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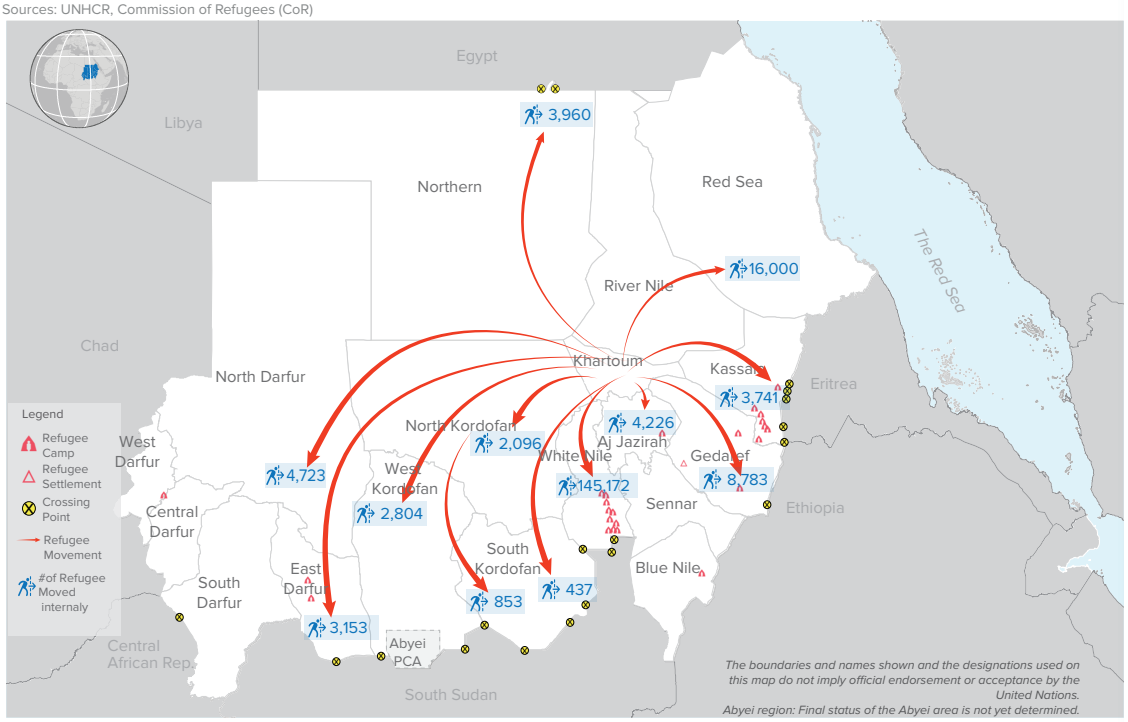
SUDAN
Overview of Refugees and Asylum Seekers Movements within and out of Sudan

as of 28 January 2024

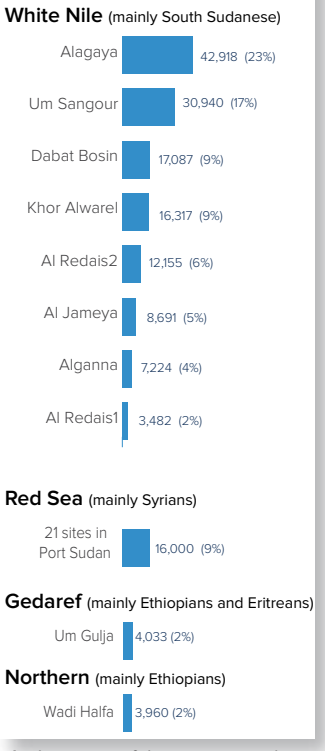
POST 15 APRIL 2023 INTERNAL MOVEMENTS OF REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS*:

Since April 2023, internally displaced people, refugees and asylum-seekers in Sudan are moving to safer areas within the country. Over **195,000** refugees and asylum-seekers of various nationalities have moved out of conflict areas mainly towards White Nile, eastern and Red Sea States. (visualized in the following live link)

Sources: UNHCR, Commission of Refugees (CoR)



Top **11** locations recieving internal refugees movement



UNHCR is registering self-relocated refugees and asylum-seekers in a phased approach, contingent to the security environment. At the onset of the crisis, population movement estimates were used to inform the emergency response. Subsequently registration teams in field offices are fixing the population by verifying previous enrolment, new registrations which enable the update of its ProGres database. Since April 2023, UNHCR registered 157,645 people comprising 49% female and 51% male.

