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The Mental Health Team continues specialised psychological individual consultations, focusing on children’s emotional management.

KEY FIGURES

75%

of Congolese refugees from Kasai in Lunda Norte are women and children

34,464

Congolese refugees in Lunda Norte Province biometrically registered. 26,664 individuals currently have active status to receive food assistance.

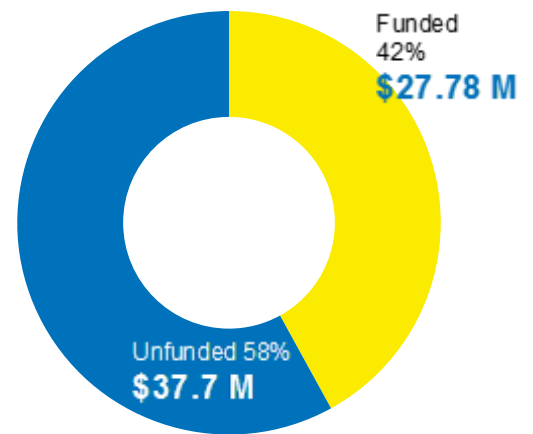
50,000

Planning figure for Congolese refugees from the Kasai region in northern Angola by the end of the

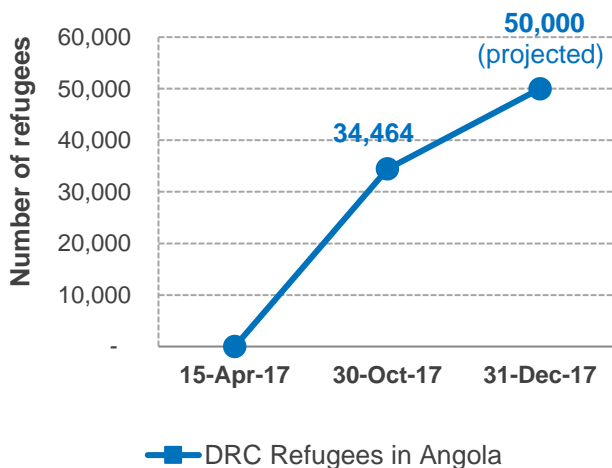
FUNDING AS OF 20 OCTOBER

USD 65,507,610

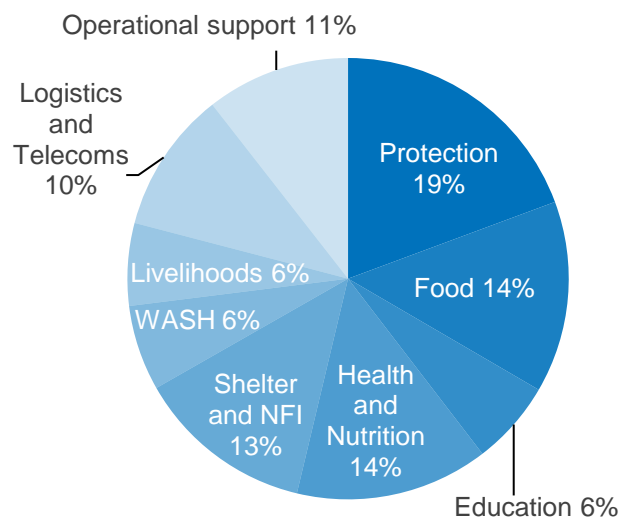
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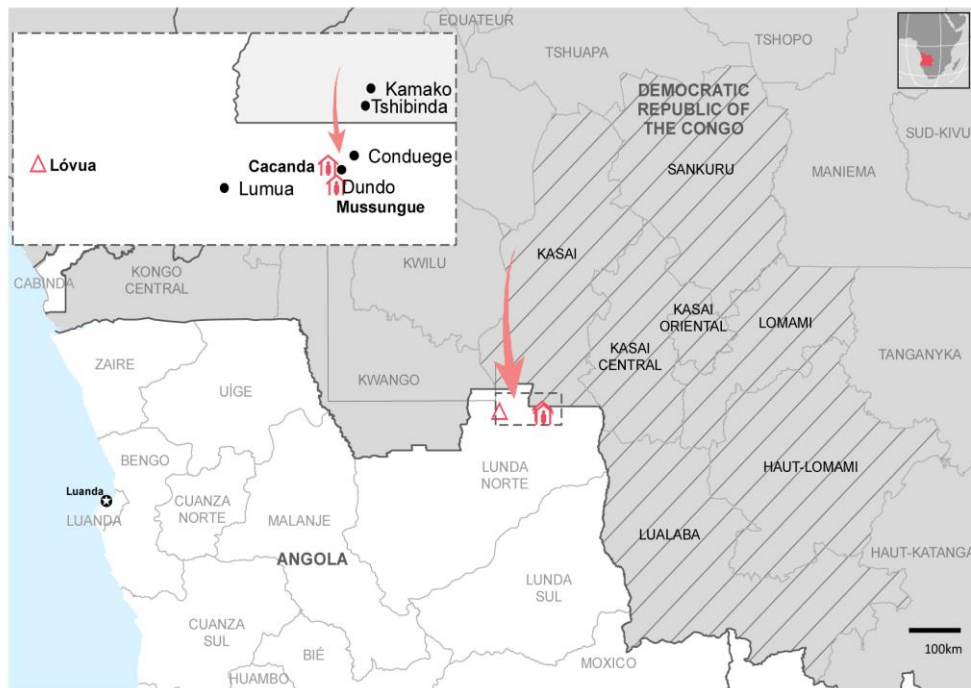


