

# 2026 budgets and funding update

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97th Standing Committee  
8-9 September 2026

Division of Resource Management (DRM)  
Division of External Relations (DER)  
Division of Emergency and Programme Support (DEPS)



# 2026 current budget

**TOTAL BUDGET**

**\$8.505 billion**

**OCTOBER 2025**

## **Original budget approved**

At the 76th plenary session, the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme approved the original annual budget of \$8.505 billion for 2026.

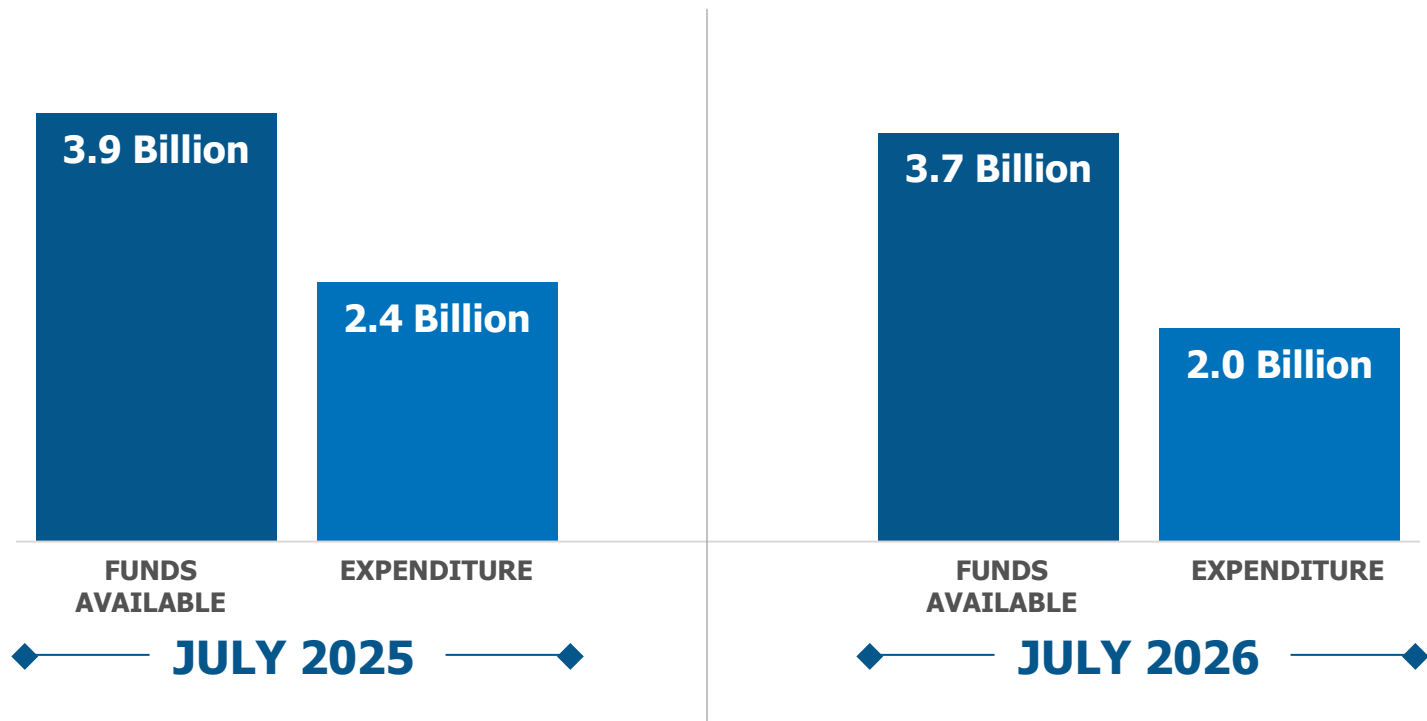
**31 JULY 2026**

## **Current budget unchanged**

- ◆ No supplementary budget has been established.
- ◆ No transfers from the Operational Reserve have been made.

