

SUDAN: South Sudanese Refugee Response

15 November 2017

UNHCR and COR adjust South Sudanese refugee figure to 805,100. This includes 352,400 individuals that were in Sudan prior to Dec 2013, when conflict broke out in South Sudan.

Steady rate of new arrivals continues, particularly in West Kordofan.

Access to open areas in Khartoum granted for an inter-agency assessment of an estimated 47,000 South Sudanese refugees.

449

New arrivals in November so far

186,451

Total new arrivals in 2017

805,169

South Sudanese refugees in Sudan

(*The Government of Sudan estimates the number of South Sudanese refugees to be 1.3 million.)

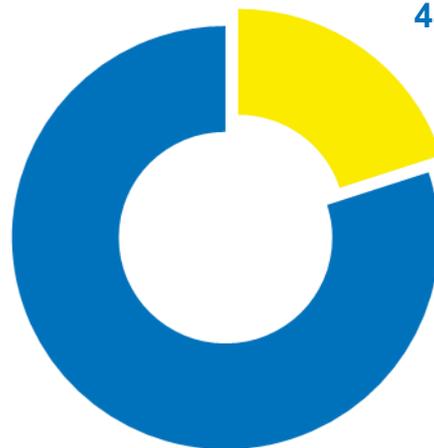
Population and demographic update can be found on page 4.

TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED

BY ALL PARTNERS IN SUDAN UNDER THE 2017 REGIONAL REFUGEE RESPONSE PLAN (RRRP)

USD 221.7 M

Funded 22%
48.6 M



NEW ARRIVALS BY STATE IN 2017

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	15 NOV	TOTAL
WHITE NILE	3,801	5,901	15,363	11,576	17,249	2,482	2,113	509	390	502	175	60,061
EAST DARFUR	4,300	2,975	26,208	3,272	6,637	1,725	699	195	--	--	--	46,114
SOUTH DARFUR	709	2,324	--	2,731	8,300	2,627	7,579	3,540	868	239	--	28,917
SOUTH KORDOFAN	480	8,185	6,661	3,398	6,360	765	331	401	51	43	59	26,734
WEST KORDOFAN	1,708	5,462	1,050	2,110	630	563	377	1,201	1,000	706	215	15,022
NORTH DARFUR	--	--	--	200	4,330	--	5,073	--	--	--	--	9,603
TOTAL	10,998	24,847	49,282	23,287	43,506	8,162	16,172	5,846	2,412	1,490	449	186,451

Population Update

- **UNHCR AND COR AMMEND OFFICIAL SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEE STATISTICS TO 805,100, INCLUDING PRE-2013 POPULATION** – In an effort to better account for all South Sudanese refugees in Sudan, UNHCR and COR have amended the official population statistics to over 805,100 refugees. This now includes more than 352,400 South Sudanese individuals who were living in Sudan prior to December 2013, when conflict broke out in South Sudan. As returning to South Sudan is not considered a viable option for this population, the Government of Sudan considers them as refugees. The pre-December 2013 population was determined by UNHCR and partners in 2014 for the purpose of the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) process. The figure is based on data from the 5th Sudan Population and Housing Census of 2008, which was adjusted in 2014 to take into account the South Sudanese repatriation exercise of 2010, and further cross referenced with pension records.
- **3,500 REFUGEES OBSERVED IN KAFIA KANGI, SOUTH DARFUR** – UNHCR and COR have observed approximately 3,500 refugees in Kafia Kangi, South Darfur, during a mission in early November. The refugees reportedly arrived to the area near the border in September and October 2017, but a mission was only possible after the rainy season concluded and road conditions improved. As the area is remote with limited services, refugees have requested to be relocated to El Radom. The population will be registered and reflected in the population statistics once they are moved to El Radom later in November.
- **STEADY RATE OF NEW ARRIVALS EXPECTED, AS FOOD INSECURITY WORSENS IN SOUTH SUDAN** - As the protracted conflict in South Sudan continues to affect farming activities, the economy, and hamper humanitarian access, the country's food security situation is worsening. According to the South Sudan Integrated Food Security Classification report released in October, almost 50% of the South Sudan population will be acutely food insecure in early 2018, even after the harvest season. In the states generating refugees to Sudan, including Western Bahr el Ghazal, Northern Bahr el Ghazal, Warrap, Unity and Upper Nile, over 1 million people are estimated to be facing Phase 4 Emergency food insecurity, while another 1.89 million people are facing Phase 3 Crisis levels. As this is anticipated to trigger further population movement into Sudan, UNHCR and RCF partners are taking the IPC conclusions into account in the 2018 contingency planning process initiated in November 2017.

