DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

Monthly Statistics of Refugees and Asylum Seekers

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UNHCR The UN Refugee Agency

COMMISSION NATIONALE POUR LES REFUGIES (CNR)

Registered Refugees and Asylum-Seekers in DRC

Key Figures

523 429 Refugees and Asylum Seekers

520 951 Registered Refugees

2478 Asylum Seekers

224 229 Refugees and Asylum Seekers biometrically registered

514 Ex refugees Congolese who had returned to DRC

Situation Overview

The refugee population in DRC increased from **520,682** to **520,951**, an increase of **0.05**% due to data synchronization of South Sudanese (167) as well as the continued registration of Burundians (12), Central Africans (97), and South Sudanese (64). Asylum seekers increased from **2,439** to **2,478**, an increase of 1.5%, mainly from South Sudanese (32) and other nationalities (7). **514** Congolese (ex-refugees) were repatriated to DRC from Zambia (440), South Africa (62), Centafrique (7), Guinea (3), Nigeria (1) and Mali (1). **438** Rwandan refugees were repatriated to Rwanda.

Age and Gender of Refugee Population

Age	Female	Male
60 years+	8825	8081
18-59 years	111866	89251
12-17 years	46204	46298
05-11 years	69925	71374
00-04 years	34502	34625

52% Female

48% Male

Réfugiee by type of location

389 623 — 75% Rural

122 835 — 24% In settlements

8 493 — 2% Urban

Refugee in settlements

Settlement	Female	Male
Meri	13923	12522
Lusenda	13772	12853
Inke	9419	8639
Mole	6146	4814
Boyabu	5435	4460
BILI	4981	5086
Mulongwe	4551	4290
Biringi	3924	3958
Bele	1618	1814
Mboti	263	367

Total urban Refugee

Location	F	H
Goma	1649	1578
Lubumbashi	1010	1089
Bukavu	796	972
Kinshasa	427	457
Kalemie	228	287
Total	**4110**	**4383**

F : Female

H : Male

Refugee Population by Country of Origin

Country	Female	Male
CAR*	113230	98131
Rwanda**	105647	102670
South sudan	29687	26736
Burundi	22255	21380
Rep. of Congo	253	392
Others***	250	320

* Central African Republic

** 132,301 is the number of Rwandan refugees in the DRC registered by the DRC government not yet biometrically verified.

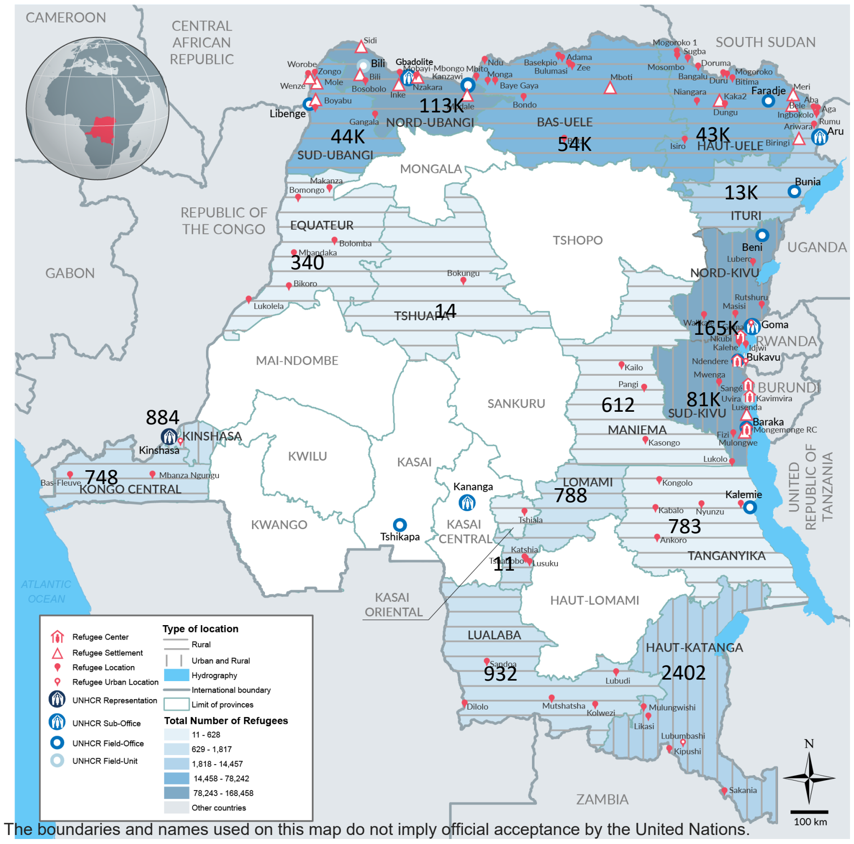
*** Other countries include Angola, Sudan, Uganda, Somalia, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Syria, Liberia, Chad and Sierra Leone.

