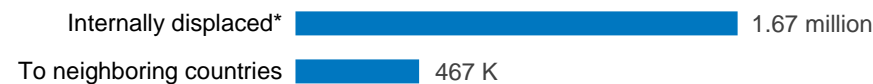


Sudan Situation Report

13 June 2023

DISPLACEMENT FIGURES

2.1 million displaced since 15 April 2023



*Source: IOM DTM

UNHCR PRESENCE

Operational posture and emergency structure

- 1 Representation Office in Port Sudan
- 3 Sub Offices in White Nile, Gedaref, Kassala
- 2 Field Offices in Blue Nile, Girba
- 1 Support Office in Nairobi (Kenya)

In addition, UNHCR is establishing a field unit in Dongola (Northern state), a hub in Wad Madani (Jazirah state), and a presence in the proposed UN hub in Abeche, Chad to respond to the humanitarian situation in Darfur.

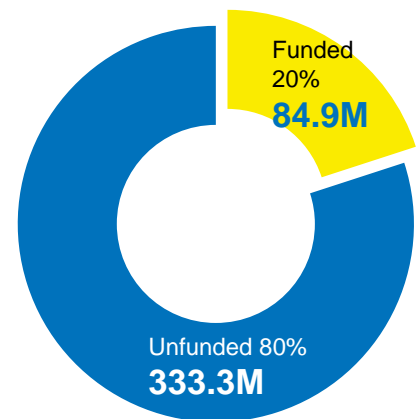
Highlights

- **Conflict between the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) are entering the third month.** Formal talks in Jeddah, KSA remain suspended.
- Amid reports of renewed clashes in Central Darfur, UNHCR confirmed that its office and guesthouse in Zalingei have been looted. This brings the total number of looted UNHCR offices to five since the start of conflict.
- **UNHCR continues to stay and deliver in Sudan**, responding to the humanitarian needs of refugees and forcibly displaced in new locations such as Port Sudan, Wadi Halfa, and Wad Madani, while maintaining existing programs in Gedaref, Kassala, Blue Nile, and White Nile, where an emergency response is being scaled up in response to the influx of over 140,000 refugees and asylum seekers fleeing Khartoum and other unsafe areas. Some activities continue to be undertaken in East Darfur and parts of Kordofan where the security situation allows.
- The mapping of internal movements of refugees and asylum seekers reflects that an estimated **175,751 individuals have been secondarily displaced within Sudan**. Mapping is ongoing.
- **Funding is urgently and rapidly needed** to respond to the mounting humanitarian needs in Sudan as a result of the ongoing crisis and in view of the incoming rainy season.

