

SOMALIA WORLD REFUGEE DAY

By the end of 2018, around 3.6 million Somalis were displaced worldwide, 2.6 million internally and nearly 1 million outside the country.

#WithRefugees



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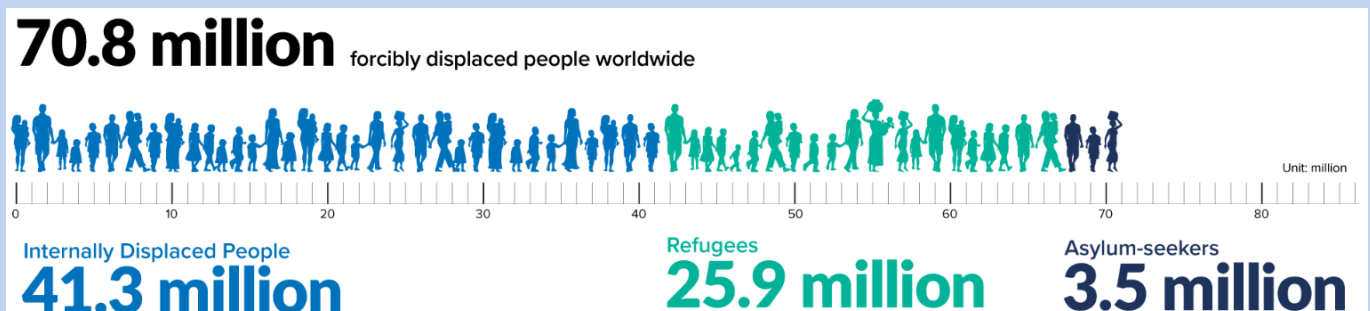
The UNHCR Representative in Somalia ai (left) taking part in the #StepWithRefugees challenge.

On the occasion of World Refugee Day, held on 20 June each year, UNHCR in Somalia, paid tribute to millions of persons forcibly displaced all over the world, including 3.6 million displaced Somalis. UNHCR in collaboration with other UN agencies, government officials and refugees walked in a solidarity with forcibly displaced people in a challenge dubbed [#StepWithRefugees](#).

GLOBAL TRENDS

One person is forcibly displaced every two seconds as a result of conflict or persecution.

On 19 June, UNHCR released a [Global Trends](#) report, which shows that almost 70.8 million persons are now forcibly displaced. This is the highest level of displacement on record; twice as many persons as 20 years ago and 2.3 million more than the previous year.

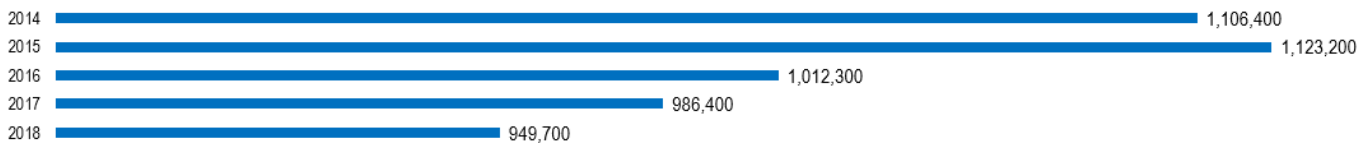


SOMALIA TRENDS

SOMALI REFUGEES WORLDWIDE

As of 31 December 2018, there were 949,700 Somali refugees globally, a slight decline from previous years. However, 80 per cent (758,700) remained displaced in the region including Ethiopia (257,200), Kenya (252,500), Yemen (249,000), Uganda (18,800), Djibouti (12,700) and Eritrea (2,100).

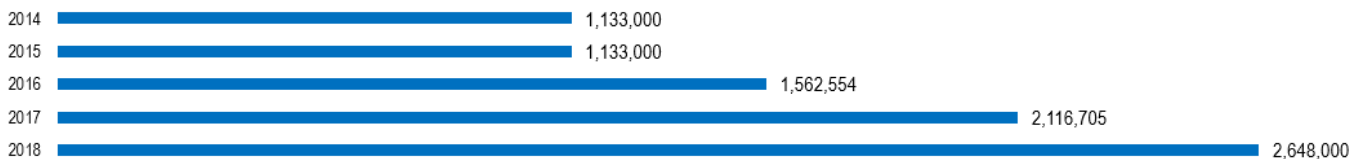
Somalia remained **one of the top five countries** from where over two third (67 per cent) of the world's refugee came from.



INTERNALLY DISPLACED SOMALIS

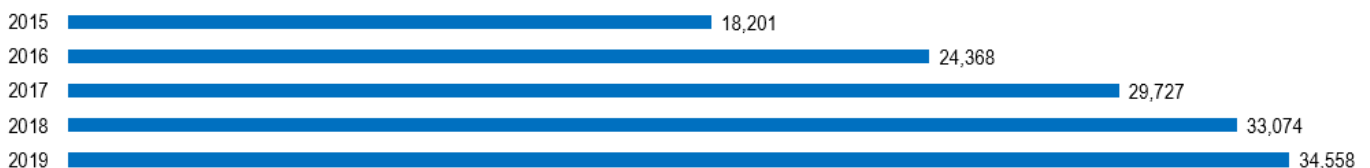
By the end of 2018, over 2.6 million persons were internally displaced in Somalia due to armed conflicts or insecurity, drought or lack of livelihood, flash floods and evictions. This represents a 20 per cent (531,300) increase compared to the previous year and a 43 per cent rise (1.5 million) in 2014.