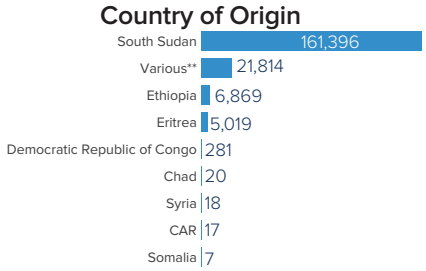
Early results indicate that 90% of the self-relocated refugees and asylum-seekers have moved to from Khartoum to White Nile State of which 80% had not been previously registered by UNHCR and COR. UNHCR notes an increased trend in registrations of asylum-seekers and refugees.

195,511 Individuals

44,497 Households

68% Verified
27 K Individually
106 K Household

Country of Origin



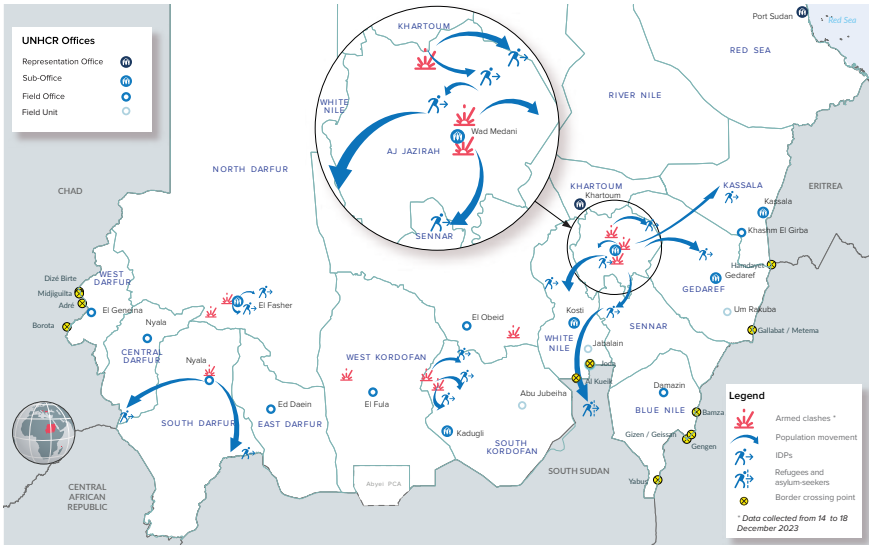
*since mid-April 2023, refugees and asylum-seekers, mainly from Khartoum self-relocated to eastern and White Nile States. UNHCR and its partners are mapping internal movements of refugees and asylum-seekers.

** represents populations where nationality breakdown has not yet been established and can include Syrians, Ethiopians, Eritreans and other nationalities.

HYPOTHETICAL MOVEMENTS IN SUDAN STATES:

With conflict in the Darfur region continuing and diversifying unabated, UNHCR has projected potential internal population movements based on movement trend analysis. Internal movements to safer areas are the most likely scenario. First safe havens for forcibly displaced are routes into neighbouring Chad in the West, Egypt to the north and South Sudan in the south.

The expansion of conflict into Al Jazirah State in December 2023 resulted in displacement of over 500,000 people in a few days to neighboring States of Kassala, Gedaref and White Nile States, which have to date been safe havens for forcibly displaced.



