

CÔTE D'IVOIRE



Planned presence

Number of offices	3
Total personnel	80
International staff	14
National staff	56
Others	10

2015 plan at a glance*

627,000	People of concern (PoC)
USD 26 million	Overall funding requirement
20,000	Refugees expected to return from neighbouring countries
250	Former refugees and internally displaced people receiving vocational training
52%	Percentage of returnees aged below 18

All PoC figures refer to projected 2015 end-year information at time of planning (mid-2014)

Overview

Working environment

- One of UNHCR's main priorities in Côte d'Ivoire is the voluntary repatriation of Ivorian refugees in neighbouring countries. More than 12,000 refugees have been repatriated during the first semester of 2014.
- UNHCR's operation in Côte d'Ivoire has been significantly affected by the Ebola virus outbreak since the first quarter of 2014. Following the official border closure with Guinea and Liberia in August, the voluntary repatriation of Ivorian refugees has been suspended until further notice.
- With the exception of recent attacks in the south-western border region of Côte d'Ivoire, the security conditions throughout the country remain stable.

- In light of the UN Secretary-General's choice of Côte d'Ivoire as a pilot country for a durable solutions strategy, UNHCR will support the Government in designing and implementing targeted responses to the needs of returnees, former internally displaced people (IDPs), stateless people and host communities.
- UNHCR is committed to finding solutions, either through local integration or resettlement, for remaining Liberians and Rwandans living in Côte d'Ivoire whose refugee status was maintained after the implementation of the cessation clause. Those individuals exempt from the cessation clauses will continue to receive international protection.

• In acceding to the 1954 and 1961 Conventions on Statelessness in late 2013, the Ivorian Government took an important step towards reducing the number of stateless people in Côte d'Ivoire. UNHCR will continue to support such efforts by identifying stateless people across the country and advocate for concrete measures to protect them.

People of concern

UNHCR's main populations of concern in Côte d'Ivoire in 2015 are Ivorians (former refugees) who fled Côte d'Ivoire during the post-electoral violence in 2010-2011

and have returned; stateless people and people at risk of statelessness in the country; and refugees, mainly from Liberia

Planning figures

Type of population	Origin	Jan 2015		Jan 2015 Dec 2015		Dec 2015
		Total in country	Of whom assisted by UNHCR	Total in country	Of whom assisted by UNHCR	
	Congo	160	160	160	160	
Refugees	Democratic Republic of the Congo	160	160	160	160	
· ·	Liberia	900	900	900	900	
	Various	300	300	800	800	
Asylum-seekers	Democratic Republic of the Congo	60	60	60	60	
	Liberia	100	100	70	70	
	Nigeria	50	50	50	40	
	Various	300	300	800	800	
Returnee arrivals during year (ex-refugees)	Côte d'Ivoire	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Internally displaced	Côte d'Ivoire	4,000	4,000	-	-	
Returnee arrivals during year (ex-IDPs)	Côte d'Ivoire	20,000	-	4,000	-	
Stateless	Stateless	700,000	90,000	600,000	50,000	
Total		746,030	116,030	627,000	72,990	

Response

Needs and strategies

In 2015, UNHCR will continue to advocate for the adoption and implementation of a national asylum law on behalf of refugees living in Côte d'Ivoire. If adopted, the organization will engage in capacity-building exercises targeted at newly-appointed local officials in border areas that have not traditionally hosted refugees, and raise awareness throughout Ivorian society to ensure that the content and implications of the law are well understood.

To support the UN Secretary-General's Policy Committee Decision on Durable Solutions and assist the Government in its national development plan, UNHCR will implement community-based programmes to address the needs and improve the living conditions of refugees, returnees, former IDPs and stateless people in major areas of settlement.

Building on momentum generated by the launch of UNHCR's global campaign to eradicate statelessness, the Office will work with the Ministry of Justice, Human Rights and Public Liberties to identify people who are stateless or at risk of statelessness, and support national institutions in providing these individuals with civil status documentation. By helping them obtain confirmation of nationality, UNHCR will help tens of thousands of people access basic social services to which they are entitled.

Main objectives and targets for 2015

The following matrix contains examples of some of the main activities planned in 2015.

Using a selection of objectives from UNHCR's programme plans for the 2014-2015 biennium, it is designed to illustrate:

- what under the global needs assessment planning and prioritization process - has been planned (Planned activities) for particular groups of people of concern (People of concern);
- the identified needs that can be covered if full and flexible funding is made available (2015 comprehensive target); and
- the needs that may not be met if funding falls short of the ExCom-approved budget (Potential gap). The estimation of a potential gap is based on the country operation's own assessment of the likely impact of a global funding shortfall. Calculations are based on various criteria, including the particular context,

strategic priorities and experience of resource availability for the respective area of activity in previous years.