Refugee Population by Province in DRC

Province	Female	Male
Nord-Kivu	83567	81585
Nord Ubangi	59151	53658
Sud-Kivu	41497	39235
Bas-Uele	29986	24476
Sud Ubangi	23948	19807
Haut-Uele	22938	20424
Ituri	6770	6395
Others*****	3465	4049

***** The other provinces include Haut-Katanga (2402), Kinshasa (884), Lualaba (932), Lomami (788), Kongo-Central (748), Maniema (612), Tanganyika (776), Equateur (340), Tshuapa (14) and Kasai-Oriental (11).

Location of refugee population in DRC



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Asylum Seekers Population by Country of Origin

Country	Female	Male
Burundi	836	833
Others**	98	230
SSD*	130	123
Rwanda	110	118

*South Sudan

**Other countries include Somalia (173), Central African Republic, Angola, Republic of Congo, Cameroon, Chad, Syria, Mali, Liberia, Côte d'Ivoire, Sudan, etc.

Asylum Seekers Population by Province in DRC

Province	Female	Male
Sud-Kivu	649	574
Nord-Kivu	187	187
Haut-Katanga	125	312
Haut-Uele	115	110
Kinshasa	53	84
Others******	45	37

****** Other provinces include Nord Ubangi, Bas Uele,Ituri(24),Tanganyika (51), Lualaba.

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1 Refugees and asylum seekers aged 5 years and over, representing 55% of the total population.

