

# **Democratic Republic of the Congo situation**

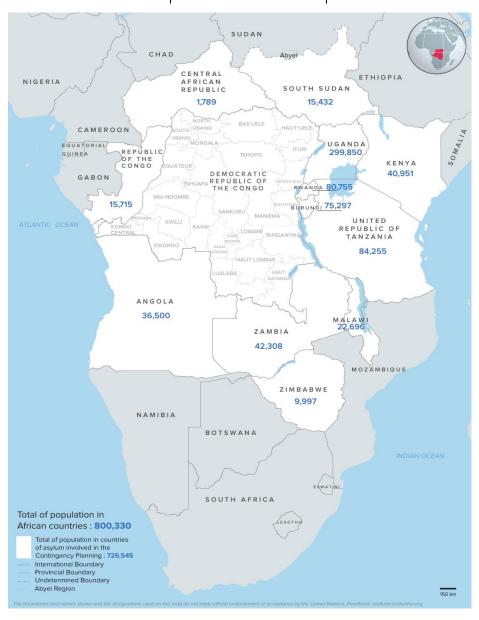
This update concerns the situation of Congolese refugees and asylum seekers in countries in the region.





Total number of refugees and asylum-seekers from the DRC. Internally displaced people (as at December 2017) Source: OCHA Planning figure of DRC refugees by December 2018.

941,000



Total of New Arrivals in Countries of Asylum in 2018



Sources: UNHCR, OCHA

Web portal: DRC SITUATION

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Total number of Congolese refugee assisted to return since January 2018

## **BASIC INFORMATION**

## **POPULATION FIGURES**

- The figures in this report were updated to reflect the results of continuous biometric registration and verification exercises in countries of asylum.
- The figures include additions (new arrivals and births) and subtractions (departures, deaths, no-shows during food distributions and deactivations).

### PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS

 Contingency planning has been undertaken in connection with the current volatile insecurity and socioeconomic situation in the DRC which could witness more outflows of Congolese refugees to neighbouring countries. In the Regional Contingency Plan for the DRC situation, it is estimated that in the event of a major emergency in the country, leading up to the presidential elections, and in the post-election period, over 386,000 new Congolese refugees and asylum seekers could arrive in countries of asylum. Further, it is estimated that some 78,000 refugees currently residing in the DRC might return to their countries of origin.

### FUNDING

- UNHCR received \$160 million for the DRC situation, representing 43 per cent of the total requirements for 2018, which amount to \$368.7 million.
- The interagency Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRRP) for the DRC situation received \$164 million, representing 30 per cent of the total requirements for 2018, which amount to \$547 million.