

SUDAN: South Sudanese Refugee Response

1 – 31 December 2018

Fire in Kario refugee camp affects 82 refugee families, with destroyed shelters and minor injuries.

Communal latrine emptying resumes in White Nile State refugee camps.

Ongoing cash and fuel shortages driving response delays in all states.

1,697

New arrivals in December 2018

33,117

Total new arrivals in 2018

852,080

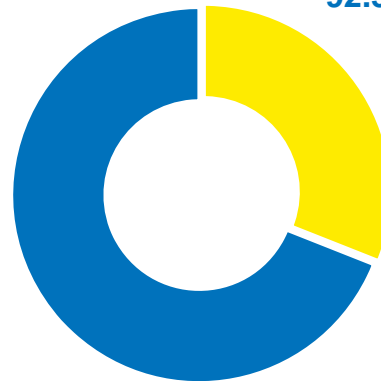
South Sudanese refugees in Sudan
(*Additional sources estimate that there are 1.3 million South Sudanese refugees in Sudan; however, data requires verification.)

Population and demographic dashboard can be found on page 5.

TOTAL INTER-AGENCY FUNDING REQUIRED FOR SUDAN UNDER THE REVISED 2018 REGIONAL REFUGEE RESPONSE PLAN (RRRP)

USD 294.8 M

Funded 31%
92.55 M*



*Funding received by UN agencies is based on UN Financial Tracking System (FTS) information.

NEW ARRIVALS BY STATE IN 2018

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EAST DARFUR	2,285	1,280	1,839	1,472	1,094	237	100	338	237	0	0	471	9,353
SOUTH DARFUR	1,199	1,279	1,244	370	1,231	659	1,155	136	294	210	123	291	8,191
WEST KORDOFAN	1,430	966	831	915	641	547	221	308	233	209	333	542	7,176
WHITE NILE	727	783	374	498	729	701	400	222	607	244	248	258	5,791
SOUTH KORDOFAN	129	264	60	110	178	405	493	284	194	68	296	135	2,606
TOTAL	5,770	4,572	4,348	3,365	3,873	2,549	2,369	1,288	1,565	721	1,000	1,697	33,117

Population Update

- **SMALL INCREASE IN NEW ARRIVALS OBSERVED IN DECEMBER** – Nearly 1,700 South Sudanese refugees arrived in Sudan in December, bringing the year-end total of new arrivals in 2018 to 33,117. This year marks the lowest rate of new arrivals since the start of the conflict in South Sudan in December 2013. Inter-agency partners estimate a maximum of 50,000 new arrivals in 2019.

Operational Update

- **FIRE IN KARIO CAMP AFFECTS 82 FAMILIES** – A fire broke out in Kario camp, East Darfur, on 13 December, damaging 82 refugee families' shelters, including 70 shelters that were completely destroyed, and resulting in a considerable loss of personal belongings for the affected families. The fire started in a restaurant in the camp market area and quickly spread to other shops and adjacent residential plots. UNHCR, COR and SRCS completed an assessment of the damage and provided shelter kits and NFIs to affected families. Minor injuries affecting 3 people were treated at the camp clinic managed by MSF-Switzerland.
- **TWO OF FOUR REFUGEE CHILDREN WHO WERE REPORTED MISSING IN JULY FROM EL RADOM SETTLEMENT, SOUTH DARFUR STATE RETURN IN DECEMBER** – The children (aged 14 and 17 years) were reportedly misled by a local refugee man and promised jobs working on nearby farms, but were trafficked to Nyala North to work as camel herders. The two children were able to escape and made their way back to El Radom. Local police arrested the accused, and ongoing investigation into the incident and search for remaining missing children are underway. Child protection remains a challenge in El Radom settlement, and unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) are particularly vulnerable to exploitation. Global Aid Hand (GAH) is leading protection outreach and working to establish community-based child networks to address these gaps; however, additional funding support and protection-oriented education and livelihoods initiatives are also needed.
- **LATRINE EMPTYING RESUMES IN AL REDIS I AND II AND AL KASHAFA CAMPS IN WHITE NILE STATE** – The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD) resumed the work in December. Emptying activities (i.e., desludging) was previously suspended by the State Ministry of Health in May 2018. The work has already improved latrine usage ratios, with Al Redis I at 123 latrines per person, down from 633 latrines per person; 87 latrines per person in Al Redis II, down from 118; and 85 persons per latrine in Al Kashafa, down from 181. Emptying will continue in Al Redis I and II, Al Kashafa, Jouri, Khor Al Waral and Um Sangour camps to support improvement of communal latrine access closer to UNHCR's emergency standard of less than 50 persons per latrine. Currently, Alagaya and Dabat Boisin are the only camps meeting the standards, at 49 persons per latrine and 42 persons per latrine, respectively.
- **REFUGEE YOUTH SEEK SUPPORT TO HELP CHILDREN AT-RISK IN WHITE NILE STATE CAMPS** – Refugee Youth Committees in Alagaya and Dabat Boisin camps submitted proposals to UNHCR for support on projects they are planning to strengthen youth capacity to identify at-risk children and youth in the camps, and support their service referrals and referral follow-up by the Youth Committees. Refugee youth would like to improve support to survivors of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and roll-out campaigns in the camps about prevention of early pregnancy. The proposals were developed with support from UNHCR's Child Protection teams, and the projects are planned to begin in 2019.

