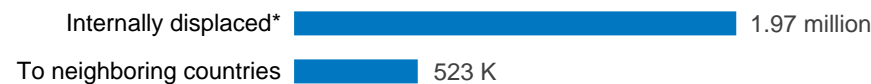


Sudan Situation Report

20 June 2023

DISPLACEMENT FIGURES

2.48 million displaced since 15 April 2023



*Source: IOM DTM

UNHCR PRESENCE

Operational posture and emergency structure

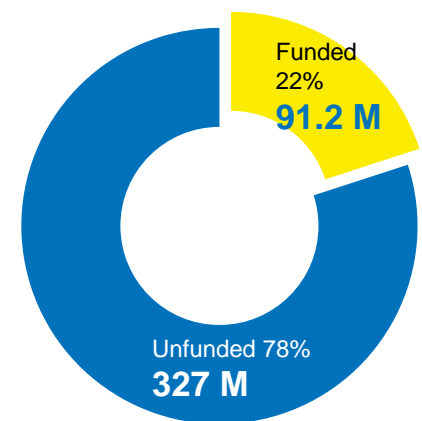
- 1 Representation Office in Port Sudan
- 3 Sub Offices in White Nile, Gedaref, Kassala
- 2 Field Offices in Blue Nile, Girba
- 1 Support Office in Nairobi (Kenya)

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

FUNDING STATUS

USD 418.2 million

requested for the Sudan operation



*As of 16 June 2023

Highlights

- 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.
- The killing of the Governor of West Darfur along with latest intense fighting led to a significant outflow of Sudanese nationals from El Geneina into Chad. So far over 120,000 Sudanese have fled to Chad.
- Sudanese Ministry of Health has reported that about 3,000 people have been killed and 6,000 injured because of the conflict. Actual figures are likely higher; however, telecommunications challenges and ongoing violence inhibit systematic reporting.
- In North, East and South Darfur when security and connectivity allow, UNHCR is pursuing its remote protection monitoring through community-based protection networks as well as through leaders. In Central and West Darfur, the mobile network has been completely cut off since 19 May, seriously challenging regular reach out to population groups of concern.
- The mapping of internal movements of refugees and asylum seekers points to an estimated 175,987 individuals that have self-relocated within Sudan. Mapping is ongoing of their locations, as well as activities are being developed to meet their most pressing needs in all concerned areas.
- NFI needs are high, and there is a need for replenishment, especially following the looting of some warehouses and lack of access to others (like the ones in Khartoum and South Darfur). NFI are ordered and currently in the pipeline, and shipments with items have arrived in Port Sudan, awaiting to complete the clearance process.

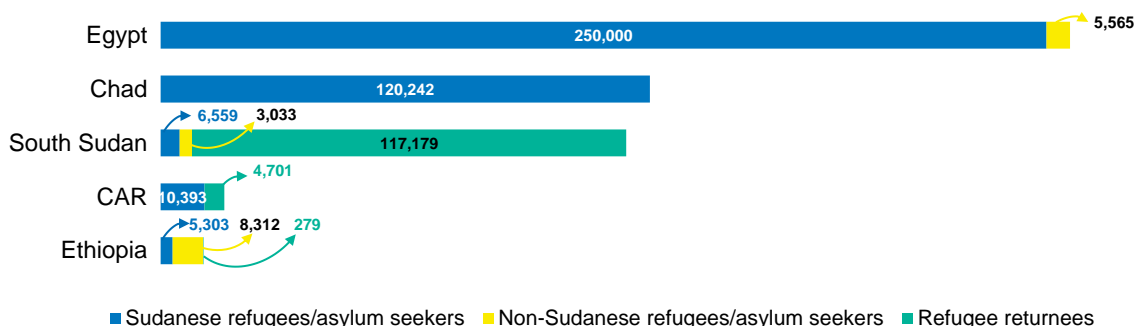
Security developments

- A 72-hour ceasefire started on 18 June. However, the previous days witnessed some of the heaviest clashes across the country, particularly in Khartoum, El Obeid, El Geneina and Tawilla.
- Crime rates are rising in the country, also targeting UN staff members and premises. There are concerns about staff members stranded in Kordofan and Darfur, as the situation in these locations continues to deteriorate.
- Reports are increasingly pointing to a growing ethnic dimension of the conflict in El Geneina and East Darfur, where tensions are causing heightened fear among the population.
- UNHCR has received reports that its warehouse in Nyala, South Darfur has been looted. This is an addition to the earlier reported looting of the El Obeid warehouse and the partial looting for the El Fasher warehouse. 5 offices have been looted since the onset of the crisis.

