REGIONAL BUREAU FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA

ONWARD MOVEMENTS OF REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

As of 30 April 2025

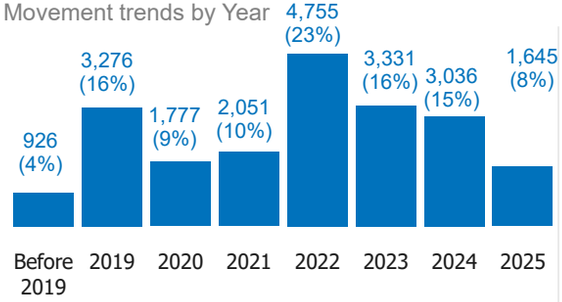
1,645

Movements captured in BIMS (Biometric Identity Management System) in Southern Africa region during the reporting period

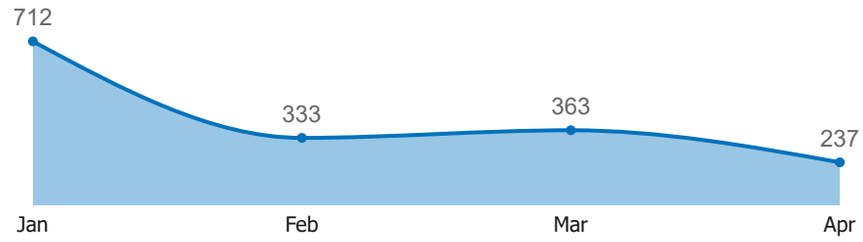
Profile of persons on the move

The individuals moving cross-border within the region include vulnerable profiles with the top three being those with Serious medical condition (1%), Single parent (2%) and Disability (1%). On a socio-economic overview, there are unemployed (13%), student (34%) and skilled (29%). The top three recorded skills include Market-oriented Skilled Agricultural Workers (3%), Car, Van and Motorcycle Driver (2%) and Sales Workers (1%).

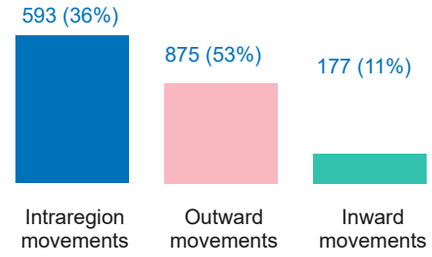
Movement trends by Year



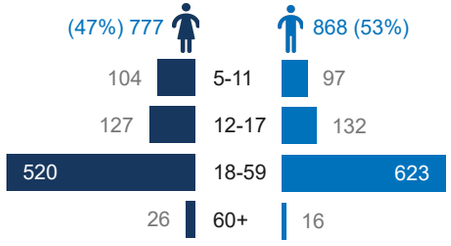
Movements trend by Month (in 2025)



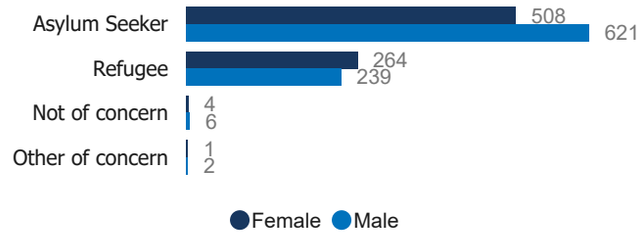
Direction of Movements



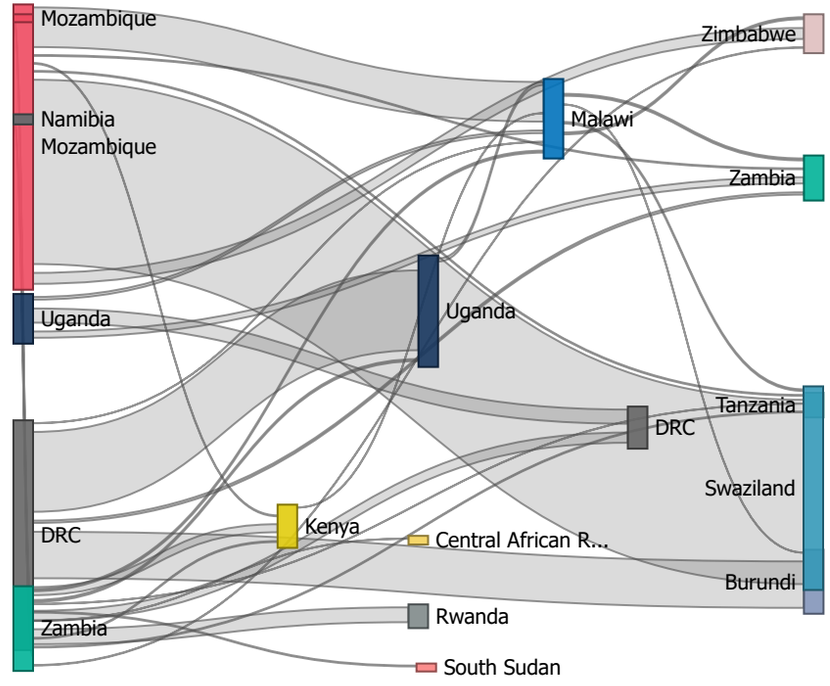
Movers demographics



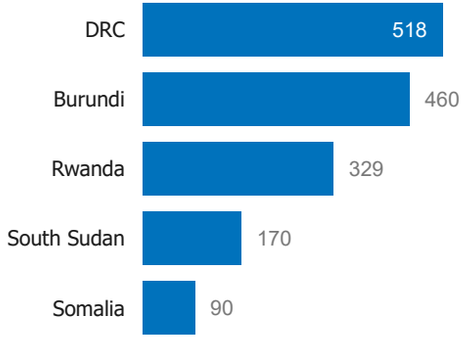
Movements by legal status and gender of movers



Onward movements (flow of 5 persons or above)



Top 5 **Nationalities** on the move



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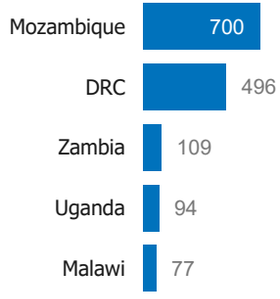

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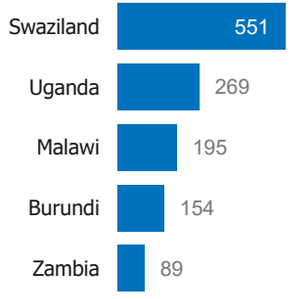

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