With 2.6 million internally displaced people, Somalia has the **fourth largest IDP population** in the world.



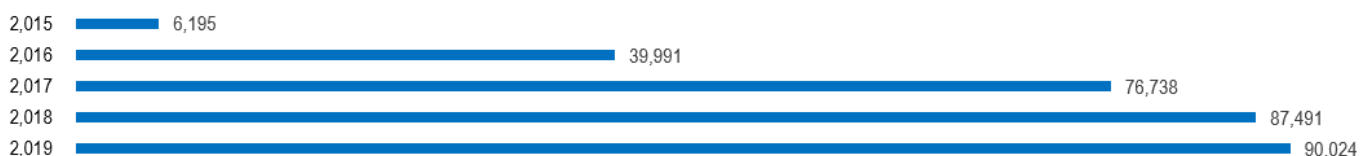
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN SOMALIA

Somalia hosted 34,558 refugees and asylum-seekers mainly from Ethiopia (20,982) and Yemen (13,076) as of 30 June 2019. The number of registered refugees and asylum-seekers has more than doubled (53 per cent) in the last five years.



RETURNED REFUGEES

As of 30 June 2019, over 90,000 Somali refugees were voluntary repatriated from 12 countries of asylum, predominantly from Kenya (84,227). Voluntary repatriation remains the preferred lasting solution for most refugees.



TAKE A STEP WITH REFUGEES

UNHCR in Somalia joined the global campaign [#StepWithRefugees](#) to express solidarity with refugees who make two billion kilometres each year to reach the nearest point of safety. The Office organized various activities across the country and reached over 2,200 persons who contributed a total of 1,300 kilometres to the campaign.

MOGADISHU: The Office organized a walk with government officials, partners, and friends. Over 100 UN staff took the challenge and walked to celebrate World Refugee Day.



BAIDOA: The President of the South West State of Somalia led a one mile walk in Baidoa accompanied by governmental officials, colleagues from the UN, implementing partners, returned refugees and internally displaced people.



GAALKACYO: The Office organized a walk, a football tournament and running races to celebrate World Refugee Day. Over 200 persons participated in the events including refugees, asylum-seekers, internally displaced persons and members of host community.



DHOBLEY: On World Refugee Day, the District Commissioner joined the global campaign [#StepWithRefugees](#) by opening a football match between football teams Dhobley Waberi and Jubba.



HARGEYSA: Children, aged five to 13 years, from Ethiopian and Yemeni refugee and asylum-seeker communities had a fun day of painting in the city of Hargeysa. The city is home to over 18,600 refugees and asylum-seekers.



KISMAYO: UNHCR in Kismayo organized a 1.5-kilometre-long walk supported by governmental officials, implementing partners, internally displaced persons, returned refugees and members of host community.



BERBERA: The Governor of Sahil, Mayor of Berbera accompanied by governmental officials, UNHCR and persons of concern led a walk in solidarity with families forced to flee their homes

DOLLOW: In Dollow, around 40 internally displaced persons commemorated World Refugee Day by organizing a competition in traditional dances.



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First city in Africa to stand in solidarity #WithRefugees holds event to honor refugees:

Mogadishu mayor @engyarisow and @UNHCRSom acting Rep were today joined by Minister 4 Humanitarian Affairs and other partners in honoring refugees. #WorldRefugeeDay #StepWithRefugees



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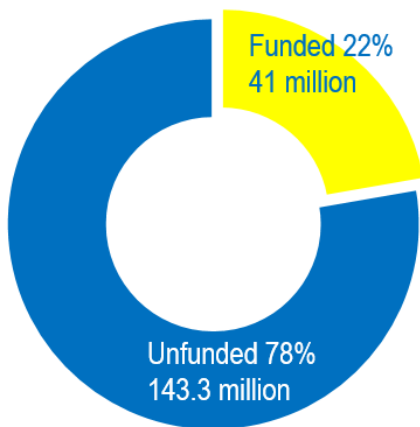
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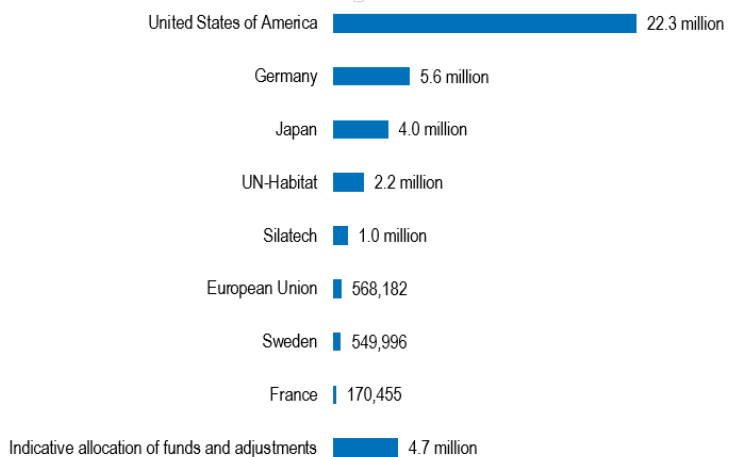
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