Population movements

Movements outside of Sudan

A total of **522,707** refugees, asylum seekers, and returnees have been reported

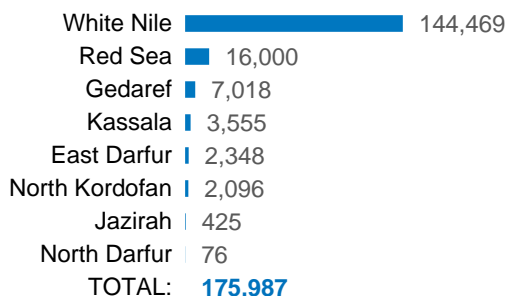


Movements within Sudan

IOM DTM reports **1,965,946** internally displaced persons in Sudan since 15 April 2023

In addition, an estimated **175,987** refugees and asylum seekers have self-relocated within the country.

Destination



Origin



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

Operational context

- Scoping mission to Chad to establish cross-border operations to Darfur was completed. Further advocacy with the Government of Sudan is needed to guarantee access and safety during the proposed cross-border humanitarian response in support of West and Central Darfur.
- Operations of UNHCR and partners remain temporarily suspended in Khartoum, Kordofan and large parts of Darfur due to the prevailing security situation.

Protection situation

- In West Darfur, gross violations of human rights continue to be reported.
- Warring parties are expanding their presence up to 46kms towards Madani, causing major challenges and concerns for population groups attempting to make the safe crossing out of the city.
- Lack of food in the refugee settlements in Darfur is also becoming particularly preoccupying, with a noted increase in cases of malnutrition.
- Based on reports from local authorities, refugees and asylum seekers have spontaneously returned to Eritrea and Ethiopia from Kassala and Gedaref respectively. UNHCR is also receiving requests for assistance for voluntary repatriation. The information available suggests that these returns are undertaken in adverse conditions, mainly due to the deteriorating security and socioeconomic environment in Sudan. Teams in the field continue to gather return intentions of different population groups in Kassala, Gedaref, White Nile, Blue Nile and Red Sea States to inform the Office next steps.
- UNHCR continues to engage displaced communities as part of protection monitoring efforts. In Wadi Halfa, many displaced individuals informed UNHCR they remain determined to reach Egypt for their safety and security, also in view of family links they may have there.
- Internal displacements within Sudan continue to increase. Of the estimated 1,347,384 people displaced from Khartoum due to the ongoing fighting and persistent shortages of water and electricity, approximately 21,080 IDPs have sought refuge in other locations across Khartoum state, while 1,326,304 have fled to other states across Sudan. As the rainy season is starting, there are also concerns about the lack of shelter and NFIs for affected populations, and accessibility challenges for the transport to far-flung areas.

Operational response

KEY FIGURES*


53,550

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


75,643

Refugees and asylum seekers who fled Khartoum and unsafe areas have been **verified/confirmed**, representing 43% of the self-relocated refugee movements


1,089

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

*Since 15 April 2023

In addition to activities being implemented targeting newly displaced persons, UNHCR continues to provide protection and assistance to the over 1 million refugees that Sudan hosted before the conflict started, including registration, distribution of personal hygiene and dignity kits, provision of lifesaving assistance and services in areas such as White Nile, Blue Nile, Gedaref, and Kassala as well as remote protection monitoring in North, South and East Darfur when mobile the mobile network is available.