Central African Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Key Figures

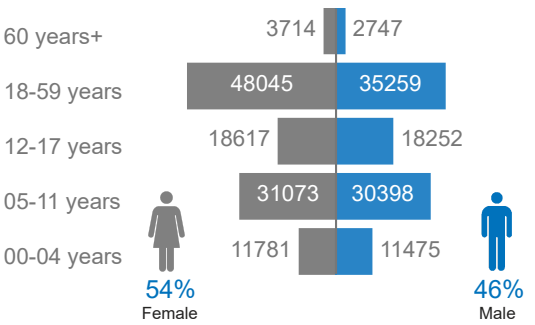
211 409 Refugees and Asylum Seekers

211 361 Registered Refugees

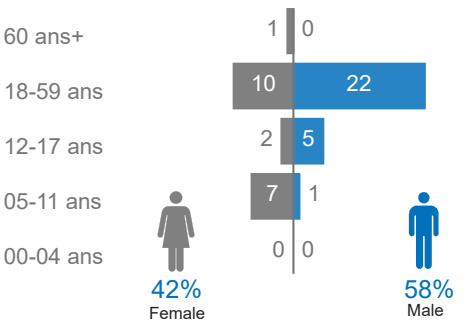
48 Asylum Seekers

156 434 Refugees and Asylum Seekers biometrically registered

Age and Gender of Refugee Population



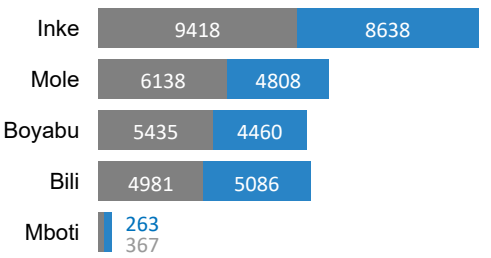
Age and Gender of Asylum Seekers



Central African Refugee Population by Type of Location

Rural	In settlements	Urban
161,470	49,594	297
76.4%	23.46%	0.14%

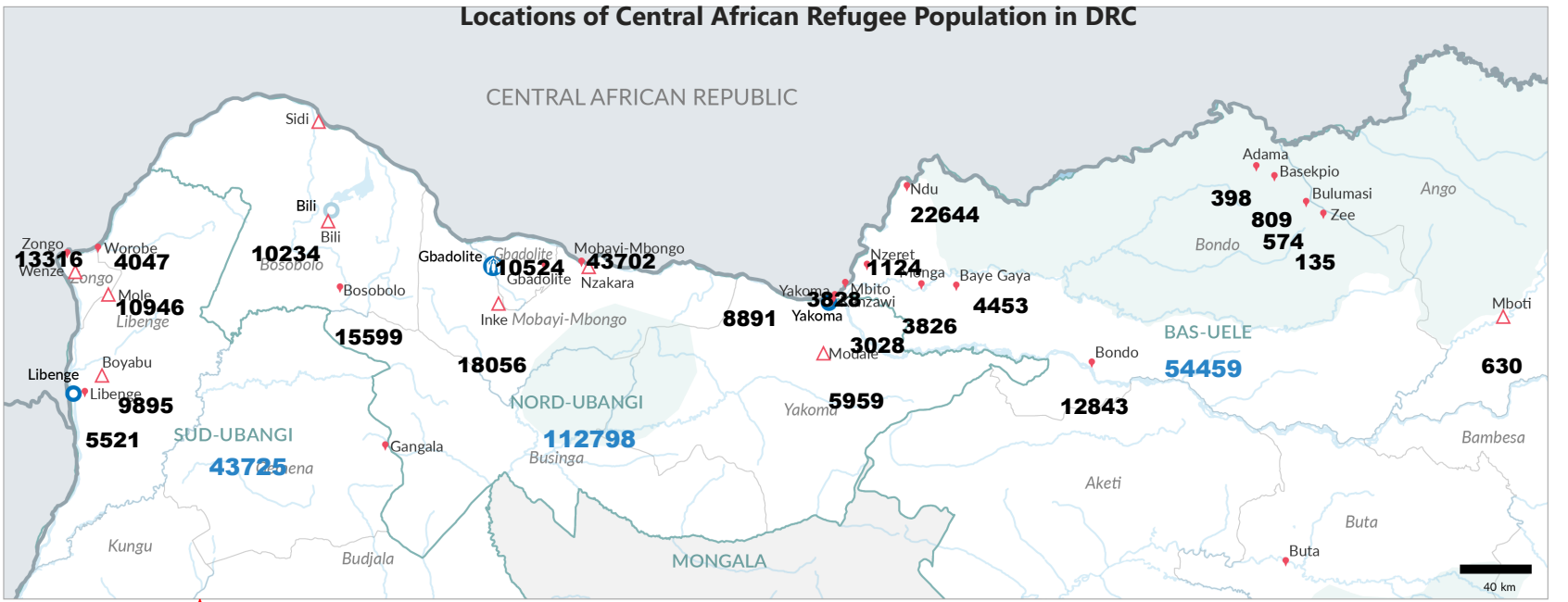
Central african Refugee in settlements



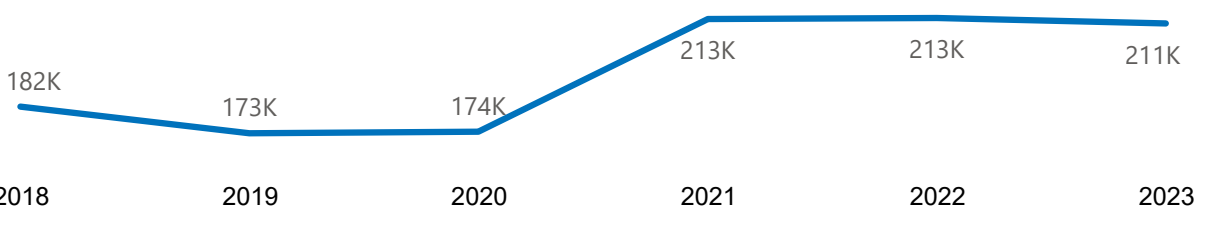
Central african urban refugee

Location	Female	Male
Kinshasa	128	148
Lubumbashi	11	10
Total	**139**	**158**

Locations of Central African Refugee Population in DRC



Central African Refugee Population Trend (2016 - 2022)



Comments about the figures of Central African refugees

211,409 Central African refugees and asylum seekers in DRC as at 30/3/2023, i.e. **211,361** refugees and **48** asylum seekers with identity documents issued by the government with the support of UNHCR. There was an increase of 0.04% compared to the February data due to the registration of new births (97) in the province of South Ubangi.

