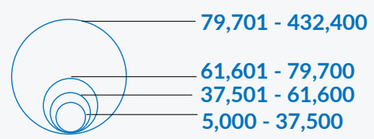
Number of Refugees and Asylum Seekers by Country of Origin



** Other countries include Republic of Congo, Angola, Sudan, Uganda, Somalia, Syria, Chad, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Liberia, Mali, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sierra Leone, etc.*

Number of Congolese Refugees in Neighboring Countries**



*** According to statistics as of August 31, 2021*

The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

[1] Democratic Republic of the Congo; [2] Million; [3] United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; [4] Internally Displaced People ; [5] Central African Republic.

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