# July 2025 – July 2026

## Comparison of funds available and expenditure



# Mid-year results 2026

UNHCR focused on protection and solutions in line with priorities, including increased support to return and steadfast engagement for refugees:



Protection services

**7.72M**

People reached  
(8.1M in 2025)



Specialized  
GBV programmes

**642,000**

People reached  
(600,000 in 2025)

**OA4:** 32% reduced  
expenditure  
(\$48m)



Support to  
obtain civil  
documentation

**1.52M**

People reached  
(1.55 in 2025)

**OA1:** 6% reduced  
expenditure  
(\$216m)



Counselling  
and information on  
voluntary repatriation

**695,000**

People reached  
(288,000 people in mid 2025)

**OA14:** 121% increased  
expenditure  
(\$113m)

Preliminary  
results



# Mid-year results 2026

Direct service delivery remained critical in some operations while engagement has become more targeted



Health care  
consultations

**3.78M**

**People reached**  
(6.04M in 2025)

**OA10:** 45% reduced  
expenditure  
(\$74m)



Education programming

**1.22M**

**Children and youth  
reached**  
(1.5M in 2025)

**OA11:** 36% reduced  
expenditure  
(\$68m)



Cash assistance

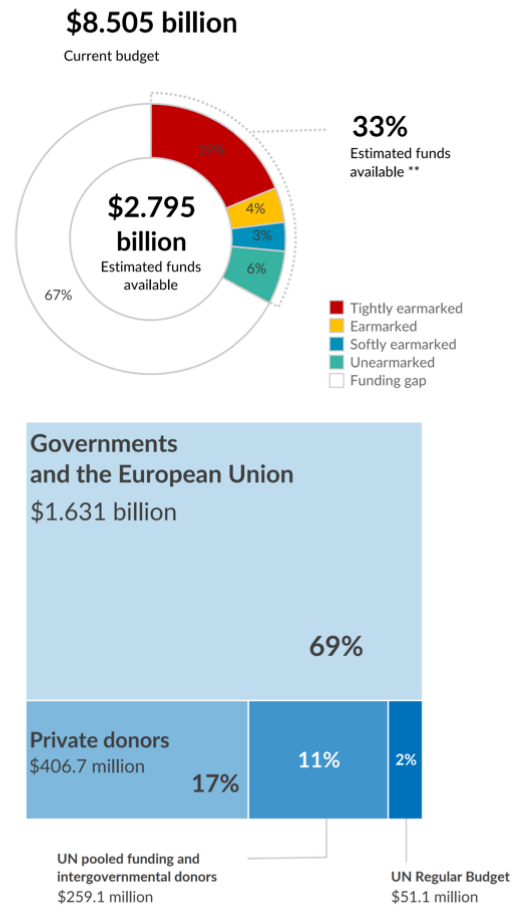
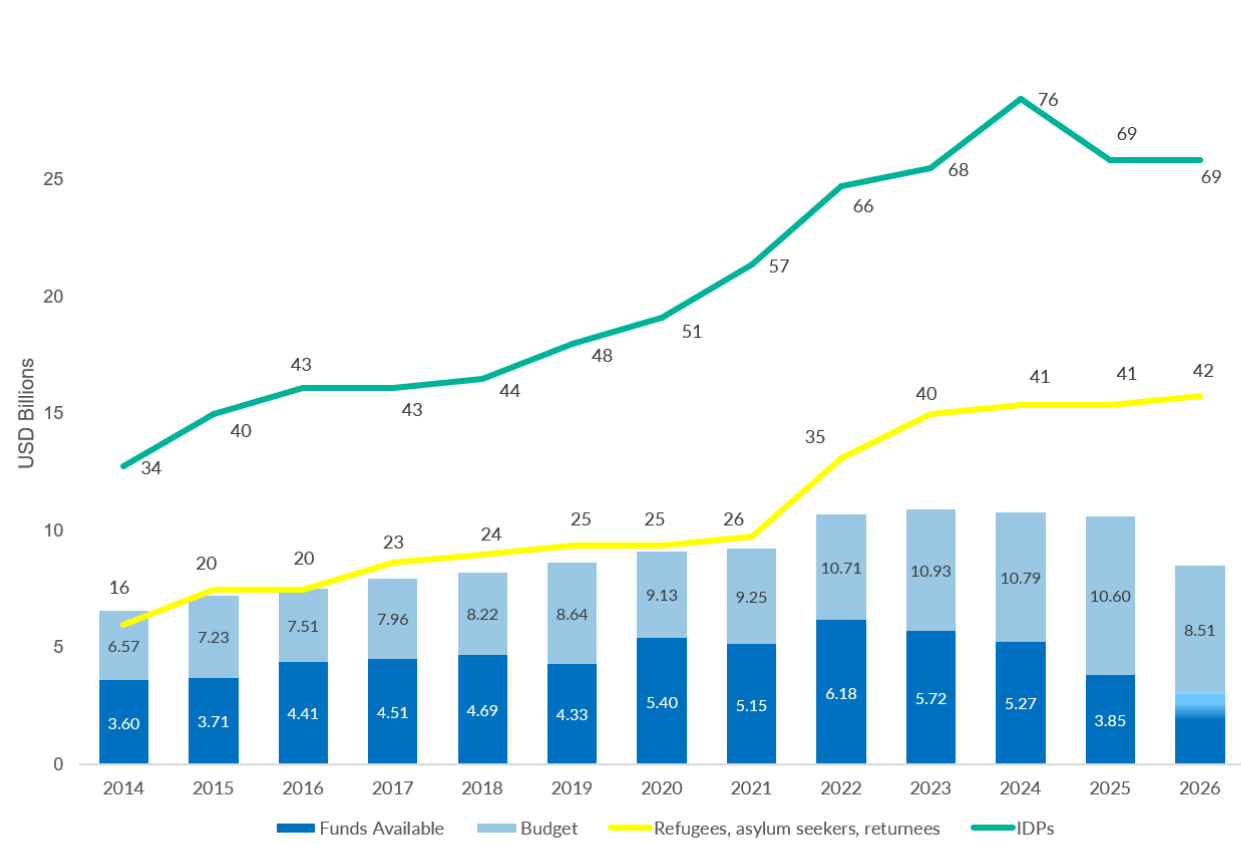
**1.43M**

