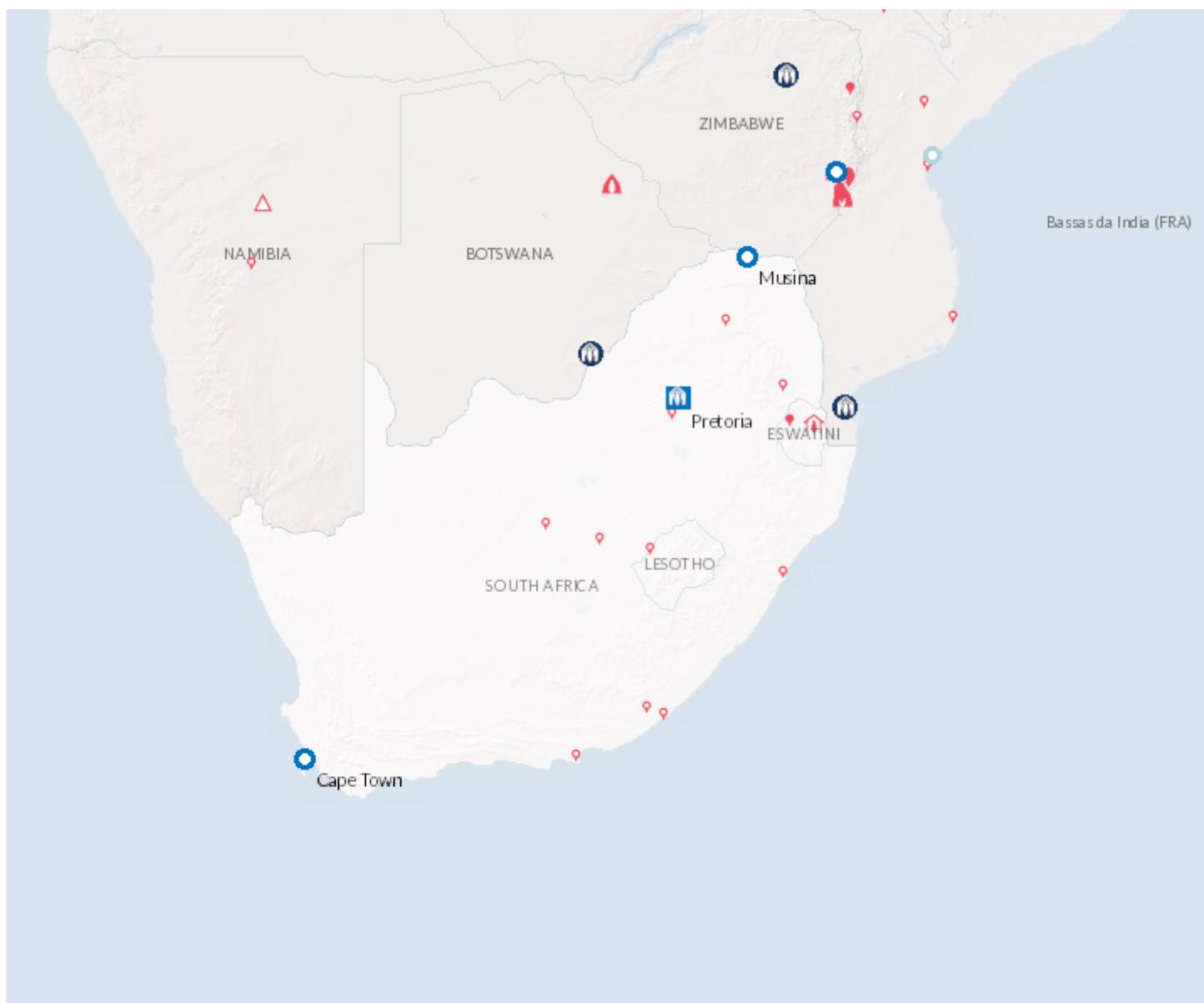


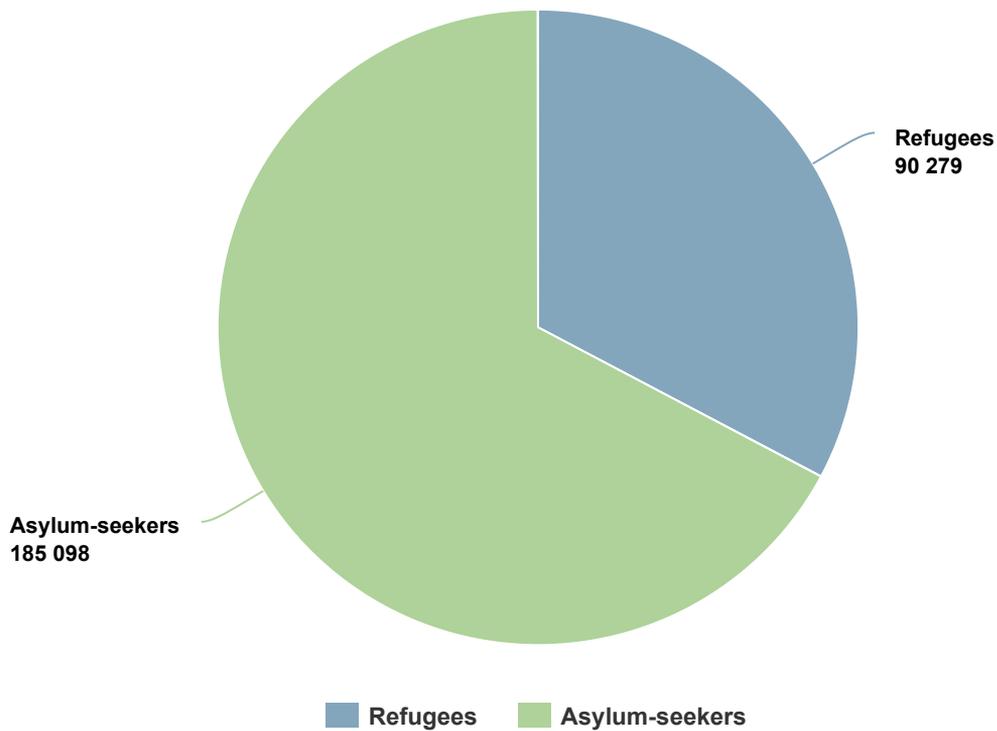
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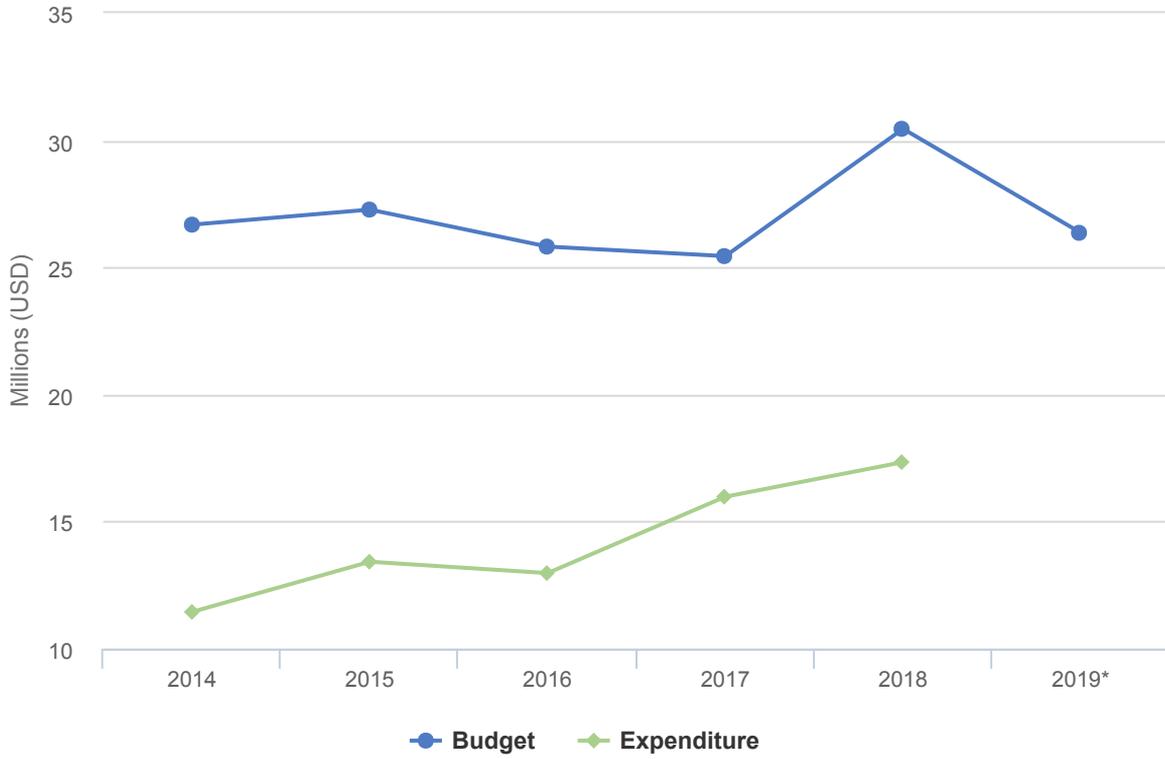
People of Concern

DECREASE IN
2% **2018**

2018	275,377
2017	281,574
2016	310,575



Budgets and Expenditure for South Africa Regional Office



Operational environment

In 2018, UNHCR continued to support the authorities in South Africa with guidance and advice on issues relating to refugees and asylum-seekers. UNHCR also engaged with the Government on the development of a project plan to address the asylum appeal backlog.