Activities under objectives on child protection (including best interest determination), education and prevention and response to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) are core areas which are given priority in the allocation of funding (priority area). In order to ensure the necessary flexibility in the allocation of funds, UNHCR relies on unrestricted contributions from its donors.

It should be understood that in some cases, targets for activities or delivery of services may not be reached for reasons other than a funding shortfall, e.g. lack of access to people of concern, cases not reported, changing circumstances, security problems, insufficient capacity to implement all programmes planned, etc. In the Global Report 2015, an explanation of why any target may not have been reached will be provided.

Planned activities	People of concern (PoC)	2015 comprehensive target	Potential gap

FAVOURABLE PROTECTION ENVIRONMENT

Public attitude towards people of concern improved

UNHCR and its partners will implement communication, advocacy and outreach strategies to change public attitudes towards refugees, returnees and stateless people in Côte d'Ivoire. Media campaigns, grassroots activities and publications will be designed to overcome negative perceptions of people of concern and promote social cohesion among them and their host communities. Training of local authorities on human rights will be undertaken in border areas to improve their understanding of their role in the protection of asylum-seekers.

Number of media monitored and analyzed	Ivorian returnees	80	0 gap
Number of training sessions with human rights component developed	Refugees in Côte d'Ivoire	95	25

FAIR PROTECTION PROCESS AND DOCUMENTATION

Civil registration and civil status documentation strengthened

The Government of Côte d'Ivoire is currently leading a registration campaign that allows stateless people who meet specific criteria to acquire Ivorian nationality through a simple process of declaration. In 2015, UNHCR will continue to work with the Ministry of Justice, Human Rights and Public Liberties to identify people who are stateless or at risk of statelessness, and support national institutions in providing these individuals with civil status documentation.

Number of advocacy interventions made for facilitated	Stateless people	30	20
naturalization procedures			

BASIC NEEDS AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Shelter and infrastructure established, improved and maintained

UNHCR will provide permanent housing support to approximately 600 households. This will include the reconstruction or rehabilitation of damaged houses, and will take into account the situation of people and families with specific needs.

Number of PoC receiving shelter support	Ivorian returnees	3,000	2,500
Number of shelter maintenance tool kits and materials provided	Ivorian returnees	600	500

Planned activities	People of concern (PoC)	2015 comprehensive target	Potential gap				
Health status of the population improved							
UNHCR will support the access of Ivorian returnees to national primary health-care services in the areas of return through the construction and rehabilitation of health facilities. Capacity building will also be provided to national health workers in consultation with the Ministry of Health.							
Number of health facilities equipped/constructed/rehabilitated Ivorian returnees 12 8							
DURABLE SOLUTIONS							
Potential for integration realized							
UNHCR is planning the local integration of more than 1,400 Liberians and Rwandans. The organization will provide them with documentation and assistance. Support will also be provided to national institutions so that they can provide civil status documentation to stateless people.							
Number of PoC receiving residence permits	Refugees in Côte d'Ivoire	150	100				
Number of people with undetermined nationality assisted with confirmation of nationality	Stateless people	400,000	200,000				
Reintegration made more sustainable			'				
In supporting the Government's durable solutions strategy, UNHCR will work to ensure that returnees have the same access to basic rights and social services as other citizens, and that they are able to call upon housing, land and property restitution processes in order to live in security and dignity.							
Number of incidents reported	Ivorian Returnees	5,000	1,000				
COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE							
Peaceful coexistence with local communities promoted			Peaceful coexistence with local communities promoted				
UNHCR aims to develop income-generating and service-providing programmes designed to inject resources into communities and to encourage collaboration among Ivorian returnees, refugees and their host communities on mutually beneficial projects, such as the construction of markets and classrooms.							
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Implementation |

Coordination

UNHCR will maintain its partnerships with the Government of Côte d'Ivoire, UN agencies and national and international NGOs. The organization will continue to participate in inter-agency coordination mechanisms, such as the UN Country Team, the UN Development Action Framework and the Comité de coordination élargi, which was created in July 2013 to

replace the cluster system and transfer responsibility for humanitarian and development matters to the authorities. The Office will continue to oversee the implementation of the UN Secretary-General's Policy Committee Decision on Durable Solutions, which seeks to provide a comprehensive response to the needs of returning populations and their host communities.