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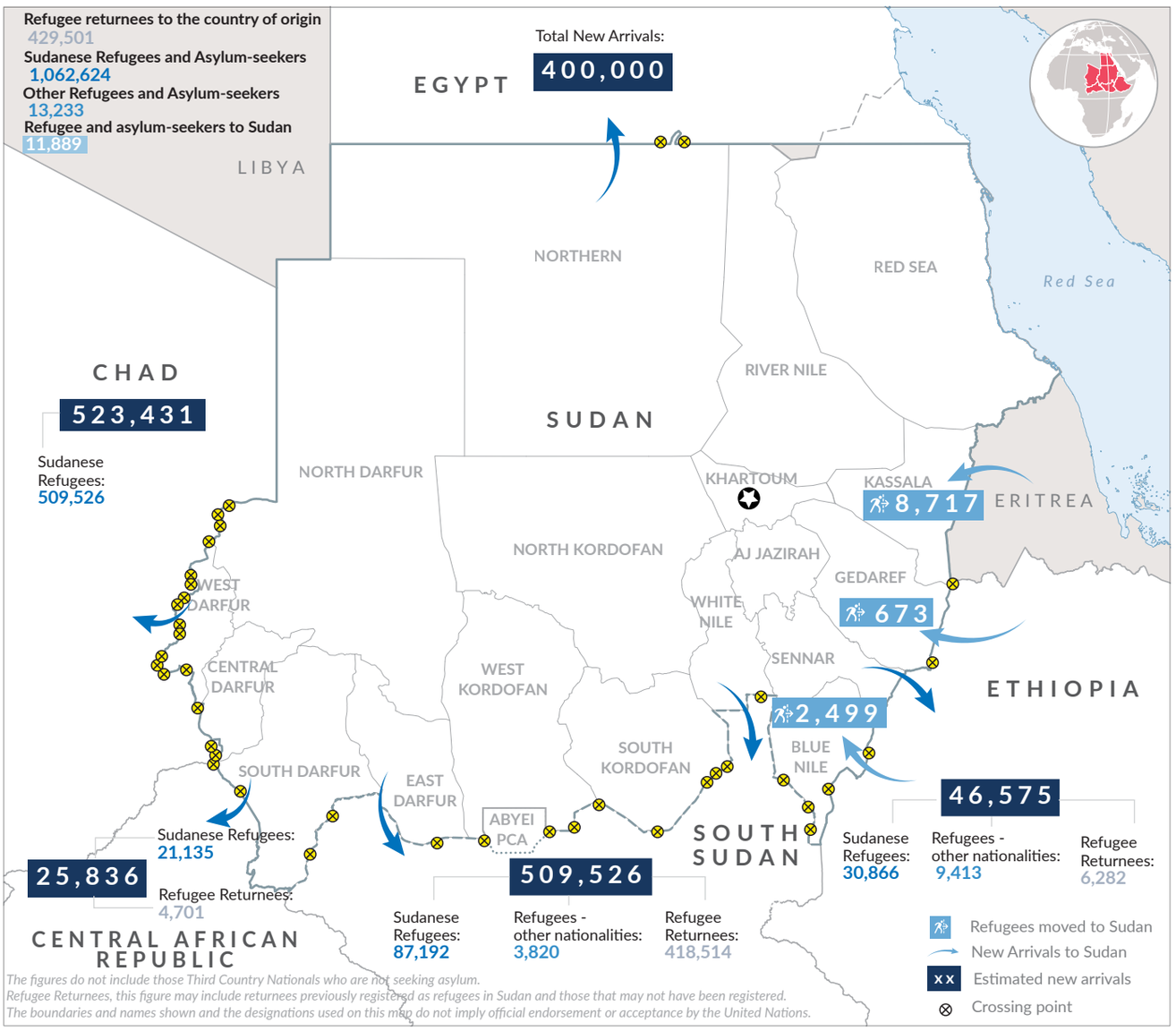
CROSS BORDER MOVEMENT:

Cross-border movements as reported by neighbouring country offices via the data portal (under Sudan Situation) are increasing for all population groups : Sudanese asylum-seekers, refugees and asylum-seekers from other countries returning in their home country under adverse circumstances and third country nationals. Despite the conflict, Sudan is still a country of asylum for people fleeing neighboring countries. Since May 2023, almost 12,000 people have newly arrived in Kassala (8,717), Blue Nile (2,499) and Gedaref (673) States.



