UNHCR Representation in South Sudan

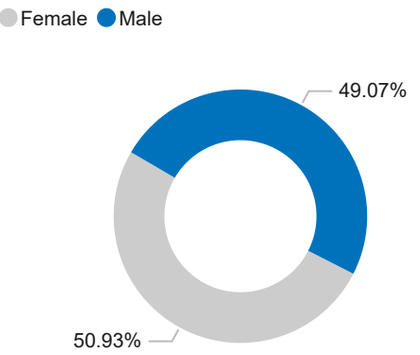
Population Overview

Registration Summary

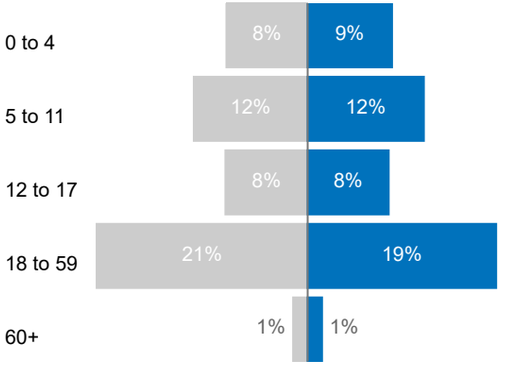
Legal status: All | Country of Origin: All | Office: All | Report Year/Month: 9/2024

As of September 30th, 2024, South Sudan hosts a significant refugee and asylum seeker population. The registered refugee count is 494,130 individuals across 119,997 households, with an additional 5,102 individuals registered as asylum-seekers in 3,713 households. This totals to 499,232 individuals across 123,710 households in 23 locations throughout the country. Most refugees are Sudanese, comprising 95% of the total refugee population (467,649 individuals). Other significant refugee populations include those from the Democratic Republic of Congo (3%), Ethiopia (0.5%), the Central African Republic (0.5%), Eritrea (0.6%), and other nationalities. Notably, about half (51%) of the refugees are female, and women and children together make up 80% of the total refugee population. Among the refugees, 40% are aged between 18 and 59, and 57% are children (0–17 years old). Most refugees are located in Upper Nile and the Unity States, accounting for 87% of the total refugee population.

Registered by sex



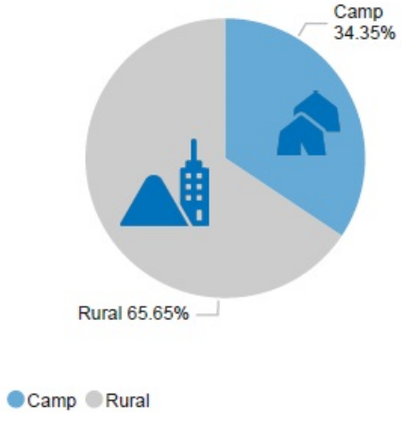
Registered by age cohort and sex



Key Figures

494,130	119,997	5,102	3,713	316,530
#individuals	#households	#individuals	#households	Enrolled
Refugee	Refugee	Asylum-Seeker	Asylum-Seeker	Biometric