- **REFUGEE COMMUNITY LAUDES NADA AL-AZHAR ORGANIZATION'S POSITIVE IMPACTS FOR PROTECTION IN NORTH DARFUR STATE** – NADA's protection project began as a pilot initiative in April 2018, funded by UNHCR. NADA constructed three multi-purpose community centres to support protection outreach, service support and the establishment of community-based protection networks for South Sudanese refugee women in Al Lait locality and El Fasher. NADA also distributed clothing to 300 refugee women and hygiene kits to 2,500 women in Al Lait, and initiated a multi-purpose cash-based pilot project for 30 refugee women-headed households in El Fasher. The project ended in December. The refugee community was pleased with the support and asked for the project to continue. NADA is working closely with UNHCR and the refugee community to build upon the project gains with a follow-up project in 2019.
- **UNICEF AND UNHCR COMPLETE 2nd ROUND OF FIND-AND-TREAT NUTRITION CAMPAIGN IN WEST KORDOFAN STATE** – The campaign targeted settlements in Kharasana, El Meiram, El Fula, Muglad, Gubaysh and El Nuhud, as part of the accelerated nutrition action plan initiated in October following the outcomes of the 2018 Standardized Expanded Nutrition Survey (SENS). Nearly 3,700 children were screened, with referrals of malnourished and at-risk children made to local nutrition programmes for treatment. The action plan also integrates infant and young child feeding (IYCF) support, with over 2,700 pregnant and lactating women referred for IYCF counselling and supports. These campaigns have also been completed for refugee camps in White Nile State and targeted localities in South Kordofan State, as part of inter-agency efforts to scale-up the nutrition response to address critically high global acute malnutrition (GAM).
- **CARE INTERNATIONAL SWITZERLAND (CIS) COMPLETES NEW HAFFIR IN EL LERI, SOUTH KORDOFAN** – The new haffir will serve nearly 16,000 refugees living in the El Leri area, as well as host community beneficiaries, and will increase water access to at least 15 litres per person per day, from a low of approximately 5 litres per person per day. It will also recharge groundwater sources for nearby boreholes. To ensure peaceful co-existence between refugees and host communities, 2 guards from the host community to manage security and maintenance work at the haffir. CIS is providing the guards with in-kind incentives. In 2019, CIS is planning to upgrade the haffir by installing a slow-sand filtration system, a hybrid-solar pumping station, 3,500 metre pipeline to deliver water closer to refugee and host community areas, and 6 water distribution points equipped with tapstands. However, funding is urgently needed to support these next steps.
- **STATE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AGREES TO ESTABLISH A NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR GRADE 1 SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEE CHILDREN IN SOUTH KORDOFAN STATE** – The school will be located in the Dar Batti Settlement, where more than 5,500 basic-school aged refugee children are living. Approximately 2,335 of these children currently attend an existing refugee school about 3km away, which is very congested and difficult for children to access by foot. Construction of the new school is expected to start in February 2019, and will provide enough classrooms and seating to accommodate 50 Grade 1 refugee students.
- **EMERGENCY SHELTER DISTRIBUTION COMPLETED IN EL LERI AREA, SOUTH KORDOFAN STATE** – The distribution of emergency shelter kits was completed for 4,300 refugee and host community families in the Dar Batti and Um Kwarow refugee settlements. The initiative was funded by the Central Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) and led by UNHCR, the Government's Commission for Refugees (COR) and the Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS). The distribution was accompanied by direct follow-up and support provided to beneficiary families to ensure construction instructions were clear and being followed, including monitoring of correct use of kit materials to discourage sale of materials on local markets.

