

Zambia

August 2021

387 new asylum-seekers arrived in August, bringing the total number of new arrivals between 1 January and 31 August 2021 to **4,225**, **75%** are from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

From 1 January to 31 July 2021, **100** cases comprising **385** individuals were submitted to resettlement countries. A total of **259** individuals have departed on resettlement to Sweden, Canada, Finland, Netherlands and the USA.

In August, **3,410** PoCs were supported with general Cash Based Interventions. Cumulatively, since 1 January 2021, **10,493** refugees have received CBI assistance.

KEY INDICATORS

46.15%

Of registered people of concern in August 2021 were women.

358

People of concern have received the first dose of COVID-19 vaccination since 2020, while **230** have been fully vaccinated with the second dose.

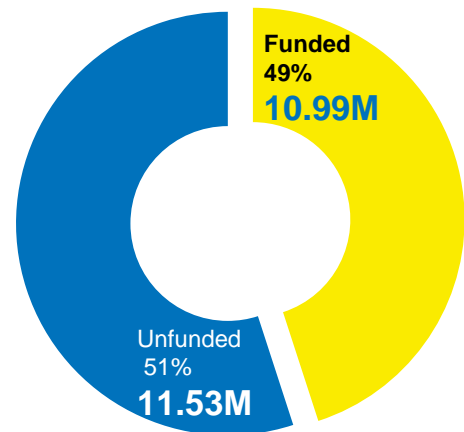
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Waterpoints in Mantapala settlement including six solar powered water boreholes, mounted with two overhead tanks, have water storage capacity of **10,000** litres each. The boreholes are supplying **32** litres of water per person per day.

FUNDING (AS OF 31 AUGUST 2021)

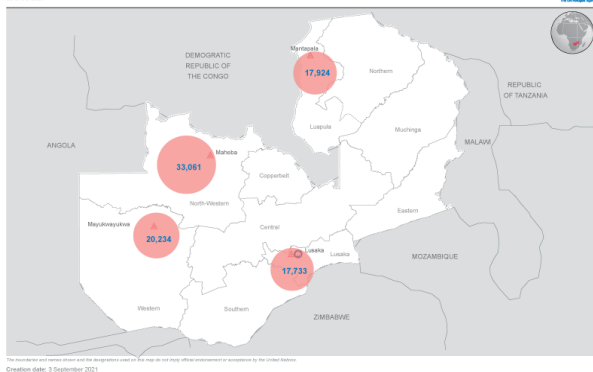
USD 22.5 million

UNHCR's 2021 requirements for the Zambia operation:

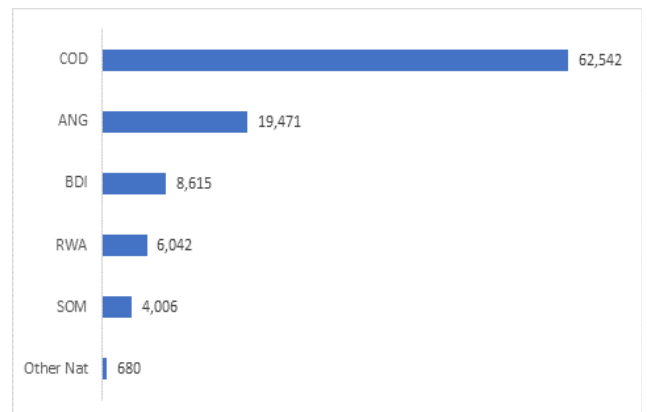


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Map of presence of PoCs per location
as of 31 August 2021



PEOPLE OF CONCERN: 100,724 INDIVIDUALS/ 33,627 HOUSEHOLDS AS OF 31 AUGUST 2021.



Other Nationalities include the Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Namibia, Nigeria, State of Palestine, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, and Zimbabwe.

