Rohingya Refugee Population Dashboard

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Rohingya refugee population in Bangladesh

1,139,433

37,980

1990s registered refugees

In early 1990s, Rohingya flee violence and persecution in Myanmar's Rakhine State. While most return, some remain in Bangladesh with the status of 'registered refugees'.

982,487

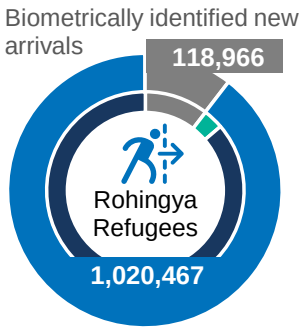
Post-2017 refugees

In August 2017, more than 740,000 refugees flee military clearance operation in Myanmar's Rakhine State, in what was the largest and swiftest forced movement in the region in decades.

118,966

Biometrically identified new arrivals

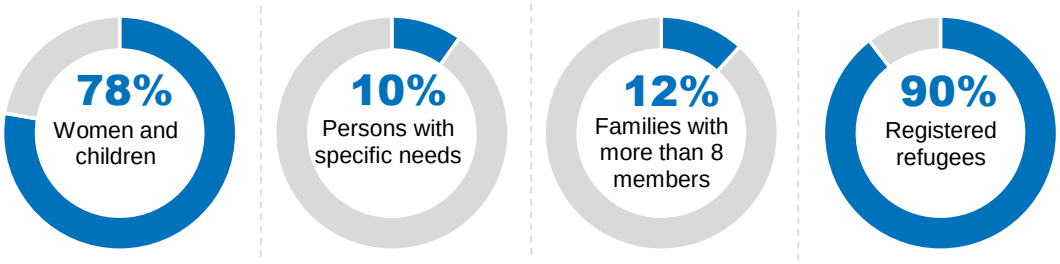
From 2024, targeted violence and persecution in Myanmar's Rakhine State forces thousands of Rohingya to seek safety in Bangladesh. Unlike refugee registration, biometrically identified individuals are not issued with individual refugee identity documents, rather family cards to facilitating lifesaving assistance.



As of 31 May 2025, UNHCR Bangladesh has registered/identified 1,139,433 Rohingya refugees (235,878 households) who fled persecution in Myanmar. Significant waves of arrivals occurred in 1990 and 2017, and new refugees continue to seek safety in Bangladesh in 2024 and 2025 due to escalating conflict in Rakhine State. As a result, a wave of new arrivals to the camps was identified in late 2024, and their biometric identification is ongoing.

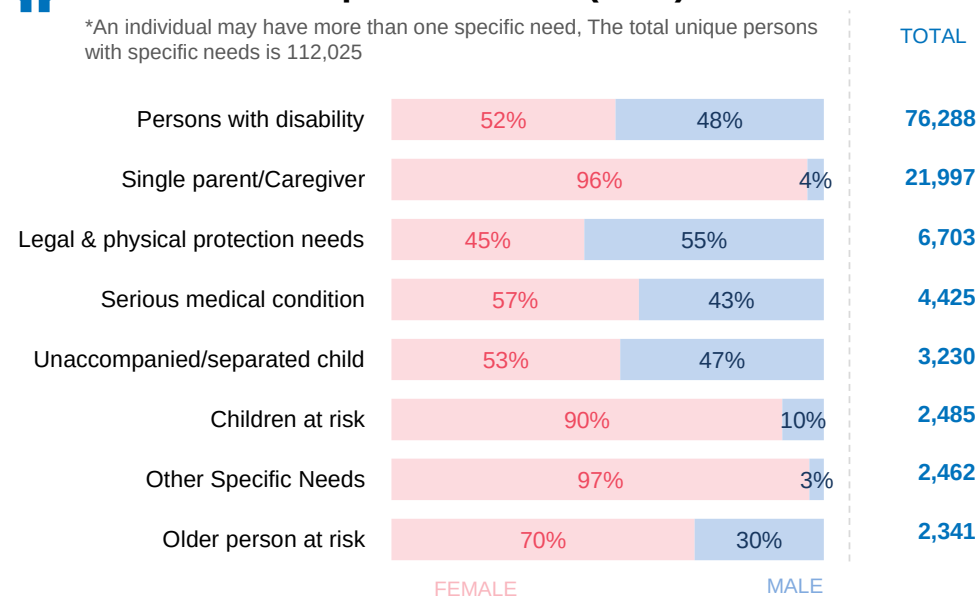
78% of the refugees are women and children, while 10% are individuals with specific needs including persons with disabilities, single parents, those with serious medical conditions, unaccompanied minors, older persons at risk, and others requiring legal and physical protection. 52% of the population is female and 48% male. The largest age group (44%) comprises adults aged 18–59. The average household has five members: 35% of families consist of 4–5 people, while 12% live in households of eight or more. "