FUNDING STATUS

USD 418.2 million

requested for the Sudan operation



*As of 1 June 2023

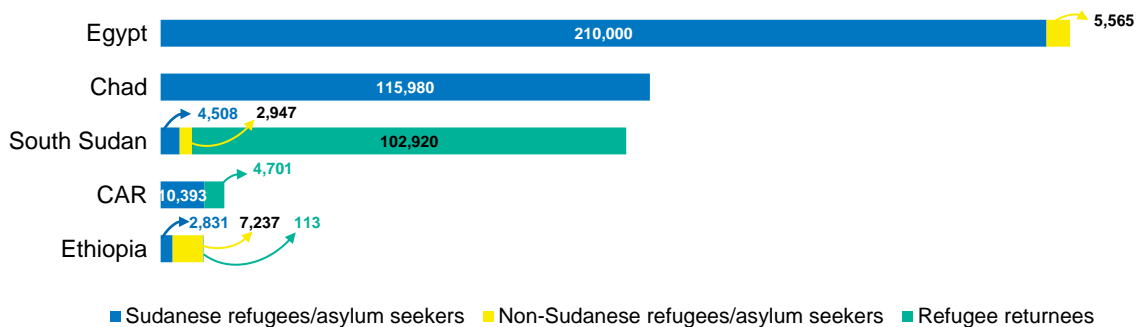
Security developments

- The latest 24-hour ceasefire led to reduced fighting in Khartoum, but clashes resumed with intensity following the end of the ceasefire on 10 June. In Darfur, amid the rise of intercommunal violence, the impact of ceasefires has been felt less. In Kordofan, clashes have been reported between SAF and the Sudan People’s Liberation Movement—North which is also not a party to the Jeddah agreement and subsequent ceasefires. The situation has since calmed in Kadugli following mediation by local entities.
- **Looting** of humanitarian facilities continued to be reported. Looting in Central Darfur affected the UNHCR office and guesthouse, bringing the number of looted UNHCR offices to 5 (Khartoum representation office, Khartoum field office, El Geneina field office, Nyala field office, Zalingei field office). An inventory exercise of the UNHCR warehouse in El Obeid has not been conducted yet due to prevailing insecurity in the area. The planned movement of NFI and other supplies from the UNHCR warehouse in Khartoum has not pushed through due to ongoing clashes.

Population movements

Movements outside of Sudan

A total of **467,195** refugees, asylum seekers, and returnees have been reported

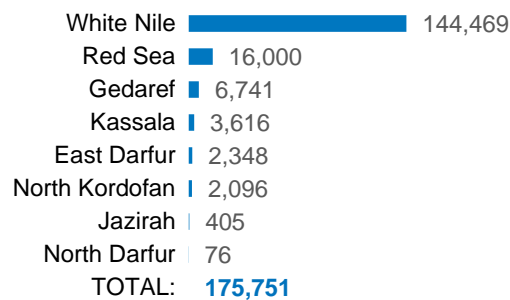


Movements within Sudan

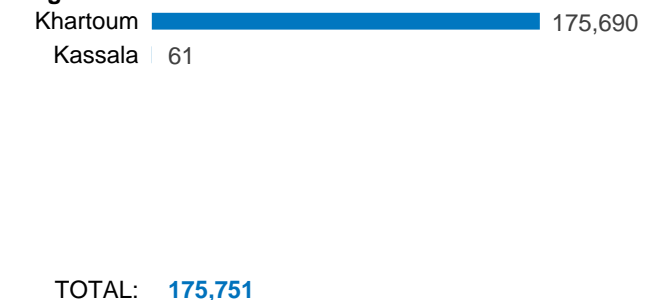
IOM DTM reports **1,670,991** internally displaced persons in Sudan since 15 April 2023

In addition, an estimated **175,751** refugees and asylum seekers have been **secondarily displaced**

Destination



Origin



*UNHCR and partners continue to map movements of refugees and asylum seekers within Sudan. ([Online interactive dashboard](#))

Operational context

- Rotation of international staff to White Nile, Blue Nile, Kassala, Gedaref, and Red Sea states continues to be undertaken, with more staff including the Representative arriving in Sudan.
- Operations of UNHCR and partners remain temporarily suspended in large parts of Khartoum, Kordofan and Darfur as a result of the prevailing security situation.
- In **Chad**, the scoping mission involving OCHA, UNHCR and other UN agencies successfully reached the Sudanese border. UNHCR continues to advocate with local authorities in Darfur and Government of Sudan (GoS) High-Level Committee for Humanitarian Assistance in Port Sudan for approval to commence cross-border operations into Darfur from Chad.

