UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

REGIONAL BUREAU FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

SADC Region | Population of concern to UNHCR

as of 31-Oct-25

1.2M
Refugees and asylum seekers

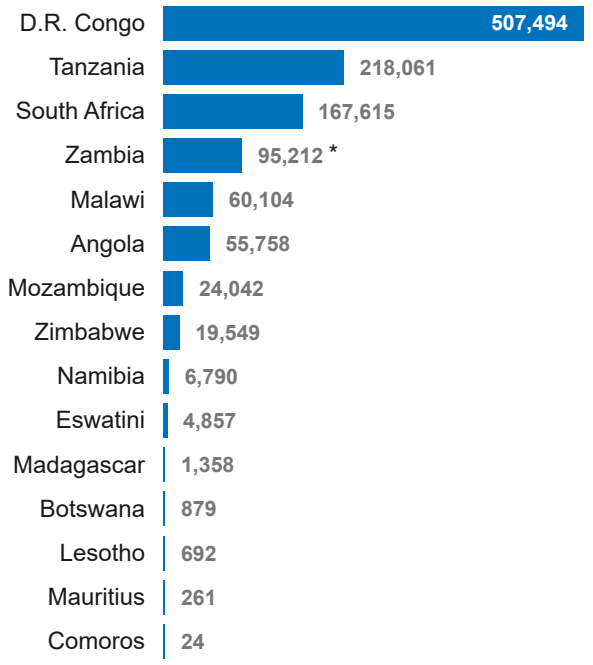
915K Refugees | **248K** Asylum seekers

6.5M
Internally Displaced Persons

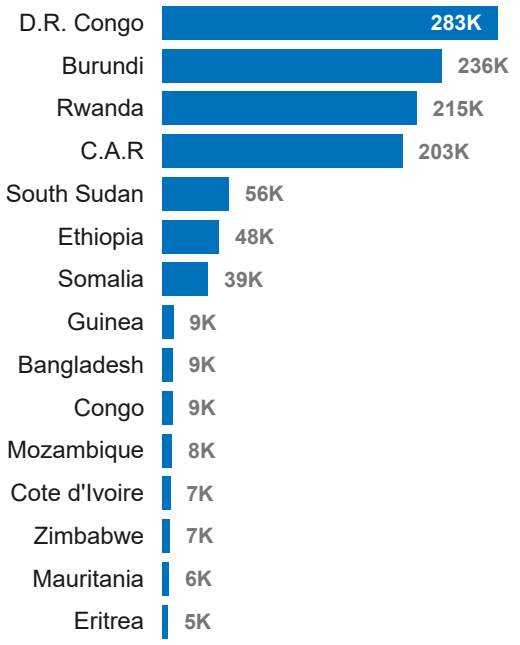
5.4M Conflict | **1.0M** Natural/Other

14.8K
Stateless Persons

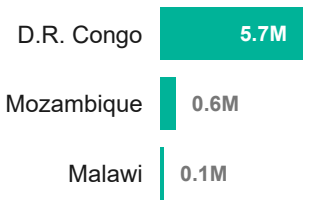
Refugees by Country of Asylum