Population per Camp/Settlement



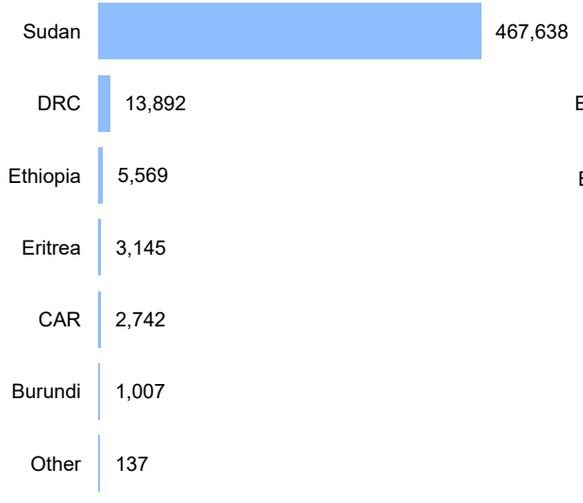
New Registration Trend 2024

58,092 Has SPN

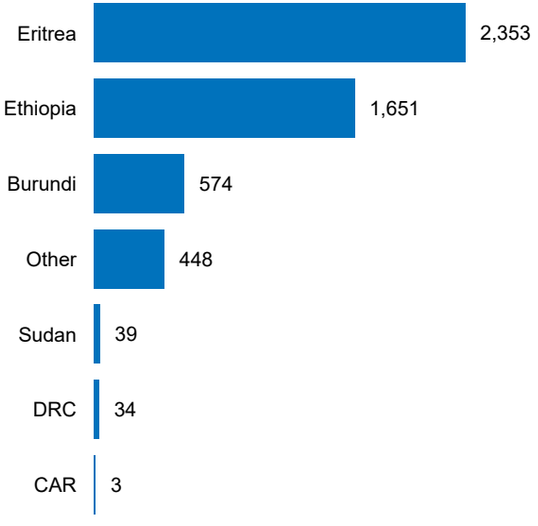
80% Children & Women

57% Children

Refugee per Location Nationality



Asylum-Seekers per Nationality



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Population by Asylum Address