South Sudanese Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Key Figures

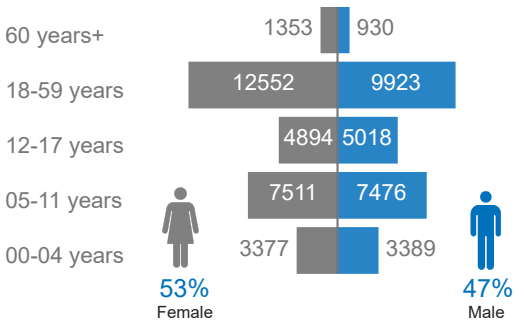
56 676 Reugees and Asylum Seekers

56 423 Registered Refugees

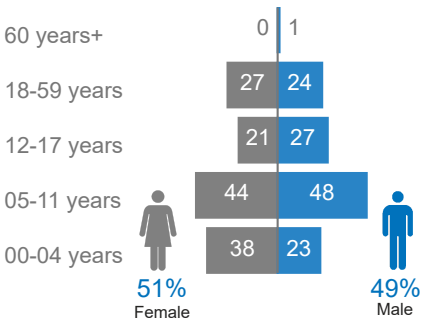
253 Asylum Seekers

34 391 Refugees and Asylum Seekers biometrically registered

Age and Gender of Refugee Population



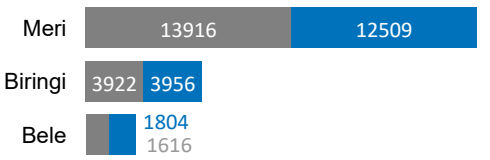
Age and Gender of Asylum Seekers



South Sudanese Refugee Population by Type of Location

Rural	In settlements	Urban
18,648	37,723	52
33.05%	66.86%	0.09%

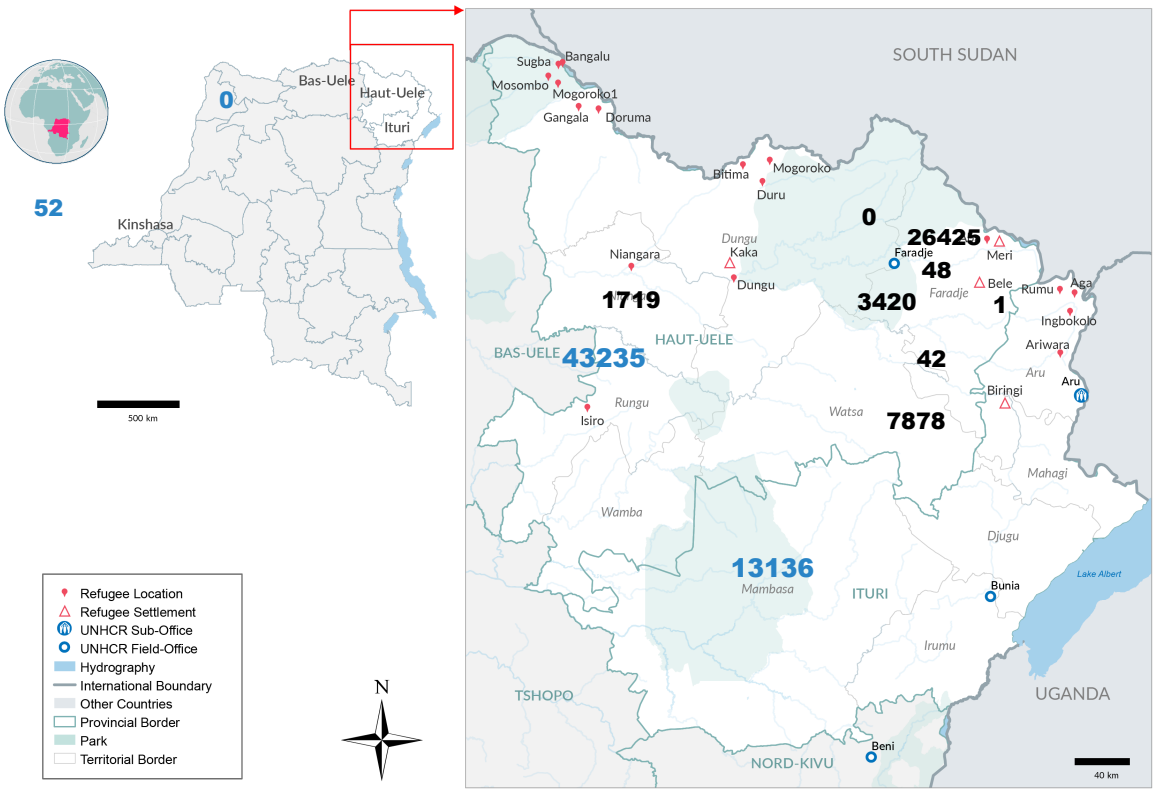
South Sudanese Refugee in settlements



South Sudanese Urban refugee

Location	Female	Male
Kinshasa	31	21
Total	**31**	**21**

Location of South Sudanese Refugees in DRC



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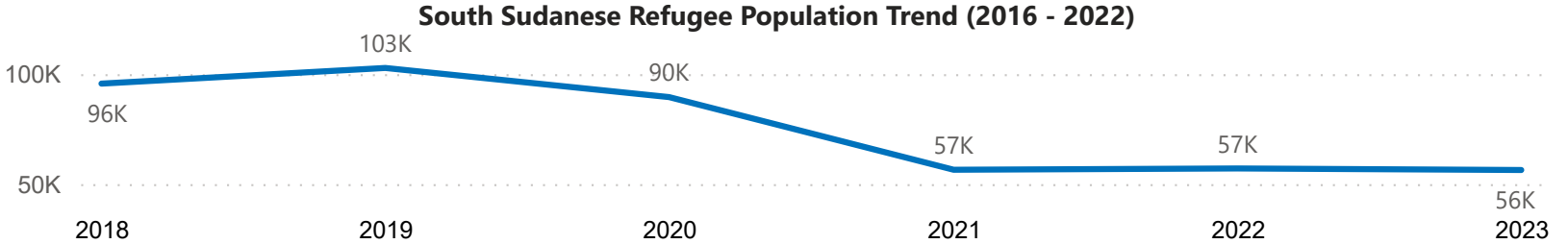
South Sudanese Refugee Population Trend (2016 - 2022)