POPULATION TRENDS



FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS





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Areas affected by outbreak of violence since August 2016
 Refugee settlement
 Reception centre
 Congolese refugees

Operational Context

The outbreak of violence in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) in March 2017 triggered the internal displacement of some 1.4 million persons and the flight of over 33,000 refugees into Lunda Norte Province, Angola. Refugees have reported generalized violence, mass killings, mutilations, burning of property, destruction of villages, schools and churches, rape of women and girls and human rights abuses, as well as food shortage and the lack of access to basic services and goods. The Emergency Relief Coordinator declared an IASC System-Wide L3 Emergency Response for DRC focusing on the Kasai region, Tanganyika and South Kivu provinces, effective 20 October 2017.

The DRC-Angola border is a main artery for trade between the two countries; while the border is currently closed to trade and commerce, the Government of Angola (GoA) has kept an open door policy to welcome Congolese nationals fleeing as a result of the conflict. As the situation remains volatile in the Kasai region, humanitarian agencies in Angola have developed a response plan to assist an influx of 50,000 refugees by end December 2017. The interagency humanitarian response for the Congolese refugees covers the areas of protection, emergency shelter, food security and nutrition, non-food items, water, sanitation, hygiene, health and education until the end of 2017.

The voluntary relocation of refugees from Cacanda reception centre to the new settlement of Lóvua started on 8 August. Since then, 3,464 Congolese refugees from Mussungue and Cacanda reception centres relocated to the settlement in Lóvua, which has a total planned capacity for approximately 30,000 refugees. This settlement is expected to respond to the needs of all refugees living in Lunda Norte Province, and, if required, it has the capacity to accommodate the 2017 year-end planning figure of 50,000 people.

Heavy machinery in Lóvua will soon open primary and secondary roads. The construction company is concluding the topographic study to accelerate site development, and the installation of basic facilities to receive refugees, thereby increasing the pace of relocation to Lóvua.

Achievements



Achievements and Impact

- **Registration:** 34,464 refugees are biometrically **registered**, 26,664 of whom have active status and received food assistance in October 2017.
- **Changes in the population:** eight births and 44 cases of family reunification were registered, and 302 refugees (115 households) had their status reactivated to receive food assistance. Total of 1,226 refugees, who missed September and October general food distribution (GFD), were deactivated. Ninety-nine per cent of the no-show cases reside in Cacanda reception centre or in Dundo town.
- **Arrest and Detention:** Eight refugees detained by the police at the Cuduije migration screening centre were released following the intervention by protection partners. Reasons for detention are being investigated and analysed by the lawyers handling the cases.
- **Child Protection:** 26 families have been identified as possible foster-care families for the 34 Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASC) who are currently in Cacanda reception centre. Twenty-three out of the 26 families, assessed by the protection working group, were cleared for fostering.



