Population Movement from Sudan to Ethiopia

Ethiopian Refugee Returnees

As of 30 September 2024

Context

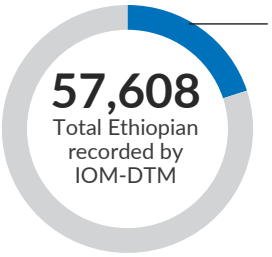
Following the outbreak of armed conflict in Sudan on 15 April 2023, Ethiopian migrants living in Sudan as well as Ethiopian refugees registered is Sudan are forcibly returning to their country of origin. As of 7 August 2024 IOM DTM has recorded 57,608 Ethiopian who crossed the border, amongst them UNHCR identified 11,771 individuals previously registered in Sudan as refugees (Ethiopian refugee returnees).

Mainly, the returnees avoid formal border crossings due to security concerns along the only viable land route via Metema in the Amhara region.

Meanwhile, those who have returned to Tigray have remained displaced in Mekelle, Adigrat, Shire, Adwa, Sheraro, etc., as their homes (mainly from Western Tigray) are insecure to return. Most of them reside among host communities in Tigray, with a minority accommodated in sites provided by local authorities

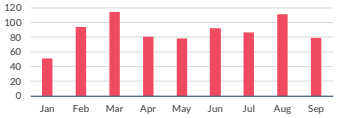
UNHCR's response to Ethiopian refugee returnees in Tigray includes protection monitoring, provision of plastic sheet (3,009 individual reached), clothes (2,964), Core relief items (6,152) and cash assistance (household vulnerability assessment ongoing).

Key figures



11,906
Ethiopian refugee returnees identified by UNHCR

786
Armed clash events reported in Amhara region since January 2024



Arrival trends

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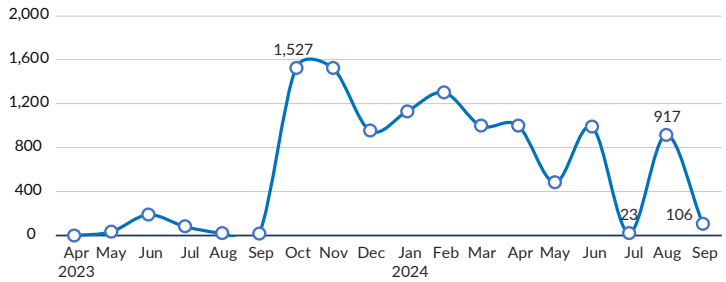
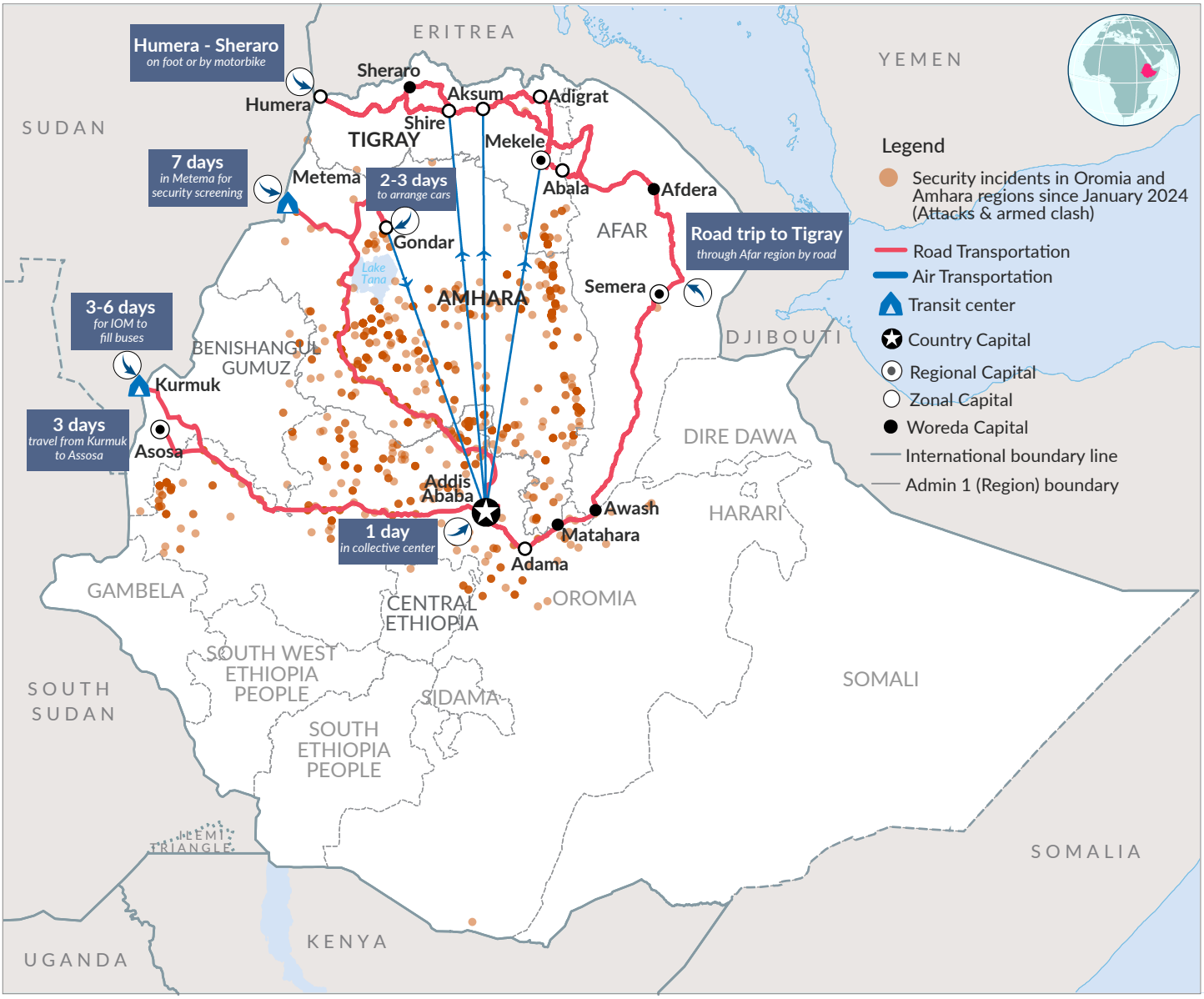


Situation map



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