The ICRC around the world in 2021

20,867 staff members

100 delegations and missions

over 100 countries

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172,072
Red Cross messages collected
▷ of which 18,374 from detainees

135,198
Red Cross messages distributed
▷ of which 13,265 to detainees

6,722
Phone calls made by the ICRC to inform families of the whereabouts of a detained relative

6,149
detainees visited by their families with ICRC support

1,651,904
Phone and video calls facilitated between family members separated as a result of armed conflict or other situations of violence, migration, detention or other circumstances
RESTORING FAMILY LINKS

- **29,646** people for whom a tracing request was newly registered
- **9,740** people whose names were listed on the Movement’s family-links website
- **8,744** people whose fates or whereabouts were established
- **173,881** tracing cases still being handled at the end of the year, of which for **39,297** minors at the time of disappearance
- **1,270** people, including children, reunited with their families
**PROTECTION**

**RESTORING FAMILY LINKS**

- **2,298** unaccompanied or separated children newly registered by the ICRC and/or National Societies
  - **OF WHOM**
    - **918** girls
    - **76** demobilized children
  - **1,185** children reunited with their families
- **5,303** children whose cases were still being handled at the end of the year

As a neutral intermediary, the ICRC facilitated the transfer or repatriation of:

- **1,402** people
- **4,884** people

across front lines, borders or boundary lines
the ICRC visited 889 places of detention holding 731,112 detainees in 73 contexts.

25,675 detainees visited and monitored individually

OF WHOM
- 14,415 detainees visited and registered for the first time in 2021
- 943 women; 938 minors
- 95 prisoners of war; 952 civilian internees and others1

1. Other categories under the Fourth Geneva Convention.
3,575,484 people received **food assistance**, whether through food distributions, cash transfers, vouchers or other support
- of whom IDPs: **2,072,266**

6,243,626 people received support for **food production**, primarily through material, financial or technical assistance for crop cultivation, fishing or livestock breeding
- of whom IDPs: **1,411,660**

4,647,523 people were given basic household items, such as blankets, mats, cooking sets and hygiene kits, to help improve their **living conditions**
- of whom IDPs: **3,177,437**

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2. internally displaced people
1,578,840 people benefited from income support, such as cash-for-work projects, business grants, equipment or raw materials for micro-economic initiatives, and other assistance aimed at protecting, restoring or augmenting their household income
  ▶ of whom IDPs: 685,951

165,099 people benefited from capacity-building initiatives – such as skills training or support for community-based cooperatives – that enhanced their livelihoods, helped them make the most out of their trade or boosted their employment prospects
  ▶ of whom IDPs: 40,429
709 primary health care centres received supplies, equipment, training assistance or other forms of ICRC support.

- 14,251,421 average catchment population
- 741,367 antenatal consultations
- 8,179,766 curative consultations (for children: 30%; for women: 25%)
- 2,588,568 vaccine doses provided, including for children under 5 years old

2,183 health facilities received support for COVID-19 vaccination

- 21,000,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses were administered with ICRC support
- 2,867,444 people attended COVID-19 health promotion sessions

3. Support for national deployment and vaccination plans, support for National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and/or facilitating the "last mile", including in hard-to-reach areas.
HEALTH CARE FOR DETAINEES

complementing its detention visits, the ICRC checked on the health situation of detainees in

347 places of detention

and provided various forms of support – medical donations and technical assistance – to

135 prison health facilities

with the aim of ensuring timely medical treatment for detainees, including those with chronic conditions and those requiring referrals for specialist care
HOSPITAL SERVICES AND FIRST AID

679 hospitals received regular or ad hoc support

ICRC personnel provided on-site support or directly monitored activities at 109 of these hospitals, which registered:

- 4,417,322 consultations
- 20,801 surgical admissions for weapon wounds
- 151,461 operations for weapon wounds and other cases
- 53,863 admissions for gynaecological/obstetric care