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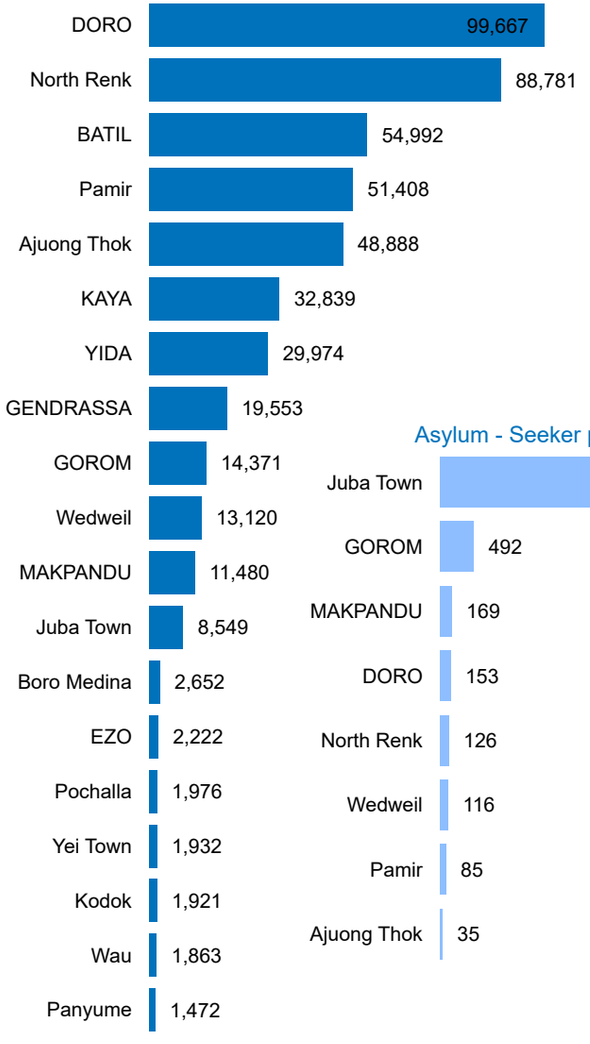
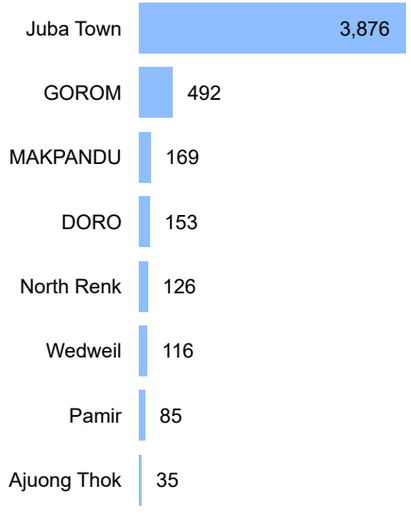
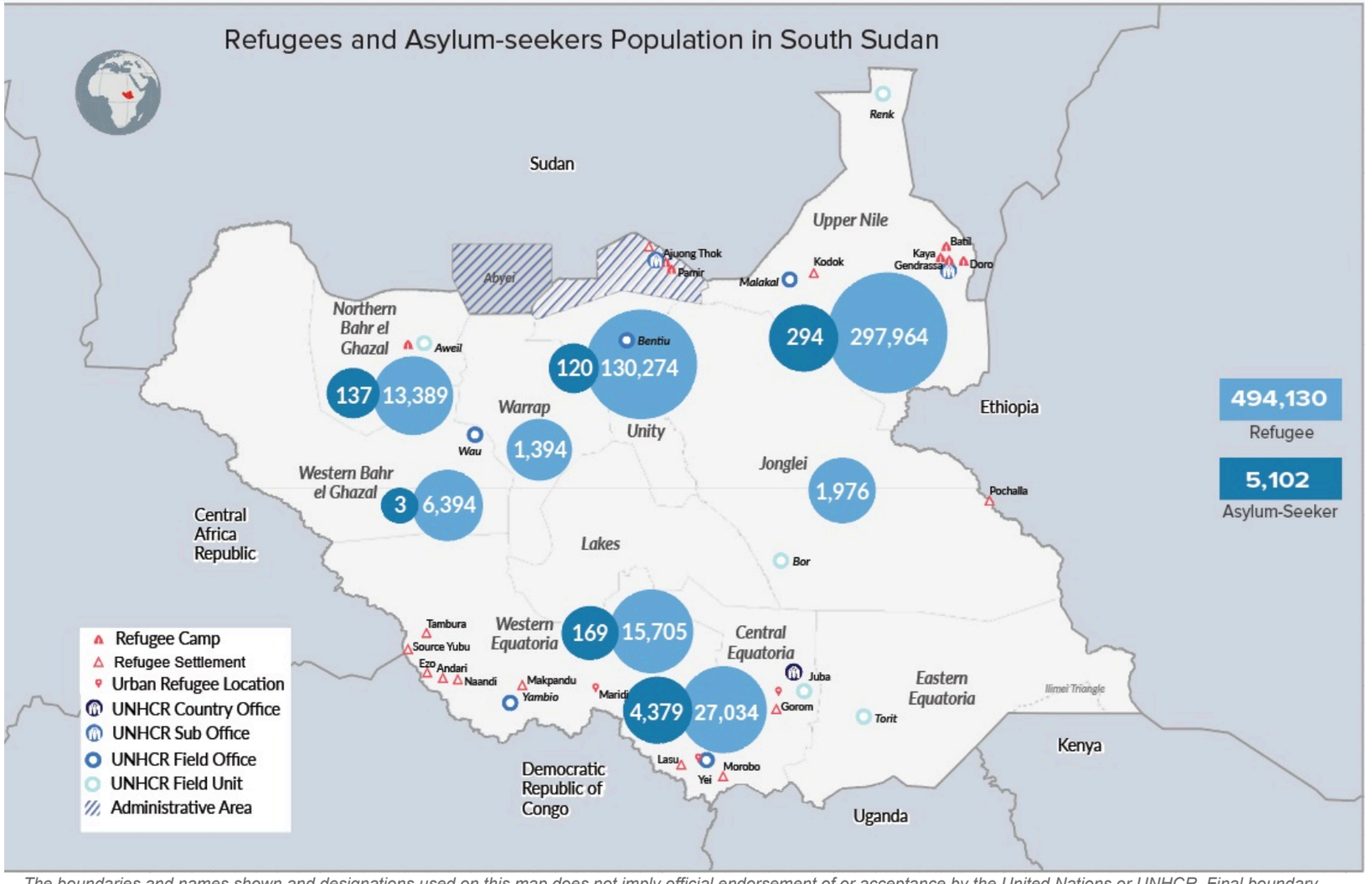
Refugee per Location



