



Hajira carries water containers to a tap-stand near her shelter in Dadaab Refugee Camp. © UNHCR/Samuel Otieno

Key Figures

654,147 registered refugees and asylum seekers from over 20 countries.

284,168 residing in Kakuma Refugee Camp and the Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement and **280,466** in Dadaab refugee camps.

164,000 refugee learners enrolled in schools.

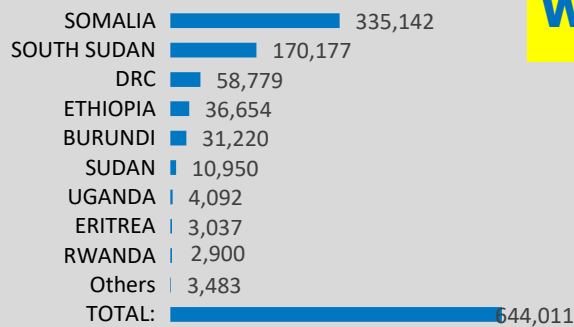
42,697 medical consultations conducted in Dadaab refugee camp clinics this month

1,937 refugees departed through resettlement this year.

40% of financial requirements for UNHCR Kenya received.

The operation is under-funded and continues to seek additional, flexible funds from government donors and private companies and individuals.

Country of Origin



What's going on in Kenya



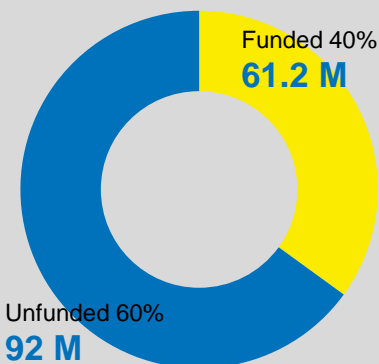
Ambassador Al Suwaidi takes time to speak to Hajira, a Somali refugee who recently arrived in Dadaab. ©UNHCR/Samuel Otieno

High profile climate mission to Dadaab

Director General and Special Representative of COP28, Ambassador Majid Al Suwaidi, travelled to Dadaab refugee camps on 5 September. The mission was in advance of the Africa Climate Summit taking place in Nairobi.

Ambassador Al Suwaidi was struck by the mission and reflected; *“The stories I have heard from refugees and host communities in Dadaab are a stark reminder of why we must continue to drive equitable and just climate action that leaves no one behind.”*

Funding



KAKUMA CAMP AND KALOBYEI INTEGRATED SETTLEMENT

UNHCR currently supports **284,168** refugees and asylum seekers residing in both Kakuma Camp and the Kalobeyi Integrated Settlement.

Protection

- 214 families of 641 individuals arrived this month at reception centres, bringing the total number of new arrivals this year to 30,394 people.
- 13,889 refugees and asylum seekers are in reception centres, awaiting registration. The reception centres are over-capacity and resources over-stretched. This month, 229 families of 1,113 individuals were relocated into the community and received core relief items.
- UNHCR continues efforts to share public information. This month, more than 74,000 people were reached with life-saving information on peaceful co-existence, good hygiene and legal assistance.
- 330 refugees departed to Australia, the Netherlands and USA on resettlement this month.

Education

- Over 94,000 children are attending camp-based schools.
- The Ministry of Education, UNHCR, World Bank and Global Partnership for Education visited Kakuma to better understand education service delivery and inclusion of refugees in the national education system.
- 54,090 kgs of soap and 44,400 sanitary towels distributed to schools.

Health

- 56,544 consultations were conducted this month, with an average of 120 consultation per clinician per day, above the SPHERE recommendation of 50 consultations per clinician per day.
- UNHCR is supporting the Ministry of Health in responding to a measles outbreak (531 cases).
- There were 617 skilled deliveries at birth conducted by trained healthcare workers.
- 877 mental health consultations managed for various mental health illnesses.

Food security and nutrition

- This month, 290 refugee and 7 national children were admitted into the Outpatient Therapeutical Program (OTP), offering care for severe acute malnutrition.
- The stabilization centre admitted 39 severely malnourished children with medical complications - an 8% increase from last month. Community sensitization is ongoing to prevent malnutrition.

Access to energy and environmental conservation

- This month, a total of 171MT of dead dry wood was distributed to schools, 108MT to reception centres and 16MT to child-headed households.
- To promote energy saving, 144 improved cookstoves (using less firewood) were distributed.
- 8,647 tree seedlings were distributed this month for re-planting.

Shelter

- UNHCR and Peace Winds Japan constructed 61 new transitional shelters for new arrivals in Kalobeyi, bringing the total to 2,599 shelters since the start of the year.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- There are 21 boreholes, generators, pumps, and solar systems that provide water to the camp population each month.
- 20 family-shared latrines were constructed for the new arrivals settled at Kalobeyi settlement.
- 1,015 newly arrived refugees and asylum-seekers were sensitized on hygiene promotion.

DADAAB REFUGEE CAMP

UNHCR currently supports **364,020** refugees and asylum seekers across three refugee camps and the Ifo 2 settlement.