Refugee families have been identified as possible foster-care families for the 34 Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASC) who are currently in Cacanda reception centre, Angola. © UNHCR / Margarida Loureiro



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

- **General Food Distribution (GFD):** 24,664 refugees (5,769 households) received food assistance in Cacanda and in Lóvua settlement. The overall global attendance rate was 92.5 per cent: 98 per cent in Lóvua and 87 per cent in Cacanda. Seventy-nine per cent of all beneficiaries were women and children.
- **Nutrition:** Distribution of *Super Cereal* and *Super Cereal Plus* does not currently cover all refugees in need. In order to reach the maximum beneficiaries, health and nutrition partners agreed to review and expand the age groups and the health status categories as of November to achieve better nutritional outcomes, in particular those children with Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM).
- 1,523 children were screened in Cacanda reception centre for malnutrition, and 62 were found to be at risk of malnutrition, 0.45 per cent were found with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) and 0.78 per cent with Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM). In Lóvua, 782 children were screened with zero per cent of SAM and GAM although 81 children are at risk of malnutrition.



HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

- **Primary health care and medical consultations:** General consultations decreased from 1,279 from the previous week to 1,177. In **Cacanda**, the main cause of **morbidity** remains malaria (27.6 per cent), followed by Upper Respiratory Tract Infections - URTI - (12.7 per cent) and Acute Watery Diarrhoea (9.7 per cent). **In Lóvua**, morbidity was related to Acute Watery Diarrhoea (32 per cent), followed by URTI (26 per cent) and malaria (11 per cent).
- **Sexual & Reproductive Health (SRH):** Antenatal (ANC) and Postnatal (PNC) care services continue. In Cacanda, 31 women received ANC consultations, 14 received first consultations and 17 follow-up ones; eight with malaria. In Lóvua, 18 ANC consultations took place with five new visits and 13 follow up ones.
- **Mental Health:** During the reporting period, 19 households received mental health care in Lóvua. The mental health team continues its home visits as well as their specialised psychological individual consultations focusing on children's emotional management (7-13 year-olds).

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- **Cacanda reception centre:** Last week health partners reported 12 suspected measles cases. Blood analyses are, so far, negative. Four children have instead been diagnosed with rubeola. Total of 2,026 children have been vaccinated against measles in both centres. The vaccination campaign will continue this week.



WATER AND SANITATION

Achievements and Impact

- **Sanitation:** Household latrine construction is ongoing along with hygiene promotion trainings and awareness raising. Some 30 families finished their individual latrines and showers and will receive sanitation kits to help them preserve their hygiene facilities.

Working in partnership

- Humanitarian and development partners, working on the ground and in the country on various projects, are actively supporting the Government of Angola to ensure adequate and effective response to the needs of the Congolese refugees. A weekly inter-agency coordination meeting is held in Luanda. In Dundo, weekly inter-agency meetings ensure a comprehensive and integrated operational response to the refugee situation. Sectorial working group coordination meetings on protection, WASH and health/nutrition are also organised weekly in Dundo.

Partners in the response:

- Angolan Red Cross Society
- CARITAS
- CICAJ - Centro de Investigação Científica e Assessoria Jurídica
- FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- IOM - International Organization for Migration
- JRS - Jesuit Refugee Service
- LWF - Lutheran World Federation
- MAG - Mine Advisory Group
- MdM - Médicos del Mundo
- MSF - Médecins Sans Frontières
- NCA - Norwegian Church Aid
- PIN - People in Need
- UNAIDS - The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
- UNDP - United Nations Development Programme
- UNDSS - United Nations Department for Safety and Security
- UNFPA - United Nations Population Fund
- UNHCR - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- UNICEF - United Nations' Children's Fund
- UNRCO - United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office
- WFP - World Food Programme
- WHO - World Health Organization
- WVI - World Vision International

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Financial requirements by agency:

Organization	Total (USD)
FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	1,030,000
IOM International Organization for Migration	1,869,438
IRS Jesuit Refugee Service	1,574,790
MAG Mine Advisory Group	585,000
UNAIDS The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS	400,000
UNDP United Nations Development Programme	2,550,000
UNDSS United Nations Department for Safety and Security	830,000
UNFPA United Nations Population Fund	1,367,414
UNHCR United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	36,705,352
UNICEF United Nations' Children's Fund	8,499,703
UNRCO United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office	100,000
WFP World Food Programme	9,100,000
WHO World Health Organization	895,913
Total	65,507,610

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