Asylum - Seeker per Location



Refugees and Asylum-seekers Population in South Sudan



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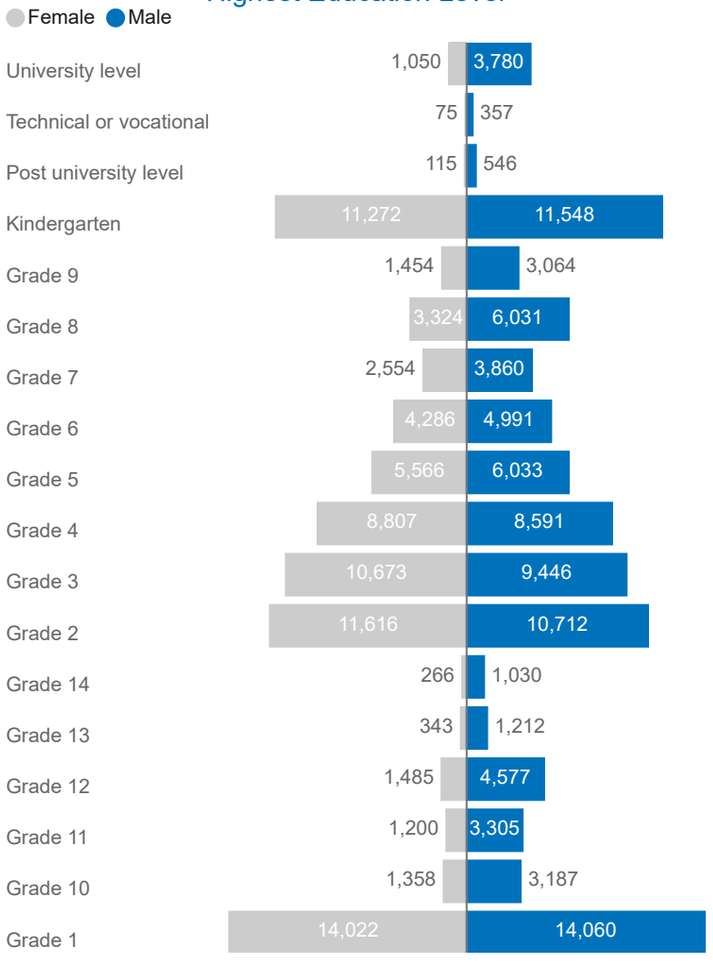
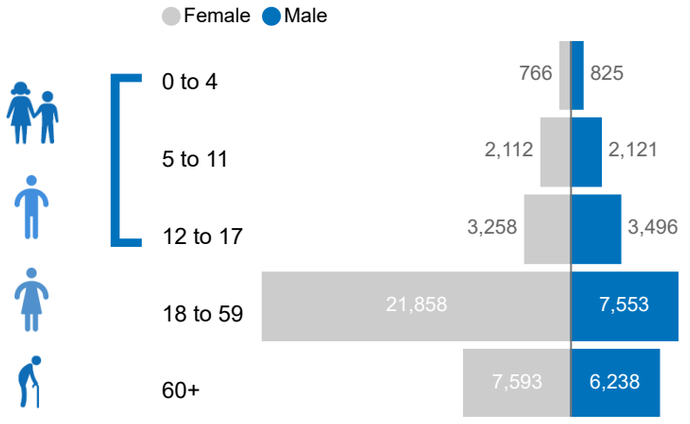
Socioeconomic profile

