UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

DRC AT A GLANCE

as of 31 March 2024

Highlights

1. The DRC is the first country with the largest internally displaced persons in Africa
2. The 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 the 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 2024
526,790

Internally Displaced People (IDP) as of 29 February 2024
7.1 millions

Returned IDP
as of 29 February 2024
2.6 millions

Refugees
523,190

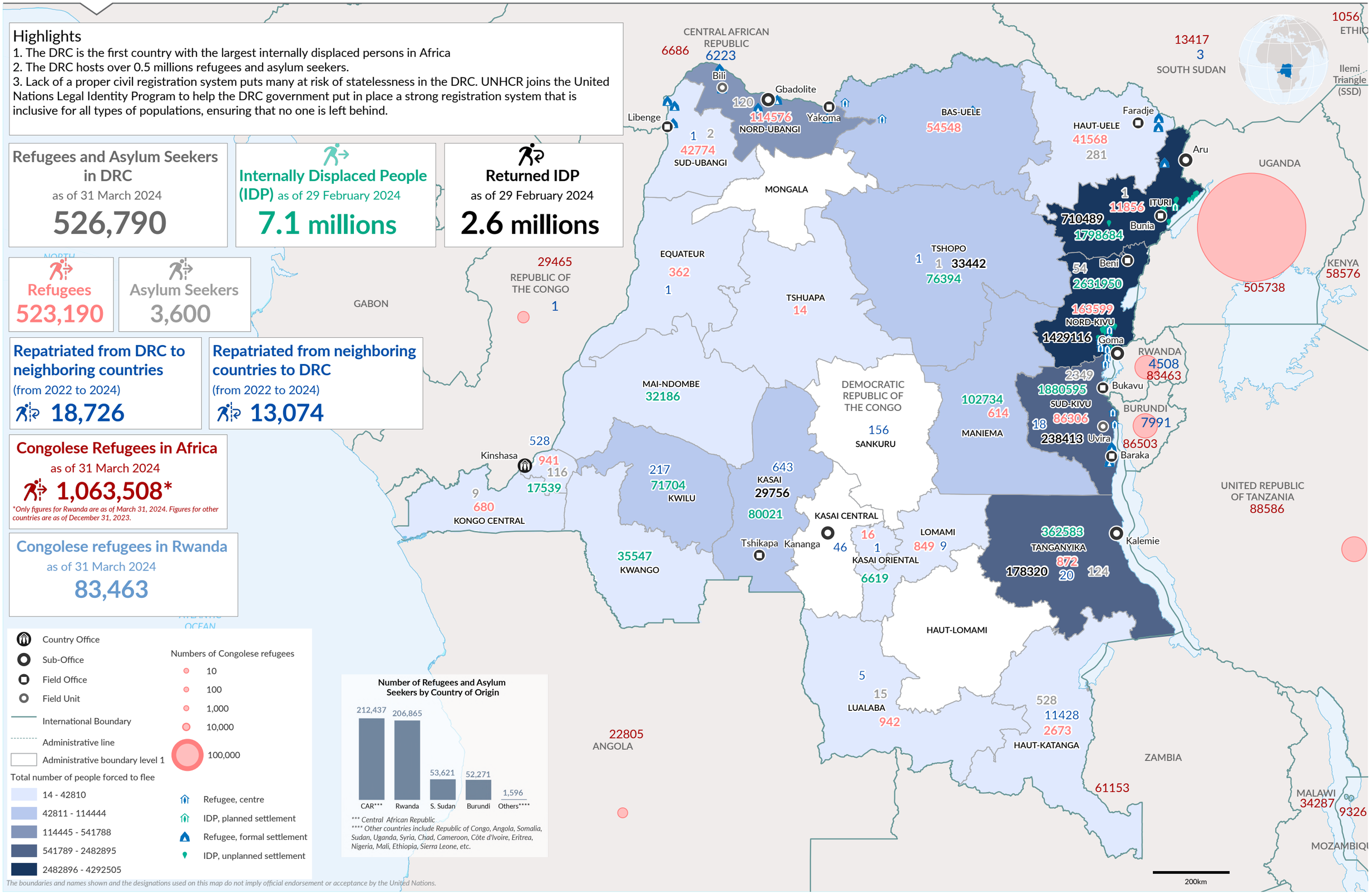
Asylum Seekers
3,600

Repatriated from DRC to neighboring countries
(from 2022 to 2024)
18,726

Repatriated from neighboring countries to DRC
(from 2022 to 2024)
13,074

Congolese Refugees in Africa
as of 31 March 2024
1,063,508*
*Only figures for Rwanda are as of March 31, 2024. Figures for other countries are as of December 31, 2023.

Congolese refugees in Rwanda
as of 31 March 2024
83,463



Country Office
Sub-Office
Field Office
Field Unit
International Boundary
Administrative line
Administrative boundary level 1

Total number of people forced to flee
14 - 42810
42811 - 114444
114445 - 541788
541789 - 2482895
2482896 - 4292505

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

Refugee, centre
IDP, planned settlement
Refugee, formal settlement
IDP, unplanned settlement

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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