

Highlights

1. After South Sudan, the DRC¹ is the second 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 July 2024

524,511

Internally Displaced People (IDP) as of 30 April 2024

7.3 millions

Returned IDP as of 31 May 2024

2.4 millions

Refugees
518,389

Asylum Seekers
6,122

Repatriated from DRC to neighboring countries
(from 2022 to 2024)

25,956

Repatriated from neighboring countries to DRC
(from 2022 to 2024)

13,120

Congolese Refugees in Africa

as of 30 June 2024

1,063,997*

*Only figures for Rwanda are as of July 31, 2024. Figures for other countries are as of December 31, 2023.

Congolese refugees in Rwanda

as of 31 July 2024

82,621

Country Office (Building icon)
Sub-Office (Circle icon)
Field Office (Square icon)
Field Unit (Circle icon)

Numbers of Congolese refugees

- 10 (Small red circle)
- 100 (Medium red circle)
- 1,000 (Large red circle)
- 10,000 (Very large red circle)
- 100,000 (Huge red circle)

Total number of people forced to flee

- 14 - 18591 (Lightest blue)
- 18592 - 71704 (Light blue)
- 71705 - 114705 (Medium blue)
- 114706 - 545860 (Dark blue)
- 545861 - 4259973 (Darkest blue)

Refugee, centre (House icon)
IDP, planned settlement (Green house icon)
Refugee, formal settlement (Blue triangle icon)
IDP, unplanned settlement (Green triangle icon)

