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The UN Refugee Agency

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

DRC AT A GLANCE

Situation as of 31 March 2023

Highlights

1. The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is the country with the largest internally displaced population in Africa
2. 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 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 31 March 2023
523,429

Internally Displaced People (IDP) as of 28 February 2023
6.17 millions

Returned IDP
as of 28 February 2023
2.25 millions

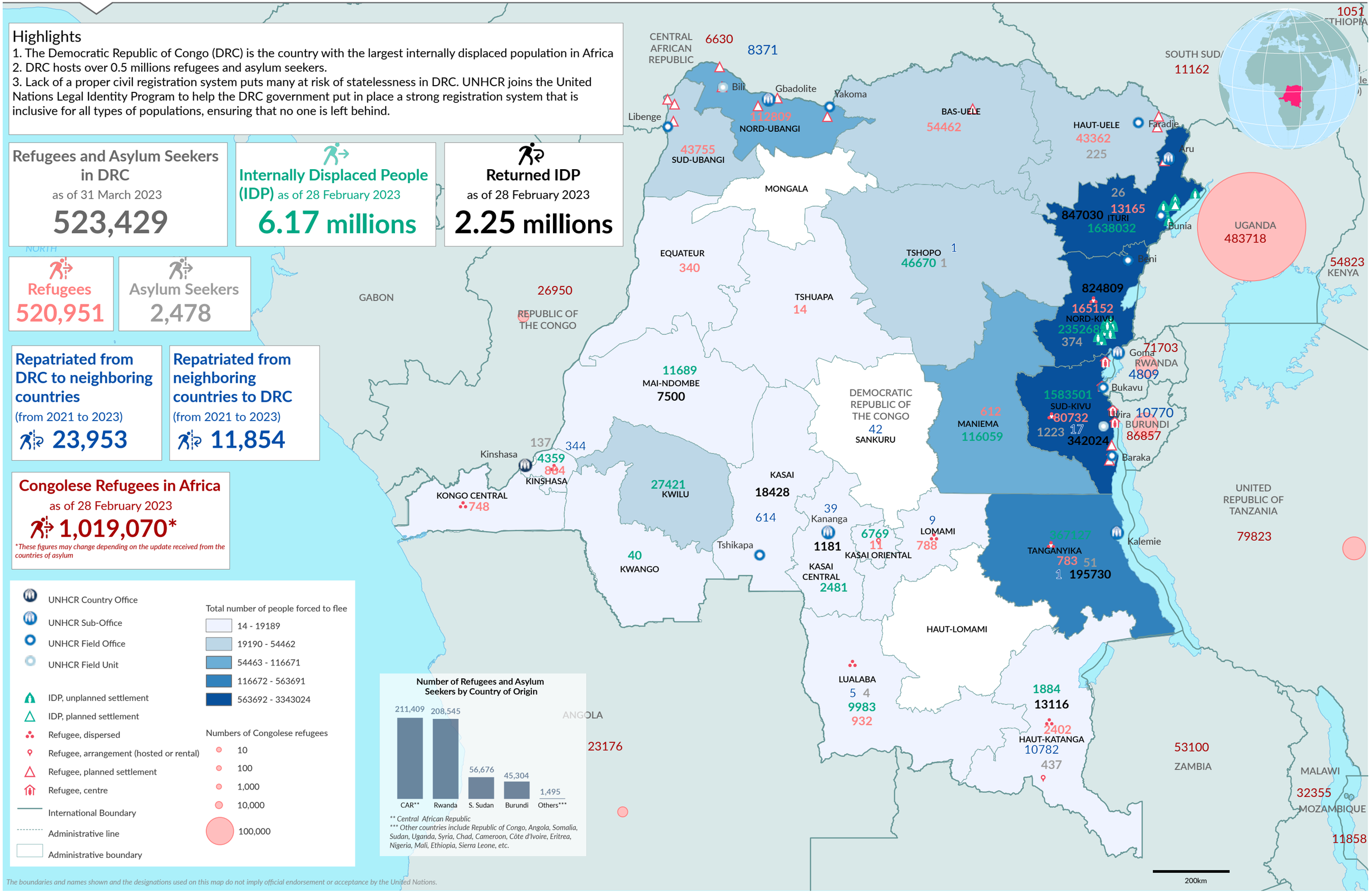
Refugees
520,951

Asylum Seekers
2,478

Repatriated from DRC to neighboring countries
(from 2021 to 2023)
23,953

Repatriated from neighboring countries to DRC
(from 2021 to 2023)
11,854

Congolese Refugees in Africa
as of 28 February 2023
1,019,070*
These figures may change depending on the update received from the countries of asylum



- UNHCR Country Office
- UNHCR Sub-Office
- UNHCR Field Office
- UNHCR Field Unit
- IDP, unplanned settlement
- IDP, planned settlement
- Refugee, dispersed
- Refugee, arrangement (hosted or rental)
- Refugee, planned settlement
- Refugee, centre
- International Boundary
- Administrative line
- Administrative boundary

Total number of people forced to flee
- 14 - 19189
- 19190 - 54462
- 54463 - 116671
- 116672 - 563691
- 563692 - 3343024

Numbers of Congolese refugees
- 10
- 100
- 1,000
- 10,000
- 100,000

Number of Refugees and Asylum Seekers by Country of Origin

** Central African Republic
*** Other countries include Republic of Congo, Angola, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, Syria, Chad, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Nigeria, Mali, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, etc.

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