REGIONAL BUREAU FOR EAST, HORN OF AFRICA AND THE GREAT LAKES

Refugees, asylum-seekers, refugee returnees and IDPs

as of 31 January 2022

KEY POPULATION STATISTICS

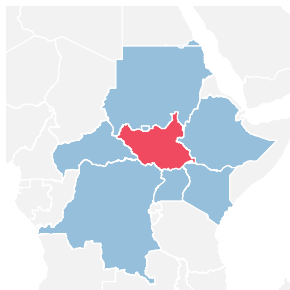
4.94 MILLION
REFUGEES & ASYLUM-SEEKERS

12.37 MILLION
INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

3,762
REFUGEE RETURNEES IN 2022

The East and Horn of Africa and Great Lakes region is host to some **4.94 million refugees and asylum seekers**, the majority (2.29 million) from South Sudan. A further **12.37 million** people are **internally displaced** in the region, as a result of conflict and natural disasters. Some **3,762 refugees have returned** to their countries of origin in 2022.

SOUTH SUDAN SITUATION



2.34 million
South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries

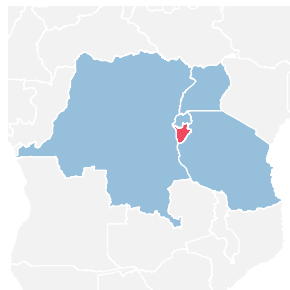
2.02 million
Internally displaced in South Sudan

505,511*
Refugee returnees since Nov 2017

338,811
Refugees hosted in South Sudan

*as of December 2021.

BURUNDI SITUATION



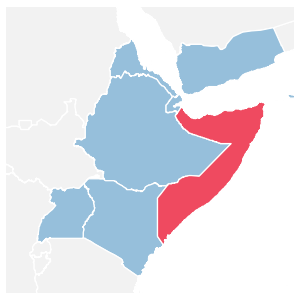
265,019
Burundian refugees in neighbouring countries

113,408
Internally displaced in Burundi

139,689
Refugee returnees since Sept 2017

86,054
Refugees hosted in Burundi

SOMALIA SITUATION



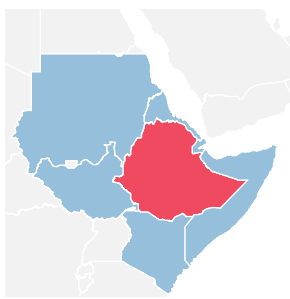
658,202
Somali refugees in neighbouring countries

2.97 million
Internally displaced in Somalia

92,574
Assisted refugee returnees since Dec 2014

30,861
Refugees hosted in Somalia

ETHIOPIA SITUATION



141,961
Ethiopia refugees in neighbouring countries

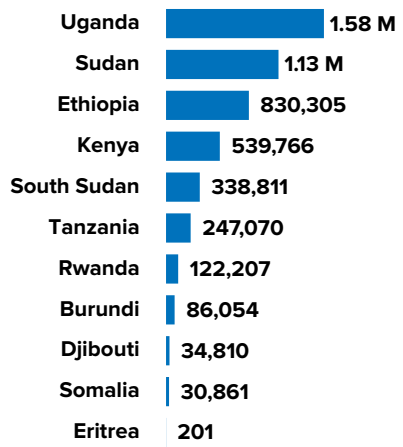
4.24 million
Internally displaced in Ethiopia

1,078
Refugee returnees (2021)

830,305
Refugees hosted in Ethiopia

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS

HOST COUNTRIES



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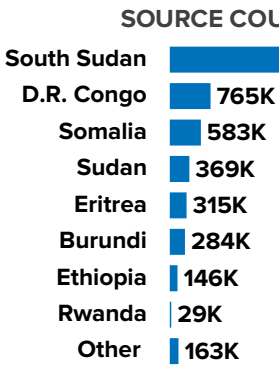
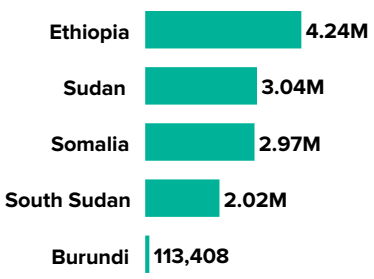
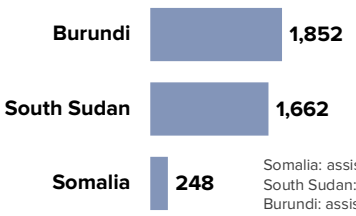