Operational Context

The Government of Zambia is leading and coordinating the refugee response in order to achieve its commitments towards the Global Compact on Refugees (CCR) and the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF). Under the 2017 Refugee Act, the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees (COR), within the Ministry of Home Affairs, is mandated to deal with refugee matters. Thus, in 2018 Zambia adopted the mainstreaming approach, which requires that all line ministries including the Ministries of Agriculture (MoA), Health, Education and Community Services contribute to key sectors under the COR. The coordination of different sectors and partners is managed through interagency meetings at district and national level. This is further strengthened through sectoral and bilateral interactions with various stakeholders. UNHCR is the primary interlocutor and lead agency for refugee issues among UN agencies. To respond to the Congolese refugee inflows in a holistic and coordinated manner, the Government of Zambia constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) composed of key line ministries. The IMC is comprised of the Ministry of Home Affairs (Chair), Office of the President, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Community Development and Social Services (MCDSS), Ministry of Local Government, Ministry of General Education, Minister of Luapula Province and the UN (UN Resident Coordinator's Office and UNHCR).

- As of 31 August 2021, Zambia hosted **101,356** people of concern (PoCs) including (**71,728** refugees, **4,932** asylum seekers and **24,696** others of concern – Angolan and Rwandan former refugees).
- In August 2021, there were a total of **387** new arrivals, **150** In-Situ and **149** births registrations.
- The PoCs comprised 33,627 households, with 46.15% of the population being women, 47.13% children and 3.67% elderly.

UNHCR has four offices in Zambia: Representation Office in Lusaka, Field Offices (FO) in Solwezi and Kawambwa, and a Field Unit in Kaoma. In August 2021, UNHCR Zambia had **104** staff throughout the country who included **52** national, **24** international and **28** affiliate staff.



CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

In 2018 Zambia adopted the mainstreaming approach to address refugee-related matters. The approach requires that all the line ministries (Agriculture, Health, Education and Community Development and Social Services), operating in the three refugee settlements and urban areas providing services to refugees collaborate with COR, the main interlocutor for UNHCR. This measure is in line with and reinforces the Government's shift from sectoral to multi-sectoral and outcome-based programming as embedded in the 7th National Development Plan. The approach is also in line with the Zambia-United Nations Sustainable Development Partnership Framework, which governs how the United Nations in Zambia aligns with and supports the Zambian Government in delivering development, and the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF), as embedded in the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR).

Partnerships and Refugee Inclusion

- UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, works closely with the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees (COR) in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and other key government line ministries. The coordination and management of refugee settlements is led by the Government as per its mandate under the Refugee Act (Act No. 1 of 2017).
- UNHCR also works in partnership with the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) and the international non-governmental organizations (I-NGOs), such as Action Africa Help, Plan International, Caritas Czech Republic, CARE International and World Vision Zambia.
- The Government of Zambia, UNHCR and partners provide community-based protection and social support to people of concern in Lusaka as well as in Meheba (Western Province), Mayukwayukwa (North Western Province) and Mantapala (Luapula Province) refugee settlements.
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Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the Zambia operation as of 31 August 2021 amount to **US\$ 10,990,181** (51% funding gap). Total financial requirements for Zambia of **US\$22.5 million** include requirements for the regular programme, Coronavirus Emergency, and the DRC Situation.

UNHCR is grateful for the support provided by donors for the Zambia operation in 2021 including **Japan (USD 1,125,000)**, **Education Cannot Wait (USD 480,000)**, **European Union (USD 188,793)**, **USA (USD 125,678)**, **the United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security (USD 107,171)**, **The Lego Foundation (USD 103,535)**, **UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (USD 53,500)** as well as all donors providing flexible funding.

OTHER SOFTLY EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS | USD

United States of America 33 million | Germany 14 million | Private donors Australia 6.2 million | Canada 5.6 million | Private donors Germany 3.8 million France | Japan | Luxembourg | Norway | Spain | Private donors

UNEARMARKED CONTRIBUTION | USD

Norway 80 million | Sweden 66.9 million | Private donors Spain 49.7 million | Netherlands 36.1 million | Denmark 34.6 million | United Kingdom 28.4 million | Germany 26 million | Private donors Republic of Korea 25 million | Japan 23.4 million | Private donors Japan 20.7 million | France 20.2 million | Switzerland 16.4 million | Ireland 12.5 million | Private donors Italy 12.3 million | Belgium 11.9 million | Private donors Sweden 11.9 million | Italy 10.7 million

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