**People reached**  
(2M in 2025)

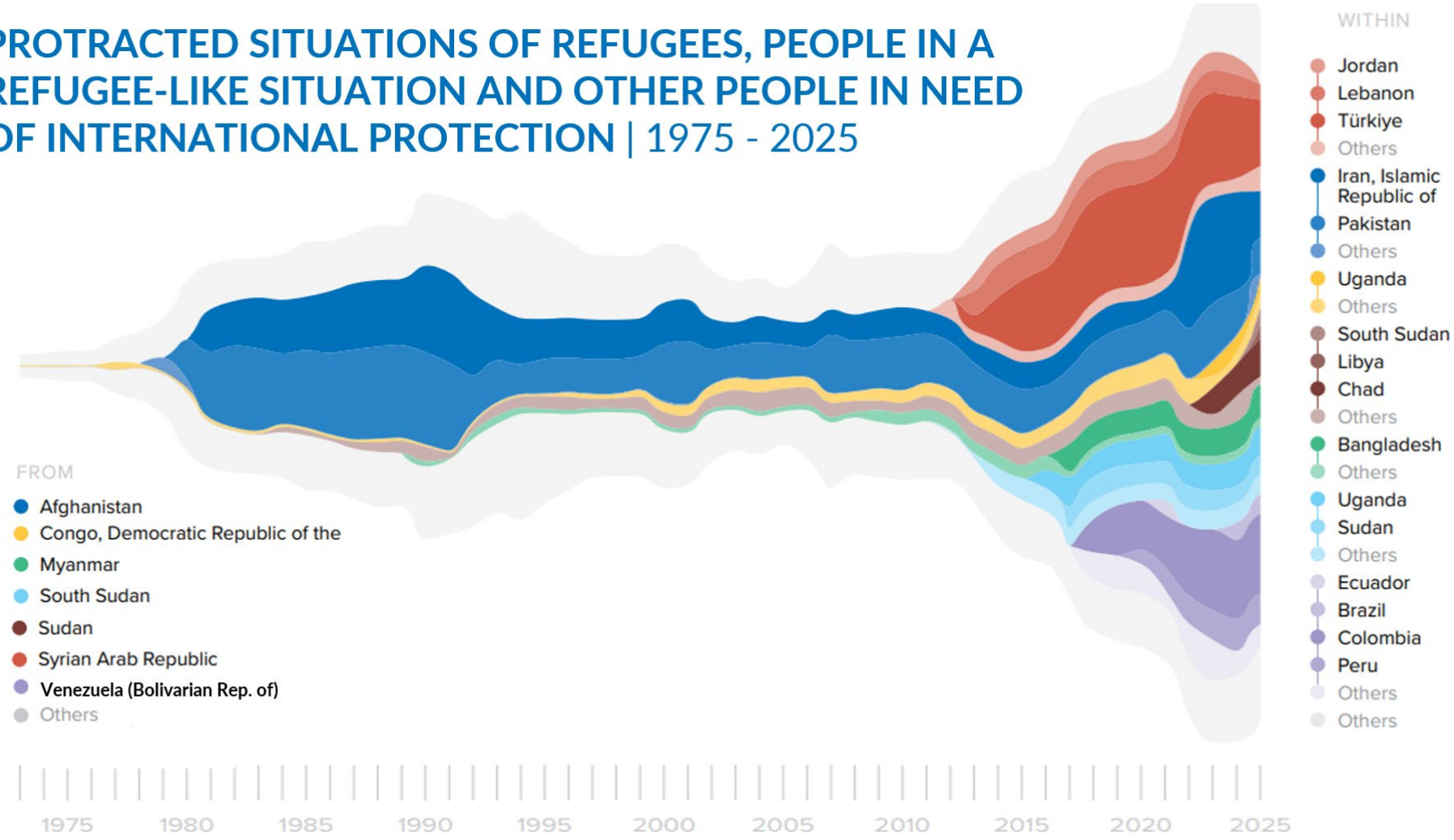
**OA8:** 9% reduced  
expenditure  
(\$260m)

*Preliminary results*

# GLOBAL FUNDING OVERVIEW | 31 AUGUST 2026

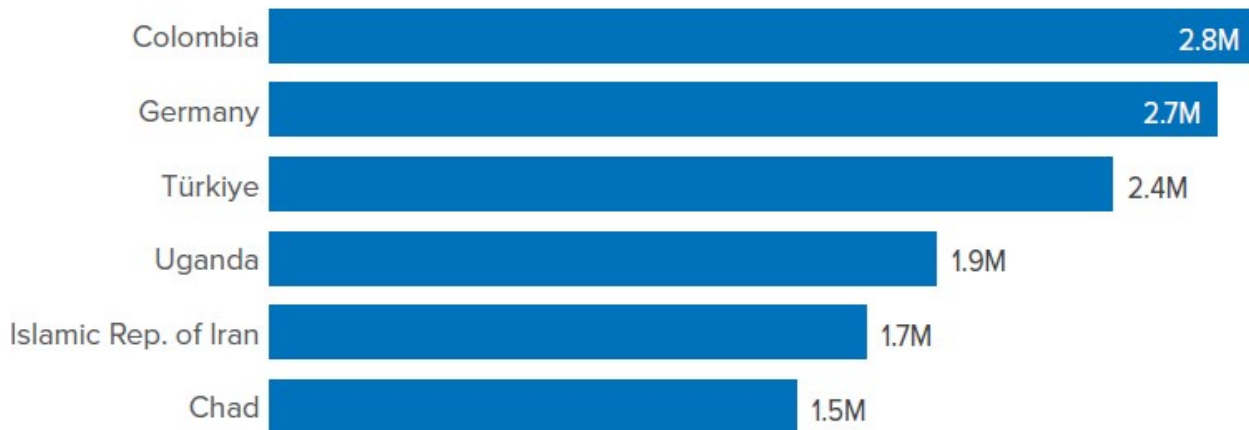


# PROTRACTED SITUATIONS OF REFUGEES, PEOPLE IN A REFUGEE-LIKE SITUATION AND OTHER PEOPLE IN NEED OF INTERNATIONAL PROTECTION | 1975 - 2025



