

South Sudan

June 2017

19,330

Refugees and IDPs received non-food items assistance from UNHCR across South Sudan in June 2017

10,245

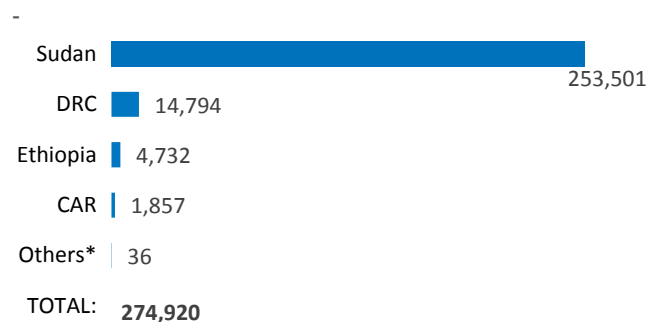
Refugees received vegetable seeds and agricultural tools across South Sudan in June 2017

14,067

Refugees including new arrivals and previously settled in Yida relocated to Pamir camp as of 30 June 2017

POPULATION OF CONCERN

Countries of Origin

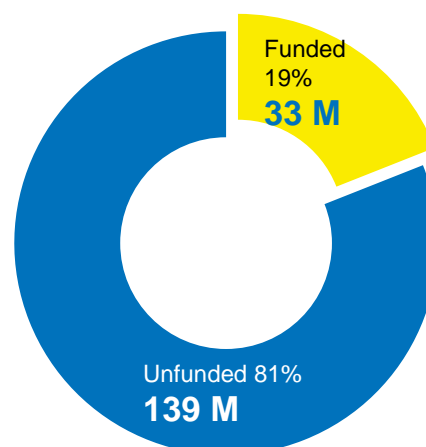


* Refers to refugees from Uganda, Somalia, Eritrea, Syria, Burundi and Egypt

FUNDING AS OF 30 JUNE

USD 172 M

requested for the situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

291 National Staff

111 International Staff

Offices:

1 Branch Office in Juba

7 Field Offices in Yambio, Yei, Bor, Rumbek, Kwajok, Malakal, Bentiu,

2 Sub Offices in Jamjang and Bunj

3 Field Units in Mingkaman Wau and Yida

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Working with Partners

- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).
- In the **refugee response**, the main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior and Wildlife Conservation, and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA). Implementing partners in 2017 are the following: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), ACROSS, ACTED, CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Pursue (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), UNV and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the **IDP response**, the main government counterpart is the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission Committee (RRC). Implementing partners in 2017 are: ADRA, UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council, Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, International Rescue Committee, Nile Hope, UNV, Women Aid Vision and Women Development Group. Within the IDP response cluster system, UNHCR in South Sudan is Lead of the Protection Cluster (with NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the IOM-led Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- On **prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports and Immigration (DNPI).
- UNHCR maintains an **operational partnership** with CAFOD, Caritas, CMMB, Food Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), Medair, Mentor Initiative, OXFAM, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Women for Women International and UN Women.

Main Activities – Refugee Programme

Protection

- As of 30 June, 2017, the refugee population in South Sudan stood at 274,920 individuals, consisting of 65,972 households spread in 21 different locations across South Sudan. In June South Sudan received 903 new arrivals mainly from Sudan's South Kordofan, and registered 927 new born babies mainly from Sudan's South Kordofan region. 52% of the refugees are female with women and children representing 82% of the total population. The Sudanese refugee population remains the largest at 253,501 individuals (92%) followed by DRC Congo 14,794 individuals (5%), Ethiopia 4,732 individuals (2%) and Central African Republic 1,853 (1%). The majority (90%) of these refugees are hosted in South Sudan's Upper Nile and Unity regions. Furthermore, South Sudan hosted 2,400 asylum seekers and an estimated over 2 million IDPs displaced in South Sudan.