The figures do not include those Third Country Nationals who are not seeking asylum.
Refugee Returnees, this figure may include returnees previously registered as refugees in Sudan and those that may not have been registered.
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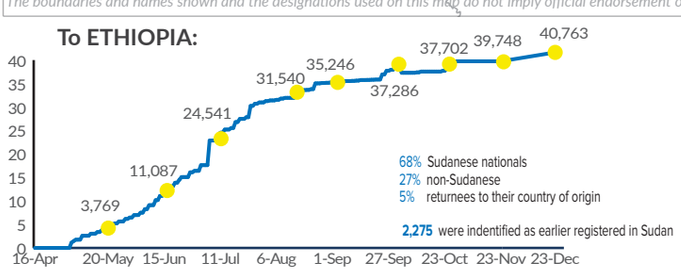

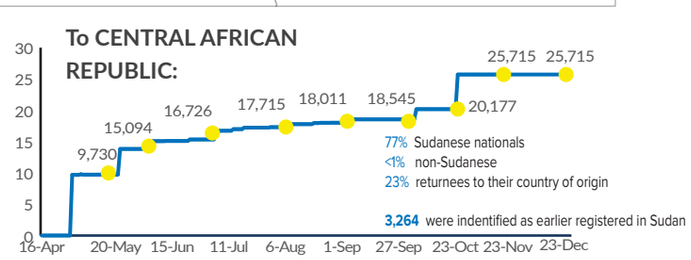

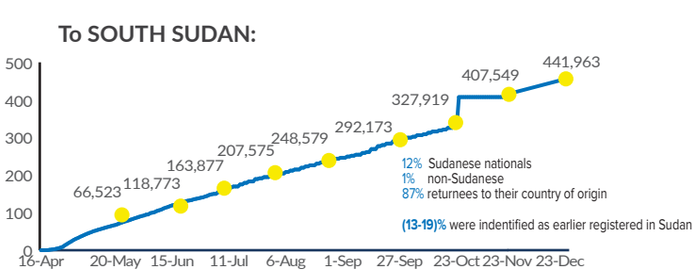

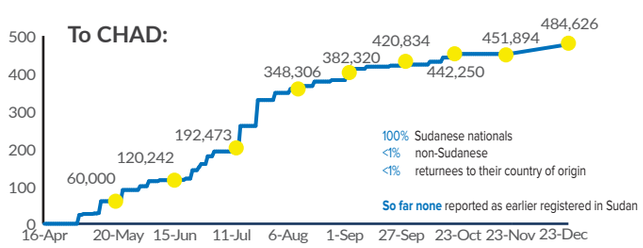

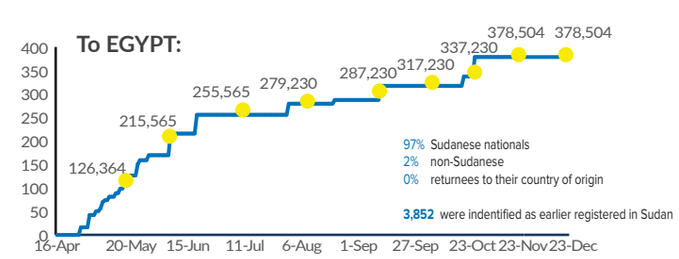

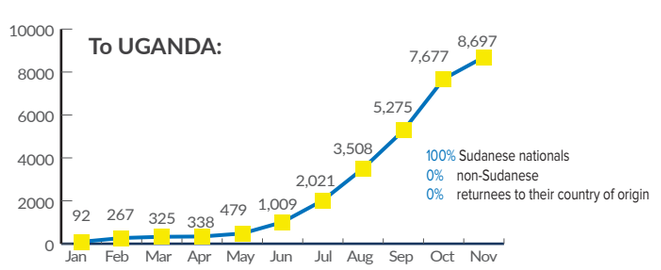

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