*The figures here refer to refugees and asylum seekers hosted within the EHAGL region. They vary slightly from the situation figures provided above, as the situation figures also include those hosted in non-EHAGL neighboring countries region (e.g. DRC, Chad)

INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

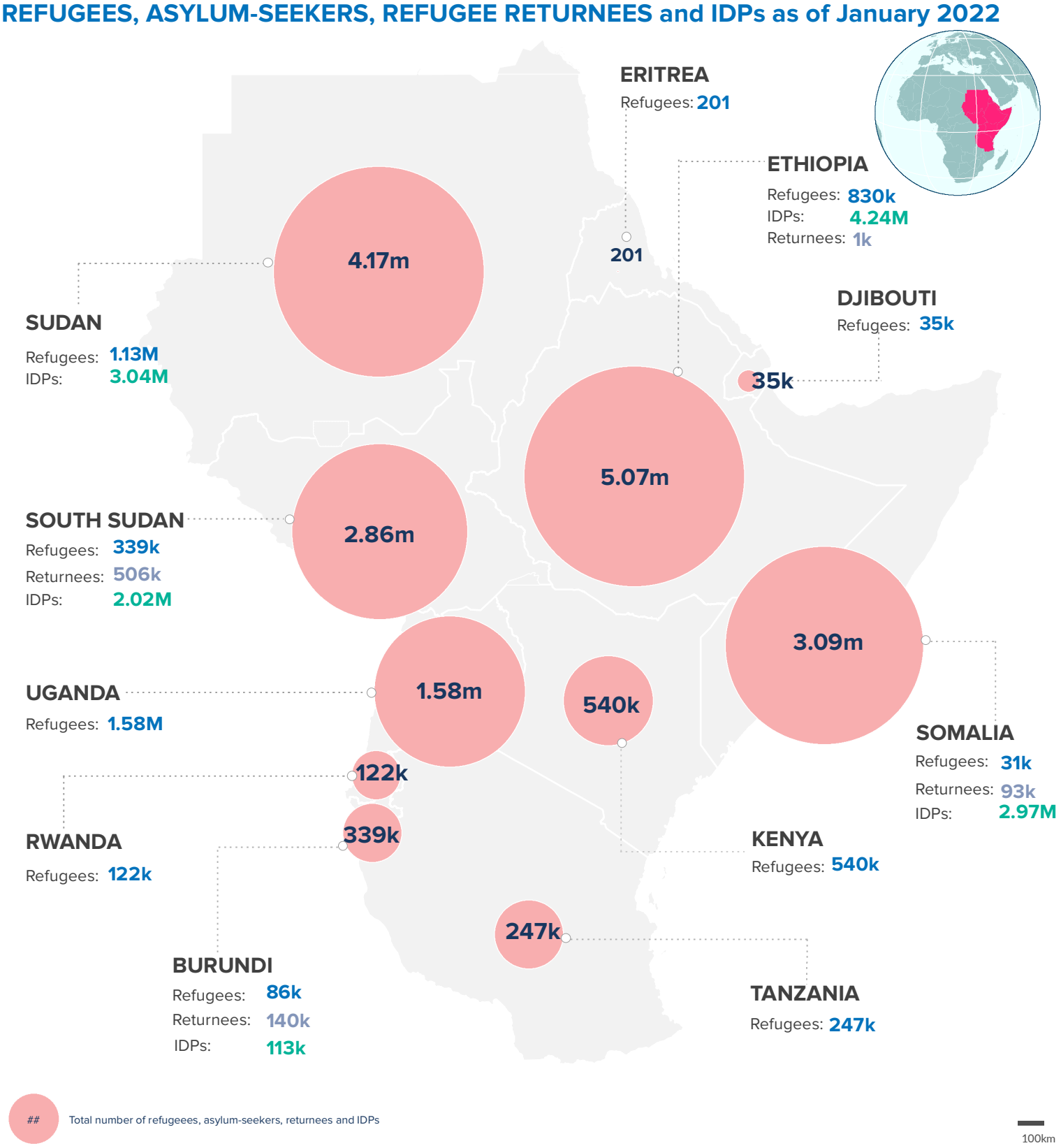


REFUGEE RETURNEES IN 2022



Somalia: assisted and spontaneous returns
South Sudan: spontaneous returns
Burundi: assisted returns
Ethiopia: assisted and spontaneous returns
Rwanda: assisted returns

REFUGEES, ASYLUM-SEEKERS, REFUGEE RETURNEES and IDPs as of January 2022



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