Central Equatoria

- In Gorom refugee settlement, UNHCR in collaboration with the Commission of Refugee Affairs (CRA) commenced the verification of refugees. The exercise targets over 2,200 refugees in the settlement to update their bio-data, biometric information (in Biometric Identity Management System) and issuing/renewing the Proof of Registration (POR) document and the Refugee ID card for eligible refugees.
- In June, UNHCR verified 652 refugees consisting of 199 households. The Biometrics Identity Management System (BIMS) enrolments were done for all refugees who were verified while 27 refugees were inactivated as spontaneous departures. Also, 22 individuals were activated (including the registration of 17 newborn babies) bringing the total active population to 2,245 individuals. All the 199 families were issued with the POR document while 117 ID cards were issued/renewed for a person aged 16 years and above.
- In June, UNHCR transferred 115 refugees to Juba and Yida (114 to Juba and 1 to Yida).
- In Juba, UNHCR issued 14 refugee IDs. Cumulatively, 2,472 IDs including 1,014 renewals have been issued in 2017.
- In Juba, UNHCR in cooperation with CRA organised a two-day workshop with government officials in a bid to sensitise them on human rights and refugee protection. The 45 participants included representatives of the local Governments, County

Commissioners, law enforcement authorities from the police and immigration, national security services, judiciary, the Human Rights Commission, CRA and UNHCR field offices. The workshop brought together, likely for the first time, these high level government officials who constructively exchanged ideas and views which can hopefully address relevant issues especially at the refugee camp level. It aimed at strengthening their knowledge and awareness further on the fundamentals of refugee protection, documentation issued to asylum-seekers/refugees, detention, court practices in South Sudan and others which impact the lives of refugees who are temporarily present in the country.

- In Juba, UNHCR registered 115 asylum seekers comprising of 96 from Eritrea, 19 from Ethiopia and 1 from Somalia. UNHCR also registered 24 newly arrived refugees from Sudan.
- In Juba, UNHCR with the support of its partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) facilitated an awareness-raising session on Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) to 48 urban refugees in Gudele.
- In Juba, UNHCR conducted a one-day SGBV training for its partners HDC and ACROSS's 53 sectoral representatives, community volunteers, community leaders, teachers and youth representatives. The training's key highlights included root causes, contributing factors, and forms of SGBV and response mechanisms.
- In Yei, UNHCR in partnership with CRA conducted training for 22 government officials on Human Rights, Refugee Law, IDP Protection, SGBV, Child Protection, and mandates of UNOCHA and CRA. Participants were drawn from National Security, Police, Prisons, Immigration and Wildlife services while others were from the Directorate of Gender and Social Welfare, Youth representatives and local Chiefs within Yei town block.

Unity

- In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR distributed refugee identification (ID) cards to 240 individuals. So far, 729 IDs have been distributed since the launch of the exercise in April 2017.
- In Yida, UNHCR registered 562 new arrivals. Cumulatively, 8,218 new arrivals have been registered since the beginning of 2017. There is a decrease in the number of new arrivals; this decrease is partly attributed to deteriorated road conditions Sudan to Yida, South Sudan.
- In June, UNHCR relocated 788 refugees including 196 to Ajuong Thok refugee camp and 592 to Pamir refugee camp. Relocated refugees included 207 previously settled in Yida and 581 new arrivals. Cumulatively, 9,609 refugees have relocated since the beginning of the year, including 1,463 previously settled in Yida. The Pamir refugee camp population now stands at 14, 067 individuals since opening in September 2016.
- In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR partners International Rescue Committee (IRC) and Lutheran World Federation (LWF) launched a mass awareness campaign on early and timely reporting of SGBV under the theme "Early and Timely Reporting of Incidents of Sexual and Gender Based Violence and Access to Quality Services for Survivors of Gender-Based Violence and Persons of Concern Saves Life." The campaign reached an estimated 3,500 directly, and 20,000 beneficiaries (including those of Ajuong Thok) reached over Internews' Jam Jang FM radio.
- In Pamir Refugee Camp, UNHCR conducted four education sessions on female genital mutilation and sexual violence to 662 refugees including males and females.
- In Ajuong Thok Refugee Camp, 111 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) attended awareness raising sessions on Child Rights and the advantages of making use of Child Help Desks as an avenue for bringing forth their challenges to the attention of relevant stakeholders. While in Pamir refugee camp, 135 UASC received food items based on their assessed needs.

Western Equatoria

- In Ezo County, UNHCR verified 385 households (911 individuals) during a verification exercise, which originally targeted 918 households (2,380 individuals) population of refugees. Among the cases, UNHCR activated included 232 individuals who have returned to Ezo. UNHCR recorded 44 cases of death and 173 cases inactivated. Since fighting broke out in Ezo County in 2015, this is the first time UNHCR has had access to the refugee camp in Ezo where we couldn't reach due to insecurity. Ezo camp had officially closed in February 2016.

