Displacement Overview

as of 31 May 2025

Key figures

50K*
Estimated **newly arrived refugees** in Gambella region (since Mar 2025)

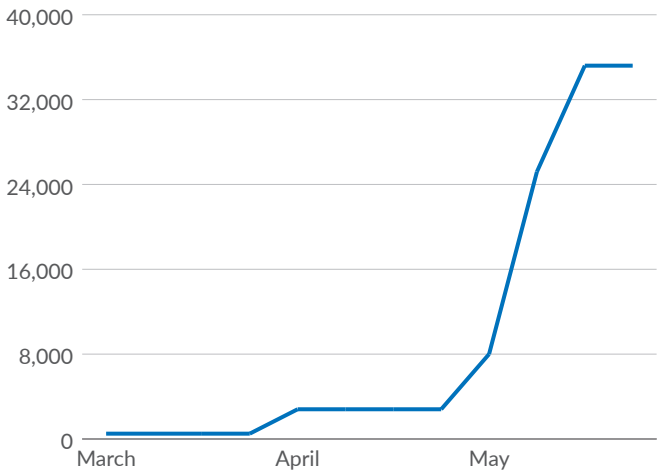
430K
Refugees from South Sudan in Ethiopia (prior Feb 2025) before - conflict

29K**
Total individuals assisted

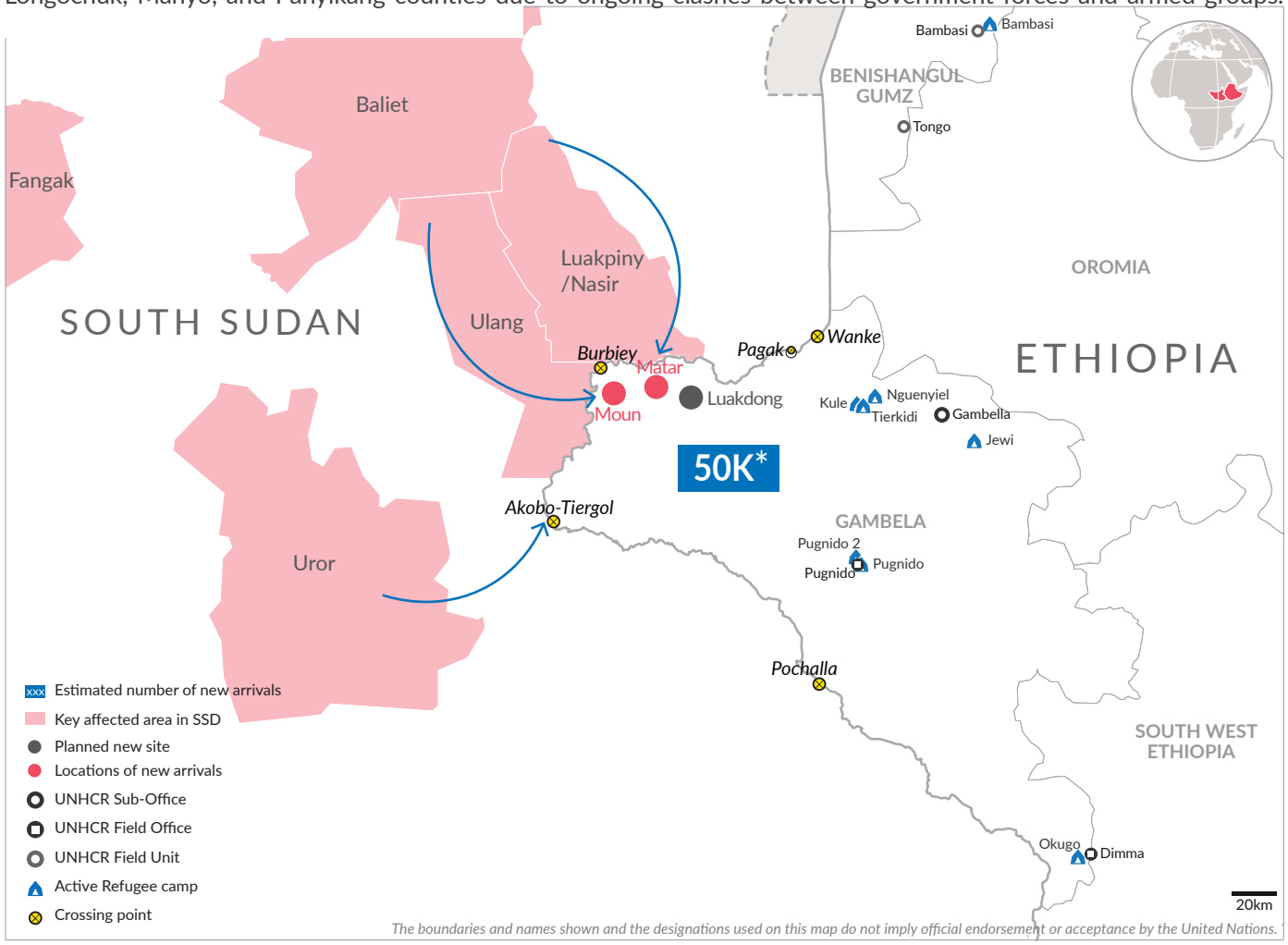
98%
Female headed households

2%
Male headed households

Cumulative arrivals (March - May 2025)



Notes: *Recorded by local authority
**The high Energy Biscuit (HEB) was provided. However, as WFP has no additional stock available, some beneficiaries may not receive their allocation.

Context

Since mid-February 2025, conflict in Nasir County, Upper Nile State, between the SSPDF and the White Army has led to large-scale displacement. Thousands of civilians, primarily women and children, have recently crossed into Ethiopia via the Burbiey entry point in Wanthoa District, Nuer Zone, Gambella Region following the conflict in South Sudan that started on 16 February. As the SSPDF now controls Upper Nile state and gradually moving towards Jonglei state, the conflict is expected to intensify and cause further displacement into Ethiopia. Tensions remain high in Baliet, Ulang, Longochuk, Manyo, and Panyikang counties due to ongoing clashes between government forces and armed groups.