Comments about the figures of South Sudanese refugees

56,676 South Sudanese refugees and asylum seekers in DRC as at 30/03/2023. The DRC government, with technical support from UNHCR, conducted a registration and verification activity from October to December 2022 of refugees living in the camps (Biringi, Meri and Bele). The synchronisation of the recorded data is underway and is leading to an effective increase in the numbers(265) consolidated

Burundian Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Key Figures

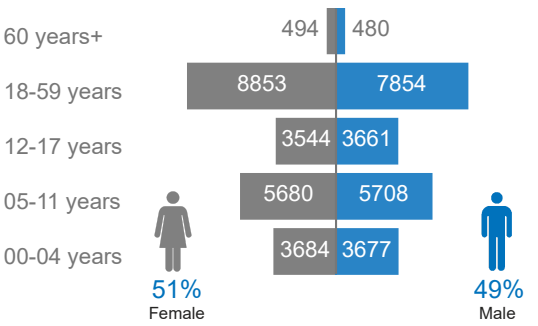
45 304 Refugees and Asylum Seekers

43 635 Registered Refugees

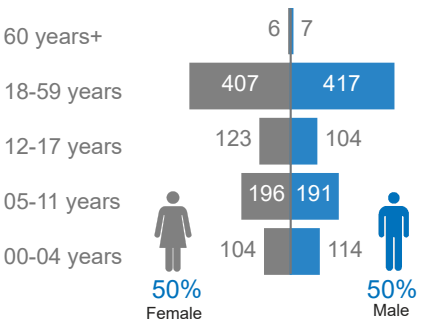
1 669 Asylum Seekers

28 366 Refugees and Asylum Seekers biométrically registered

Age and Gender of Refugee Population



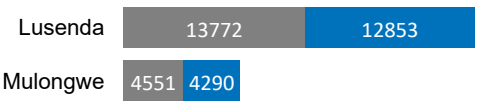
Age and Gender of Asylum Seekers



Burundian Refugee Population by Type of Location

Rural	In settlements	Urban
5,718	35,466	2,451
13.1%	81.28%	5.62%

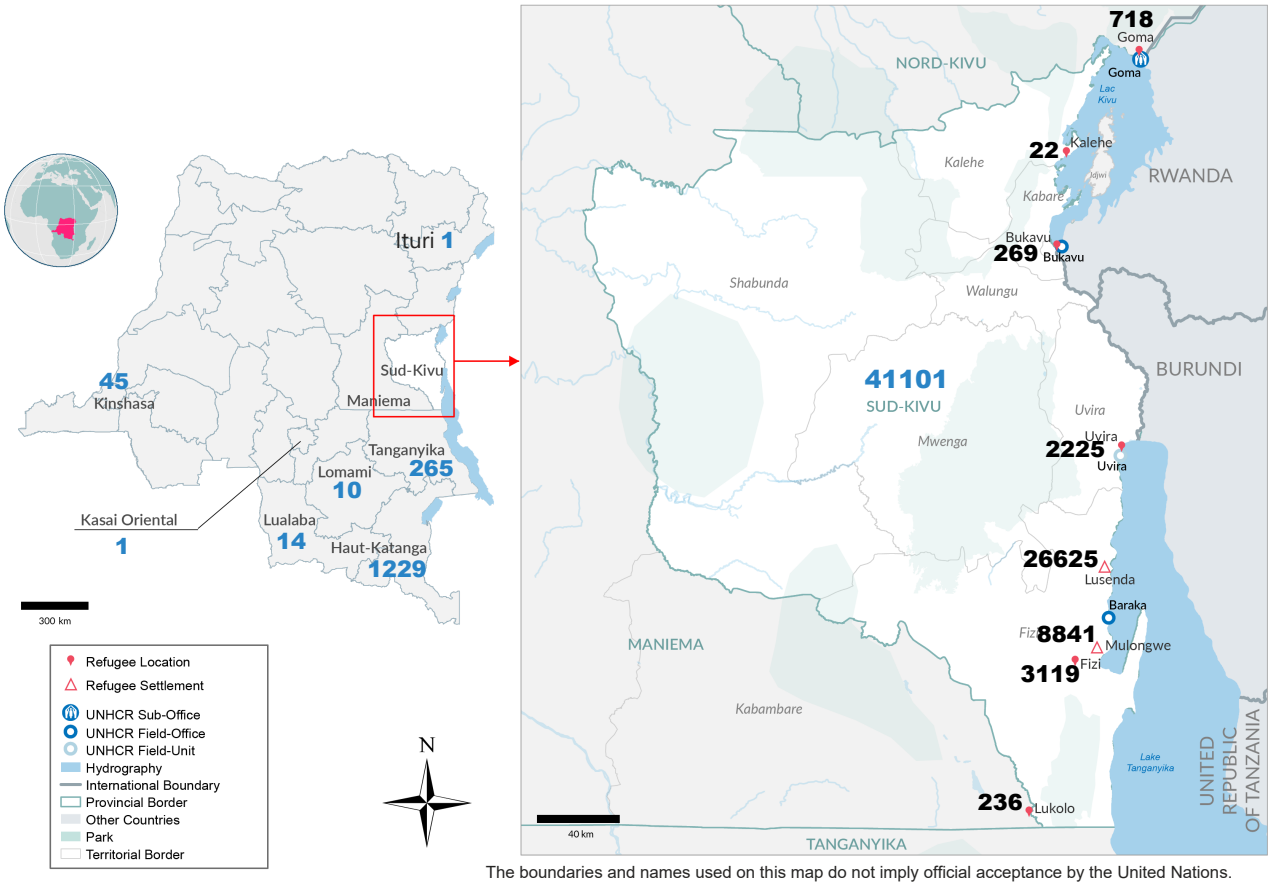
