

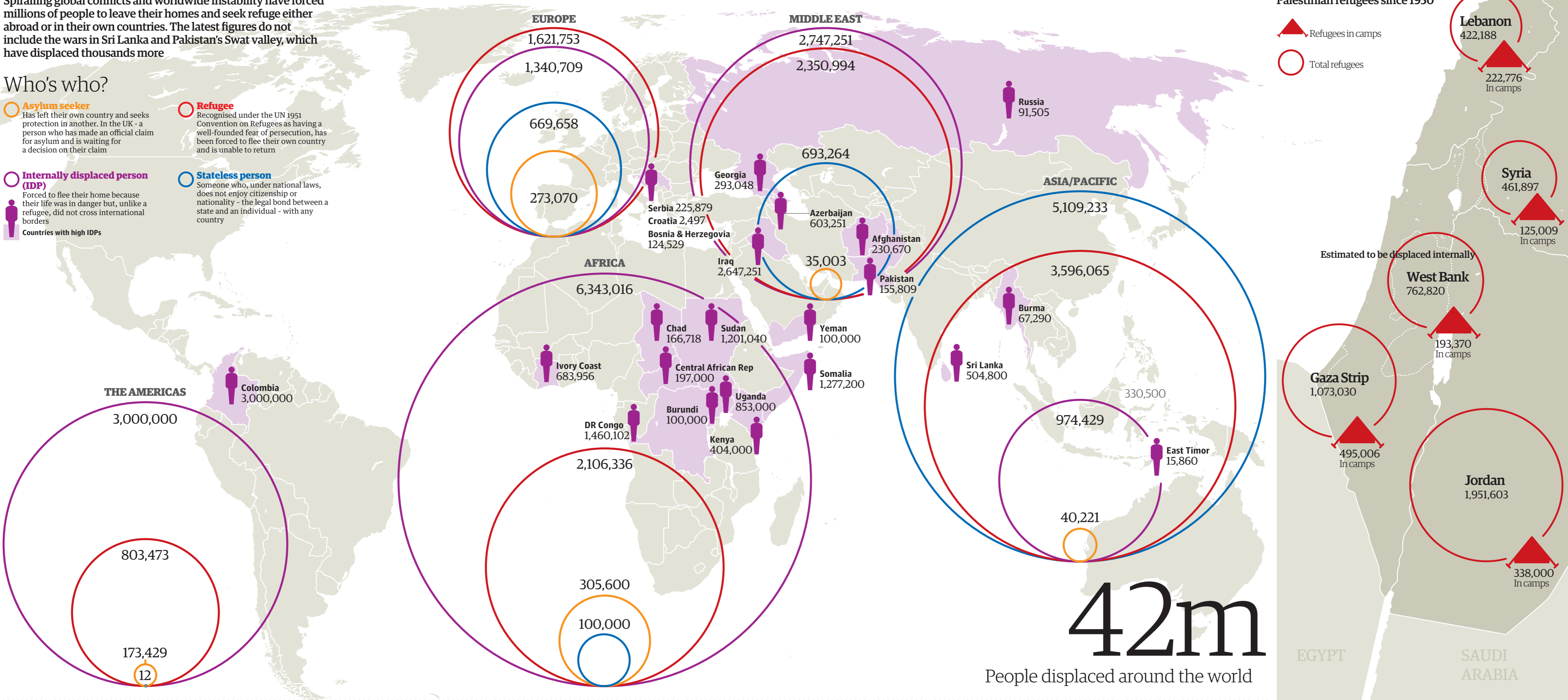
# Global human displacement

Spiralling global conflicts and worldwide instability have forced millions of people to leave their homes and seek refuge either abroad or in their own countries. The latest figures do not include the wars in Sri Lanka and Pakistan's Swat valley, which have displaced thousands more

## Who's who?

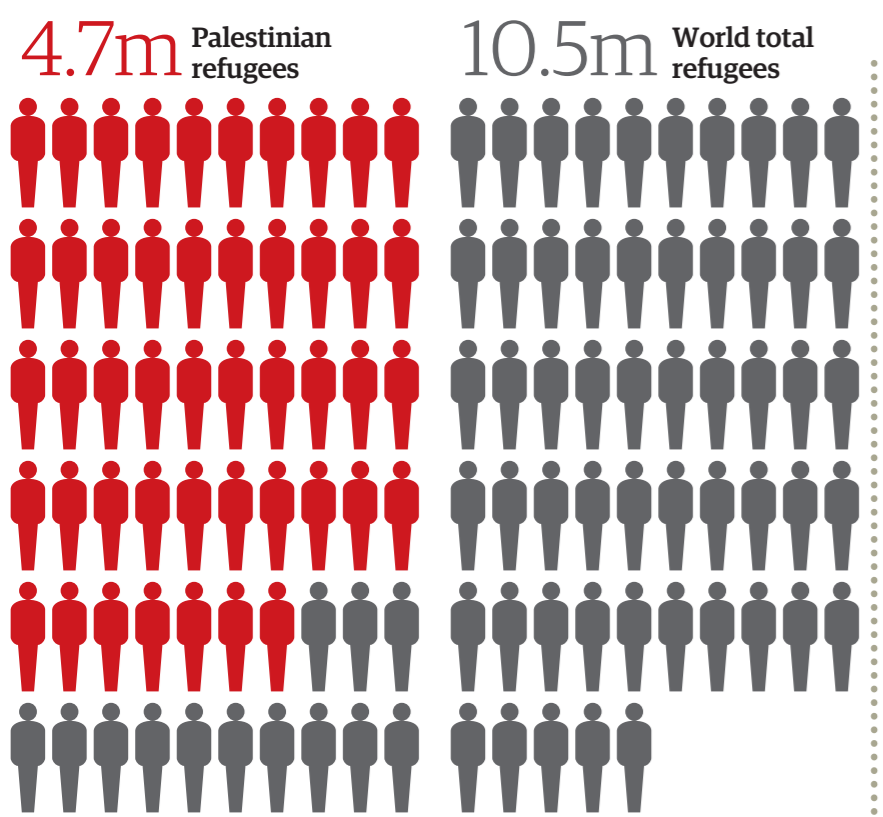
- Asylum seeker**  
Has left their own country and seeks protection in another. In the UK - a person who has made an official claim for asylum and is waiting for a decision on their claim
- Refugee**  
Recognised under the UN 1951 Convention on Refugees as having a well-founded fear of persecution, has been forced to flee their own country and is unable to return
- Internally displaced person (IDP)**  
Forced to flee their home because their life was in danger but, unlike a refugee, did not cross international borders
- Stateless person**  
Someone who, under national laws, does not enjoy citizenship or nationality - the legal bond between a state and an individual - with any country