Access to the asylum system, documentation and insufficient refugee status determination capacity were the most significant challenges faced by UNHCR's population of concern in South Africa.

Population trends

South Africa hosted the largest number of people of concern in the Southern Africa region with close to 89,300 refugees and 184,200 asylum-seekers.

By mid-year 2018, some 8,400 new asylum applications were received. New arrivals came from Bangladesh, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Pakistan, Somalia and Zimbabwe.

Key achievements

- The Protection Working Group coordinated prevention and response to incidents of xenophobia in six different provinces;
- The Refugee Helpline with a dedicated toll-free number responded to 4,737 queries throughout the year;
- Outreach activities included community meetings with over 100 people of concern, 15 focus group discussions and more than 1,600 home visits;
- Best Interest Assessments were conducted for 1,170 children;
- A total of 192 SGBV survivors received cash assistance, 174 were assisted with safe accommodation and 348 received psychosocial counselling.

Unmet needs

- UNHCR's social assistance support for people with specific needs reached a very small percentage of people of concern, mostly asylum-seekers who do not have access to social security in South Africa.
- As asylum-seeker and refugee children are dispersed all over the country, identification of children at risk remained challenging and limited to the larger urban centres. A large number of people of concern remained out of sight due to limited resources to increase community-based protection programmes.
- Due to funding constraints, the livelihoods programme could not be implemented in provinces beyond Gauteng and KwaZulu-Natal, as foreseen in the Livelihoods Strategy for South Africa. Additional resources would allow UNHCR to support more refugees to rebuild their lives, become self-reliant and contribute to host communities (including through the inclusion of nationals in livelihoods projects) and in doing so, foster social cohesion in economically disadvantaged areas.

2018 Expenditure for South Africa Regional Office | 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
Final Budget	29,123,809	1,323,482	30,447,291
Income from contributions*	515,753	0	515,753
Other funds available / transfers	16,342,877	478,514	16,821,391
Total funds available	16,858,630	478,514	17,337,144
Expenditure by Objective			
Favourable Protection Environment			
Law and policy	1,297,177	238,912	1,536,089
Administrative Institutions and Practice	335,798	0	335,798
Legal remedies and legal assistance	576,914	134,129	711,043
Access to territory	251,747	0	251,747
Public attitudes towards persons of concern	623,988	0	623,988
Subtotal	3,085,623	373,041	3,458,664
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation			
Reception conditions	54,551	0	54,551
Identification of statelessness	0	35,157	35,157
Registration and profiling	62,951	0	62,951
Status determination	1,407,151	0	1,407,151
Subtotal	1,524,653	35,157	1,559,810
Security from Violence and Exploitation			
SGBV prevention and response	708,192	0	708,192
Child protection	895,539	0	895,539
Subtotal	1,603,731	0	1,603,731
Basic Needs and Essential Services			
Health	72,733	0	72,733
Reproductive health and HIV/ Aids response	307,952	0	307,952
Food security	1,733,378	0	1,733,378
Water	42,588	0	42,588
Sanitation and hygiene	43,169	0	43,169
Shelter and infrastructure	101,498	0	101,498
Basic and domestic and hygiene Items	209,861	0	209,861
Services for persons with specific needs	931,830	0	931,830

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Total
Education	172,970	0	172,970
Subtotal	3,615,978	0	3,615,978
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance			
Community mobilization	721,267	0	721,267
Self-reliance and livelihoods	1,076,192	0	1,076,192
Subtotal	1,797,459	0	1,797,459
Durable Solutions			
Voluntary return	156,906	0	156,906
Resettlement	1,124,162	0	1,124,162
Greater reduction of statelessness	0	35,157	35,157
Subtotal	1,281,068	35,157	1,316,226
Logistics and Operations Support			
Supply chain and logistics	51,608	0	51,608
Operations management, coordination and support	2,136,412	35,157	2,171,569
Subtotal	2,188,020	35,157	2,223,177
Headquarters and Regional Support			
Protection advice and support	525,585	0	525,585
Technical advice and support	1,236,513	0	1,236,513
Subtotal	1,762,098	0	1,762,098
2018 Expenditure Total	16,858,631	478,514	17,337,144

**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.*