Operational Update

- **26% OF SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES INDIVIDUALLY REGISTERED BY UNHCR AND COR** – As of 15 November, 26% of the estimated 805,100 South Sudanese refugees have undergone individual biometric registration. A further 17% have undergone pre-registration at the household level. UNHCR with COR are accelerating the roll out of biometric registration to all South Sudanese hosting sites, including in out-of-camp settlements in East Darfur and North Darfur, where the process is expected to begin by end of November. Biometric registration continues to be an essential protection and coordination tool, as it allows UNHCR and partners to more effectively target assistance, as well as track population movements.

- **ACCESS GRANTED FOR ASSESSMENT OF SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEES IN KHARTOUM'S OPEN AREAS** – After months of access restrictions, Government of Sudan authorities have agreed that a joint inter-agency assessment may go forward in all open areas hosting South Sudanese refugees in Khartoum. The mission has been tentatively scheduled for the week of 26 November, and will assess the situation of an estimated 47,000 refugees living in the open areas.
- **OVER 30 UASC IN WEST KORDOFAN REUNITED WITH THEIR FAMILIES IN KHARTOUM, ANOTHER 80 UASC RECEIVE ASSISTANCE IN SOUTH KORDOFAN** – In the first half of November, UNHCR, through COR and SCCW, reunited 31 Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASC) from Kharasana with their families in Khartoum. In South Kordofan, UNHCR through SCCW provided another 80 UASC in Abu Jubaiha and El Leri with integration packages containing clothes, shoes, and hygiene items (e.g. soap / tooth brushes). Of the 442 UASC so far identified in the Kordofan states, 89% have now received support through family tracing and reunification, foster arrangements, and/or integration packages.
- **UNHCR STRENGTHENS MALARIA PREVENTION AND TREATMENT FOR REFUGEES IN WHITE NILE STATE** - As part of UNHCR and UNDP agreement to scale up prevention and treatment of malaria in Sudan, under the Global Fund, a training on malaria case management was held for 40 health care providers from all eight camps in White Nile state. In early November, UNHCR also sensitized relevant state level government authorities about the project, including COR, and the Ministry of Health's Malaria department, National Drug Supply department, and Emergency and Humanitarian Aid department.
- **45 CLASSROOMS UNDER CONSTRUCTION FOR STUDENTS IN WHILE NILE STATE** – UNHCR through ADRA is in the process of constructing 45 permanent classrooms to serve over 6,700 students in all White Nile camps. The additional classrooms are necessary to address overcrowding due to the large influx of refugees in 2017. Eight of the classrooms will be constructed in the Aljame'ya camp, which forms an extension of Al Waral.
- **UNHCR AND WASH PARTNERS ENHANCE WATER SUPPLY IN EL LERI, SOUTH KORDOFAN** - To improve water supply in El Leri, where water access for more than 14,000 refugees continues to be below emergency standards, UNHCR through Care International Switzerland (CIS) began trucking 100,000 L of water per day to Dar Bati settlement and 5,000 L between the refugee school and El Amira reception center. UNHCR through CIS will also construct 2 new boreholes in the locality before the end of the year, which is expected to increase the water supply, which will partially offset the need for water trucking. CIS has secured other funds to construct another 2 boreholes in the locality.