The 33 camps in Cox's Bazar are densely populated: covering 23.6 square kilometers, the population density is of 47,000 one of the highest in the world.

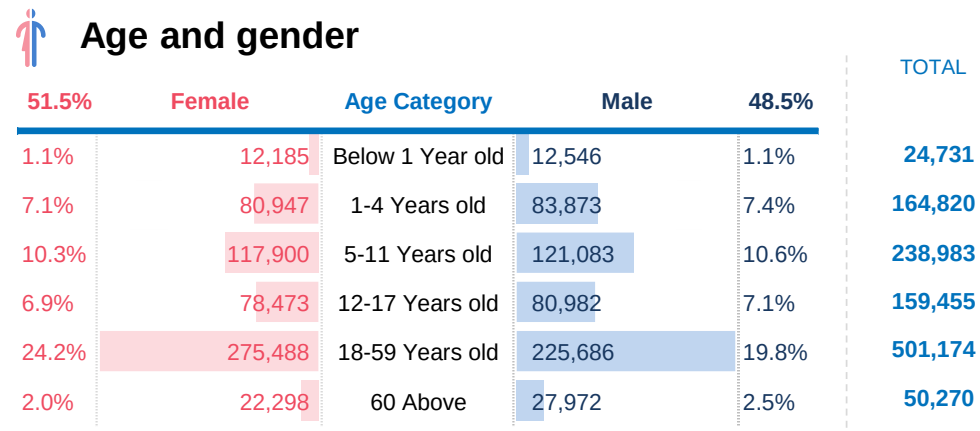


Persons with specific needs (PSN)

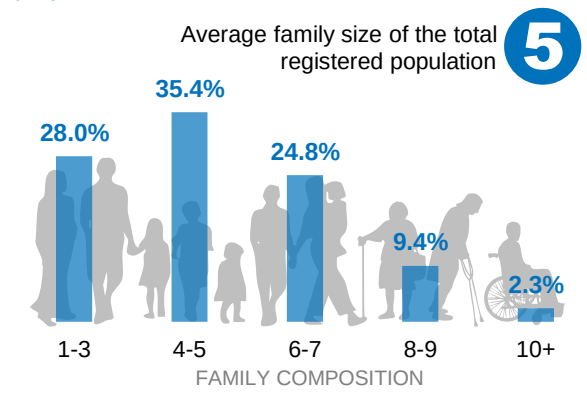
*An individual may have more than one specific need, The total unique persons with specific needs is 112,025



