

1,075,079

Total Refugees and Asylum-seekers
(1,011,585 refugees | 63,494* asylum-seekers)

290,546

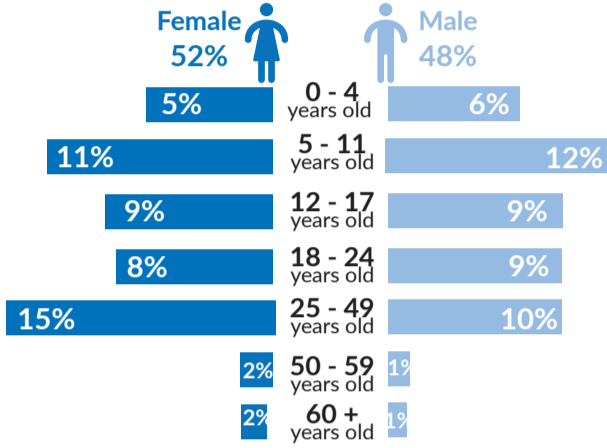
Households
(average family size: 4)

- 78%** Women & Children
- 52%** Children (0 -17 years)
- 46%** Adults (18 - 59 years)
- 3%** Elderly (60+)

Context & Highlight

Ethiopia is the third largest refugee hosting country in Africa, home to over **1M** refugees and asylum seekers—mainly from South Sudan, Somalia and Eritrea. Following the outbreak of armed conflict in Sudan (April 2023), Ethiopia is receiving thousands of forcibly displaced people at several points of entry. On 6 March 2024, the Ethiopian government's Refugees and Returnees Service (RRS) in collaboration with the National ID Program (NIDP) and UNHCR launched the issuance of **digital identity documents** to foster inclusion of refugees in the national system.

Age-gender breakdown

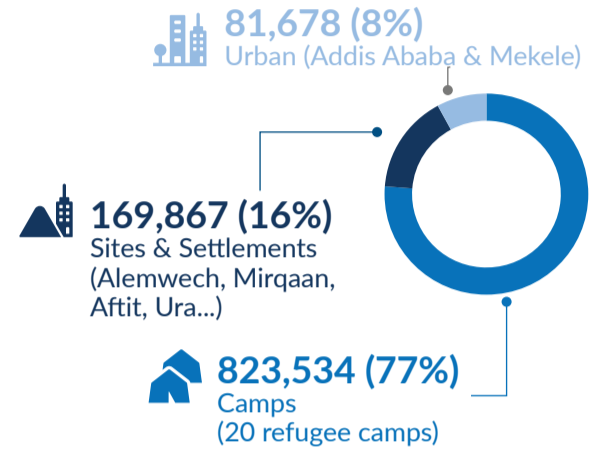


Countries of origin

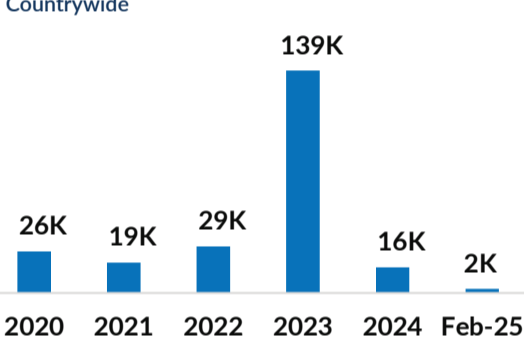
Country of origin	Total Individuals	Percentage
South Sudan	430,313	40%
Somalia	360,708	34%
Eritrea	179,810	17%
Sudan	93,363	9%
Kenya	5,672	1%
Yemen	2,603	<1%
DR Congo	924	<1%
Syrian Arab Republic	749	<1%
Others**	937	<1%
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Others include: Burundi (133 individuals); Djibouti (56)...In total refugees and asylum-seekers registered in Ethiopia come from **34 different countries.

