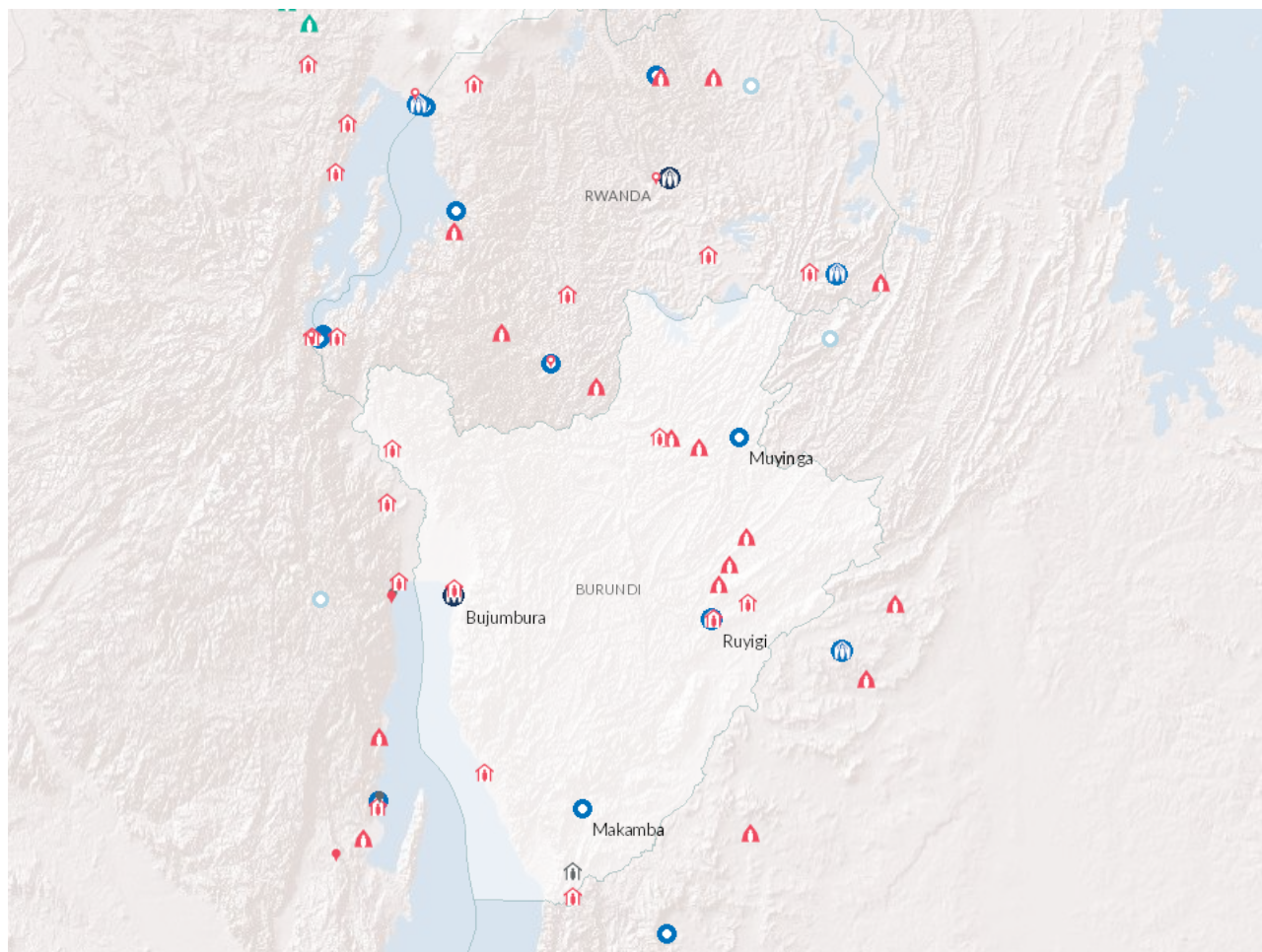


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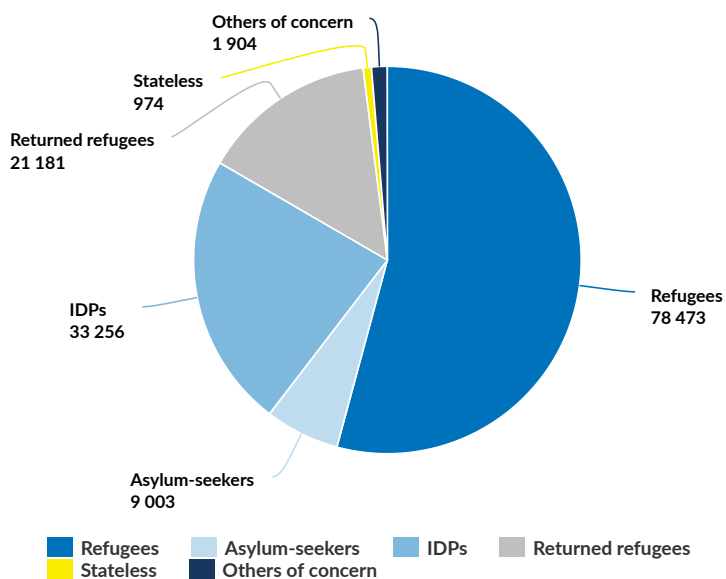


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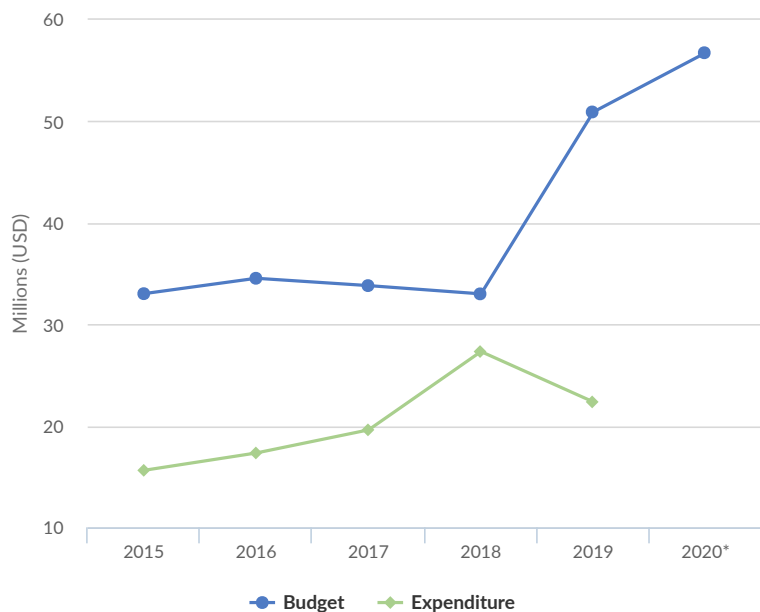
People of Concern

DECREASE IN
7% 2019

2019	144,791
2018	156,392
2017	195,530



Budgets and Expenditure for Burundi



Operational environment

UNHCR operations in Burundi were affected by a deepening socio-economic situation and humanitarian crisis characterized by high malnutrition rates and limited livelihood opportunities. Burundi's protection environment remained complex throughout 2019. Challenges in UNHCR and Government relations constrained humanitarian access. The Government's efforts to enforce 2017 legislation, requiring ethnic quotas for the Burundian staff of international NGOs, resulted in some partners discontinuing their operations in Burundi. Protection delivery and response, as well as durable solutions for protracted refugee caseloads, were impacted as a result.

Despite significant funding gaps in the response plan for refugees in Burundi, the country continued to uphold its open-door asylum policy, hosting over 87,000 refugees and asylum-seekers – most of whom were from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

A persistent pattern of human rights violations which led over 400,000 Burundian nationals to flee since April 2015 remained largely unresolved, while new political tensions in the lead-up to the May 2020 elections drove more Burundians into exile. Conditions remained thus un conducive to large-scale, sustainable return. Nonetheless, UNHCR continued to facilitate the repatriation of Burundian refugees on a voluntary basis, mainly from the United Republic of Tanzania (Tanzania), as well as small numbers from Kenya and the DRC. The regional refugee response and reintegration plans for Burundian returnees, however, both remain largely underfunded.

At the Global Refugee Forum in December 2019, Burundi pledged to finalize its accession to both statelessness conventions.

Population trends

The total number of refugees and asylum-seekers in Burundi stood at nearly 87,500 – representing a 12% increase from 2018 and including over 11,300 refugees and asylum-seekers fleeing insecurity from the DRC's South Kivu province. Nearly 21,200 Burundian refugees returned during the year, with most returning from Tanzania. According to IOM, nearly 80,700 Burundians were internally displaced throughout the year, largely due to natural disasters (floods) and climate-change resulting in food insecurity. Burundi was also host to nearly 1,000 Omani nationals who were at risk of statelessness.