CONTACT

Lindsey Àmerica-Simms, Associate Reporting Officer: americas@unhcr.org

LINKS

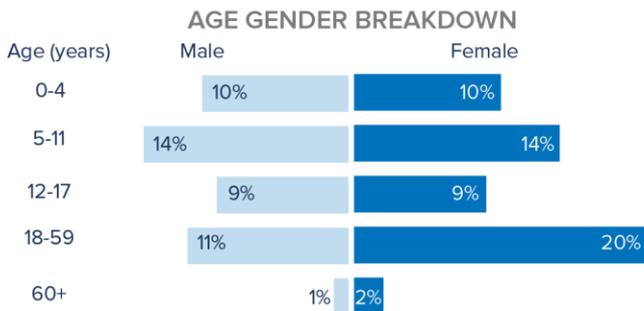
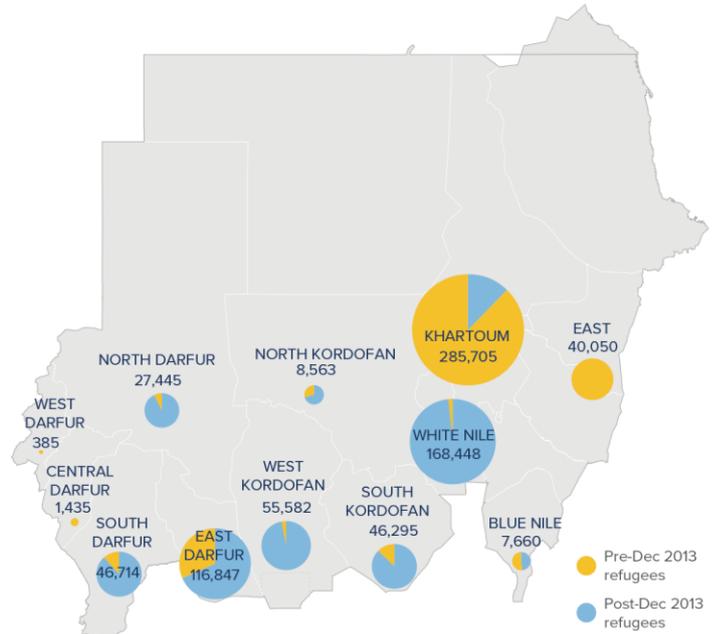
UNHCR Data Portal for the South Sudan Situation: <http://data.unhcr.org/SouthSudan/country.php?id=204>

2017 South Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan: <http://data.unhcr.org/SouthSudan/download.php?id=3165>

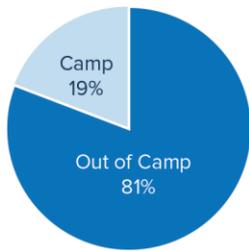
Total number of refugees*	805,169
Pre-Dec 2013 refugees	352,462
Post-Dec 2013 refugees	452,707
Total arrivals in 2017	186,451
Total arrivals in Nov 2017	449

* UNHCR and COR have amended official population statistics to include South Sudanese living in Sudan prior to December 2013, when conflict broke out in South Sudan. The Government of Sudan considers this population as refugees.

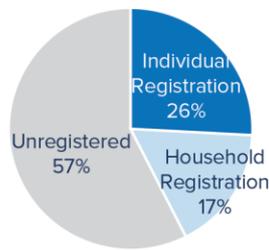
POPULATION BY STATE



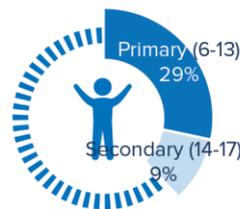
POPULATION DISTRIBUTION



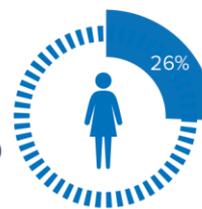
REGISTRATION PROGRESS



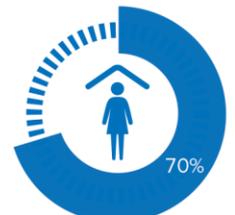
SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN (6-17)



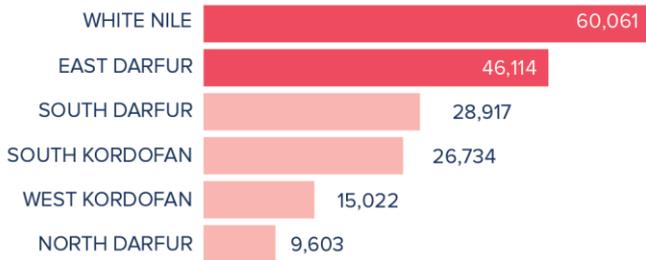
REPRODUCTIVE AGED FEMALE (13-49)



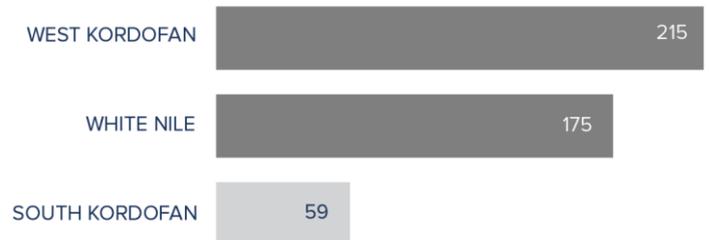
FEMALE HEADED HOUSEHOLDS



2017 ARRIVALS BY STATE



OCTOBER 2017 ARRIVALS BY STATE



MONTHLY ARRIVAL TRENDS (2014-2017)



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.