

Key figures

35,041
Currently displaced by recent conflict

23,785
Estimated Spontaneous Return to DRC

5,346
Burundians Spontaneous Returnees

6,255
Location / Status Unknown

16,526
In Settlements

15,809
With host Community in Cibitoke

2,706
in transit centers and border locations

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Refugees from DRC in Burundi prior Jan 2025

Demographic

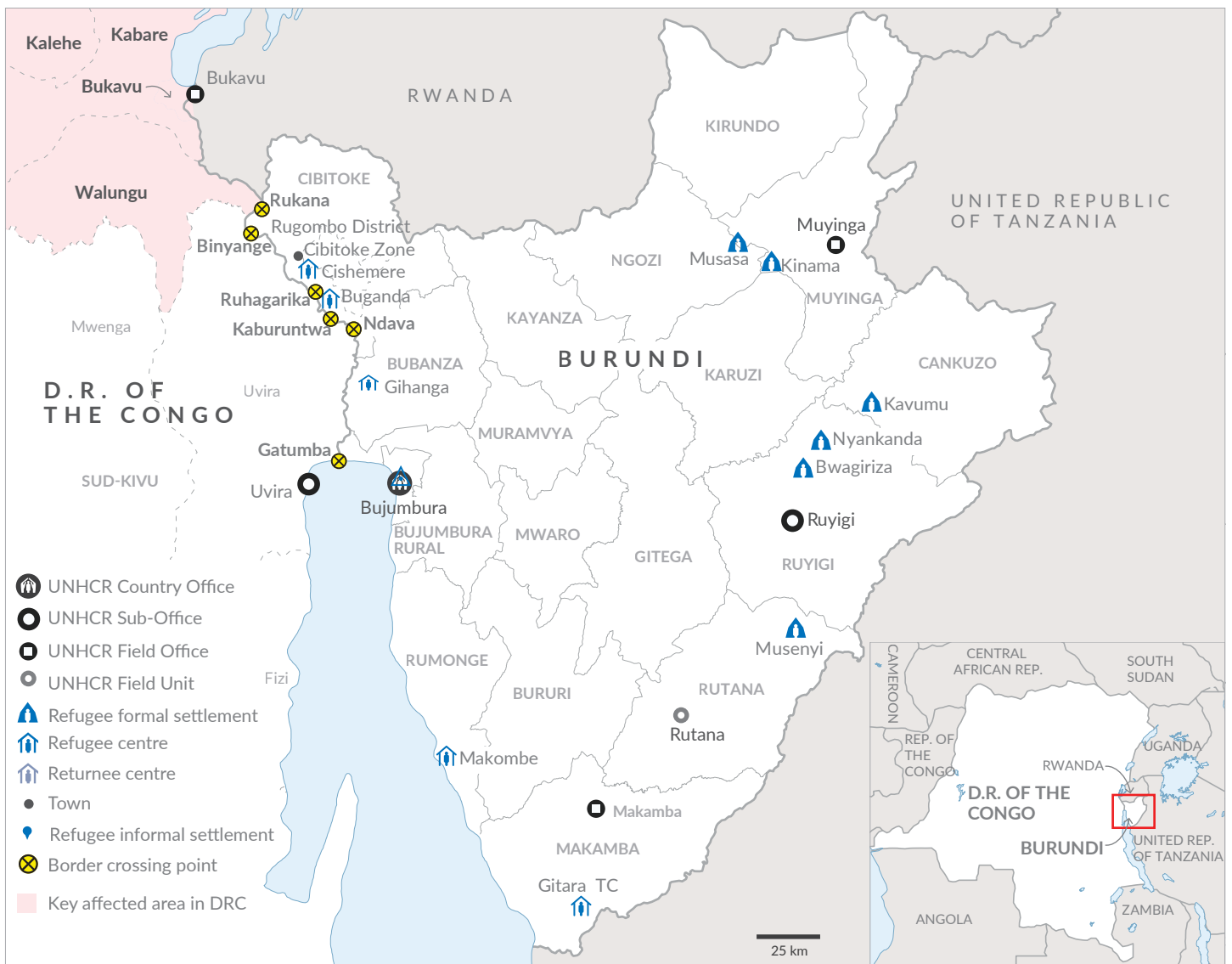
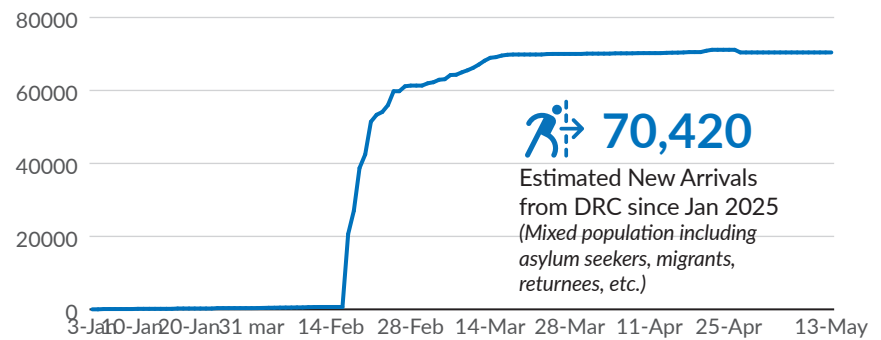
	Female (51%)	Male (49%)
Adults	25%	22%
Children	26%	27%

