

Chad – Sudanese Emergency

28 January 2025

Almost 21 months into the Sudan conflict, more than 12 million people have been displaced, and more than three million have fled to neighbouring countries, including Chad.

As of 26 January 2025, Chad has counted more than **700,000 new refugees from Sudan**; **88% are women and children**. In support of the Government of Chad, **UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, UNFPA, WHO**

National and international NGOs provide protection and assistance in border sites and refugee settlements. UNHCR and IOM support the Government in coordinating the humanitarian response to refugees and returnees.

The most urgent need remains to relocate refugees from the border to consolidated refugee sites and ensure access to protection services, water, shelter, food, non-food items, health, and education.

KEY INDICATORS

734,413

New refugees counted as of 26 January 2025, i.e., 204,142 households

670,233 pre-registered/registered

biometrically in Abéché, Adré, Am Nabak, Arkoum, Djabal, Farchana, Gaga, Goz Amir, Iridimi, Kounougou, Metché, Milé, Aboutengué, Oure Cassoni, Tissi, Touloum, Zabout, Dougui

61%

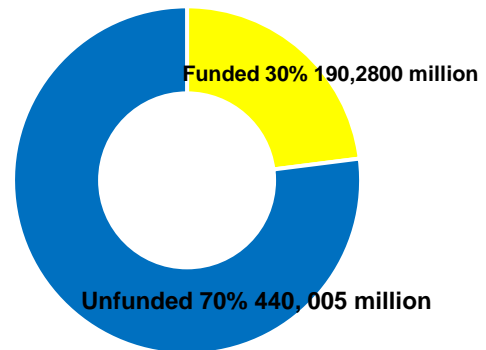
registered are **women and children**

14%

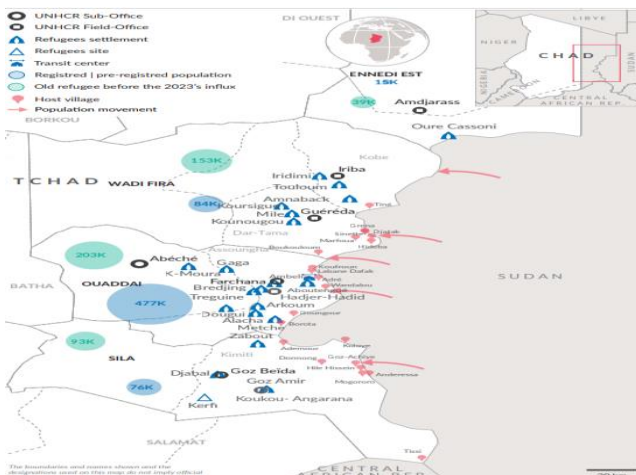
registered have **specific needs**

BUDGET REQUIRED FOR CHAD UNDER THE RRRP FOR THE SUDAN SITUATION (AS OF 28 JANUARY 2025)

\$630.2 million



The 2024 RRRP was financed at 30%. Microsoft Power BI



Relocation to Dougui ©UNHCR/Bienvenu Daldigue

Emergency Response Achievements

Coordination

- From January 17 to 19, 2025, a ministerial delegation from the Ministry of Finance, Budget, and Economic Planning, Ms. Fatime HARAM Acyl, accompanied by the UN Resident Coordinator, the UNHCR representative, and leaders from sister UN agencies (WFP, UNICEF, UNDP, OCHA, WHO), visited Farchana, Abeche, Arkoum, Adré refugee (Ouaddaï Province) and Iriba, Iridimi, Touloum, Tiné (Wad-Fira Province). The mission was welcomed by administrative and customary authorities and visited the refugee sites of where UNHCR and its partners carry out various humanitarian interventions for refugees and host populations. The mission's objective was to assess the challenges and opportunities and to develop a multi-year comprehensive plan for a sustainable response to refugees in Chad.
- On 20 January 2024, at the Abéché Governorate, UNHCR donated 42 new motorcycles, including safety equipment (safety shoes, helmets, gloves, and glasses), to the Chadian Government authorities in eastern Chad. Thirty of them will be used by the *Détachement pour la Protection des Humanitaire et des Réfugiés* (DPHR) - a special security detachment for the protection of refugees and humanitarian workers in the various refugee sites, and the four provincial authorities will use the twelve for coordination purposes. The Minister of Finance, Economy and Planning, Madam Fatime HARAM Acyl, the UN Resident Coordinator, among others, handed the keys to the authorities.
- On 16 January 2025, UNHCR and the *Commission Nationale pour l'Accueil et la Réinsertion des Réfugiés et des Rapatriés* (CNARR) met with the Prefect of the Dar Tama Department, Wadi-Fira Province, to request the allocation of additional space at the Koursigué refugee site. This request aims to increase the site's capacity, which has already reached its limit of 25,000 refugees. Several thousand refugees are waiting to be relocated at the borders of Tiné, Koulbous, and BirakWadi in the Fira Province.

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RELOCATION

- UNHCR and partners continued to relocate new arrivals from the border areas of Adré, Birak, and Tine to Koursigué, Dougui, and Abougoudam refugee sites during the reporting period. A total of 1,726 (561 households) were relocated. The Koursigué site currently has 5,744 refugees (1,839 households) settled there.



PROTECTION

- The Chadian authorities continue to respect the principle of non-refoulement, ensuring that asylum seekers have access to Chadian territory. No refoulement cases were reported during the period under review. From 13 to 20 January 2025, 3,906 Sudanese new arrivals sought refuge in Chad. Since January 2025, 6,290 new arrivals have crossed over into Chad, totalling 729,829 individuals since the start of the conflict on 15 April 2023.