Protection situation

- UNHCR is increasingly concerned about the safety of refugees who have been caught up in the conflict, alongside other civilians, in Khartoum, Darfur, and other hotspot areas, where **humanitarian access remains limited, and reports of human rights abuses rise.** ([Statement](#))
- The rise in intercommunal violence as a result of lawlessness and the security vacuum is presenting growing concerns on top of the armed conflict in Sudan.
- In **Darfur**, the situation remains tense and volatile across the region. Renewed clashes and shooting have been reported in West, Central, and South Darfur, and increased fear among the local population in East Darfur due to reports of RSF movement out of South Darfur. In North Darfur, Kutum town has been taken by RSF supported by Arab militias. During the clashes, Kassab IDP Camp was reportedly directly targeted and as a result 54 IDPs from the camp were killed and the camp was destroyed. Across the region, more settlements and camps are reporting dire humanitarian conditions, including outbreaks of measles, malaria, and malnutrition, due to the lack of basic commodities. Incidents of conflict-related sexual violence have also been reported.
- In **Wadi Halfa**, more arrivals are being reported and a large number of people continue to seek support. UNHCR continues to conduct protection assessments to improve the emergency response, amid indications that protection needs continue to rise especially in the absence of specialized services.
- **Communication with communities/community-based protection:** Hotlines remain functional but dependent on the network connectivity in Sudan affecting most regions. 1,072 calls were responded to during the reporting period. An orientation training for hotline operations was held to further strengthen capacities to respond to the calls and make effective referrals. Nevertheless, providing information on access to services in areas of conflict remains a major challenge. Apart from the hotlines, [UNHCR's Help Page for Sudan](#) continues to be updated on a regular basis, and the Telegram channel continues to provide helpful information in English and Arabic.
- **Accountability to affected populations (AAP):** UNHCR is working to improve the complaints feedback mechanism across all offices and is engaged with the AAP working group in the planned conduct of community consultations to further improve the response in the country.
- **Education:** In the Local Education Group meeting chaired by UNICEF and Save the Children, UNHCR supported the prioritization of the learning agenda for children during crisis as a critical priority to protect children from exploitation, abuse, and recruitment into armed group among other key protection concerns.

Operational response

KEY FIGURES*


12,003

Refugee, asylum seeker, IDP, and returnee **households** have received **NFI support** in Port Sudan, Gedaref, Kassala, White Nile, Blue Nile, North Darfur, Wadi Halfa, Wad Madani, West Kordofan


67,232

Refugees and asylum seekers who fled Khartoum and unsafe areas to **White Nile State** have been **verified/confirmed as previously registered with UNHCR**


648

Refugees and asylum seekers who fled Khartoum to the **eastern states** have been supported with **relocation** to the camps in **Gedaref**

*Since 15 April 2023



Resumption of registration and verification activities by UNHCR and COR in **Kassala**



Distribution of NFI assistance to newly displaced IDPs in **West Kordofan**



Tents pitched for new arrivals in **White Nile State** from Khartoum and other unsafe areas



Distribution of NFI assistance to the affected population in **Wadi Halfa**



Distribution of NFI assistance to refugees who fled Khartoum to **Wad Madani**



Distribution of soap and dignity kits in Tunaydbah, **Gedaref**

In addition to activities being implemented targeting newly displaced persons, UNHCR continues to provide regular protection and assistance in line with the Multi-Year Strategy in Sudan, including registration of new arrivals, distribution of personal hygiene kits and dignity kits, provision of lifesaving assistance and services in areas such as White Nile, Blue Nile, Gedaref, and Kassala.

State	Operational response
Northern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In Wadi Halfa, UNHCR has so far distributed NFI kits to 410 households at 10 gathering sites. Distribution continues on a vulnerability and needs basis. Interventions for persons with specific needs are also being undertaken through the provision of mattresses, and the repair and installation of fans and additional lighting. ■ UNHCR continues to engage displaced communities as part of protection monitoring. Assessments are underway to understand their additional needs.
Red Sea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Protection capacity is being strengthened in Port Sudan, including through the engagement of a community-based volunteer, as well as engaging with Mutawinat Benevolent Company for the provision of additional legal counselling and awareness-raising activities to new arrivals.
White Nile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Registration/verification of refugees fleeing unsafe areas is ongoing. As of 6 June, 67,232 individuals (12,922 households) were verified, out of which 25% were already registered in other states in Sudan. ■ In response to the influx, additional land is being secured to accommodate the arrivals and ease pressures on resources in existing camps. In Abu Dolou, the establishment of the new settlement site is pending. New land has also been secured for an extension of the Um Sangour camp. Technical teams are being deployed for land assessment and site planning. ■ In view of the rainy season, flood mitigation works and NFI distribution are ongoing although suppliers have raised concerns over the availability of cash. WFP is distributing food assistance to cover the July and August rations.
Gedaref	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The biometric verification/registration of a total of 1,076 refugees and asylum seekers in Um Gargour was completed. This includes 398 individuals who were relocated to the camp by COR and UNHCR, and 678 individuals who had self-relocated from Khartoum and other unsafe areas directly to the camp. ■ 146 refugees and asylum seekers were relocated to the camps from Um Gulja during the period. Of this number, 104 were relocated to Um Gargour and 42 to Tunaydbah. Upon arrival, the individuals underwent medical and protection screening and were provided with life-saving assistance, including hot meals, water and core relief items. So far, a total of 648 individuals have been relocated to the camps since the exercise started on 17 May. ■ Best interests assessment was conducted for 8 refugee children at risk. Additionally, 100% of GBV survivors received case management services, including psychosocial support. A total of 1,736 persons with specific needs have received targeted support, including 1,689 older persons and 47 people from minorities. ■ One peaceful co-existence project is currently under implementation through a community-based approach which involves peace committees in all the camps comprised of both refugee and host community members. ■ 411 families (1,233 individuals) were supported with emergency shelter kits. This includes 400 families in Tunaydbah as part of the rainy season response and 11 families of new arrivals who entered through Gallabat border crossing point.

