

South Sudan

Operational Context

While **armed conflict has declined** in South Sudan since the warring parties signed a peace agreement in September 2018, implementation of the deal is lagging, the **political situation remains fragile**, and **millions remain displaced** both inside and outside of the country. Meanwhile, instability in neighboring countries has driven nearly 300,000 refugees into South Sudan. **Poor rule of law** and **easy access to arms** has resulted in an **increase in inter- and intra-communal violence** that continues to force people from their homes. Still, the South Sudanese remain hopeful. **Despite UNHCR's non-return advisory** for refugees (updated in April 2019), **more displaced persons are showing interest in heading home**.

POPULATIONS OF CONCERN

297,952

Number of **refugees in South Sudan**. 92% come from Sudan, 5% from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2% from Ethiopia, and 1% from the Central African Republic.

1.82 million

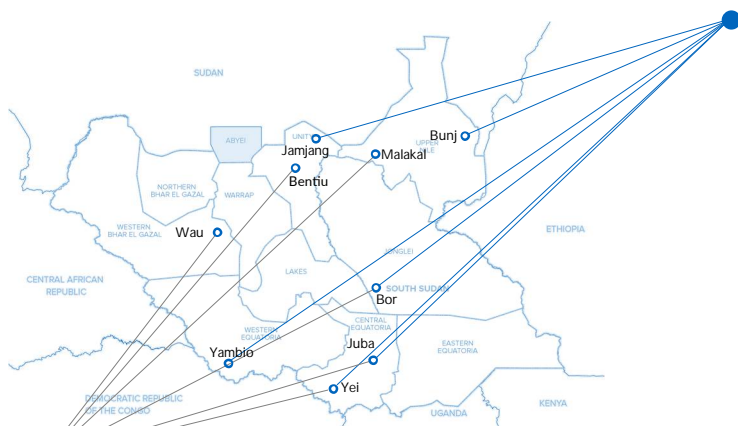
Number of **internally displaced persons** in South Sudan, 10% of which are staying inside six UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites.

209,071

Number of **South Sudanese refugees who have returned** to South Sudan in a self-organized manner (November 2017 – 31 August 2019) of an estimated **2.3 million displaced** in six surrounding countries.

OPERATIONAL PRESENCE

302 national staff > 103 international staff



Refugee Response

Refugees reside in 21 refugee camps and urban settings in the Upper Nile, Unity, and Western and Central Equatoria regions. While assisting refugees in finding durable solutions, UNHCR and partners provide services, such as **education, healthcare, water and sanitation, and livelihood support**. Host communities also benefit.

Refugee Return Monitoring

UNHCR and partners systematically **monitor self-organized refugee returns** through 34 border-crossing points.

Statelessness Prevention

UNHCR has supported the government in **issuing nationality certificates to more than 15,000 people** at risk for statelessness since 2012.

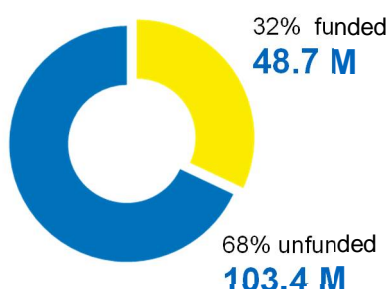
IDP Response

UNHCR **co-leads the coordination of the humanitarian community's protection activities and camp management activities** on a national level and on a local level in several locations. **Protection desks** are established in six UNMISS PoC sites so UNHCR can engage directly with IDPs. Mobile protection activities extend to 190 priority locations.

FUNDING

\$152.2 million

Requested for the 2019 operation



August Highlights

- In August, flash flooding in greater Maban, which hosts some 150,647 refugees, hobbled humanitarian delivery. UNHCR activities had to be suspended at one refugee camp about 34 km northwest of Bunj after the water carried away a bridge. As the rain continued, some refugees in other camps, unable to access their homes or latrines, took shelter in schools. Shelter assessments are ongoing. In Doro Refugee Camp, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council identified 300 destroyed shelters. The families will be provided core relief items. UNHCR is also providing support to the local government's flood response, and prepositioning medical supplies in case of disease outbreak. In partnership with Africa Action Help International, UNHCR refurbished and installed culverts in 3.5 km of road connecting the population to the airstrip.
- UNHCR partner United Methodist Committee on Relief has launched mobile health clinics in Lasu refugee settlement, which has been inaccessible since July 2016 because of insecurity. Doctors served 392 patients and screened 120 children for malnutrition in August.