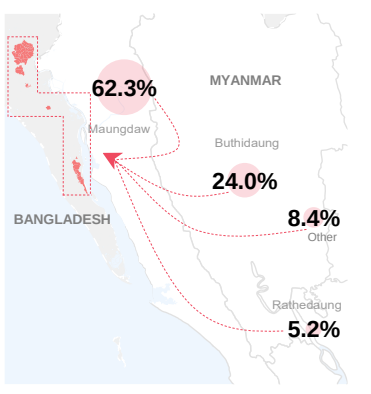
Age and gender



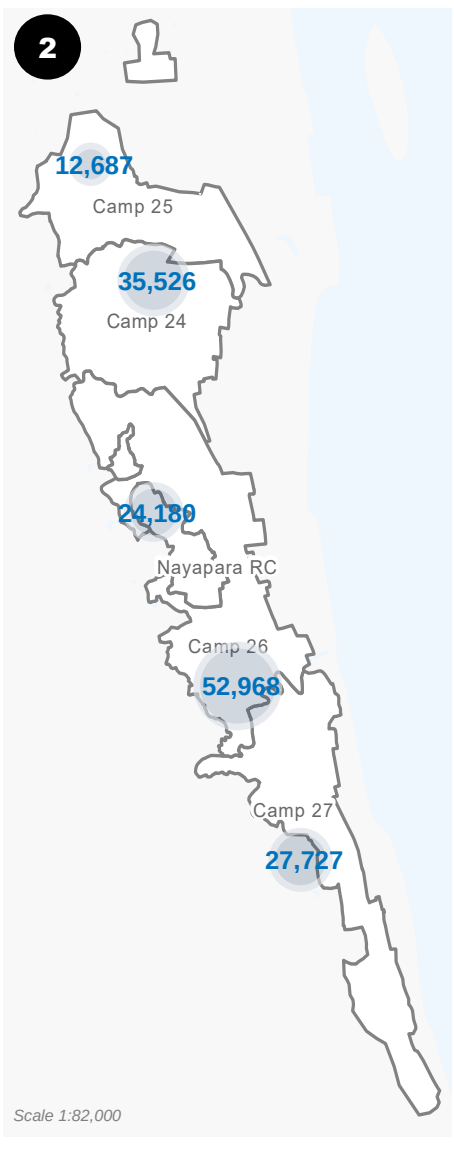
Family size

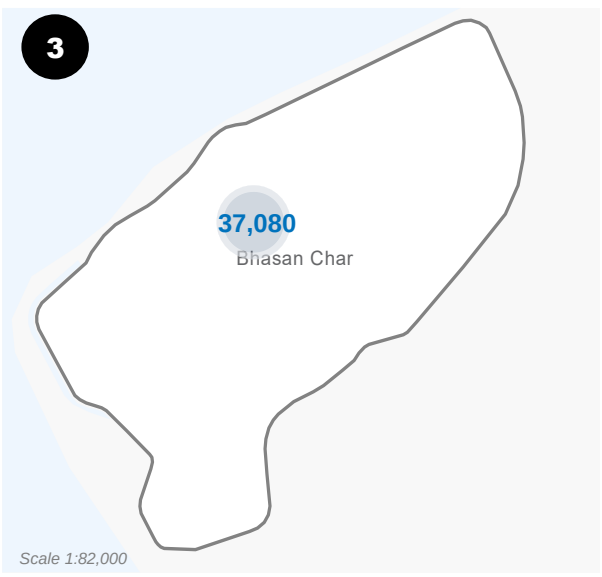


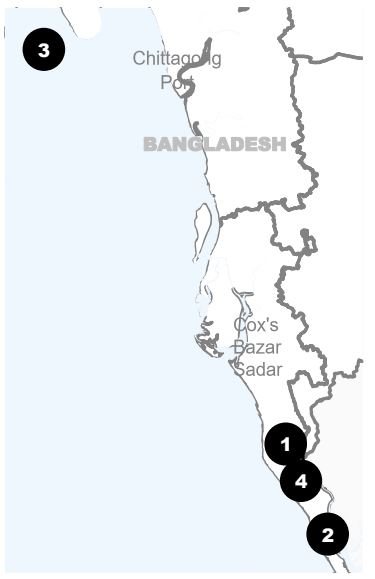
Place of origin

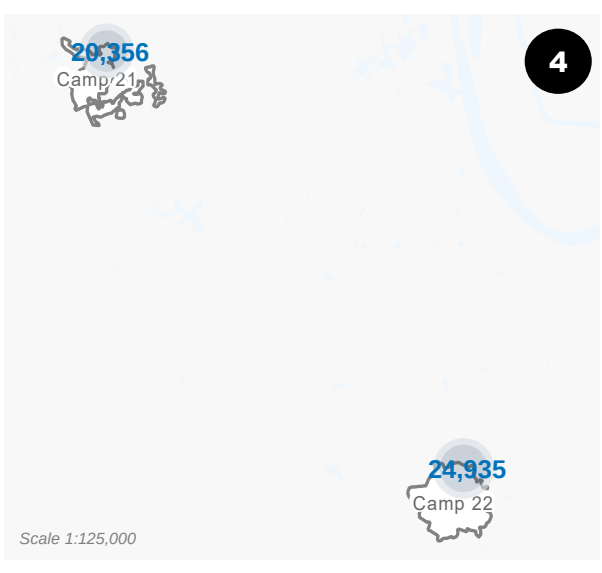


Geographic overview (Population by camp)









Legend

- # of refugees per camp
- Camp boundary
- Water body

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