# TOP REFUGEE HOSTING COUNTRIES

**36%** HOSTED IN 6 COUNTRIES



Source: 2025 Global Trends

# TOP 10 DONORS | 31 AUGUST 2026

## Donor

|                                                                                   |                              |      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------|
|  | European Union               | 406M |
|  | Country-based pooled funds   | 204M |
|  | Sweden                       | 142M |
|  | Germany                      | 141M |
|  | Netherlands (Kingdom of the) | 115M |
|  | Denmark                      | 106M |
|  | Japan                        | 106M |
|  | Norway                       | 97M  |
|  | United States of America     | 89M  |
|  | United Kingdom               | 85M  |

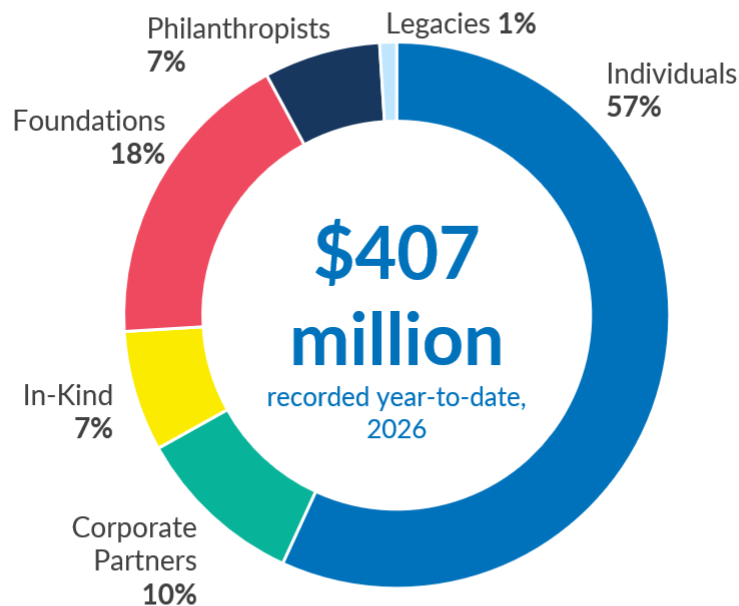
# TOP DONORS OF UNEARMARKED FUNDS

| 31 AUGUST 2026

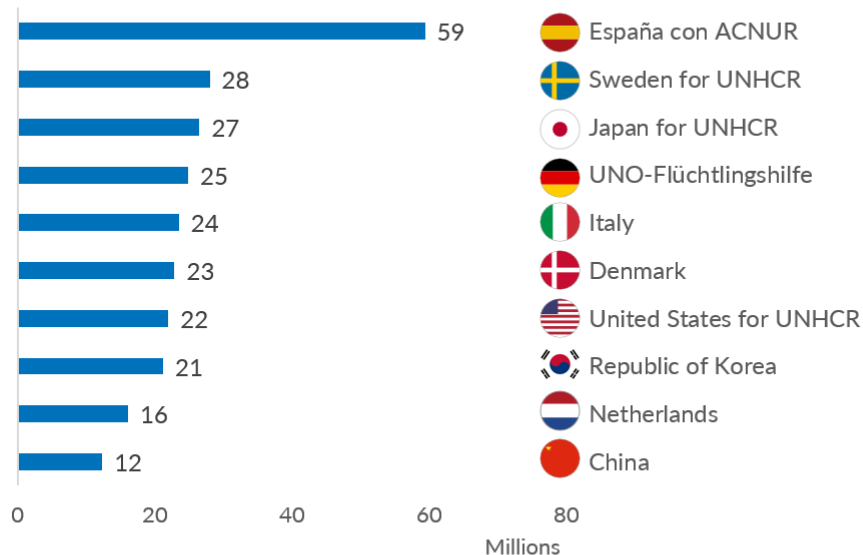
## Donor

|                                                                                   |                              |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----|
|  | Sweden                       | 90M |
|  | Norway                       | 62M |
|  | España con ACNUR             | 42M |
|  | Netherlands (Kingdom of the) | 41M |
|  | Denmark                      | 38M |
|  | Germany                      | 28M |
|  | Japan for UNHCR              | 24M |
|  | Switzerland                  | 22M |
|  | United Kingdom               | 19M |
|  | Private donors Korea         | 17M |

