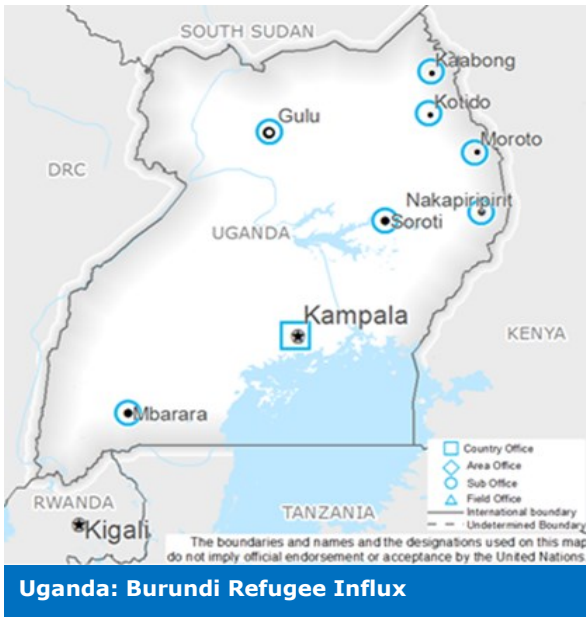




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## Uganda: Burundi Refugee Influx



### In numbers



**8,800** new refugees in need of food assistance

#### Funding Update:

- WFP is currently supporting approximately 300,000 refugees monthly at a cost of about USD5.5 million each month. Its operational plan for refugees is about 65 percent funded and WFP Uganda is actively engaging with donors to raise new funds for the rest of 2015.
- WFP is able to assist the new Burundian arrivals within the current level of resourcing for all refugees in the country.
- Providing food and nutrition assistance to 15,000 Burundian refugees for the next 12 months from June 2015 will cost WFP **USD2.5million**.
- WFP has received contributions in 2015 for its protracted relief and recovery operation, which includes refugees. These include:
  - USD2.3 million (Australia)
  - USD1.57million (Canada),
  - USD200,000 (France)
  - USD 15.4million (USA).

### Highlights

- The number of Burundian refugees arriving in Uganda since November 2014 was approximately **8,800** as at 22 June 2015. The new arrivals came in at a rate of approximately 92 persons/day in the week leading to 22 June 2015.
- The Burundians are arriving alongside other refugees fleeing instability in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Nakivale settlement, where most of the Burundian refugees are arriving, is also receiving Congolese nationals at a rate of 30-50 persons/day.
- WFP is providing cooked meals and nutrition assistance at two transit centres, as well as dry rations to aid to the new arrivals' resettlement.

### Situation Update

- The Burundian refugees are arriving through the Uganda-Tanzania border or Kisoro district. The majority of them are arriving in good health but exhausted, traumatised and in need of immediate food and non-food assistance.
- For the last two weeks, there have been approximately 3,000 Burundians at the transit centres of Juru and Kabazana awaiting non-food items to aid their resettlement to land provided by the government.

### WFP Response

- WFP is providing three hot meals a day at Juru and Kabazana reception centres, which are located inside Nakivale. The items provided for the meals are Super Cereal, iodised salt, fortified vegetable cooking oil and beans. The meals are managed by American Refugee Council on behalf of UNHCR.
- From the transit centres, the new refugees are able to access WFP support for moderate acute malnutrition for children aged between 06 and 59 months. WFP's partner for nutrition support, Medical Teams International is screening children at the transit centres and referring cases of moderate acute malnutrition to health facilities where they are provided with WFP Super Cereal, a specialised product that helps in treating the condition.
- General food distributions began on 24 June for the entire population of Nakivale including the new Burundian refugees.
- The new arrivals are not required to wait until the

general food distribution; WFP provides them with dry rations to take them until the date of the general food distribution. The refugees are receiving maize meal, iodised salt, fortified vegetable cooking oil, beans and SuperCereal.

## Logistics

- WFP has been pre-positioning and delivering food supplies for the June cycle for both the pre-existing and the new Burundian refugees in the southwest.

## Partnerships

- WFP is one of about 10 humanitarian agencies providing assistance to the new arrivals, others being UNHCR, UNICEF, UNFPA and NGOs.

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