

Highlights

1. After Sudan, the DRC¹ is the second country with the largest internally displaced persons in Africa
2. The DRC hosts over 0.5 millions refugees and asylum seekers.
3. Lack of a proper civil registration system puts many at risk of statelessness in the DRC. UNHCR 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 28 February 2025

519,838

Internally Displaced People (IDP) as of 31 January 2025

7.84 millions

Returned IDP as of 31 January 2025

2.51 millions

Refugees
518,633

Asylum Seekers
1,205

Repatriated from DRC to neighboring countries

(from 2022 to 2025)

31,400

Repatriated from neighboring countries to DRC

(from 2022 to 2025)

13,740

Congolese Refugees in Africa

as of 28 February 2025

1,138,792*

*Only figures for Rwanda are as of February 28, 2025. Figures for other countries are as of December 31, 2024.

Congolese refugees in Rwanda

as of 28 February 2025

82,589

Legend

- Country Office
- Sub-Office
- Field Office
- Field Unit
- International Boundary
- Administrative line
- Administrative boundary level 1

Numbers of Congolese refugees

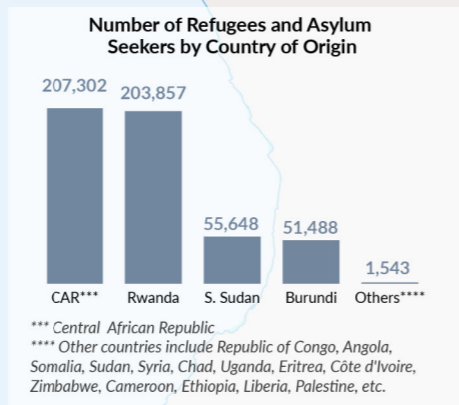
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Total number of people forced to flee

- 1513 - 36265
- 36266 - 101758
- 101759 - 193457
- 193458 - 386276
- 386277 - 4504625

Settlements

- Refugee, centre
- IDP, planned settlement
- Refugee, formal settlement
- IDP, unplanned settlement



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¹Democratic Republic of Congo