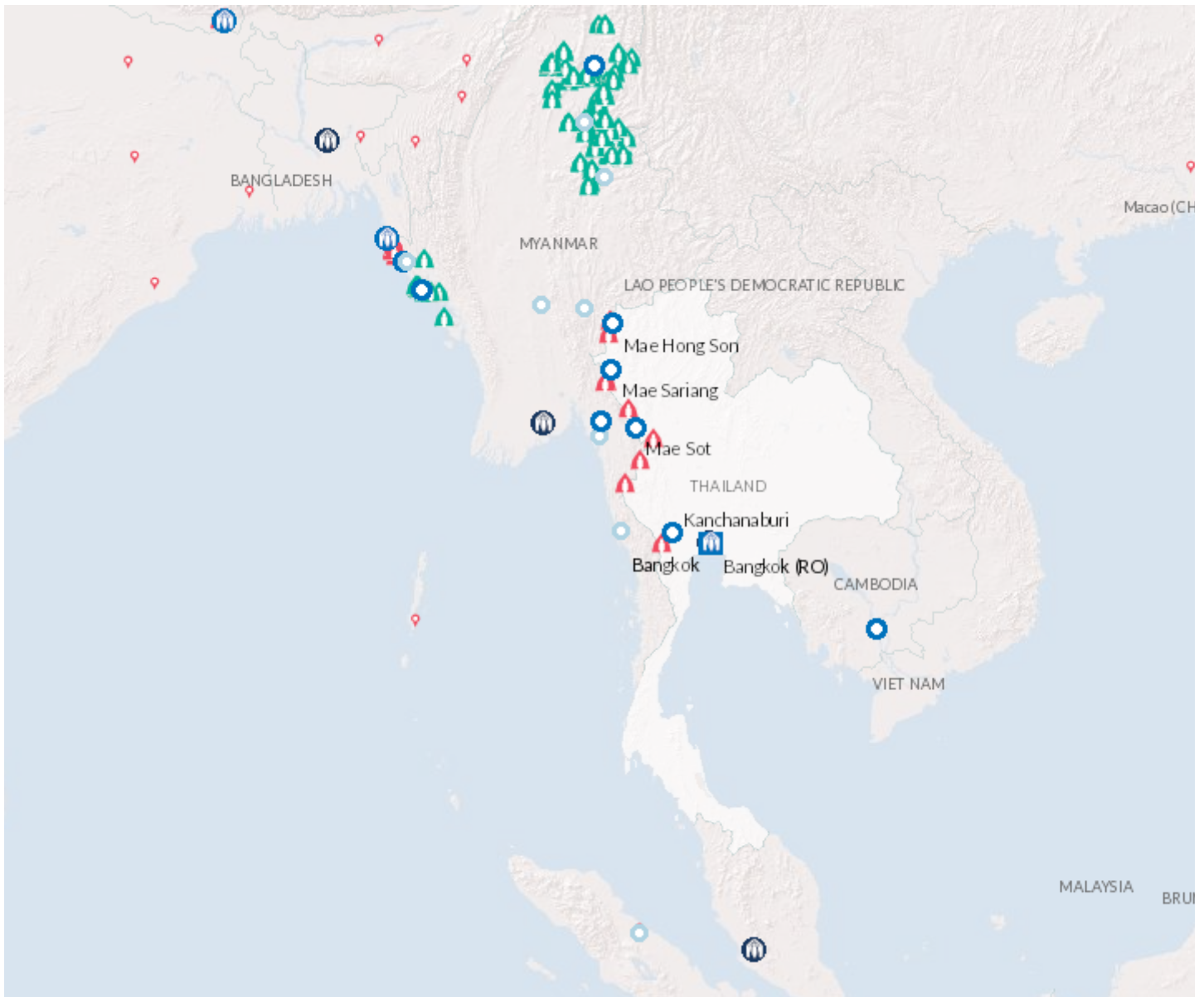


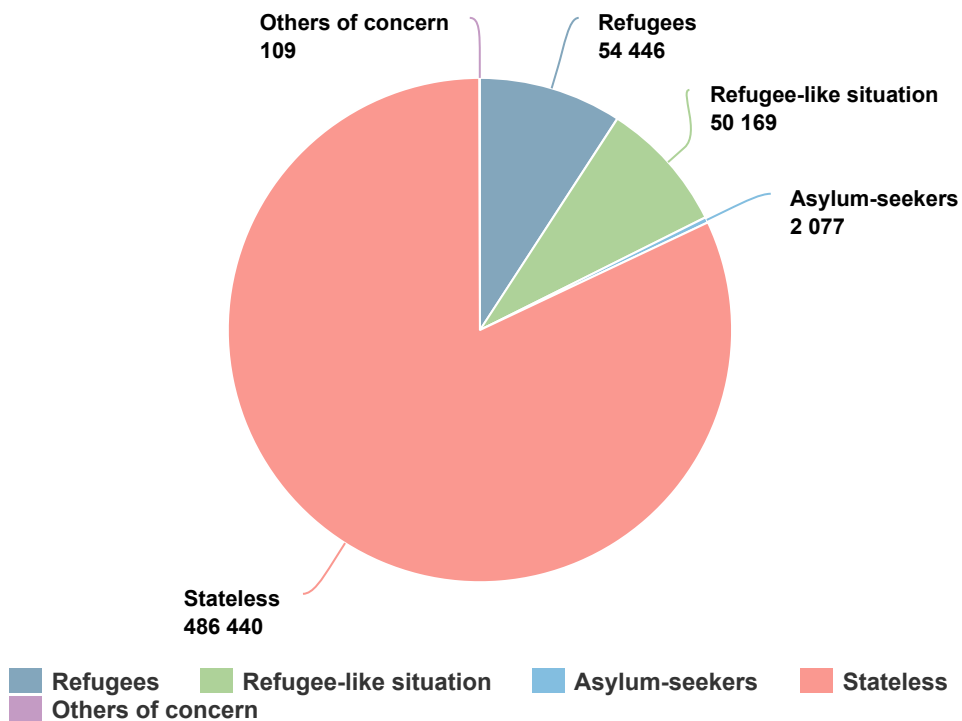
## Operation: Thailand



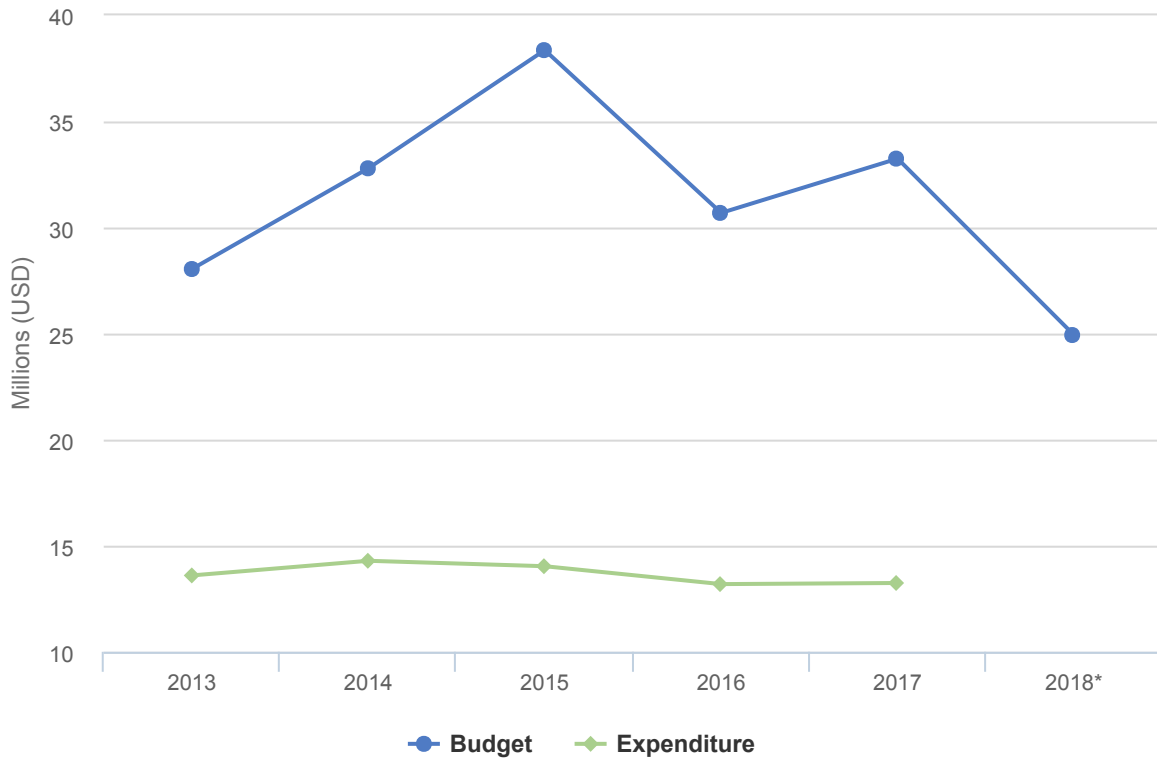
## People of Concern

DECREASE IN  
1% 2017

<b>2017</b>	593,241
<b>2016</b>	599,459
<b>2015</b>	560,832



## Budgets and Expenditure for Thailand



## Operational context

The political, security, and economic environment in Thailand remained largely stable throughout 2017.