State	Operational response
Northern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mapping of all the gathering centres is ongoing to consolidate and create management and coordination profiles. ■ HAC and the local authority in Wadi Halfa are working on opening-up between 4 – 5 schools as gathering centres to accommodate the new arrivals, including the estimated 5,000 Sudanese individuals who moved back from Eshkeet border point after they could not cross into Egypt. ■ UNHCR has provided NFI assistance to 843 IDP households in complement to the support provided by other humanitarian agencies, including food and dignity kits from WFP and UNICEF, respectively.
Red Sea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UNHCR led the multisector coordination meeting on gathering sites in Port Sudan. UNHCR highlighted the critical gaps in operational response, namely food and access to medical care. It was agreed that Save the Children, who are providing medical support, will create a calendar for the mobile clinics to be published at gathering sites so that the residents can be informed of the means of accessing medical care. ■ After receiving reports that some South Sudanese families wish to be relocated to White Nile State, an intentions and profiling survey was conducted with 52 households. The results indicate that refugees in Port Sudan have an overarching wish to be resettled from Sudan and do not prefer going to White Nile State, and they are not intending to return to South Sudan.
White Nile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 82,000 individuals have been verified in White Nile. Given the mass influx, UNHCR is advocating with authorities to secure additional land in Abu Dolou for their settlement, ■ UNHCR is awaiting Wali's decree to commence with site clearing in the new settlement. In Um Sangour camp, an additional new land was secured for the site extension. Because of the rainy season, flood mitigation works, NFI distribution, and WFP food distribution covering July-August are ongoing.
Gedaref	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Relocation of refugees and asylum seekers from Um Gulja continues. To date, 230 have been relocated to Tunaydbah and 417 to Um Gargour. Preparations are underway to relocate an additional 207 Congolese refugees from Wad Madani (Jazirah state) to Babikri. ■ In Um Gargour, UNHCR concluded the registration/verification of self-relocated refugees and asylum seekers from Khartoum. By 19 June UNHCR concluded the registration of the self-relocated population, bringing the total number of registered/verified in this location to 1,089. ■ UNHCR and COR finalized preparations for the return intention survey in Babikri – The enumerators were trained, and a meeting was held with the

	<p>refugee leaders who have agreed to mobilize the community to participate in the exercise.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Rainy season preparedness is underway in Um Gargour. Following the transfer of emergency shelter kits from Babikri to Um Gargour, NRC has started setting up Rakoubas for the relocated population to protect them against extreme weather.
Kassala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UNHCR and COR conducted new arrival registration for 194 individuals.. 40 new arrivals are currently hosted at the Wad Sharifey Camp Reception Center, including 28 relocated from Khartoum due to the ongoing conflict. ■ Care International and its partner WOD, with the support of UNHCR and COR, launched a cash distribution exercise targeting 288 refugees who fled from Khartoum to the Shagarab Camps with USD 30 per month. 125 households comprising 233 individuals received a one-off disbursement of USD 60 covering two months. ■ UNHCR provided 400 litres of diesel to Deutsche Welthungerhilfe (WHH), the WASH partner, to run water generators in the Shagarab Camps and ensure the regular provision of potable and safe drinking water to refugees and asylum seekers for one week.
Blue Nile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Through the joint verification mechanism, the number of displaced individuals due to the current Sudan crisis is 16,245 persons in 4 localities of Blue Nile state. The sectoral approach is recommended for humanitarian response to avoid duplication and ensure efficiency.
North Darfur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UNHCR Sub-office El Fasher, North Darfur, distributed NFIs to 336 families of 2,000 individuals displaced mainly from the Eastern parts of the town. The displaced are now living in six schools. The distribution took place following an interagency assessment mission. The needs remain dire since the IDPs still need water and food. For now, those displaced in other locations outside El Fasher cannot receive any assistance due to the security situation. ■ 8,000HH from Kutum are in urgent need of humanitarian support. During the Humanitarian Coordination meeting chaired by the HAC commissioner and also attended by Kutum Executive Director, Secretary General, the Darfur Regional Government, NGOs and agencies, IOM, ICRC, NRC, and SRCS confirmed they have stocks to cover 2,250 HHs. UNHCR can cover 3,000HH for some CRIs with the available supplies. Response plans are underway.
Central Darfur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ There is no communication from Um Shalaya refugee camp due to a lack of network connectivity. The camp has been cut off since 15 April 2023. ■ UNHCR continued remote protection monitoring of IDPs in Zalengei and other hotspot localities whenever connectivity allowed.
South Darfur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UNHCR continues to conduct protection remote monitoring of refugee settlements and advocate to meet critical gaps identified with other agencies on health and nutrition. ■ Due to the complexity in securing fuel transportation from Nyala town to the remote areas, UNHCR, in coordination and collaboration with the WASH partner (WES), are exploring possibilities for procuring the fuel from the

