

WORLD REFUGEE SUNDAY

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Facts About Refugees

1. Over 37 million people are living outside their home country as refugees.
2. Refugees do not choose to leave their home country—they are forced to flee due to war or persecution.
3. Most refugees wait many years or even decades before being resettled in a new country.
4. 41 percent of the world's refugees are under age 18.
5. Less than 1 percent of refugees are resettled to a new country per year. Refugees do not decide the country to which they are resettled.
6. Refugees who are resettled in the U.S. are the most thoroughly vetted individuals to enter our country.
7. Refugees are invited by the U.S. government and enter as legal residents.
8. Refugees pay taxes and are contributors to the U.S. economy.
9. Since 2025, refugee resettlement in the U.S. has been suspended with a few exceptions.
10. This year, the U.S. is resettling the lowest number of refugees since the U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program was established in 1980.

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