Upper Nile

- Following the incident of 22 May 2017 in Maban's refugee camps, between the Ingassana tribe on one hand and the Uduk & other minorities on the other hand, all Ingassana tribe were relocated to three camps i.e. Kaya, Yusuf Batil and Gendrassa with the Uduks and other minority tribes relocated to Doro refugee camp. Relocation was both organised and spontaneous. Organised relocation across camps was concluded on the 8th of June 2017 and support for the families to settle down is on-

going. Cumulatively, 12,614 refugees in 2,557 households were relocated across the four camps. The overall situation is calm and gradually stabilizing with service delivery on going in all camps in a harmonised manner.

- In Maban refugee camps, UNHCR registered 113 new arrivals from Sudan's Blue Nile region. Refugees fled as a result of misunderstanding between factions of the SPLM-North rebels. UNHCR provided refugees with documentation, plot allocation and Core relief items such as family tents, mats, blankets and jerry cans.

Education

Central Equatoria

- In Gorom refugee settlement, UNHCR provided two school tents for temporary learning space to 450 Pre-school children. Due to a rain storm, the school's semi-permanent classroom was destroyed.
- In Yei, UNHCR supported 285 refugee children to enrol in eight primary and five secondary schools as part of UNHCR's plan to support ex Lasu settlement refugee children displaced into Yei town following the conflict in July 2016. It is expected that this will enhance their protection, especially for the children, and access to services.

Health

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, through UNHCR's partner ACROSS medical desk, 117 refugee patients including 20 Congolese and 97 Sudanese received treatment. Malaria continues to be the leading morbidity followed by Respiratory Tract Infection and Acute Watery Diarrhea in June.

Food Security and Nutrition

Upper Nile

- Across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR and its partners World Food Programme (WFP), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), ACTED and Samaritan's Purse (SP) carried out General Food Distribution (GFD) for 136, 492 refugees. The food basket comprised of three items; cereals, pulses, and vegetable cooking oil.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR's partner World Vision International (WVI) on behalf of World Food Programme (WFP) carried out General Food Distribution (GFD) of assorted food items to all refugees present in the camp during the distribution.

Unity

- In Yida, Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, UNHCR together with WFP carried out GFD of assorted food items to all refugee households present during the distribution.

Water and Sanitation

Unity

- In June, the water supply coverage stood at 19 liters per person per day in Ajuong Thok, while in Pamir camp, water supply coverage stood at 24.6 litres per day per person.
- In June, crude latrine coverage stood at 6 per person and in Ajuong Thok, and Pamir crude latrine coverage stood at 9 per person.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR constructed 96 family latrines and decommissioned 46 family latrines. In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR also constructed 91 family latrines and 24 communal latrines.

Upper Nile

- In June, the water supply coverage stood at 20 liters per person per day in Maban camps. The ongoing rainfall in Maban has positively impacted on water supply by reducing water collection pressure at water collection points.
- In June, crude latrine coverage stood at 14 per person and in Maban camps.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR's partner ACTED commenced the construction of 70 latrines target to benefit 3,500 individuals. So far, 15 latrines (20% completion) have been completed.

Shelter and NFIs

Central Equatoria

- In Juba, UNHCR and its partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) distributed second-hand clothes to 1, 246 urban refugees. The ongoing distribution is expected to reach 2,208 urban refugees.

Camp Coordination and Camp Management**Upper Nile**

- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR and its partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) allocated additional 529 residential plots to the relocated refugees. Each household acquired a 15x20 meters plot to accommodate both sanitation and backyard gardening.
- UNHCR in coordination with DRC and Action Africa Help International (AAH-I) facilitated the transport of 196 individuals from Doro refugee camp extension to Blue Nile Primary school in Yusuf Batil refugee camp.

