UNHCR REGIONAL BUREAU FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

MYANMAR EMERGENCY UPDATE

as of end October 2024



KEY DISPLACEMENT FIGURES

149,000 1,181,100

Estimated refugee outflows to neighbouring from Myanmar in countries since 1 Feb. 2021

Refugees and asylum-seekers neighbouring countries as of 31 Oct. 2024

3→3,178,700 3,456,200 Estimated total internally displaced persons (IDPs) within Myanmar, displaced since 1 Feb. 2021 Source: UN in Myanmar

Estimated total IDPs within Mvanmar as of 28 October 2024 Source: UN in Myanmar

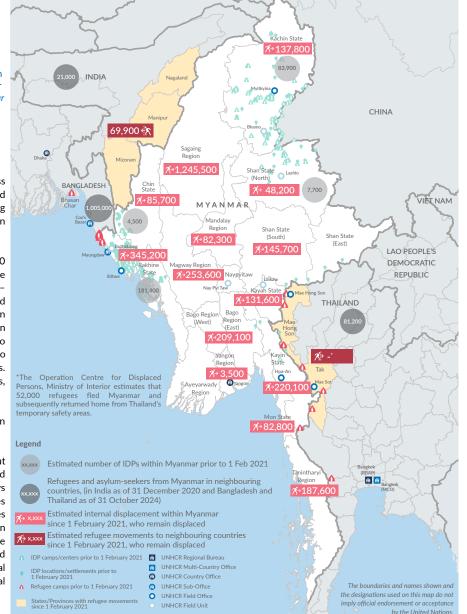
OVERVIEW

Since the military takeover in February 2021, the political and security landscape in Myanmar has plunged millions into a deepening humanitarian crisis. This month marks one year since the escalation of conflict that has spread across multiple regions. Civilians continue to face serious protection risks, including conscription, human rights violations and insufficient resources to meet basic needs. Ongoing territorial conflicts have disrupted key access roads, restricting freedom of movement, impeding supply routes and driving up commodity prices, further exacerbating humanitarian needs.

More than a month after torrential monsoon rains and landslides triggered by Typhoon Yagi affected around 70 townships across 11 states and regions, an estimated 1.1 million people are still grappling with the aftermath. The catastrophic floods that followed have caused widespread damage, destroying houses and critical infrastructures water sources, schools, roads and community facilities - and flooded crops and washed away livestock. The states and regions most affected include Nay Pyi Taw, Bago, Kayah, Kayin, Magway, Mandalay, Mon, and eastern and southern Shan states. This disaster has added another layer of complexity and vulnerability to an already precarious situation marked by conflict. Access remains challenging in some areas with roads and bridges in need of urgent repairs to facilitate the delivery of urgent, life-saving assistance. Many families are without shelter and access to services, having lost basic household items such as kitchen utensils, bedding and other essentials. UNHCR is actively responding to the most urgent needs, working alongside partners and other UN Agencies, particularly in the north-west and south-east of the country.

According to the Royal Thai Government, over 52,000 refugees crossed into Thailand seeking protection since February 2021. Most have since returned to Myanmar and no new arrivals have been reported since June 2024.

Since February 2021, close to 70,000 people from Myanmar's North-West region have sought protection in India. Out of this population, 8,241 are registered with UNHCR. During the reporting period, the Indian Army Chief reaffirmed India's commitment to sheltering displaced people from Myanmar and providing essential aid. This statement follows recent clashes in the Ukhrul district, which resulted in six casualties, underscoring the challenges border communities and newly arrived Myanmar refugees face. Reports suggest an increase in new arrivals from Myanmar to border villages in Manipur's Tengnoupal and Chandel districts. Humanitarian agencies reported improvement in the security situation in Manipur's border districts although strict curfews remain in effect in some locations. While essential services were operational, heavy rainfall significantly disrupted economic activities, leaving both host communities and displaced people without livelihoods. Newly arrived populations face acute shortages of food, medical care and essential commodities. Recognizing the impact on communities in the region, local authorities have called for additional government resources for the response.

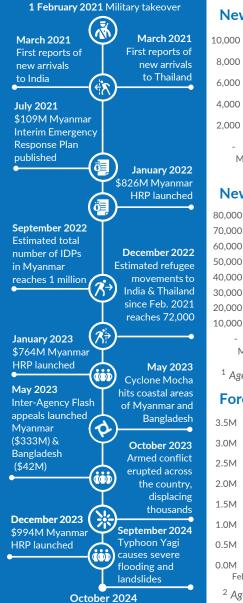


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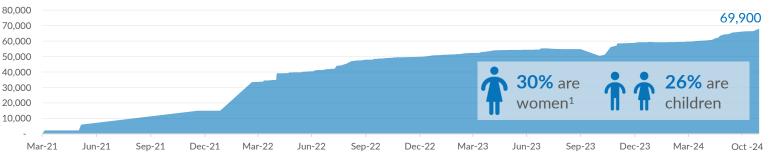




New Arrivals to Thailand

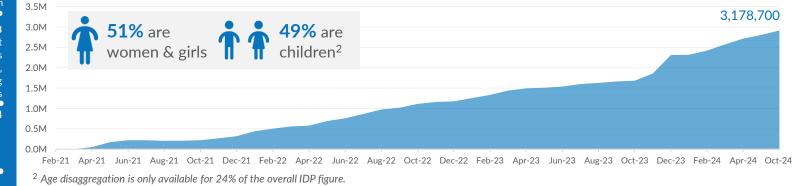


New Arrivals to India



¹ Age and gender disaggregation is only available for 10% of the new arrivals who approached UNHCR in New Delhi

Forced Displacement within Myanmar (since 1 Feb 2021)





SECTOR	NEEDS/PRIORITIES	RESPONSE
Core Relief Items (CRIs)		UNHCR and partners in Myanmar reached 42,806 people (10,313 families) with CRIs, which included blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, kitchen sets, jerry cans, and buckets.
Shelter	by the recent flooding that impacted 70 townships across 11	UNHCR and partners continue to provide shelter support to ensure minimum humanitarian standards are met, allowing IDPs and other people in need to be protected from harsh weather conditions and to enhance personal security, self sufficiency, and dignity.
		In October, UNHCR and partners in Myanmar provided shelter assistance to 23,780 people (approximately 4,750 families). This support included shelte reconstruction and renovation.
Multi-purpose assistance	Myanmar , multi-purpose assistance offers people affected by the crisis the flexibility to choose how to cover their needs in a dignified manner,	In Myanmar , UNHCR and partners provided multi-purpose assistance to 4,980 people to cover urgent needs. In addition, assistance was also provided to 510 people with specific needs, including those with serious medical conditions single-headed households, older people and women at risk.
Community-based projects (CBPs)	needs identified by local communities. UNHCR encourages	based projects, benefiting some 14,000 people. The projects ranged from road renovations to youth service projects such as the rehabilitation of communal halls, maintenance of camp pre-schools, and enhancing the

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