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# Facts & Figures

## 2017 IN REVIEW

**Trends at a Glance**

Globally, the forcibly displaced population increased in 2017 by 2.9 million. By the end of the year, 68.5 million individuals were forcibly displaced worldwide as a result of persecution, conflict, or generalized violence. As a result, the world’s forcibly displaced population exceeded the 2015 peak again for a second straight year.

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**An estimated 68.5 million people were newly displaced in 2017.**

This included 25.4 million refugees worldwide. The largest numbers were in the Middle East and Africa, with 14.5 million and 10.6 million respectively. Asia, Europe, and Latin America also saw significant new displacement at 5.2 million, 4.3 million, and 2.4 million respectively. By the end of the year, 13.4 million refugees were in protracted situations (10 years or longer).
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- 50% are under the age of 18
- 7.4 million school-age refugees
- 92% of school-age refugees hosted in developing countries
In just one year, the number of refugee children out of school has increased by half a million.

Four million refugee children are out of school. An increase of half a million in one year.

Source: UNHCR (2017)
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Primary school enrolment:
- 92% go to school

Secondary school enrolment:
- 61% go to school
- 84% of the world’s children
- 23% of refugee children

Higher education enrolment:
- 37% of the world’s youth
- 1% of refugee youth

Source: UNESCO 2016, UNHCR 2015
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Nearly two thirds of refugee children who go to primary school do not make it to secondary school.

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Refugee children are five times more likely to be OUT OF SCHOOL than non-refugees.

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