- During the reporting period, 6 communal latrines were built in Um Gargour, serving approximately 300 people. Since the beginning of May, 24 communal latrines and 24 communal showers have been built in this location, serving approximately 1,200 people.
- All populations in the refugee camps are served by functional water systems.
- From 4-11 June, a total of 2,621 outpatient department consultations were carried out at the primary healthcare center, of which 1,420 were refugees and 1,201 were Sudanese nationals.

Kassala

- During the reporting week, COR and UNHCR continued to receive refugees fleeing the conflict in Khartoum. To date, 828 refugees from Khartoum were received and integrated into the community in Wad Sharife camp and provided with critical non-food items. Females within reproductive age were also provided with dignity kits.
- COR and UNHCR continue to work jointly with immigration on the screening of refugees, asylum seekers and IDPs. UNHCR held initial discussions with HAC, Sudanese Red Crescent Society, and the Ministry of Social Development with a view to establish the Protection Sector Coordination in relation to the IDP response in Kassala state.
- The WASH partner Welthungerhilfe continues with the provision of water supply in all camps. The partner is also planning to resume the general distribution of soap and personal hygiene kits in Shagarab camp as it was postponed following the security situation in Sudan.
- All registration activities have resumed on 6 June, including registration of new arrivals in Shagarab camp and verification in Kassala COR office. 61 families comprising 89 individuals were biometrically registered. Additionally, verification of 7 individuals (6 Kassala, 1 Girba) was conducted.
- Offline registration and verification were conducted by COR and UNHCR to reach a total number of 39 individuals, of which 29 were found to be refugees registered in Shagarab and moved to Khartoum in the previous years. The remaining 10 are asylum seekers who were referred to Sudan Organization for Development for hot meals assistance.

Blue Nile

- UNHCR and COR conducted verification and biometric registration for 142 new arrivals from Mukla border crossing point who arrived spontaneously.
- As a result of the interagency assessment of refugee returnees in Tadamon and Baw localities in early April, in coordination with HAC, COR and the Commission for Voluntary Returns and Displaced Persons, UNHCR distributed NFI kits to 1,700 families of refugee returnees from South Sudan.
- UNHCR together with COR, HAC, and local authorities conducted a fact-finding mission and assessment in Camp 6 following reports by local authorities that a group of Gumuz refugees have indicated intent to return to Ethiopia.