Burundian Refugee in settlements



Burudian Urban refugee

Location	Female	Male
Lubumbashi	534	618
Goma	377	341
Kalemie	96	168
Bukavu	124	145
Kinshasa	26	19
Total	**1157**	**1291**

Location of Burundian Refugees in DRC



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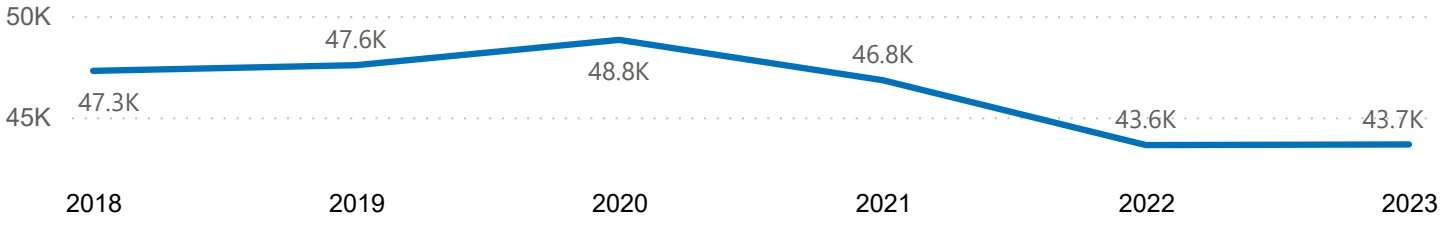


Comments about the figures of Burundian refugees

45,304 Burundian refugees and asylum seekers in DRC as at 30/03/2023, including **43,635** refugees and **1,669** asylum seekers. There is an increase of 0.02% compared to last month due to the reactivation of 12 persons. All refugees and asylum seekers have identity documents issued by the government with the technical support of UNHCR.

Documentation (issued by the Government): 60 244 refugees and asylum seekers living in urban areas, and in the sites/camps have Refugee Cards, i.e., 30% of the eligible population (181 599 people). In addition, **321 231** persons were issues with refugee and asylumseeker certificates.