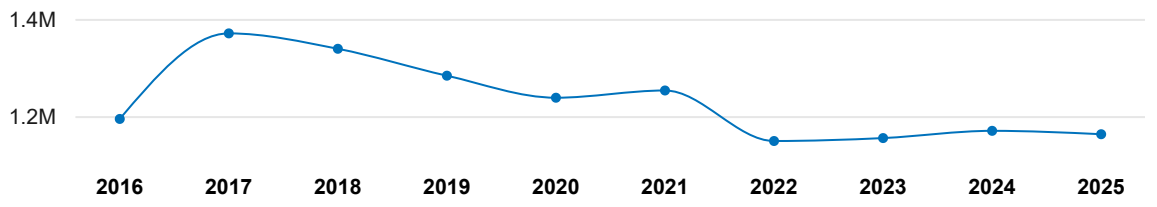
Refugees by Country of Origin



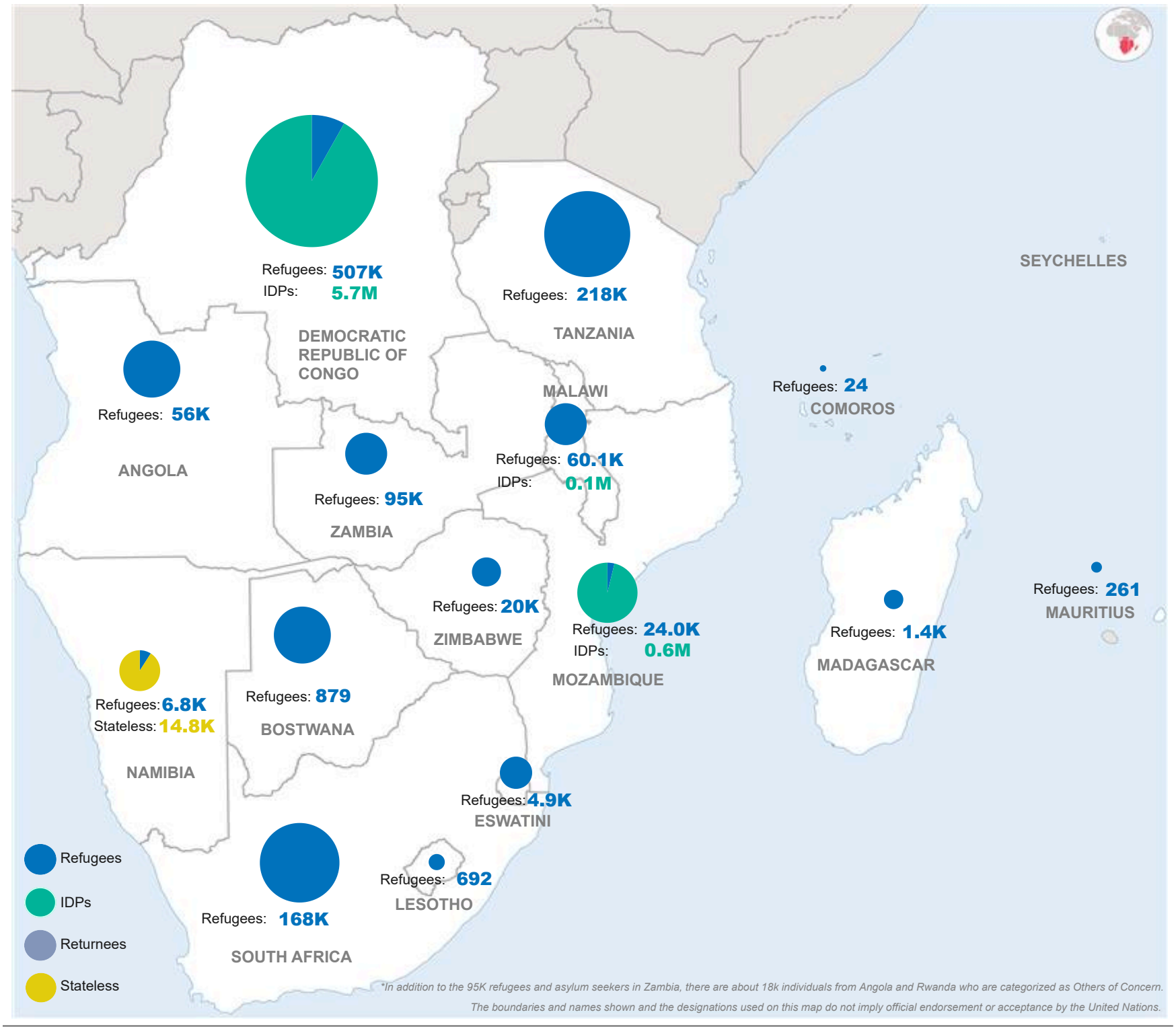
Internally Displaced Persons



Refugees annual trend of displacement | 2015 - 2025



Total Refugees, Asylum- Seekers, Refugees Returnees, Stateless and IDPs in the SADC Region



*In addition to the 95K refugees and asylum seekers in Zambia, there are about 18k individuals from Angola and Rwanda who are categorized as Others of Concern.

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