North Darfur

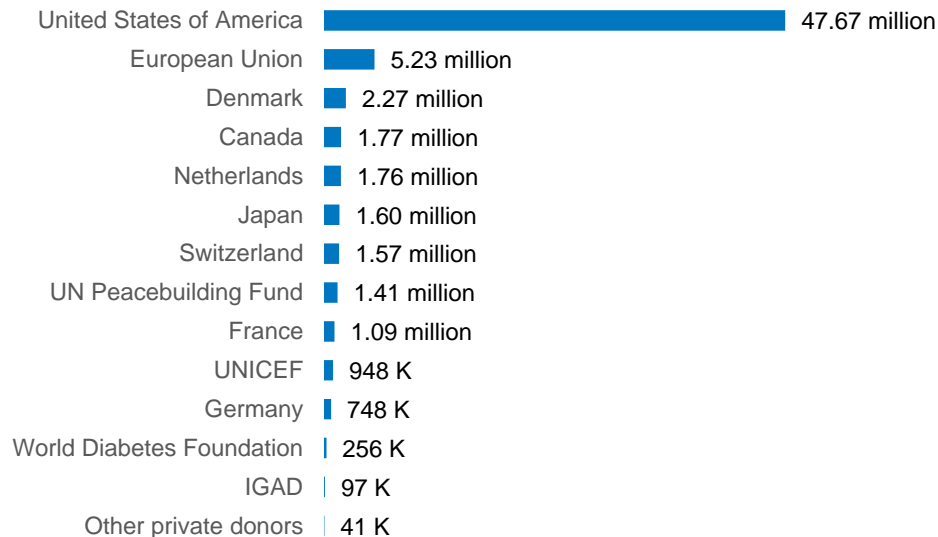
- UNHCR is involved in ongoing efforts by the humanitarian and government actors to conduct assessments to respond to the urgent needs of some 700 families displaced within El Fasher town between 26-28 May when fighting intensified. UNHCR participated in the Humanitarian Coordination Meeting

chaired by HAC, where a Technical Committee was formed to conduct assessments to inform response, especially urgent NFI distribution. Plans to distribute family tents to schools used as gathering sites in El Fasher and at Southern Hospital for families are underway.

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| Central Darfur | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ UNHCR continues to advocate with WFP for food distribution to refugees in Um Shalaya camp.■ UNHCR is engaging the Area Humanitarian Country Team in the development of an emergency operational response plan for Central Darfur, prioritizing life-saving assistance. |
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| South Darfur | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ UNHCR continues to conduct remote protection monitoring of refugee settlements and advocate for responses to the critical gaps identified with agencies namely WHO for health and nutrition supplies.■ UNHCR continues to conduct protection monitoring to the IDP camps in Nyala including Dereige, and Otash and remote monitoring to Gereida, Kass, Mershing and Beliel including Kalma IDP camps.■ Due to the complexity in securing transportation of fuel from Nyala town to the remote areas, UNHCR in coordination and collaboration with the WASH partner (Water and Environmental Sanitation Project) are exploring alternative solutions to access fuel to maintain the WASH facilities. |
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| East Darfur | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ 3,264 persons of concern (1,965 Kario, 842 El Nimir, 457 Abu Jabrah) received health services in 3 health facilities in these refugee settlements.■ Mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) screening was conducted for 1,090 children and 30 pregnant and lactating women in Kario and El Nimir, which found 119 children with malnutrition who were admitted to outpatient therapeutic programmes for treatment and 12 pregnant and lactating women undernourished. Of 119 children with malnutrition, 19 severe acute malnutrition (SAM) cases were detected, of which 6 patients with medical complications were admitted to Kario nutrition stabilization center.■ Medical health referral systems continue to function. During the week, 7 refugees were referred and received medical treatment in Ed Daein hospital. The partner State Ministry of Health also provided reproductive health services to 475 women (423 Kario, 27 El Nimir, 25 Abu Jabrah). |
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| Kordofan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Health and nutrition services continue to be provided across the Kordofan states through the partner Al Manar Voluntary Organization, although there is a low supply of drugs. No medical referral cases are being undertaken due to the security situation. Upon request from UNHCR, UNICEF has agreed to support Al Manar with drug supplies in South Kordofan. Discussions are underway with UNICEF to provide the same support in West Kordofan.■ In West Kordofan, UNHCR through partner International Aid Services and HAC distributed NFIs for 77 households (471 individuals) of newly displaced IDPs.■ All UNHCR partners maintain their presence in El Fula, West Kordofan, with some have locally recruited staff presence in the field conducting protection monitoring in collaboration with the community-based protection networks. |
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Funding situation

Of UNHCR Sudan's total financial requirements of **USD 418.2 million** in 2023, a total of **84.9 million** has been funded as of **1 June 2023**, including earmarked contributions of **66.5 million**



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