2,764 first-aid training sessions were held for 54,198 people, including National Society volunteers.
PHYSICAL REHABILITATION

the ICRC supported

318
physical rehabilitation projects, including

146
physical rehabilitation centres

- 365,846 people served
  - 30,172 victims of mines and explosive remnants of war
- 842,510 physiotherapy sessions conducted
- 9,528 wheelchairs or postural support devices distributed, most of them locally manufactured
- 22,231 prostheses and 123,098 orthoses produced and delivered
- 10,836 referrals for initiatives that promote social integration and inclusion

4. Projects include physical rehabilitation centres, component factories and training institutes.
5. Based on aggregated monthly data, which include repeat users of physical rehabilitation services.
MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

directly or through its support to service providers, the ICRC provided mental-health support to help people process their experiences and alleviate the psychological, psychosocial and emotional consequences of conflict and violence on their well-being; among them were:

- **30,996** civilians, including families of missing persons, victims/survivors of sexual violence, and unaccompanied children

- **1,556** detainees

- **3,718** people receiving treatment at ICRC-supported hospitals and physical rehabilitation centres, including those who had sustained debilitating or life-changing injuries

- **3,796** people, including health-care workers and first responders, underwent training to better equip them to provide psychosocial support or other mental-health services
37,082,898 people gained access to clean water for drinking, irrigation or household use, reduced their exposure to environmental health risks or saw improvements to their general living conditions.

- 36,717,941 civilians (residents, IDPs, returnees, refugees)
- 364,957 detainees

ICRC construction and repair projects contributed to improving services at hospitals and physical rehabilitation facilities with a total capacity of 30,342 beds.
The ICRC carried out activities for people living in areas contaminated by mines and explosive remnants of war in 52 countries and territories. These included mine-risk education sessions, collecting and analysing data on mine-related incidents and contaminated areas, clearance activities and training for local actors. The ICRC also worked with the UN and NGOs to further develop and strengthen international mine-action standards and coordination.
FINANCE

BUDGET

FIELD OPERATIONS
CHF 2.1 billion

HEADQUARTERS
CHF 258 million

INNOVATION
CHF 4.5 million

Budget extensions
CHF 64.9 million

FINAL 2021 BUDGET
CHF 2.37 BILLION

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6. Ethiopia, Sudan, Israel and the occupied territories, and the Islamic Republic of Iran
7. Initiatives to foster innovation across the ICRC, covering field and headquarters activities
Expended 2021 expenditure (in cash, kind and services) CHF 1.97 billion.

**Field Operations**
- CHF 1.73 billion

**Headquarters**
- CHF 242 million

**Innovation**
- CHF 2.01 million

**Total implementation rate**
- 83.5%

Field implementation rate: 82.3%

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8. Implementation rate = final expenditure/final budget x 100
FINANCE

BREAKDOWN OF THE FIELD EXPENDITURE
In CHF millions

BY GEOGRAPHICAL REGION

- AFRICA 727.9 (42%)
- NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST 493.4 (29%)
- ASIA AND THE PACIFIC 235.6 (14%)
- EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA 154.7 (9%)
- AMERICAS 118.3 (7%)

TOTAL FIELD EXPENDITURE
CHF 1.73 BILLION

BY PROGRAMME

- ASSISTANCE 1,114.1 (64%)
- PROTECTION 331.1 (19%)
- PREVENTION 157.2 (9%)
- COOPERATION WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES 105.1 (6%)
- GENERAL 22.3 (1%)
## TEN LARGEST OPERATIONS

### IN TERMS OF EXPENDITURE

In CHF millions

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CONTRIBUTIONS
Total contributions received from all donors/partners

TOTAL 2021 CONTRIBUTIONS
(IN CASH, KIND AND SERVICES)
CHF 1.96 BILLION

 Governments and the European Commission
93.3%

Private and public sources
4.1%

International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement
1.6%

Supranational organizations and international institutions
1.0%
For more information, see the ICRC Annual Report 2021 on the Extranet for Donors and on ICRC.org.
MISSION
The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is an impartial, neutral and independent organization whose exclusively humanitarian mission is to protect the lives and dignity of victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence and to provide them with assistance. The ICRC also endeavours to prevent suffering by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and universal humanitarian principles. Established in 1863, the ICRC is at the origin of the Geneva Conventions and the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. It directs and coordinates the international activities conducted by the Movement in armed conflicts and other situations of violence.