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All Population Snapshot

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SITUATION OVERVIEW

The situation in North-East Nigeria remains volatile, particularly in several Local Government Areas (LGAs) across Borno, Yobe, and Adamawa (BAY) States, leading to ongoing displacement. Since June 2022, Adamawa State has also witnessed a significant influx of individuals fleeing Cameroon, adding to the already complex humanitarian landscape in the region.

In addition, Cameroonian refugees displaced by the crisis in the anglophone region — driven by calls for secession — have been seeking refuge in Nigeria since 2017. These refugees are now residing across the South-South, South-East, Middle-Belt, and North-East regions, further contributing to the multifaceted nature of displacement in the country.

KEY FIGURES

3,574,430

INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

There are significant numbers of internally displaced persons (IDPs) across Nigeria due to various conflicts. In the North East, 2,271,987 individuals are displaced, with 92% attributed to insurgency and 6% to communal clashes (Source: IOM DTM Round 47). In the North West, 685,018 individuals are displaced, while are 617,425 displaced in the North Central region (Source: IOM DTM Round 14).

2,093,604

RETURNEES

Cumulative since 2015, 322,860 or 10% are former refugees who returned spontaneously with some passing through IDP situation. Source: IOM DTM Round 47, Jun 2024 . Since the beginning of 2023 UNHCR has registered 36,525 spontaneous refugee returns. In addition, 5,104 refugees returned through voluntary repatriation from Cameroon since the beginning of 2021 under the tripartite framework.

385,130

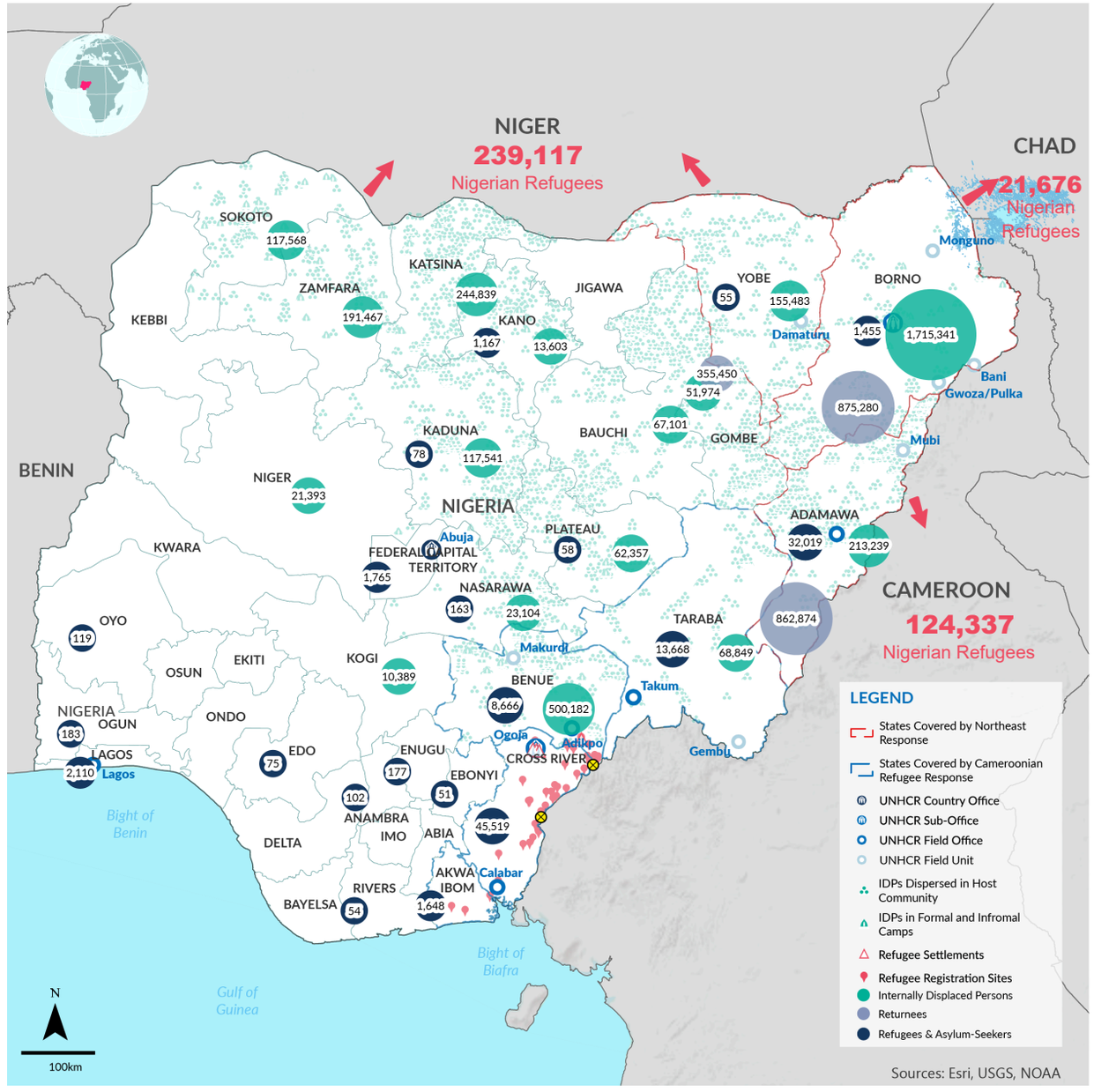
NIGERIAN REFUGEES REGISTERED IN CAMEROON, CHAD, AND NIGER

Source: UNHCR, Oct 2024

109,779

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS REGISTERED IN NIGERIA

Source: UNHCR, Oct 2024



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