Uganda Refugee Emergency

4-9 June 2022

The conflict in North Kivu and Ituri provinces in neighbouring Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) continues. The situation remains unpredictable and complex. New arrivals are being received through three main entry points: Bunagana in Kisoro district, Busunga in Bundibugyo district and Mpondwe in Kasese district.

New arrivals received since 28 March are in addition to nearly 20,000 individuals who arrived from the DRC and South Sudan since the start of 2022. Out of the 28,661 new arrivals received in Kisoro since 28 March, 10,023 individuals remain at the holding area and transit centre as of 2 June 2022. A total of 885 individuals have been registered, during the reporting period, to be relocated to Nakivale settlement. Cumulatively, 6,015 individuals have been relocated to the settlements since 28 March 2022.

Currently, the transit and reception centers across the country are within existing capacity.

KEY FIGURES – NATIONAL LEVEL

62,256 ind (+1,674)

Total number of new arrivals in Uganda since the start of 2022 (change since last reporting period)
Data as of 9 June 2022

16,380 ind (-6,975)

Current population at transit and reception centers in Uganda (3,475 in West Nile and 12,905 in the South-West)
Data as of 9 June 2022

KEY FIGURES – KISORO DISTRICT

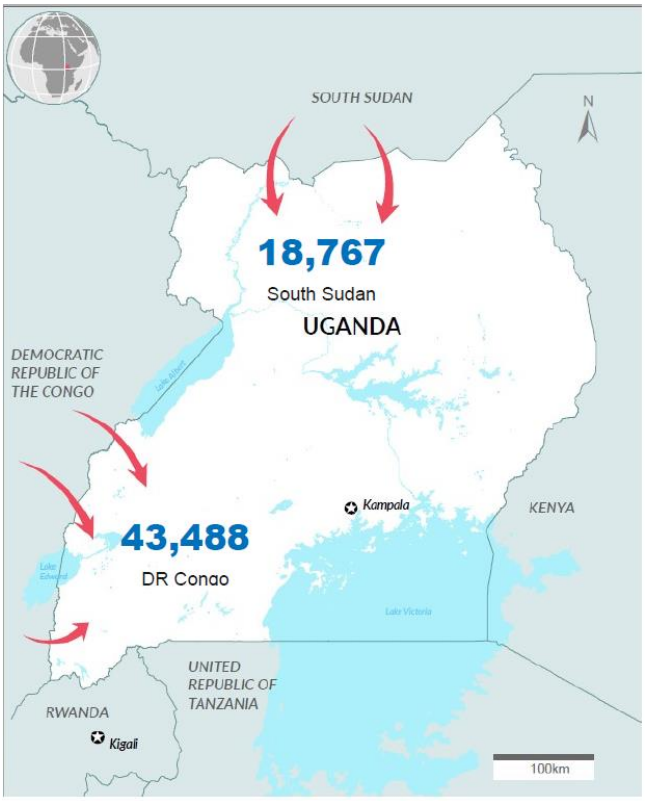
15.2 liters

Liters of water per person per day at the holding area
Data as of 9 June 2022

12 new COVID-19 cases

In isolation as of 9 *June 2022*

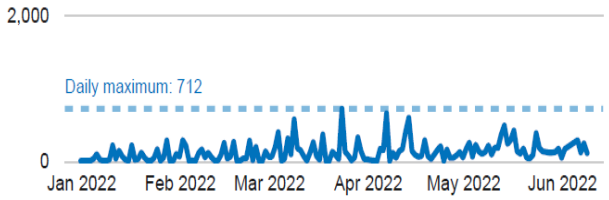
INFLUX MAP



ARRIVAL TRENDS

Uganda | New arrivals from South Sudan

1 January - 9 June 2022



Source: OPM and UNHCR

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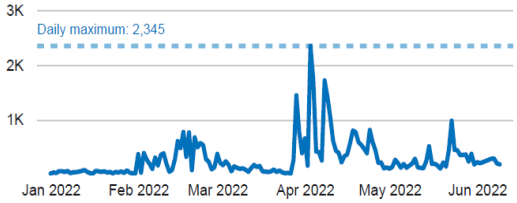

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Operational Context – Kisoro District