Key achievements

A new carbon-free refugee camp was built in Nyankanda, Ruyigi, with a solar-powered biomass briquettes production unit, which supplements insufficient cooking fuels and provides both refugees and host communities with income-generating activities. A new returnee transit center was built in Kinazi, Muyinga, to temporarily accommodate arriving returnees. A partnership agreement was signed with Lumitel for mobile money transfers to refugees and returnees in order to implement cash-based interventions. Returnee monitoring was undertaken in all areas of return to inform programming.

Unmet needs

- The Burundi operation received 45% of required funds in 2019. The lack of funding impacted the level of assistance that was provided in both urban and camp refugee settings.
- Minimum standards in water and sanitation were unmet, also as a result of underfunding, as was the provision of food assistance, non-food items and core relief items including hygienic kits in transit centers and camps.
- Owing to budget constraints UNHCR was not able to provide capacity building for government authorities and technical staff on international protection and asylum management. Further, budget constraints led to a shortfall in legal aid for refugee status determination, and delays in obtaining card printers and cartridges in order to print refugee identification cards.
- Activities targeted at IDPs were limited, which hampered the mainstreaming of protection across all sectors.

2019 Expenditure for Burundi | USD

The following table presents the final budget and funds available by pillar and the final expenditure at the objective-level, as reported at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 3 Reintegration projects	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Final Budget	46,825,982	12,017	2,000,000	2,086,596	50,924,595
Income from contributions*	13,657,236	0	0	0	13,657,236
Other funds available / transfers	9,402,635	0	0	354,455	9,757,091
Total funds available	23,059,871	0	0	354,455	23,414,326
Expenditure by Objective					
Favourable Protection Environment					
Legal remedies and legal assistance	319,161	0	0	0	319,161
Subtotal	319,161	0	0	0	319,161
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation					
Reception conditions	284,929	0	0	0	284,929
Registration and profiling	653,412	0	0	0	653,412
Status determination	580,874	0	0	0	580,874
Individual documentation	176,997	0	0	0	176,997
Civil status documentation	167,412	0	0	0	167,412
Subtotal	1,863,623	0	0	0	1,863,623
Security from Violence and Exploitation					
SGBV prevention and response	826,068	0	0	0	826,068
Child protection	348,152	0	0	0	348,152
Subtotal	1,174,220	0	0	0	1,174,220
Basic Needs and Essential Services					
Health	1,447,587	0	0	0	1,447,587
Reproductive health and HIV/ Aids response	311,940	0	0	0	311,940
Nutrition	156,219	0	0	0	156,219
Food security	252,915	0	0	0	252,915
Water	267,100	0	0	0	267,100
Sanitation and hygiene	478,987	0	0	0	478,987
Shelter and infrastructure	677,995	0	0	0	677,995
Energy	995,624	0	0	0	995,624
Basic and domestic and hygiene Items	564,108	0	0	0	564,108
Services for persons with specific needs	198,805	0	0	0	198,805
Education	663,154	0	0	0	663,154
Subtotal	6,014,433	0	0	0	6,014,433
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance					
Community mobilization	233,929	0	0	0	233,929
Co-existence with local communities	371,495	0	0	0	371,495
Self-reliance and livelihoods	522,037	0	0	0	522,037
Subtotal	1,127,461	0	0	0	1,127,461
Durable Solutions					
Voluntary return	5,156,791	0	0	0	5,156,791
Reintegration	499,292	0	0	0	499,292
Integration	149,593	0	0	0	149,593
Resettlement	851,519	0	0	0	851,519
Subtotal	6,657,195	0	0	0	6,657,195
Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships					

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 3 Reintegration projects	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Coordination and partnerships	134,111	0	0	60,658	194,768
Camp management and coordination	645,193	0	0	0	645,193
Donor relations	365,938	0	0	0	365,938
Subtotal	1,145,241	0	0	60,658	1,205,899
Logistics and Operations Support					
Supply chain and logistics	2,773,232	0	0	17,725	2,790,956
Operations management, coordination and support	1,203,329	0	0	0	1,203,329
Subtotal	3,976,561	0	0	17,725	3,994,285
Headquarters and Regional Support					
Policy development	1	0	0	0	1
Subtotal	1	0	0	0	1
2019 Expenditure Total	22,277,896	0	0	78,382	22,356,278

**Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the "New or additional activities - mandate-related" (NAM) Reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar 1.*