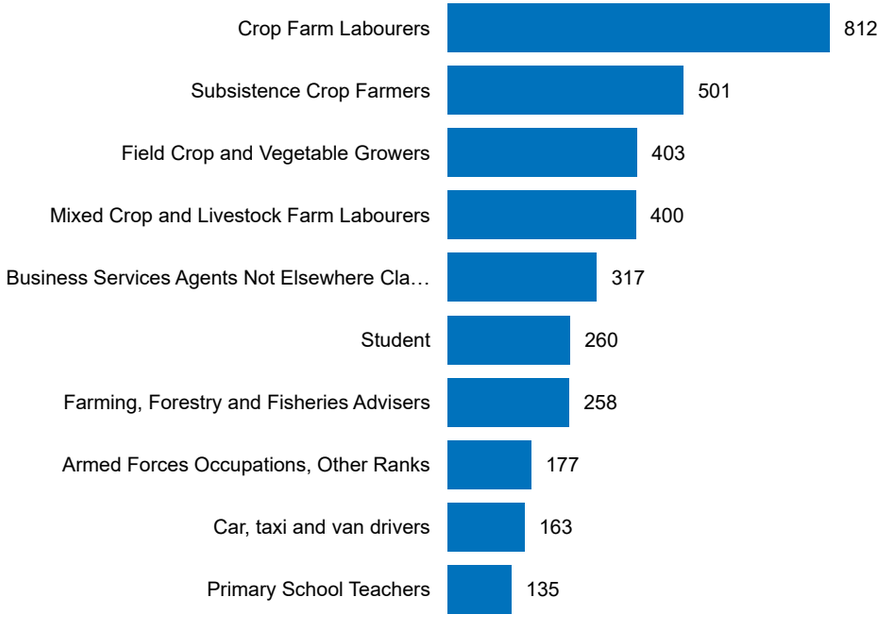
Highest Education Level



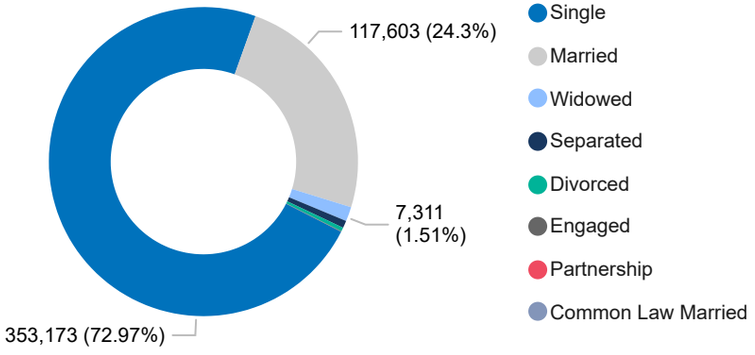
Persons with specific needs by age and sex



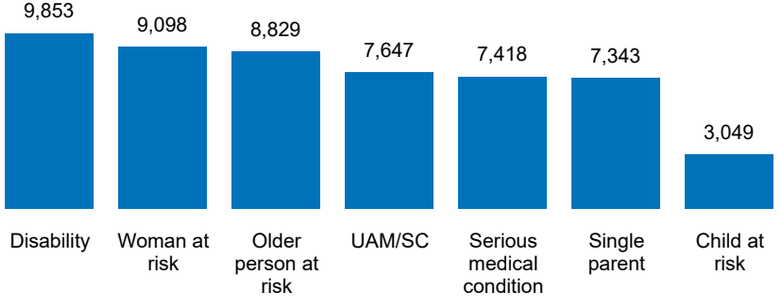
Professional Skill Top (10)



Marital Status



Breakdown of specific needs (Top 7)



Socioeconomic Summary

Based on the 499,232 refugees and asylum-seekers registered, women outnumber men, most holding secondary education yet struggling to find work beyond subsistent farming and field labor. Young adults stand as the majority, grappling with the challenges of unemployment and single parenthood. This glimpse of their socio-economic profile hints at their resilience, with every statistic bearing witness to a life uprooted, yearning for the stability of formal employment and a secure future

* *Marital status and work experience is only applicable to registered individuals above 18 years.*

Registration Year/Month

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