Key August Activities Targeting Persons of Concern

PROTECTION

SGBV Prevention

56 sexual- and gender-based violence cases identified and supported with psychosocial or material support, or livelihood trainings

1,068 people trained in preventing SGBV and sexual exploitation and abuse

4,327 people provided with information on referral pathways and available services for SGBV survivors

Access to Justice

59 detention monitoring visits conducted

24 traditional court sessions monitored

14 people provided with legal counseling

179 community leaders trained on housing, land, and property rights

155 people reached through a mobile legal aid clinic, and assisted with issues related to human rights, early marriage, dispute resolution, and more

Child Protection

9 best interest assessments conducted for at-risk children

29 separated/unaccompanied children identified and provided case management services

94 at-risk children provided material support (clothes, sandals, blankets, mosquito nets, etc.)

2,240 children participated in recreational activities in child friendly spaces



UNHCR staff welcome an IDP family home to Malakal. The family, a mother and four children, fled to Juba amidst fighting in 2014 and has been sheltering in an UNMISS Protection of Civilians site. UNHCR and partners provided cash and some basic household goods, and assisted the family in signing up for school and other services. "I am happy I made this decision to come back home," the mother said. "We have our land and our house here. I belong here."

HEALTH

548 people received primary health care

60 percentage of primary health care patients who came from the host community

297 people trained in Ebola Virus Disease prevention

350 condoms distributed

750 women provided feminine hygiene kits

10,000 long-lasting insecticide mosquito nets distributed to aid in malaria prevention

EDUCATION

176 teachers trained

719 students benefited from programming designed to retain girls, who have historically higher dropout rates

SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS

4,566 people received core relief items, including blankets, sleeping mats, soap, buckets, mosquito nets, and kitchen sets

18 emergency shelters provided

66 transitional shelters constructed

581 families provided with shelter materials, such as plastic sheeting

WATER & SANITATION

6,738 people reached through hygiene and disease prevention campaigns

198 household latrines constructed

29 average litres of safe water provided per person per day in Pamir, Ajuong Thok, and Ma-ban refugee camps

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

Farming Assistance

4,384 people received seeds and tools

80 farmers trained on best agronomic practices

563 farmers assisted with ploughing

Skills Training

208 people provided vocational training

99 people provided business management training

400 women participated in community center activities, such as gardening, tailoring, weaving, and crocheting

ACCESS TO ENERGY

762 fuel efficient stoves produced by refugee women

1,994 trees planted

3,149 tree seedlings distributed to community for planting

4,779 trees marked for protection from logging

FOOD SECURITY & NUTRITION

4,481 children reached through supplementary feeding program

2,386 mothers reached through supplementary feeding program

18 partner staff provided best practices training on Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition

161 children screened for malnutrition

Partnerships

Government Partners: Ministry of Interior, Commission for Refugee Affairs, Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, Directorate of Nationality, Passports and Immigration

Implementing Partners: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), Association of Christian Resource Organisation Serving Sudan (ACROSS), Agence d'Aide à la Coopération Technique et au Développement (ACTED), CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Hope Restoration (HRSS), Humanity & Inclusion (HI), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), INTERSOS, IsraAID, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Nile Hope, Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), Women Development Group (WDG), World Vision International

Operational Partners: CAFOD, Caritas, Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB), FAO, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), MEDAIR, Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium, Swiss, Holland), Mentor Initiative, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), OXFAM, REACH, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, WFP, WHO, Women for Women International UN Women

Donors

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18.4 M



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3 M



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1.4 M



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1.2 M



European Union
1.1 M



Canada
569,909



Switzerland
753,01



Luxembourg
222,324



IGAD
111,483

Contributions earmarked for the South Sudan situation (including six neighboring countries): United States of America 18.4 M | Germany 9.1 M | Australian private donors 8.1 M | Canada 4.6 M | Sweden 3.1 M | Norway | Private donors

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