Partners

Implementing partners

Government agencies:

Ministry of Justice, Human Rights and Public Liberties, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

NGOs

Association de Soutien à l'Autopromotion Sanitaire Urbaine, Danish Refugee Council, Norwegian Refugee Council, Search for Common Ground

Others:

FAO, IOM, UN Women, UNOPS

Operational partners

Government agencies:

Ministry of the Family, Women and Social Affairs, Ministry of Planning and Development, Ministry of State, Ministry of Health

NGOs:

International Rescue Committee, Save the Children International

Others

ICRC, OCHA, UNDP, UNESCO, UNICEF, UNIDO, WFP

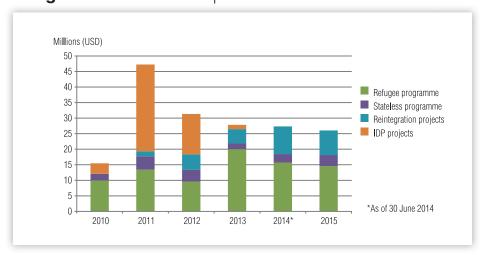
Financial information |

Between 2011 and 2013, financial requirements for UNHCR's programme in Côte d'Ivoire decreased significantly, from USD 47 million to USD 27.8 million.

Over the past two years, UNHCR has been establishing and maintaining an alliance of key players, notably UN agencies such as UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP, which took over some of the Office's unfunded activities.

In 2015, some USD 26 million will be needed for UNHCR to provide protection and assistance to former Ivorian refugees, as well as IDPs, stateless people and refugees in the country.

Budgets for Côte d'Ivoire | 2010-2015



2015 budget for Côte d'Ivoire \mid USD

Budget breakdown	PILLAR 1 Refugee programme	PILLAR 2 Stateless programme	PILLAR 3 Reintegration projects	Total
2014 revised budget (as of 30 June 2014)	15,737,062	2,711,306	8,889,473	27,337,841
Favourable protection environment				
Law and policy	101,609	370,663	0	472,272
Public attitude towards people of concern	326,481	339,775	0	666,256
Subtotal	428,090	710,438	0	1,138,528
Fair protection processes and documentation				
Identification of statelessness	0	419,888	0	419,888
Status determination procedures	81,806	0	0	81,806
Civil registration and status documentation	359,524	694,663	0	1,054,187
Family reunification	475,831	0	0	475,831
Subtotal	917,162	1,114,550	0	2,031,712
Security from violence and exploitation				
Prevention and response to SGBV	121,609	0	210,119	331,728
Freedom of movement and detention risk reduced	66,609	0	102,560	169,168
Protection of children	138,217	0	0	138,217
Subtotal	326,435	0	312,679	639,114
Basic needs and essential services				
Health	0	0	547,679	547,679
Reproductive health and HIV services	0	0	435,239	435,239
Water	0	0	512,560	512,560
Shelter and infrastructure	0	0	962,560	962,560
Services for people with specific needs	324,780	0	0	324,780
Education	0	0	898,226	898,226
Subtotal	324,780	0	3,356,263	3,681,043
Community empowerment and self-reliance				
Coexistence with local communities	66,609	0	1,205,119	1,271,728
Natural resources and shared environment	0	0	222,560	222,560
Self-reliance and livelihood activities	717,060	0	887,545	1,604,605
Subtotal	783,668	0	2,315,224	3,098,893
Durable solutions				
Voluntary return	8,819,933	0	700 500	8,819,933
Reintegration	0	0	762,560	762,560
Integration	141,629	0	0	141,629
Resettlement Reduction of statelessness	194,826	010.550	0	194,826
Reduction of statelessness Subtotal	9,156,388	919,550 919,550	762,560	919,550
Leadership, coordination and partnerships	3,100,000	319,550	702,300	10,030,498
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Coordination and partnerships Donor relations and resource mobilization	224,327	232,775 97,888	190,119	422,895 422,774
Subtotal	224,327	330,663	290,679	845,669
Logistics and operations support	224,321	330,003	290,019	040,009
Logistics and operations support	986,964	144,888	475,119	1,606,971
Operations management, coordination and support	1,385,420	379,215	404,692	2,169,327
Subtotal	2,372,384	524,103	879,811	3,776,298
2015 total budget	14,533,233	3,599,304	7,917,216	26,049,754
2013 total budget	14,333,233	3,399,304	7,917,210	20,049,734