UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

REGIONAL BUREAU FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA

Refugees, asylum seekers, returnees and IDPs

as of 30-Sep-26

6.5M Refugees and asylum seekers
- 5.8M Refugees
- 754K Asylum seekers

16.7M Internally Displaced Persons
- 13.4M Conflict
- 3.3M Natural disasters

780K Refugee returnees in 2026

111K Stateless Persons

Sudan Situation



- 4.5M Sudanese Refugees
- 910K Refugees in Sudan
- 554K Returnees in 2026
- 8.6M IDPs in Sudan

South Sudan Situation



- 2.5M SSD Refugees
- 664K Refugees in SSD
- 120K Returnees in 2026
- 2.0M IDPs in South Sudan

Ethiopia Situation



- 157K Ethiopian Refugees
- 1.1M Refugees in Ethiopia
- 1.0K Returnees in 2026
- 1.9M IDPs in Ethiopia

Somalia Situation



- 960K Somali Refugees
- 34K Refugees in SOM
- 521 Returnees in 2026
- 3.3M IDPs in Somalia

Burundi Situation



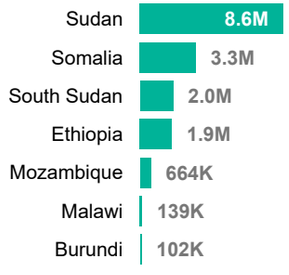
- 221K Burundi Refugees
- 153K Refugees in Burundi
- 101K Returnees in 2026
- 102K IDPs in Burundi

DRC Situation

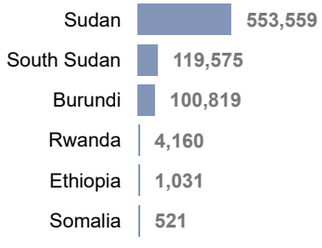


- 1.3M Congolese Refugees
- 596K Refugees in DRC
- 23K Returnees in 2026
- 6.1M IDPs in DRC

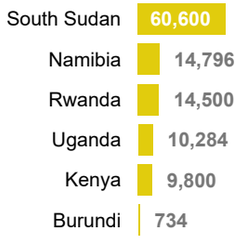
Total IDPs



Refugee returnees in 2026



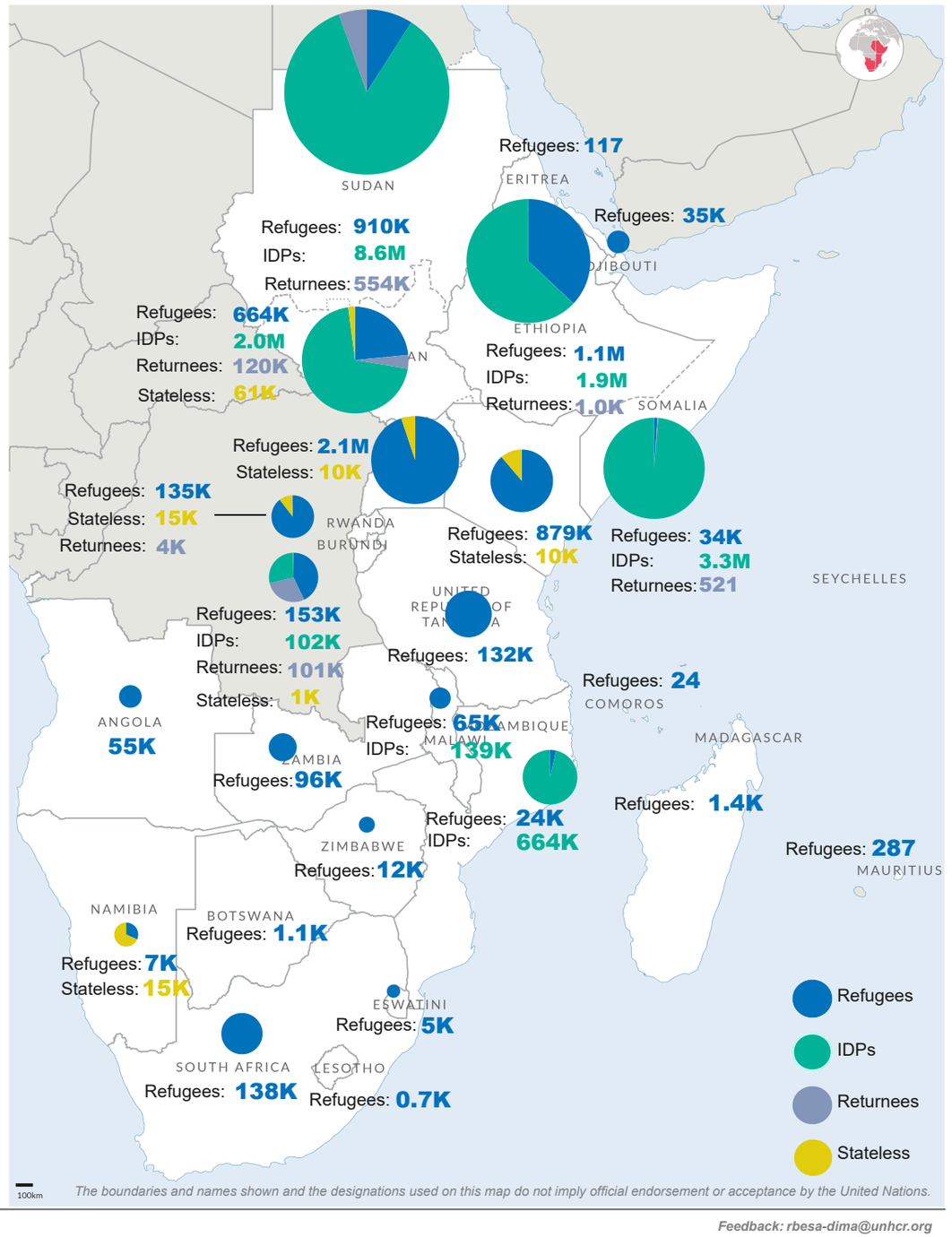
Stateless persons



Refugees by CoA



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



Sources: Governments, UNHCR, IOM

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