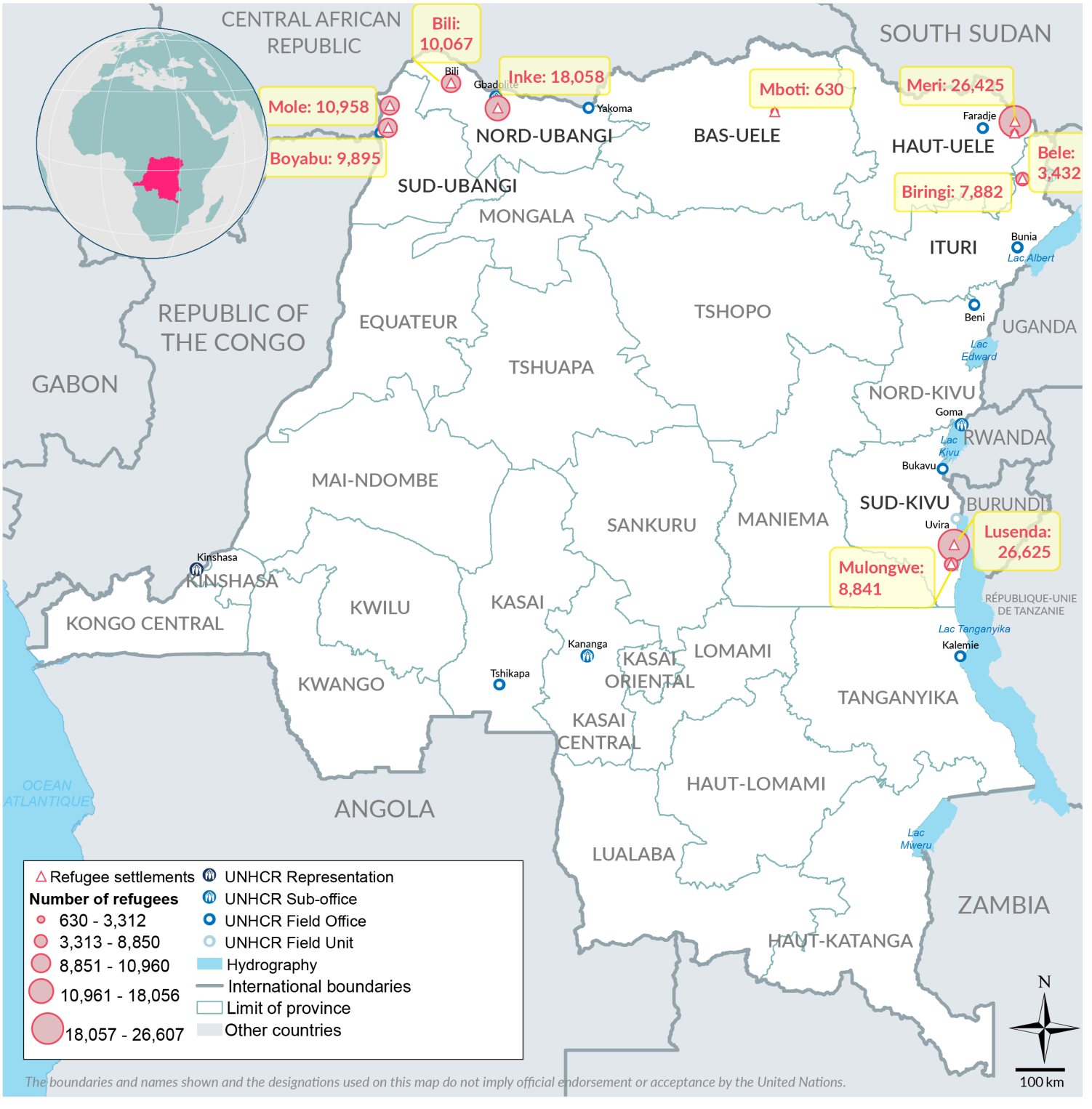
Number of refugees repatriated from the DRC

Country of origin	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
CAR	9	3137	2061	5021	3350	0	13578
Burundi	180	101	1943	7296	3474	0	12994
Rwanda	3053	2136	922	1920	2451	438	10920
Rep. of Congo		3	5			0	8
South Sudan					3	0	3
Total	**3242**	**5377**	**4931**	**14237**	**9278**	**438**	**37503**

Number of refugees repatriated to RDC

Country	Total
Car	7
Guinée	3
Mali	1
Nigeria	1
RSA	62
Zambie	440
Total	**514**

Refugees in settlements in the DRC



Profile of refugees in DRC

A) Total School-Age Children

Females 3-5 years	Females 6-11 years	Females 12-13 years	Females 14-17 years	Females 18-24 years	Tfemales	Males 3-5 years	Males 6-11 years	Males 12-13 years	Males 14-17 years	Males 18-24 years	Tmales	Total
14148	24079	6161	8850	11462	64700	14147	23747	6129	8933	8845	61801	126501

B) School-Age Children Central African Refugees in DRC: **67 545**

Females 3-5 years	Females 6-11 years	Females 12-13 years	Females 14-17 years	Females 18-24 years	Tfemales	Males 3-5 years	Males 6-11 years	Males 12-13 years	Males 14-17 years	Males 18-24 years	Tmales	Total
9458	12463	3025	4210	5814	34970	9544	12044	2993	4138	3856	32575	67545

C) School-Age Children South Sudanese Refugees in DRC: **35 331**

Females 3-5 years	Females 6-11 years	Females 12-13 years	Females 14-17 years	Females 18-24 years	Tfemales	Males 3-5 years	Males 6-11 years	Males 12-13 years	Males 14-17 years	Males 18-24 years	Tmales	Total
2399	7159	1916	2721	3707	17902	2284	7226	1906	2812	3201	17429	35331

