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The UN Refugee Agency

REGIONAL BUREAU FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA
Refugees, asylum seekers, returnees and IDPs
as of 31-Mar-26

6.3M Refugees and asylum seekers
- **5.6M** Refugees
- **708K** Asylum seekers

17.0M Internally Displaced Persons
- **13.7M** Conflict
- **3.3M** Natural disasters

238K Refugee returnees in 2026

68.1K Stateless Persons

Sudan Situation

- **4.4M** Sudanese Refugees
- **862K** Refugees in Sudan
- **136K** Returnees in 2026
- **8.9M** IDPs in Sudan

South Sudan Situation

- **2.5M** SSD Refugees
- **623K** Refugees in SSD
- **37K** Returnees in 2026
- **2.0M** IDPs in Sudan

Ethiopia Situation

- **158K** Ethiopian Refugees
- **1.1M** Refugees in Ethiopia
- **751** Returnees in 2026
- **1.9M** IDPs in Sudan

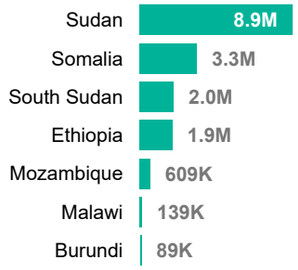
Somalia Situation

- **926K** Somali Refugees
- **32K** Refugees in SOM
- **21** Returnees in 2026
- **3.3M** IDPs in Sudan

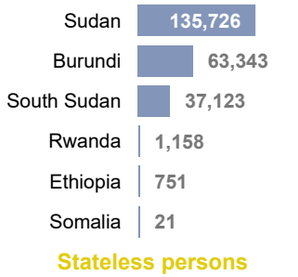
Burundi Situation

- **255K** Burundi Refugees
- **111K** Refugees in Burundi
- **63K** Returnees in 2026
- **89K** IDPs in Burundi

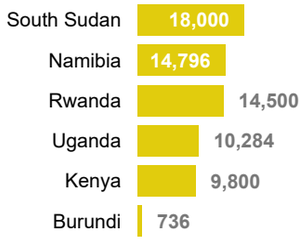
Total IDPs



Refugee returnees in 2026



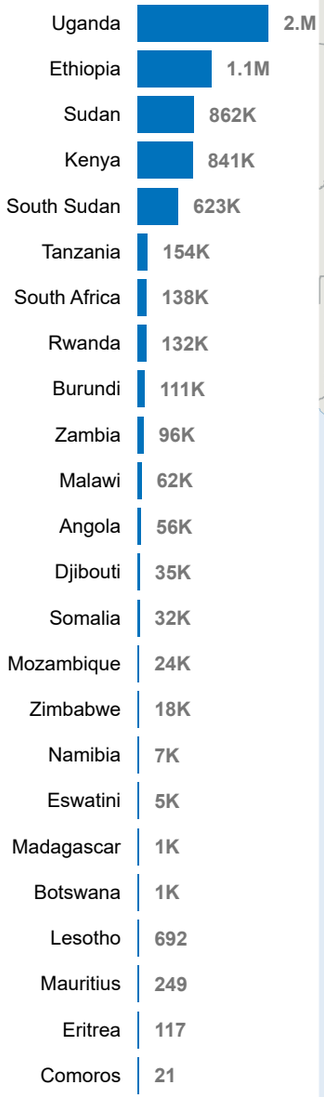
Stateless persons



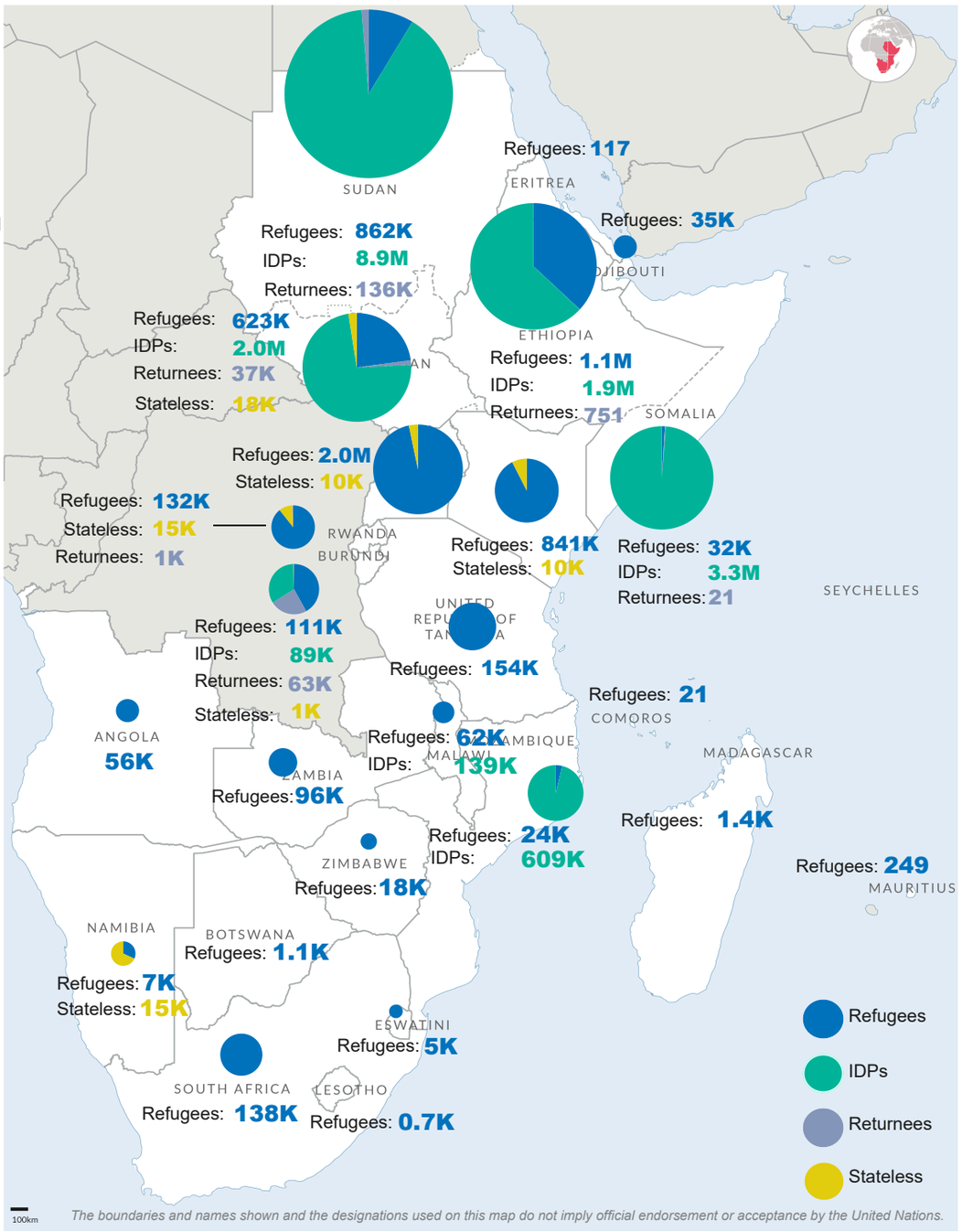
DRC Situation

- **1.2M** Congolese Refugees
- **603K** Refugees in DRC
- Returnees in 2026
- **5.6M** IDPs in DRC

Refugees by CoA



Total Refugees, Asylum- Seekers, Refugees Returnees and IDPs in the ESA Region



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