- **ONGOING CASH AND FUEL SHORTAGES CONTINUES TO IMPACT RESPONSE DELAYS** – Cash and fuel shortages reported in November are ongoing and continue to delay assistance projects in all refugee locations, especially for procurement activities and the implementation of cash-based interventions. The situation is compounded by logistical delays due to ongoing fuel shortages.

Appealing Partners for the 2018 South Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRRP)



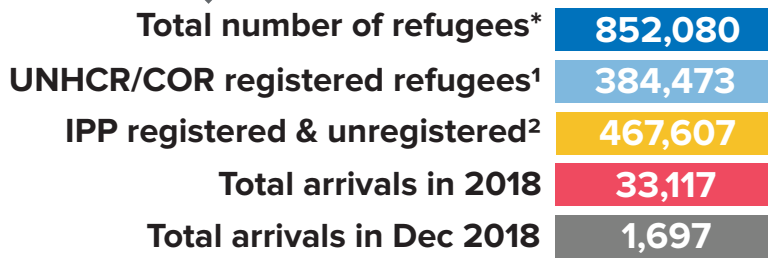
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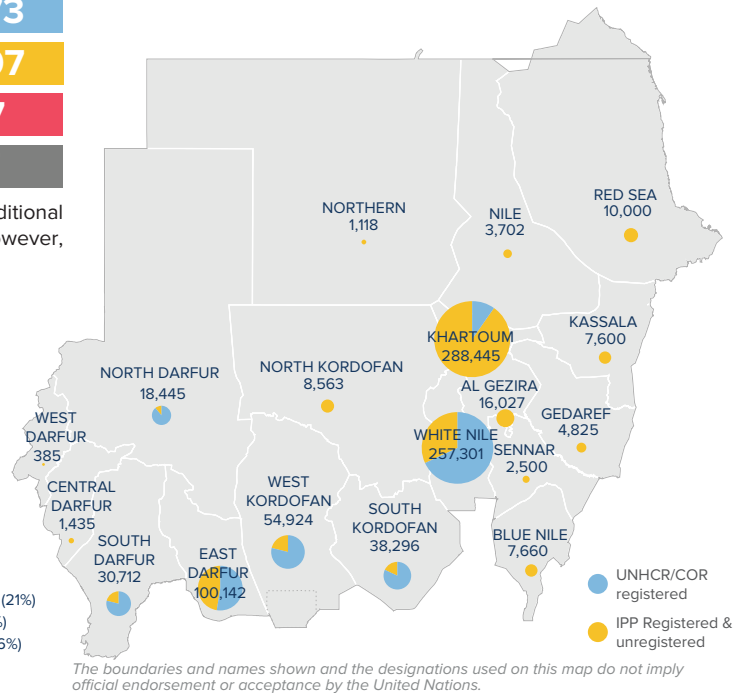
UNHCR Data Portal for the South Sudan Situation:

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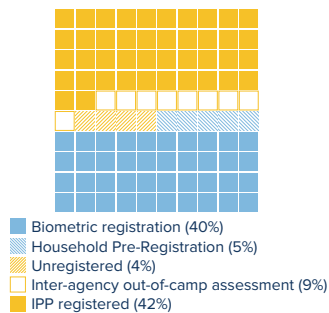


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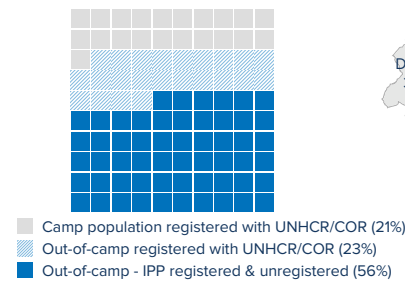
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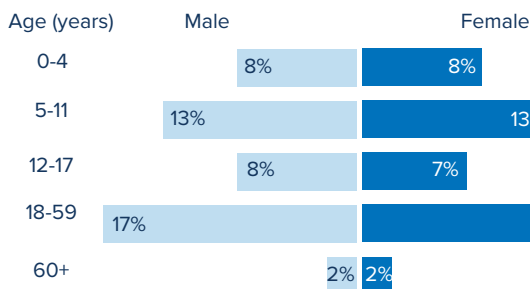
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POPULATION DISTRIBUTION