D) School-Age Children Burundian Refugees in DRC: **23 625**

Females 3-5 years	Females 6-11 years	Females 12-13 years	Females 14-17 years	Females 18-24 years	Tfemales	Males 3-5 years	Males 6-11 years	Males 12-13 years	Males 14-17 years	Males 18-24 years	Tmales	Total
2291	4457	1220	1920	1941	11829	2319	4477	1231	1983	21	11796	23625

E) Central African: Occupation (occupation for aged 18 and above Individuals): **61 294** people with an occupation

Profession	women	men	Total	%
Teaching professionals	253	588	841	1.37%
Skilled market-oriented forestry, fishing and hunting workers	315	5837	6152	10.04%
Skilled market-oriented agricultural workers	26526	11677	38203	62.33%
Sales employees	6916	1870	8786	14.33%
Legal, social and cultural professionals	89	510	599	0.98%
Associate professionals in business and administration	1226	545	1771	2.89%
Agricultural, forestry and fishing laborers	3365	1577	4942	8.06%

F) South Sudanese: Occupation (top 7 occupation for aged 18 and above Individuals): **13 529** people with an occupation

Profession	women	men	Total	%
Market-oriented skilled agricultural workers	6027	3741	9768	72.20%
Agricultural, forestry and fishery labourers	2318	1443	3761	27.80%

G) Burundian: Occupation (occupation for aged 18 and above Individuals): **10 184** people with an occupation

Profession	women	men	Total	%
Agricultural, forestry and fishery labourers	4310	3051	7361	72.28%
Market-oriented skilled agricultural workers	1803	1020	2823	27.72%

Profile of refugees in DRC

A) Persons with specific needs: 42 290

Specific needs	0-4 years	5-11 years	12-17 years	18-59 years	60 years +	Total	%
Serious medical condition	328	961	415	7229	446	9379	22.18%
Unaccompanied or separated child	165	1486	1633	0	0	3284	7.77%
Disability	38	412	405	2618	661	4134	9.78%
Child at risk	17	129	374	0	0	520	1.23%
Specific legal and physical protection needs	2	30	34	509	51	626	1.48%
Family unity	0	12	7	52	1	72	0.17%
Gender-based violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Older person at risk	0	0	0	0	5647	5647	13.35%
Single parent	0	0	0	6148	480	6628	15.67%
Torture	0	1	0	30	0	31	0.07%
Woman at risk	0	0	0	11484	485	11969	28.30%

B) Central African Refugees with specific needs: 27 388

Specific needs	0-4 years	5-11 years	12-17 years	18-59 years	60 years +	Total	%
Child at risk	12	67	294	0	0	373	1.36%
Disability	28	225	246	1714	355	2568	9.38%
Family unity	0	12	5	38	1	56	0.20%
Gender-based violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Older person at risk	0	0	0	0	3907	3907	14.27%
Serious medical condition	307	713	291	5263	228	6802	24.84%
Single parent	0	0	0	3469	317	3786	13.82%
Specific legal and physical protection needs	2	23	30	175	13	243	0.89%
Torture	0	0	0	18	2	20	0.07%
Unaccompanied or separated child	155	1060	911	0	0	2126	7.76%
Woman at risk	0	0	0	7220	287	7507	27.41%

E) South Sudanese Refugees with specific needs: 7 279

Specific needs	0-4 years	5-11 years	12-17 years	18-59 years	60 years +	Total	%
Child at risk	0	23	22	0	0	45	0.62%
Disability	3	70	67	405	222	767	10.54%
Family unity	0	0	2	7	0	9	0.12%
Gender-based violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Older person at risk	0	0	0	0	1286	1286	17.67%
Serious medical condition	11	125	51	981	119	1287	17.68%
Single parent	0	0	0	561	62	623	8.56%
Specific legal and physical protection needs	0	1	1	11	2	15	0.21%
Torture	0	0	0	2	0	2	0.03%
Unaccompanied or separated child	7	323	556	0	0	886	12.17%
Woman at risk	0	0	0	2240	119	2359	32.41%

F) Burundian Refugees with specific needs: 7 411

Specific needs	0-4 years	5-11 years	12-17 years	18-59 years	60 years +	Total	%
Woman at risk	0	0	0	2024	79	2103	28.38%
Unaccompanied or separated child	3	103	166	0	0	272	3.67%
Torture	0	1	0	10	2	13	0.18%
Specific legal and physical protection needs	0	6	3	323	36	368	4.97%
Single parent	0	0	0	2118	101	2219	29.94%
Serious medical condition	10	123	73	985	99	1290	17.41%
Older person at risk	0	0	0	0	454	454	6.13%
Gender-based violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Family unity	0	0	0	7	0	7	0.09%
Disability	0	0	0	499	84	583	7.87%
Child at risk	5	39	58	0	0	102	1.38%