Countries with high IDPs

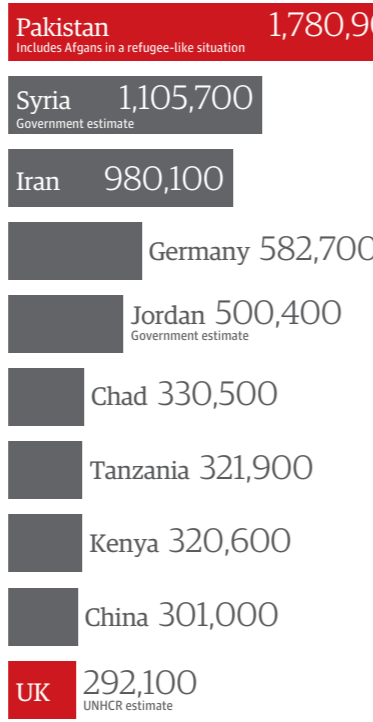


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People displaced around the world

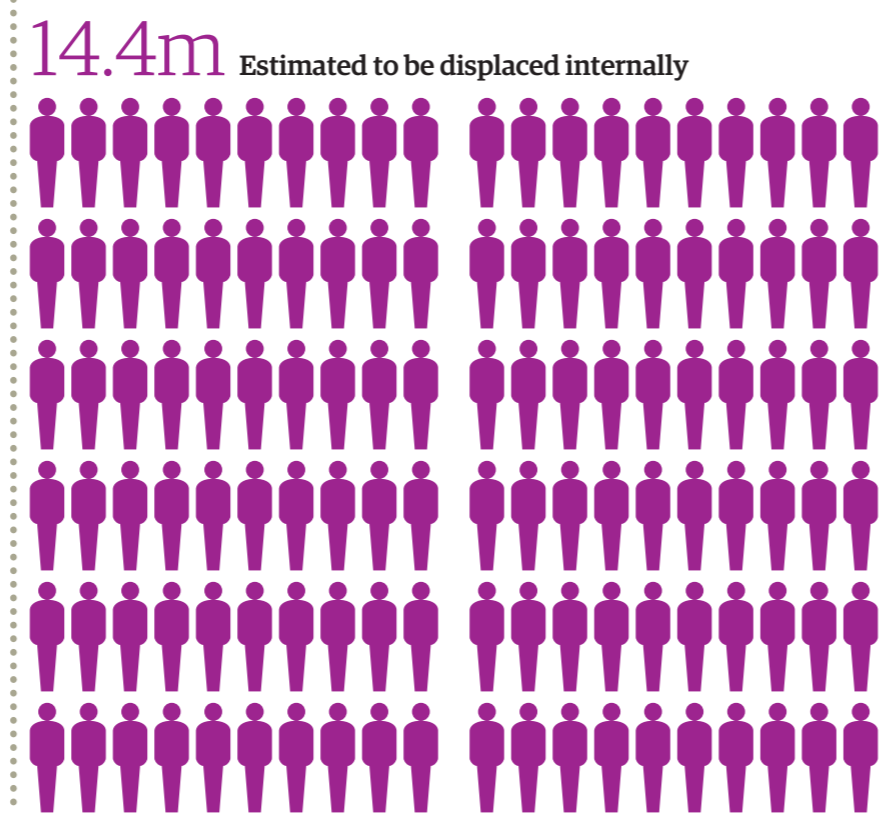
## Refugee estimates



### Where the refugees end up Major hosting countries



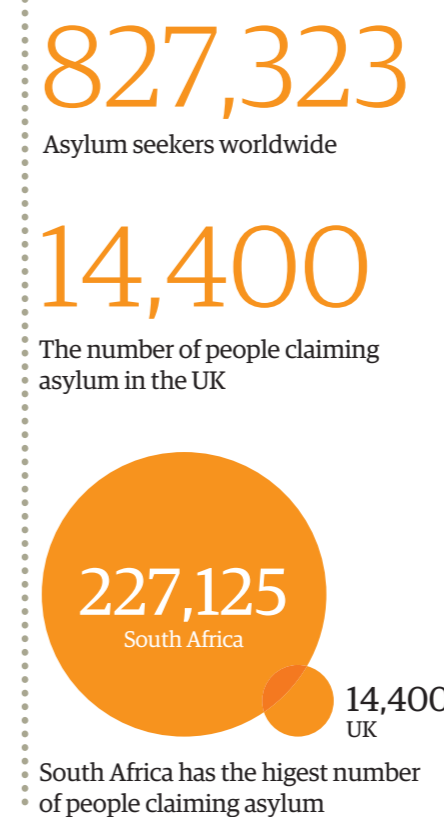
## Internally displaced people (IDP)



### The top five countries with the largest number of IDPs are:



## Asylum seekers



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