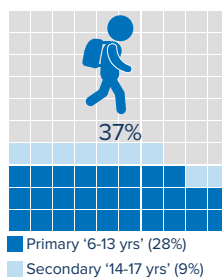


AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN **

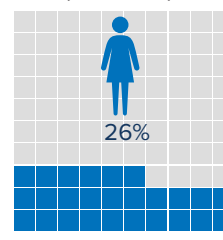


**Demographic distribution statistics are based on biometrically registered individuals only

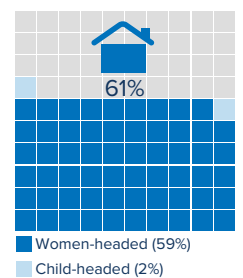
SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN (6-17 YRS) **



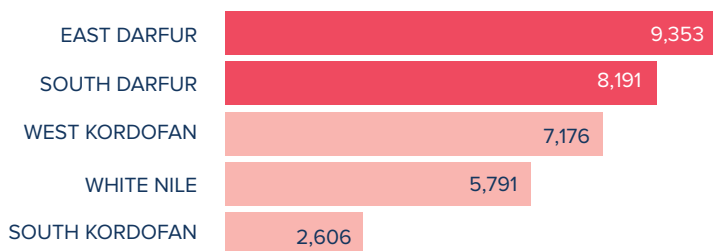
REPRODUCTIVE-AGED WOMEN/GIRLS (13-49 YRS)**



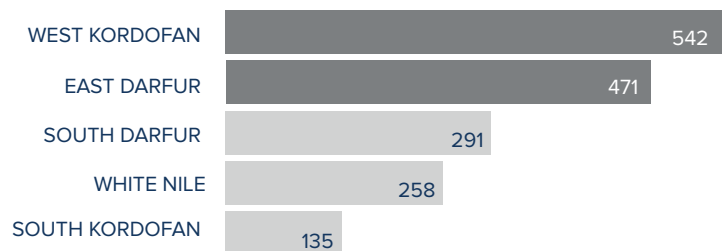
HOUSEHOLD DISTRIBUTION**



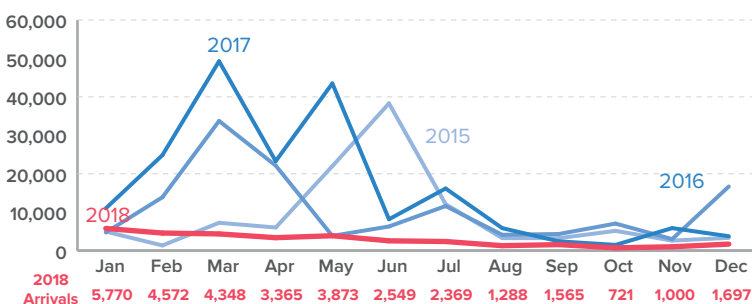
2018 ARRIVALS BY STATE



Dec 2018 ARRIVALS BY STATE



MONTHLY ARRIVAL TRENDS (2015-2018)



¹This figure includes the following:

- 343,028 South Sudanese refugees who were biometrically registered in the UNHCR and COR registration database (proGres).
- 41,445 South Sudanese refugees from household level pre-registration exercise by UNHCR & COR.

²This figure includes the following:

- 30,635 individuals from the post-December 2013 arrival population who were identified as unregistered and being targeted by UNHCR & COR in the areas of ongoing registration exercise.
- 81,538 out of camp refugees in White Nile state who are not yet registered by IPP or UNHCR/COR based on an inter-agency assessment.
- 355,434 individuals based on the statistics from finalized registration processes conducted by the Immigration and Passport Police (IPP) covering Darfur states, Kordofan states, Al Gezira, Blue Nile, Gedaref, Kassala, Khartoum, Nile, North Darfur, Northern, Red Sea and Sennar states.