



NIGER FACTSHEET

January 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

1,378

Malian refugees in the hosting area of Tazalite were relocated in Intikane known also as the largest hosting area in terms of population of Malian refugee in Niger

1,141

Nigerian refugees, IDPs including women, men, boys and girls, received training on SGVB in the region of Diffa by the end of 2016. This will be scaled up in 2017.

5,000

Additional vulnerable refugee households being identified to benefit from the gas distribution project in the Diffa region in 2017, adding to over 20,000 households who have already benefitted.

3,684

Nigerians Refugees have been identified and provided with documentation in Maine Soara and Kabelawa.

Population of concern

A total of **302,152** people of concern

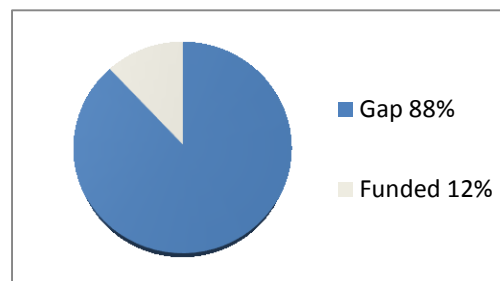
Country of Origin	Total PoC
Mali	60,154
Nigeria	120,169*
Niger	121,391**
Others	438
Total	

* This figure includes 105,491 Nigerian refugees and 14,678 returnees

** Internally Displaced Persons (IDP)

Funding

USD 72,476,232 requested



UNHCR Presence

Staff:

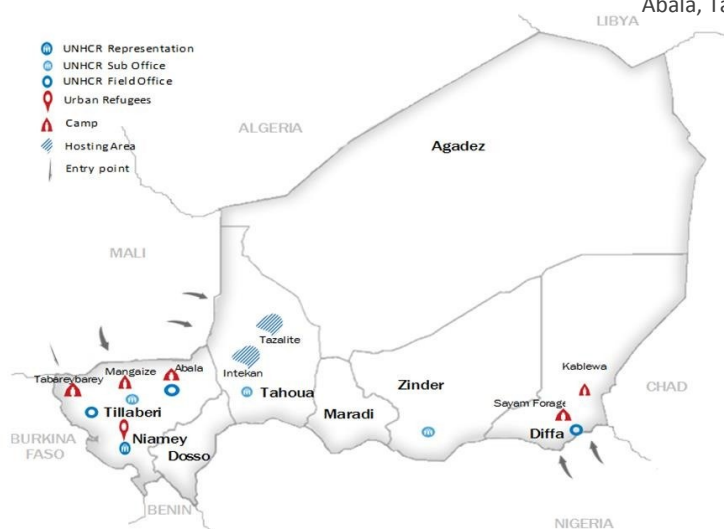
113 National staff

27 International staff

Offices:

07 offices located in:

Niamey, Tillabery, Ouallam, Abala, Tahoua, Zinder, Diffa



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

Mali Situation:

- APBE: Camp management (Tillabery Camps)
- APBE: Health and nutrition (ZARs)
- Adkoul: Multi-sectorial management (ZARs)
- Handicap International: Assistance to Urban refugees
- CARE: Cash Based Initiatives

Nigeria Situation:

- ACTED / REACH: Data management
- APBE: Health / Emergency shelter / Camp management
- IRC: Protection and boarder monitoring
- COOPI: Education / Transitional shelter
- SFCG: Communication
- CISP: Urbanization
- CARE: logistics/CBI
- OXFAM: WASH

ACHIEVEMENTS

Protection

- **Mali situation:** From 21st to 31st January 2017, the UNHCR office and the Niger authorities assisted the process of voluntary relocation of a total of 1,378 Malian refugees plus 43 asylum seekers from Tazalit to Intikane refugee hosting area in the region of Tahoua. A biometric verification process (BIMS – Biometric Identity Management System) of all refugees in Intikane began in January and will be completed in February 2017. This process will be carried out in all of the Malian refugee camps.
- **Nigeria situation:** In January, training was provided to 48 partners regarding AGDM (Age, Gender, Diversity Mainstreaming) evaluations in 2017. 10 sites will be selected for the exercise, based on the presence of refugees, the mixture of populations at the site, the number of persons at the site, and sites with growing numbers of protection incidents. The aim in 2017 is to establish a referral mechanism at every site, provide training on case management, train FDS on the concept of SGBV, and establish a strong and effective coordination mechanism for the management of SGBV.

Urbanization

- **Nigeria situation:** In line with the vision to provide protection to the displaced population and facilitate their integration into the local community, the urbanization project has enabled the 7 target communes to respond to their needs in terms of increasing the value of land and in turn improving the local economy, whilst also providing sustainable access to durable shelter solutions to the vulnerable displaced and host population. In 2016, a total of 2,000 land parcels were developed through this project, 60% of which went to the local communes, and 40% to vulnerable beneficiaries in the communes of Diffa (400), Assaga/Gueskerou (500), Toumour (400) and Kabelawa (700). The Urbanization project will be exhibited in Geneva as part of 'Africa Shares' exhibition in March 2017.

Livelihoods

- In January, 60 youth Malian refugees were provided with livelihoods training in the areas of animal fattening techniques and breeding techniques. This is part of the overall UNHCR efforts to strengthen the resilience of the Malian refugee population and ensure their self-reliance.

WASH

- **Nigeria situation:** To respond to the need in terms of latrines and showers particularly with the newly arrived population, in 2017 in Kablewa, a major construction project to include showers and latrines will be carried out. This will be accompanied by major efforts in terms of community mobilization and engagement. In Sayam Forage, the action plan to cover the needs in terms of access to water is currently 85% completed and is expected to be finalized in the first trimester of 2017. This plan includes a new well / forage, and a 50m³ storage facility.

Access to Energy

- **Nigeria situation:** Throughout the Diffa region, 5 GPL gas provision centers have been established and are fully functional, as well as 27 individual gas selling points to facilitate the recharge and accessibility of gas for the population. In 2016, the gas project (SEED) has benefitted 20,000 households outside of the camps and over 3,050 households within the camps. Funding for distribution of gas bottles and accessories for an additional 5,000 households outside of the camps has been secured for 2017. Identification of vulnerable beneficiaries began in January 2017 and distributions will commence in the first trimester. The Gas distribution project will also be exhibited at the 'Africa Shares' exhibition in Geneva in March.

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