Since gaining independence in 1962, Uganda has provided asylum to people fleeing war and persecution in neighboring countries, especially South Sudan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Somalia, Rwanda and Burundi. Uganda's progressive refugee policy grant refugees freedom of movement, the right to seek employment and establish businesses, and to access public services such as education, health care and justice. In refugee-hosting districts, services are integrated with government service delivery systems, whenever feasible. The Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework for Uganda was launched in March 2017, with a view to harness a whole-of-society approach in responding and finding solutions to refugee crises.

Refugees and asylum seekers demographics

Gender breakdown of registered refugees

60% Children

51% Women and girls

7% Urban refugees

3% Eldery

Refugees and asylum seekers by district

Refugees and asylum seekers by country of origin

South Sudan

DRC

Burundi

Somalia

Others*

*Others include refugees from Eritrea, Ethiopia, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan and other countries of origin.

Refugee Response Plans 2018 funding update

South Sudan RRP

Funded: $694.95 M

Gap: 5%

Burundi RRP

Funded: $46.86 M

Gap: 1%

DRC RRP

Funded: $219.49 M

Gap: 5%