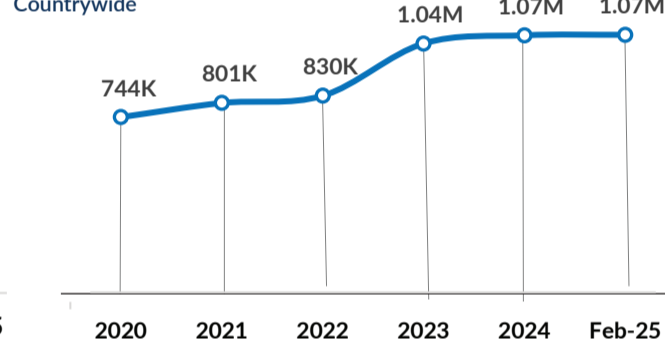
Population distribution



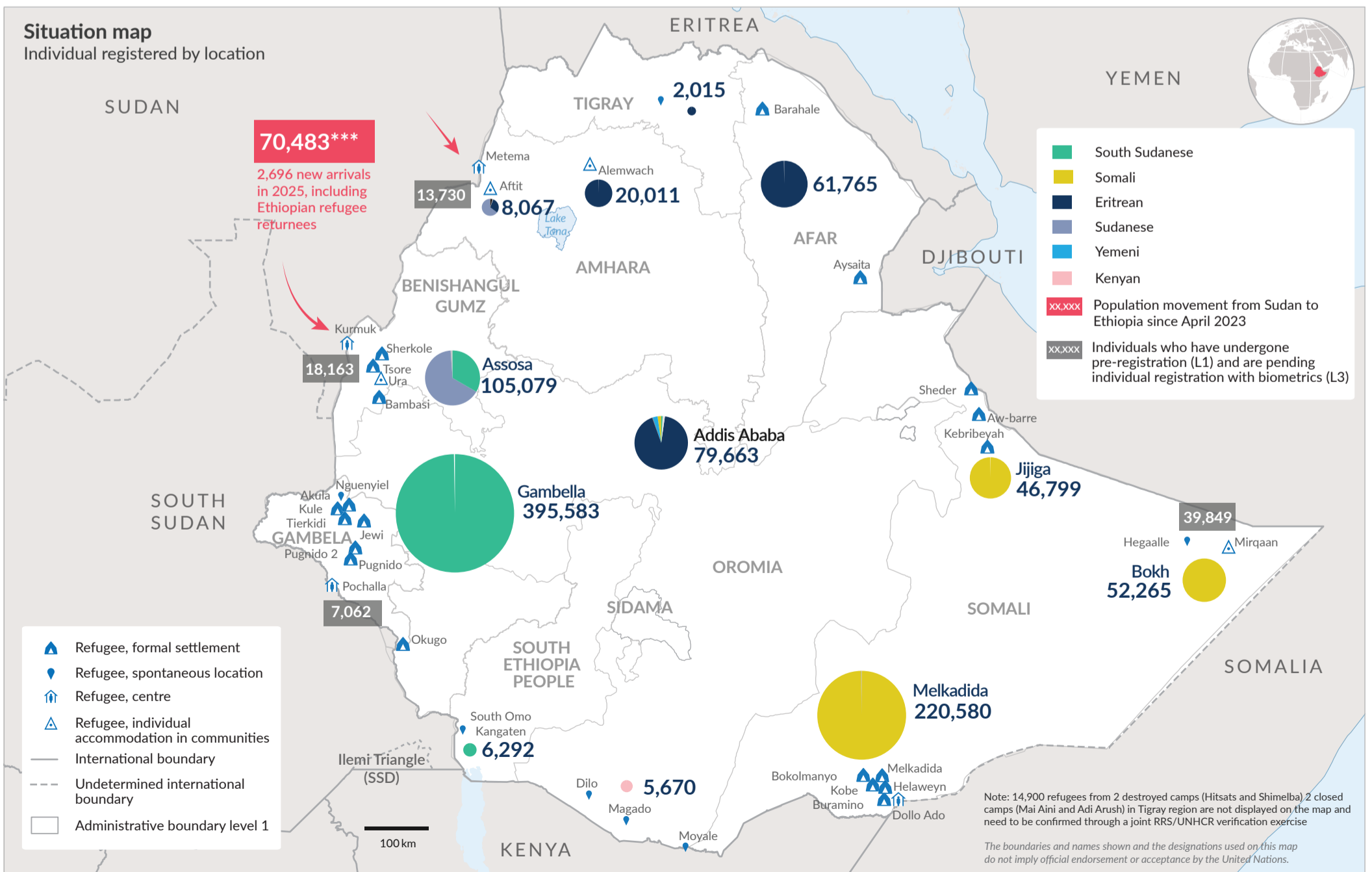
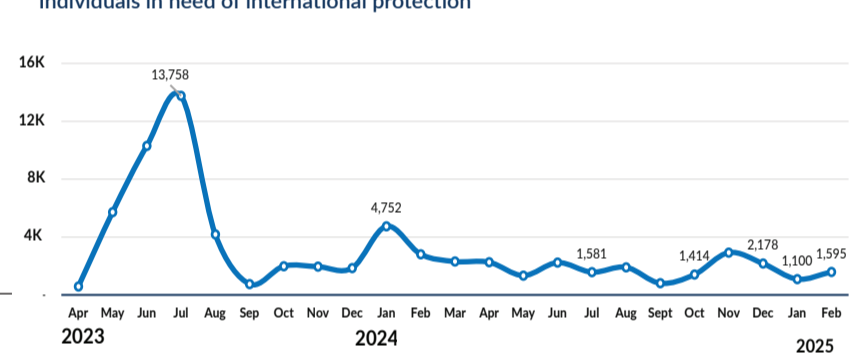
New arrivals per year



Population trend



Arrival trends Sudan emergency



*Among the total 63,494 asylum seekers, 9,924 are pending individual Refugee Status Determination (RSD) procedures, the remaining 53,570 are household level pre-registered (L1) and categorized as 'asylum seeker'
 ***Sudan Emergency: arrivals in need of international protection from April 2023 to February 2025, Level 1 (L1) pre-registration figures. A total of 70,483 individuals pre-registered, including 42,561 Sudanese, 10,332 other nationalities, and 17,590 Ethiopian refugee returnees.
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