Growing interest among Myanmar refugees to return home was thwarted by procedural issues.

The lack of a protective legal framework resulted in continued arrests/detention of urban refugees and asylum-seekers, with many facing difficulties related to prolonged displacement. Some progress was seen relating to alternatives to detention (ATD) for children and on the establishment of a national screening mechanism.

The strong political will to resolve statelessness by 2024 needs to be matched by agile administrative procedures.

## Population trends

Close to 100,000 verified Myanmar refugees were residing in the border areas, with reductions largely due to resettlement and some spontaneous returns.

The urban population continued to decrease - partially due to resettlement, increased voluntary repatriation, but mainly UNHCR's increased capacity to respond to the refugee status determination (RSD) backlog. While asylum seekers continued to approach the Office, the rate of new arrivals has continued to drop.

Despite the deterioration of the situation in Rakhine State in 2017, there was no increase in Rohingyas arriving in Thailand.

The overall figure of government-registered stateless persons only marginally decreased, with nationality acquisitions being offset by newborns and other newly registered cases.

## Key achievements

- The cases of 376 Myanmar refugees seeking repatriation were submitted to the Governments of Myanmar and Thailand
- 85 per cent of the RSD backlog was adjudicated by the end of 2017 resulting in reduced waiting times.
- Enhanced positioning in national and local statelessness fora was reached through increased engagement with key stakeholders, expansion of geographical coverage, and a solid presence in the field.

## Unmet needs

A shortfall in the administrative budget significantly impacted on the mobility of UNHCR staff across the operation in particular for camp access in relation to protection activities, monitoring missions and coordination meetings.



## 2017 Expenditure for Thailand | USD

The following table presents the final budget and funds available by pillar and the final expenditure at the objective-level, as reported at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Total
<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>32,074,574</b>	<b>1,174,516</b>	<b>33,249,090</b>
Income from contributions*	5,285,609	0	5,285,609
Other funds available / transfers	7,019,638	937,666	7,957,304
<b>Total funds available</b>	<b>12,305,247</b>	<b>937,666</b>	<b>13,242,913</b>
<b>Expenditure by Objective</b>			
<b>Favourable Protection Environment</b>			
Law and policy	0	222,741	222,741
Legal remedies and legal assistance	80,146	0	80,146
Access to territory	120,698	0	120,698
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>200,843</b>	<b>222,741</b>	<b>423,585</b>
<b>Fair Protection Processes and Documentation</b>			
Reception conditions	101,054	0	101,054
Registration and profiling	247,937	0	247,937
Status determination	1,401,902	0	1,401,902
Civil status documentation	315,387	0	315,387
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,066,280</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,066,280</b>
<b>Security from Violence and Exploitation</b>			
Protection from crime	163,154	0	163,154
Protection from effects armed conflict	140,890	0	140,890
SGBV prevention and response	148,431	0	148,431
Non-arbitrary detention	366,392	0	366,392
Child protection	1,254,054	0	1,254,054
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>2,072,921</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,072,921</b>
<b>Basic Needs and Essential Services</b>			
Health	657,002	0	657,002
Reproductive health and HIV/ Aids response	83,447	0	83,447
Shelter and infrastructure	253,289	0	253,289
Basic and domestic and hygiene Items	227,423	0	227,423
Services for persons with specific needs	1,048,197	0	1,048,197
Education	889,225	0	889,225
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3,158,583</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,158,583</b>

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Total
<b>Durable Solutions</b>			
Solutions strategy	302,457	0	302,457
Voluntary return	2,295,578	0	2,295,578
Resettlement	464,838	0	464,838
Greater reduction of statelessness	0	473,029	473,029
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>3,062,873</b>	<b>473,029</b>	<b>3,535,901</b>
<b>Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships</b>			
Coordination and partnerships	340,340	81,679	422,019
Emergency management	106,979	0	106,979
Donor relations	185,209	78,562	263,771
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>632,528</b>	<b>160,241</b>	<b>792,769</b>
<b>Logistics and Operations Support</b>			
Supply chain and logistics	109,612	0	109,612
Operations management, coordination and support	1,001,602	81,655	1,083,257
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>1,111,214</b>	<b>81,655</b>	<b>1,192,869</b>
<b>2017 Expenditure Total</b>	<b>12,305,242</b>	<b>937,666</b>	<b>13,242,908</b>

*\*Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the "New or additional activities – mandate-related" (NAM) Reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar 1.*