# PRIVATE SECTOR INCOME

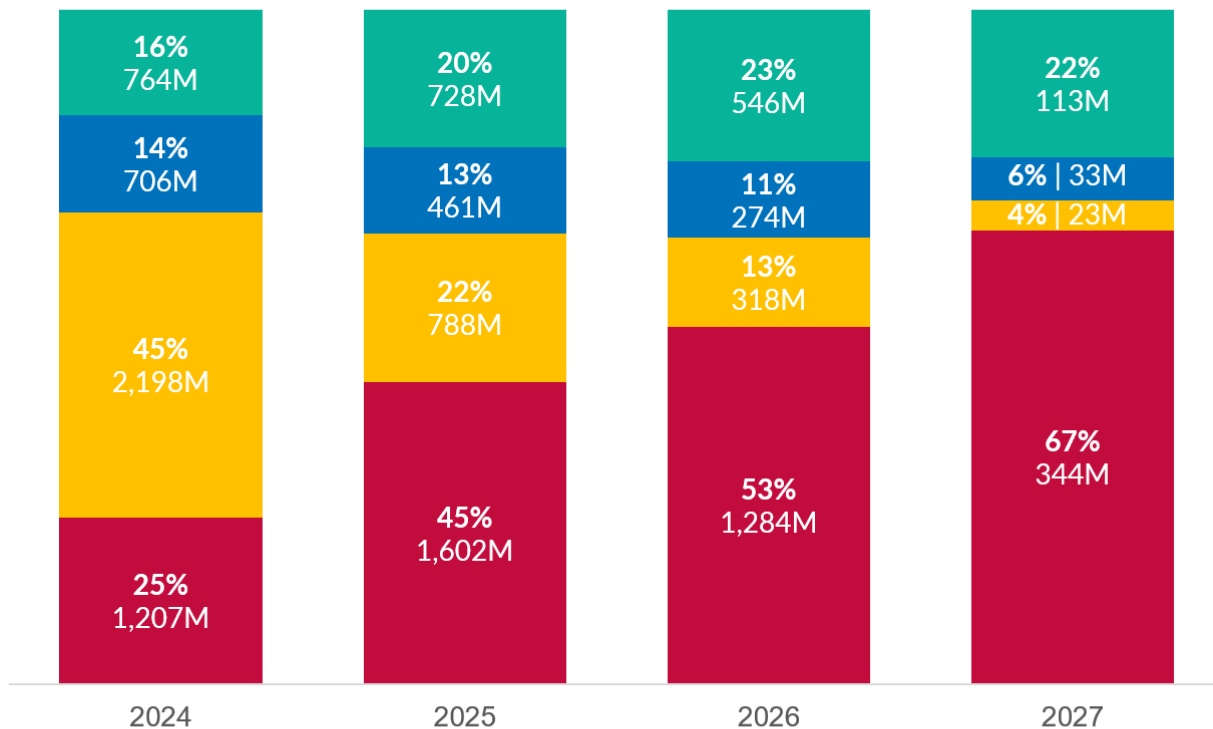


## TOP 10 PRIVATE SECTOR MARKETS



as of 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026

# EARMARKING TRENDS | INCREASING TIGHTLY EARMARKED



\*2026-27 data as of end August 2026

\*\*2027 figures represents recorded contributions only

Unearmarked

Softly earmarked

Earmarked

Tightly earmarked



**UNHCR**  
The UN Refugee Agency

# CONSEQUENCES OF UNDERFUNDING

THE HUMAN COST  
FOR REFUGEES, IDPs,  
AND STATELESS  
PEOPLE



**8.3 million**

people at risk of losing direct assistance without additional funding.



# CLOSING THE FUNDING GAP THROUGH DIVERSIFICATION AND FLEXIBILITY



# Thank you