Context





Since January 2025, over 70,000 people arriving in Burundi from the Democratic Republic of Congo are in need of international refugee protection and humanitarian assistance. The refugees include rural and urban populations fleeing conflict from the DRC, and some returning Burundians. Most arrivals are from Uvira, Walungu, Bukavu, Saké, Minova, and Goma. In response, the Minister of the Interior has granted prima facie refugee status to those seeking protection since 2025. The figure of **23,785** spontaneous returns came from the Protection Monitoring Report, which was compiled by the UNHCR DRC and its partners.

Total new arrivals (cumulative since 3 Jan. 2025)













Number of people













Arrival & relocation

 Border entry points	 Transit Centers/Locations	 Protection	 Refugee Camps / Settlements																																			
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Key sectorial indicator (border transit locations: Cishemere, Musenyi)

 Individuals with SPN Identified	186 2,501	 Global Acute Malnutrition (kids 6-59 month)	1% 2%	 Children received a measles containing vaccine	216 8,476	 Individuals supported with access to water and sanitation services	216 19,565
 UASC identified/ Referred/ Assisted	101 623	 Global Acute Malnutrition (pregnant women)	1% 1%	 Average litres of potable water available per person per day	20 30	 Emergency Latrines (Communal)	12 220
 Consultations provided for health care services	89 429	 Persons receiving food assistance (in-kind or cash assistance)	216 19,565	 GBV survivors who received specialized case management services	100% 100%	 Individuals received GBV information	0 116

3 W (border transit locations)

 Coordination	DGRRR, ONPRA, UNHCR	3
 Food	AIRD, CARITAS, NGO RCF, SAD, WFP	5
 Health/ Nutrition	AFM/MWA, Concern, Global Health, Health District, HNTPO, PRONIANUT, Midwives in Action Association, MSF, UNHCR, UNICEF, WHO, Women's Solidarity	12
 Logistic	AIRD, COPED, IRC, OIM, UNHCR	5
 Livelihood	FVS, World Vision International	2
 NFI/Shelter	Burundi Red Cross, COPED, UNHCR, UNICEF	4
 Protection	ACPDH, AIRD, Burundi Red Cross, CGM, DGRRR, Finbank, JRS, Local volunteers, ONPRA, SAD, Save the Children, SCI, Spring Communities, Terre des Hommes, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, World Vision International	18
 Reintegration for Returnees	DGRRR, IOM, UNHCR	3
 Security	Burundian National Police	1
 WASH	Burundi Red Cross, COPED, Fondation Stamm, MSF, UNICEF, World Vision International	6