Protection

- Between March 2022 and April 2023, UNHCR conducted a profiling exercise of new arrivals. 135,967 individuals were profiled and registration for this group started in March 2023. By end-September, 37,743 refugees were registered by DRS and 98,224 are awaiting registration.
- Registration restarted on 29 September, after being suspended for two months due to a network outage at the Government of Kenya's Department of Refugee Services (DRS), who are responsible for registration in the camps.
- 790 refugee identity cards were distributed and 7,254 pending collection.



Launch of the Garissa Integrated Socio-Economic Development Plan (GISED)

On 28 September, GISED was launched during a ceremony in Nairobi. More than 364,000 refugees and asylum-seekers and 397,000 members of host communities could benefit from this sustainable plan for area-based approach in refugee response.

Find out more: www.unhcr.org/ke/gisedp-1

UNHCR Kenya Representative Caroline van Buren is joined by officials from the County of Garissa to unveil GISED, Nairobi. ©UNHCR/Charity Nzomo

Education

- 41,197 students (18,944 female) continued to access education this month at primary and secondary schools. 100 children with disabilities were supported with transport to and from schools.

Health

- A total of 42,697 consultations were conducted at an average of 102 consultations per clinician per day.
- No new polio or cholera cases were reported this month.
- Referral mechanisms continue and 56 patients were referred to Garissa County Hospital this month.

Shelter

- No shelters are currently being constructed. 4,191 newly registered refugees were relocated to Ifo 2 and supported with tarpaulins and rope as part of shelter support.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- UNHCR, together with CARE, provided WASH services to the refugee population via a pipeline network of 236km, and relayed to 812 tap stands.
- On average, the daily per person water allocation is 20 litres.

URBAN

UNHCR supports a population of **97,400** refugees and asylum seekers who have been authorized by the Government to reside in urban areas, though there is an unknown number of others who have relocated from the camps without authorization.

Protection

- UNHCR and the Department of Refugee Services (DRS) provided 191 counseling sessions this month, supporting refugees with issues like insecurity, gender-based violence (GBV), economic hardship, and limited livelihood opportunities.
- The UNHCR helpline continues to respond to high volume of calls. In September, **24,769** calls were answered. Refugees were provided with relevant information and a 2,395 made appointment requests to different UNHCR units.

Refugee Status Determination (RSD)

- RSD is led by the Government of Kenya, UNHCR offers technical advice and capacity building e.g. continuous training and support.
- The RSD eligibility panel had two meetings in September, with 1,758 individuals presented from Dadaab, Kakuma and Nairobi. The panel reviews recommendations made on RSD and advises the Commissioner. UNHCR has an advisory role within the panel, decision making lies with the Government of Kenya.
- A total of 248 individuals were interviewed this month, whilst 311 assessments were completed, meaning either that refugee status is given or the rejection of an asylum claim.
- The number of asylum seekers in the urban area for whom the RSD process needs to start stands at 34,340.

Complementary pathways

- 12 refugees in Kenya have been selected for a UNICORE scholarship for university studies in Italy and UNHCR is currently supporting them to obtain Convention Travel Documents with the Government of Kenya. It is expected they will depart in October.

Durable Solutions

- Since January 2023, a total of 3,373 individuals were submitted to different resettlement countries and 1,937 departed to countries including USA, France, Germany, Iceland, Canada, Australia, Norway, Sweden, UK, and the Netherlands.
- During this month, 21 people were assisted to return Burundi and 40 voluntary repatriation assessments were conducted.

UNHCR PARTNERS

Government of Kenya | Turkana County Government | Department of Refugee Services (DRS) | United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) | World Food Programme (WFP) | International Organization for Migration (IOM) | Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) | United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) | United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) | UN Women | Lutheran World Federation (LWF) | International Rescue Committee (IRC) | National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) | Windle International Kenya (WIK) | Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS) | Don Bosco Kenya (DBK) | FilmAid Kenya | Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) | Lotus Kenya Action for Development Organization (LOKADO) | iamtheCODE | Waldorf Kakuma | FIDE - International Chess Federation | Action Africa Help International (AAHI) | Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) | Danish Refugee Council (DRC) | Peace Wind Japan (PWJ) | Kenyan Red Cross Society (KRCS) | African Inland Church (AIC) | Finn Church Aid (FCA) | Fútbol Más Kenya | Jesuit Worldwide Learning (JWL) | World Vision International (WVI) | Association for Aid and Relief, Japan (AAR Japan) | African Entrepreneur Collective (AEC) Kenya | DanChurchAid (DCA) | Humanity & Inclusion (HI) | Church World Service (CWS) | IsraAID Kenya | Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ) | Team&Team International | Swisscontact | | Refugees United (REFUNITE) | Food for the Hungry Kakuma Mission Hospital (KMH) / Center for Victims of Torture (CVT) | SNV Netherlands Development Organisation (Stichting Nederlandse Vrijwilligers) | KLABU

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