

UNHCR D.R. Congo Fact Sheet

31 May 2014

UNHCR operational highlights

- UNHCR successfully finished the voluntary repatriation of Congolese refugees coming from Batalimo in CAR, assisting a total of 6,241 beneficiaries.
- In North & South Kivu, a total of 7,332 protection incidents were reported through UNHCR protection monitoring, highlighting the major protection challenges that are present in those two Provinces.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR has made two transit centers available in Equateur Province and is providing food assistance in cooperation with WFP and local authorities to citizens from the DRC who have been expelled from the Republic of Congo.

Refugees in the DRC as of 31 May 2014

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	TOTAL
Rwanda*	41,766
Central African Republic**	58,825
Burundi	9,764
Uganda	1,211
Sudan	3,306
Republic of Congo	673
Angola	558
Others	40
Total	116,174

During the Tripartite Commission meeting held in Kigali on 20-21 June 2013 it was agreed that the DRC Government, with support from UNHCR, would conduct activities, among them identification and registration of Rwandan refugees as well as a survey of return intentions. In this context the DRC Government, through the Commission nationale pour les réfugiés (CNR), has been able to identify over 185,000 individuals. Preliminary review of the data collected has shown that 30% of the persons approached by the national authorities have indicated that they intend to return.

***More than 45,230 refugees recently arrived in DRC*

Other people of concern

Some 71,755 former Angolan refugees live in DRC, including 23,940 candidates registered for voluntary repatriation and 47,815 candidates who have opted for local integration.

IDPs in DRC

Province	Number	IDPs displacement sites in Noth Kivu	Number
North Kivu	1,076,745	Masisi (17 sites)	101,393
South Kivu	518,201	Rutshuru (12 sites)	35,975
Katanga	500,284	Walikale (1 site)	2,328
Oriental Province	366,802	Goma (1 site)	10,153
Maniema	172,840		
Total*	2,634,872	Total (31 sites)	149,849

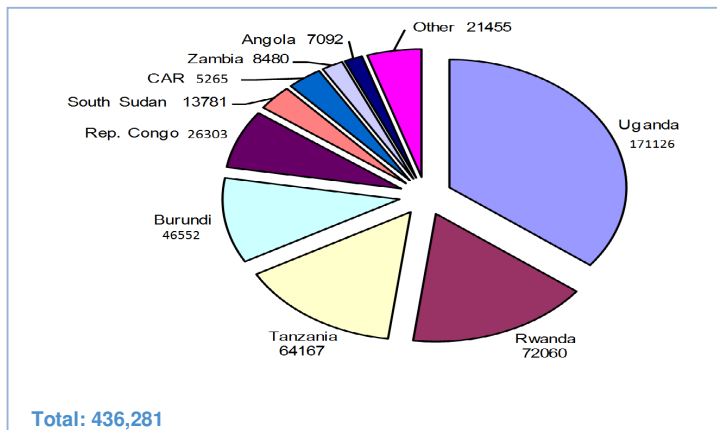
**Source: OCHA - 31 December 2013 (Quarterly statistics)*

Working with partners

Together with the DRC Government authorities, in particular the National Commission for Refugees (CNR), UNHCR manages and implements humanitarian assistance and protection for refugees, returnees and internally displaced persons. Within the collaborative approach, support is delivered jointly with MONUSCO, WFP, UNICEF, OCHA, UNDP, UNFPA, WHO, FAO, UNHABITAT and IOM among other agencies and NGOs. UNHCR leads the Protection cluster. UNHCR is also the lead of the Protection and Prevention component of the Comprehensive Strategy to Combating SGBV in DRC, under the STAREC.

In the field, assistance is delivered together with 14 implementing partners: ADES, ADSSE, AGIR POUR LE GENRE, AIDES, AIRD, CNR, COOPI, ERUKIN, IEDA, INTERSOS, MIDEFEHOPF, SFCG, TSF and WFWI.

DRC REFUGEES IN Africa as of 31 May 2014



Return of Congolese refugees, 2011 – 31 May 2014

PROVINCE	2011	2012	2013	2014	TOTAL
Equateur	12,388	46,318	62,527	18,064	139,297
Nord-Kivu	7,147	16,813	-	-	23,960
Sud-Kivu	537	327	286	10	1,160
P.Orientale	837	8,317	5,078	-	14,232
Katanga	67	47	131	-	245
Kinshasa	57	21	34	-	112
Total	21,033	71,843	68,056	18,047	179,006

UNHCR 2014 Budget (in USD)

POPULATION	BUDGET
Refugees and asylum-seekers in DRC	20,835,825
Central African Refugees in DRC	75,371,374
Total Refugees and asylum-seekers in DRC	96,207,199
Refugees and asylum-seekers in Gabon	852,671
Stateless	2,552,534
Returnees	39,068,662
IDPs	77,680,167
Total Budget	216,361,233

USD 216,361,233 represents funds UNHCR is seeking for programs in DRC (also covering Gabon).

Achievements

- **18,064** DRC refugees returned from the Republic of Congo (RoC) to Equateur Province since the beginning of this year. The voluntary repatriation operation started on 5 May 2012. Since then UNHCR and partners assisted **126,909** individuals to return to Equateur.
- UNHCR has organized the voluntary repatriation of **6,241** DRC refugees from the Central African Republic. The operation ended on May 5th 2014.
- By the end of May 2014 the caseload of refugees from the Central African Republic relocated to the 4 camps in Equateur and Oriental provinces had reached **29,757** persons (**29,279** in Equateur and **478** in Oriental Province) out of a total of **58,536** refugees.
- Some **2,552** Rwandan refugees returned to Rwanda from Bukavu and Goma with UNHCR's support during the month of May 2014.



UNHCR staff

266 national staff, 60 international staff, 36 United Nations Volunteers and 10 consultants.

UNHCR Presence

Ango, Bondo, Buburu, Bukavu, Bunia, Dongo, Dungu, Gbadolite, Goma, Kalemie, Kinshasa, Libenge, Lubumbashi, Mbandaka, Rutshuru, Uvira, Zongo

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