Access to Energy**Upper Nile**

- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR partner Relief International (RI) transplanted 2,814 Eucalyptus seedlings at Green Farm woodlot. In addition, eight acres demarcated for woodlot expansion at Yusuf Batil Camp. Tree seedlings planted will be used to support reforestation owing to rampant tree cutting and accelerated deforestation, taking place in the environs of the camp.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance**Upper Nile**

- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR and its partner Relief International (RI) facilitated the distribution of seed kits and tools consisting of the crop, vegetable seeds and digging hoe to 6,028 refugees. Cumulatively, 7,619 vulnerable refugees and host communities have been provided with seeds and tool kits since the beginning of 2017.
- In Kaya refugee camp, UNHCR and its partner ACTED distributed seeds to 1,214 refugee households. Cumulatively, 3,992 households of refugees and host community have been reached with crop and vegetable seeds
- In Yusuf Batil and Doro refugee camps; UNHCR and its partner RI facilitated an entrepreneurship training for 107 participants. The training aimed at providing refugees with relevant entrepreneurial and enterprise creation skills to support viable business planning.

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camps, 3,003 refugees received seeds and tools including staple crops (millet, sorghum, Simsim, cowpea, and maize), vegetables (tomato, pumpkin, and onion), hoes, maloda, sickles, axe, panga, slasher and rake.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR partner IRC conducted training for 100 youths on business and life skill. The youths were selected from Ajuong Thok refugee camp and Jam Jang host community.

Logistics**Unity**

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, the expansion of the airstrip is ongoing; of which, 48% works completion to date.
- In Yida, UNHCR completed 20% of the ongoing reconstruction of the Reception Centre.
- In Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR completed 45% of the ongoing construction of 10 Child-Friendly Spaces
- The construction and maintenance of 3.6 km Jam Jang-Pamir road are ongoing, including maintenance work on 15 km camp roads; works completion stands at 35%.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR completed 55% of the construction of Nutrition Centre.

Main Activities – IDP Programme

OPERATIONS

Shelter and NFIs

Northern/Western Bahr el Ghazal

- In Aweil, UNHCR distributed aid items to 516 IDPs who fled from Raja following multiples crisis earlier this year. Items included kitchen sets, plastic sheets, mosquito nets, and soap. Also, UNHCR distributed sanitary kits to 387 women and girls of reproductive age.
- In Wau, UNHCR distributed aid items 7,264 individuals at IDP Collective Sites. Items included second-hand clothes; hygiene clothes; underwear; buckets; plastic sheets; soaps; 30 sleeping mats, and household solar lamps.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR and its partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) and Samaritan's Purse (SP) in collaboration with government counterpart Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC) distributed a "one-time" aid package to 1,082 IDPs. Aid package included plastic sheet, mosquito nets, blankets and sleeping mats. IDPs were displaced from the border areas of Jabir Dida, Kango and Old Guffa following the ongoing conflict in-fighting and splits within the SPLM-N and SPLA-N cadres at the border areas of Old Guffa, North East Maban County in the former Upper Nile State.

Western Equatoria

- In Yambio's Riimenze and Makpandu villages, UNHCR and its partners World Vision International (WVI) and Catholic Mission Management Board (CMMB) distributed secondhand clothes to 4,205 internally displaced persons (IDPs). IDPs lost everything when they escaped to the IDP site at the Catholic Church Parish as a result of the fighting between government forces and armed youth in areas north of Yambio in January 2017 from five villages including Bazumburu, Gitikiri, Bodo, Riimenze, and Bazungua.

Unity

- In Nhialdiu, UNHCR and its partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed aid items to 1,764 most vulnerable individuals based on their protection needs. Items included plastic sheets, sleeping mats, kitchen sets, solar lamps, blankets and mosquito nets. Also, solar lamp and dignity kits were provided to girls and women of reproductive age.
- As a part of beyond Bentiu response, UNHCR and its partner the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed aid items to 1,000 most vulnerable who were identified during the previous mission in Bieh, Koch Counties. Items included plastic sheets, sleeping mats, kitchen sets blankets and mosquito nets.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and its partner UMCOR distributed secondhand clothes to 858 Persons with Special Needs (PSNs) previously assessed and verified during protection monitoring. Also, 715 women of reproductive age received sanitary kits.

Jonglei

- In Mingkaman, UNHCR and its partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) distributed solar lamps to 680 IDPs. The targeted beneficiaries included elderly persons who are physically challenged.

Camp Coordination and Camp Management

Unity

- In Bentiu and Rubkona towns, the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) cluster led by UNHCR through the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) conducted population-profiling exercise at the collective centers using smartphones. As a result of the exercise, the cluster recorded 2,050 IDPs. The exercise will provide data on

intentions (whether they want to stay or intended to go back to their place of origin), age/gender breakdown, and registration information, and presence of persons with special needs (PSNs) of all IDPs.

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