localities where the settlements are but access to finance and banking services remains a challenge.

East Darfur

- CBPNs conducted an assessment exercise for 245 HHs IDPs in EI Neem IDPs camp and 225 HHs from the host communities residing in Ad Du'ayn town. According to the assessment report, which was shared with HAC and WVI, the households require NFIs and Shelter.
- The lack of a Target Supplementary Therapeutic Program (TSFP) supported/implemented by operational partners has contributed to the increase of malnutrition cases amongst children and pregnant/lactating women.

Kordofan

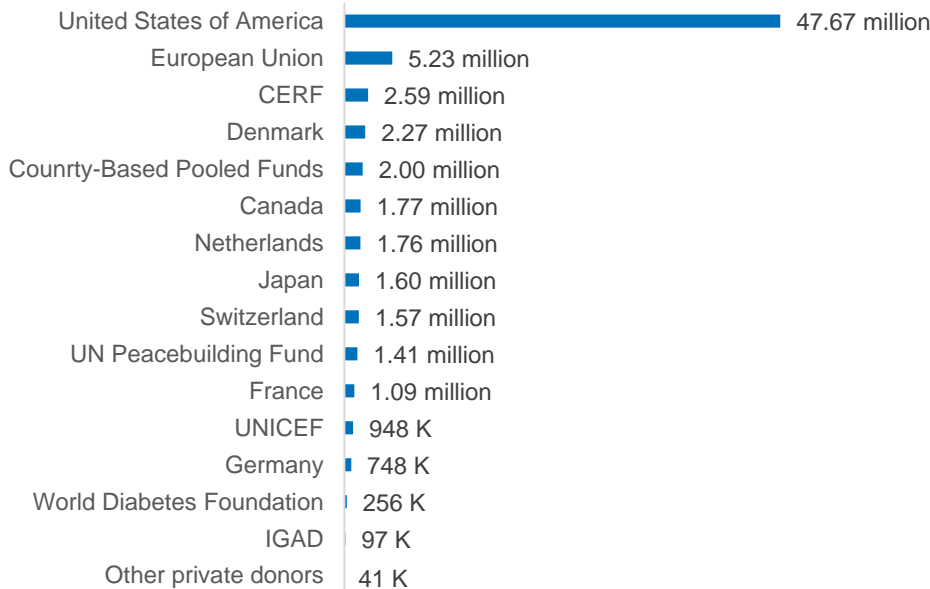
- Save the Children International is distributing shelter materials for refugees who arrived before the crises in Al Leri. UNHCR will coordinate the distribution and verify beneficiary lists with SCI.
- Provision of health care services is ongoing in Kadugli, Abu Jubayah, White Nile and Al Leri despite the shortage of drugs in the health centres.
- In Abu Jubayah, a total of 54 HHs comprising 196 individual refugees have been registered by COR; while 1,163 HHs comprising 6,430 individual IDPs were registered in Abu Jubayah and surrounding areas.

West Darfur

- UNHCR, its implementing partners, and most operational partners continue to suspend their operation due to the ongoing violence and pervasive insecurity in West Darfur.
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Funding situation

Of UNHCR Sudan's total financial requirements of **USD 418.2 million** in 2023, a total of **91.2 million** has been funded as of **16 June 2023**, including earmarked contributions of **71 million**



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