

Zambia

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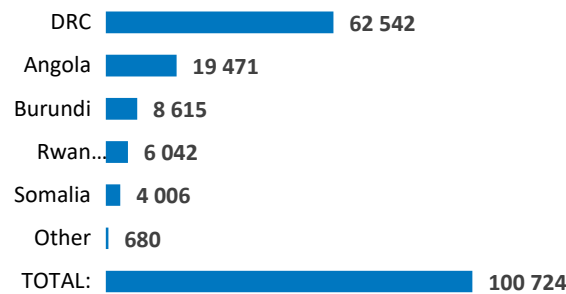
Some **4,225 new asylum-seekers arrived** in Zambia between 1 January and 31 August 2021. Some **75 per cent are from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)**. There are also an estimated 12,404 self-settled refugees.

Resettlement cases for some **385 refugees** were submitted to resettlement countries in the first half of 2021. **Some 259 of them have departed for resettlement** to Sweden, Canada, Finland, Netherlands and the USA.

Cash-based assistance is a mainstay in a sustainable response. Some **10,493 refugees and asylum-seekers have received cash-based assistance** since January 2021.

POPULATION OF CONCERN BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (AS OF 31 AUGUST)

100,724

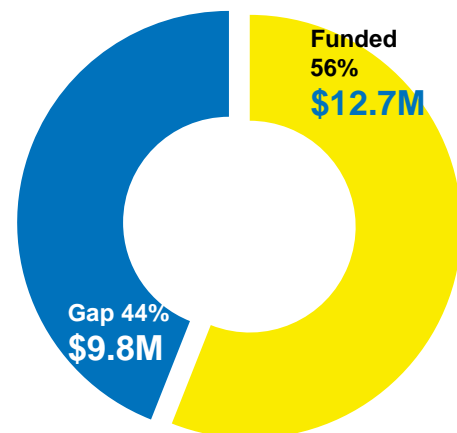


* Other Nationalities include the Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Liberia, Namibia, Nigeria, State of Palestine, Sierra Leone, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, and Zimbabwe.

FUNDING (AS OF 13 SEPTEMBER)

USD 22.5 million

Requested for the Zambia situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff: 104

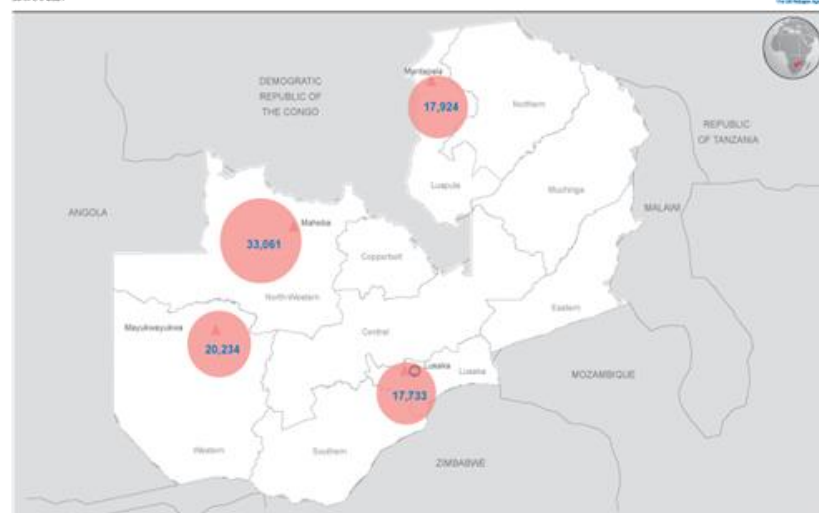
- 52 National Staff
- 24 International staff
- 28 Affiliate Staff

Offices:

- 1 Representation Office in Lusaka
- 2 Field Offices in Kawambwa and Solwezi
- 1 Field unit in Kaoma

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Map of presence of PoCs per location
as of 31 August 2021



OPERATIONAL CONTEXT

The Government of Zambia leads and coordinates the refugee response in line with its commitments under the Global Compact on Refugees (GCR) and the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework (CRRF). Under the 2017 Refugee Act, the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees, within the Ministry of Home Affairs, is mandated to deal with refugee matters. UNHCR coordinates the refugee response, and provides protection and assistance. The response to the ongoing arrival of refugees from DRC is coordinated by a committee composed of key line ministries, the UN Resident Coordinator's Office and UNHCR. The Ministry of Home Affairs chairs the Committee.

WORKING WITH PARTNERS

UNHCR works closely with the Office of the Commissioner for Refugees in the Ministry of Home Affairs and other key line ministries. The coordination and management of refugee settlements is led by the Government under the Refugee Coordination Model.

UNHCR works in partnership with the United Nations Country Team and NGO partners, including Action Africa Help, Plan International, Caritas Czech Republic, CARE International and World Vision Zambia.

KEY INDICATORS

46% of registered people of concern are female.

358 people of concern have received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of whom 234 have also received the second dose.

4,825 people of concern have been tested for COVID-19 since March 2020, with 102 positive cases, 100 recoveries and 2 deaths.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

- UNHCR and partners support the Government to provide community-based protection and social support. These activities reach 17,924 people of concern in urban areas of Lusaka, 33,061 people in Meheba refugee settlement and 20,234 people in Mayukwayukwa refugee settlement, both in the North Western Province, and 17,924 people in Mantapala settlement in Luapula Province.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

UNHCR is grateful for donor contributions to the Zambia operation.

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UNHCR is also grateful for unearmarked contributions made at the global level, which allow UNHCR critical flexibility to reach people in the greatest need and at the greatest risk.

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