- The situation along the Kisoro border remained calm, with some fighting reported in the DRC in the afternoon of Friday 3 June 2022, forcing some individuals to flee to Uganda with few willing to be transported to the transit center.
- The total population transported and received at the transit center in the week was 1,220 individuals, with an average of 174 individuals per day. Current population after the head counts in Kisoro as of June 9, 2022 is 10,023 (7621 at the holding area; 2,402 at the transit centre).
- A total of 638 individuals (376 households) were enrolled into biometrics registration, bringing the number of new arrivals ready for relocation to Nakivale to 885 (509 households). A convoy to Nakivale is planned for Monday 13 June 2022. Cumulatively, 6,015 new arrivals from 3,031 households have been relocated to settlements since 28 March 2022.
- A total of 844 new arrivals have tested for COVID-19 within week with 12 positive results. This is a notable increase from the four positive results last week. Cumulatively, 21,099 tests have been done since 28 March 2022 with 43 positive results. Currently there are 15 active cases in isolation.
- During the week, 2,607 individuals were vaccinated against cholera. Cumulatively, 18,842 and 2,964 individuals have received the first and second dose of the oral cholera vaccine respectively since the start of the campaign.
- Water supply access level remains stable at 15.2 litres per person per day at the holding area and 17 at the transit centre. Supply is from National Water & Sewerage Corporation (NWSC) and water trucking.
- A two-day training was organized by CARE in coordination with UNHCR and Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) on Gender Based Violence (GBV) on 8-9 June 2022. Participants included Police, Probation office, Community Development Office, Sub- County and partner staff. The training aimed at increasing knowledge and understanding on sexual gender–based violence, building skills in GBV prevention and response to ensure greater safety for new arrivals at the holding area and transit centre.

Impact and Achievements

- **FOOD SECURITY** A total of 12,466 new arrivals were served with hot meals (1,523 from transit centre and 10,943 from holding area).
- **HEALTH AND NUTRITION:** The current proxy global acute malnutrition decreased from 15.7% to 13.6% for pregnant and lactating women and 3% to 2.7% for children aged under five years. Under the blanket supplementary feeding programme, 1,762 individuals were served of which 1,428 were children under five years and 334 were pregnant and lactating women. Currently, 239 individuals are enrolled on the targeted supplementary feeding programme with 100% cure rates.
- **CHILD PROTECTION:** A total of 74 children at risk were identified by CAFOMI and Save the Children. Cumulatively, there are 1,282 children at

risk receiving a range of support including temporary foster care, support to be in contact with their families or reunified with them. War Child Holland provided play therapy to 645 (253 male and 392 female) children at the holding area and transit center. A total of 144 (61 male and 83 female) parents and caregivers at the holding center received psycho-social education to promote positive parenting.

A Team-up play therapy session at the holding centre on 8 June.2022

- **PERSONS WITH SPECIFIC NEEDS (PSNs):** Fifty-seven PSNs were identified and documented during the week, with 14 shelter visits conducted to identify new protection concerns for the PSNs. A total of 31 new arrivals were provided assistive devices such as elbow crutches, single tip canes, lumber belts and fastum gel. The new arrivals were also trained on use and maintenance of the assistive devices.
- **MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT:** To strengthen community and family support systems and enhance positive coping mechanisms, the partners reached 09 females and 78 males through adult group counselling sessions.
- **WASH:** Médecins Sans Frontières has installed a 10,000-litre capacity tank in the outpatient department. Partners conducted routine and daily water quality monitoring and treatment.
- **SANITATION AND SOLID WASTE:** UNHCR and partners maintained all sanitary facilities (latrines and bath shelters) through regular cleaning. There is also routine solid waste management through collection of waste from the bins to the compost pit.
- **SHELTER:** Two foundations for setting up communal dining halls and an overnight shelter have been set up by Norwegian Refugee Council.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- A minimum of 2.5 km of chain link fencing is required around the holding area for security and protection reasons.
- Need for two additional dining and four lining/serving shades and two kitchen sheds for firewood storage.
- Increased and continuous sensitization to address hygiene and sanitation issues in the holding area. In addition, there is need for WASH supplies and such as personal protective equipment.
- Need for human resource to support with the casual WASH-related works.

Operational Context – Kasese and Bubukwanga

- In Bwera holding area, 26 new arrivals were received. The cumulative population at the holding area as of 9 June 2022 is 137 individuals. Of these, 69% are children and 31% adults. A total of 130 individuals (33 households), against a total of 137, are enrolled in the biometric identity management system and ready for relocation to Rwamwanja refugee settlement on Friday, 10 June 2022.
- During the week, 38 individuals were received at Bubukwanga. All arrivals are from Nobili-DRC (Mubwisi tribe). The cumulative population at the transit centre is 118 with 44% children and 56% adults. A total of 75 new arrivals have been registered, awaiting relocation to the refugee settlement.

New Arrival Trends Across the Country

- There is an increase of 743 new arrivals from South Sudan and 931 from DR Congo since the last reporting period.
- In the transit and reception centers there are 16,380 individuals with 3,475 in West Nile (+279 compared to last reporting period) and 12,905 in South-West (-7,254 compared to last reporting period).

Working in partnership – National level

- 44 partners have appealed for 47.8M USD to respond to the emergency.
- Partners are requested to report on funding received through ActivityInfo.

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LINKS

Uganda Refugee Response – Emergency Appeal (April-June 2022)