The primary reasons for their forced displacement remain widespread insecurity and gross human rights abuses, including forced recruitment into fighting forces. The refugees primarily come from Nyala, Mornei camp, El Geneina, Zalingue, Al-Fashir, Farbranga, Kafani, Khartoum, Madani, and Kreinik, mainly women and children.

- UNHCR organised three border monitoring missions on 14, 16, and 17 January 2025 and pre-registered 1,819 new arrivals (482 households) at the Korabo and Birak entry points. Due to the malnourished conditions upon arrival at the borders, all pre-registered households wished to be relocated to refugee sites as soon as possible.
- A joint awareness session by the legal clinic and CRT was held in Adré on refugees' rights and responsibilities and the free provision of services in the sites. The session, attended by 157 participants, primarily teenage girls, and women, emphasised the law protecting refugees, the free services they are entitled to without compensation, and the procedure for reporting offences and complaints.
- An analysis conducted by ACTED on the border sites of Koufroum, Midjiguita, and Dize Birte (23 km from Adré - Ouaddaï Province) revealed the presence of 5,580 refugee households. Of these, 59.2% have been residing at the sites for over six months, and 32% arrived at the onset of the emergency in 2023. Additionally, 200 unaccompanied children were identified and referred to the child protection working subgroup for assessment.
- On 13 January 2025, Oxfam provided 75,000 XAF in financial aid to 11 survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) in the Farchana refugee site.
- As part of strengthening refugee site management, UNHCR and CNARR approved representatives from the new arrivals to participate in the governance structure at the Dougui site. The representatives include block leaders, women's and youth representatives, and guards. Nominated by their communities, the leaders will represent them temporarily until community leader elections are planned for 2025.
- On 14 January 2025, an inaugural meeting of the Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) sub-working group took place in Farchana to coordinate accountability efforts among humanitarian actors. This subgroup aims to support the Government's efforts in the Assoungha Department by enhancing accountability and improving the coordination of humanitarian interventions. Discussions focused on existing complaints management mechanisms and the need to harmonise and pool resources to support the beneficiary population.
- 40 students from the National Institute of Iriba, including 35 refugees and five nationals, received cash assistance from UNHCR and partners: 32 students (27 refugees and five nationals) received 550,000 XAF each, and eight refugee students received 460,000 XAF each, totalling 21,280,000 XAF in support of their education.

CBI

- 20 households engaged in income-generating activities received 100,000 XAF each, totaling 2,000,000 XAF.
- At the Djabal and Kerfi refugee sites, 23,867 households (29,902 individuals) received WFP cash for food, amounting to 478,432,000 XAF.

- From 13 to 18 January, 35 households, including 14 refugees and 21 host community people, received 120,000 XAF each for small ruminant breeding. Additionally, 60,500 XAF per household was allocated for mud shelter construction in the Aboutengué, Metché, and Gaga refugee sites, benefiting 214 individuals, including 128 women.



HEALTH/NUTRITION AND FOOD DISTRIBUTION

- Since the beginning of 2025, 12,293 medical consultations have been carried out, including 6,292 new consultations last week. The primary diseases remain acute respiratory infections, malaria, watery diarrhoea, and malnutrition.
- 541 cases of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) and 208 cases of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) were treated among children aged 6 to 59 months screened. Over the past week, 14,576 children were screened, including 541 MAM and 208 SAM.
- 1,386 women were screened, with 13 cases of moderate acute malnutrition treated. For the past week, 542 pregnant women were screened, including 4 cases of moderate malnutrition.
- 39 cases were received for consultation and treatment, including 13 new cases last week.
- 298 births assisted by qualified health personnel have been recorded since the start of the year, including 146 last week.
- In Treguine, 7,500 individuals were assisted with nutritional products, including 2,900 pregnant and lactating women and 4,600 children aged 6 to 23 months in the Treguine refugee site. The assistance targeted the refugee and the host population around the site. In Bredjing, 8,992 refugee and host community individuals were assisted, including 2,507 pregnant women, 1,686 lactating women, and 4,799 children aged 6 to 23 months.
- In the Goz-Beida area, 228 children were vaccinated for all antigens combined, and 50 children were vaccinated against measles.



SHELTER / WATER, HYGIENE AND SANITATION AND CRIS

- 97 shelters were completed under the flood response project in the Goz-Amir refugee site. However, 22 households in Goz-Amir are still without family shelters, with some households reportedly staying with host families, potentially increasing the number of households without shelter.
- 290 refugee households from Iridimi and Touloum refugee sites who upgraded their shelters to mud bricks received 60,500 XAF each, totalling 17,545,000 XAF.
- World Vision and Croix Rouge du Tchad (CRT) distributed NFI kits to 368 newly relocated households at the Koursigué refugee site 16 on January 2025.

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Working in partnership

As part of this emergency response, UNHCR is working with the following partners:

- **Coordination and Registration:** CNARR
- **Relocation :** AIRD, CIAUD, CNARR, CRT, IRC
- **Protection:** ADES, ADRA, ANATS, ASTBEF, CNARR, COOPI, CRT, UNFPA, HIAS, KITES, OXFAM, UNICEF, APLFT
- **Health and nutrition:** ADES, IRC, ACF, Health and food security, Concern Worldwide, French Red Cross, CRT, MSF (France, Holland, Switzerland), Première Urgence International (PUI), Solidarités International/ACHDR, UNFPA, UNICEF, WFP, and WHO
- **Food distribution:** WFP, CRT
- **Shelter, water, hygiene, and sanitation:** ADES, CRT, INTERSOS, IRC, LMI, SECADEV, in collaboration with ACTED, ADRA, ADRO, ACAFDI, ACF, AFDI, CARE, FLM, HELP TCHAD, MSF France, OXFAM, SAHKAL, Solidarités International/ACHDR, UNICEF, WFP and WORLD VISION

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