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From November 2017 to June 2021, UNHCR verified that 403,555 South Sudanese refugees have returned to South Sudan, out of which 282,869 have arraived since October 2018 after signing the revitalized peace agreement. To learn more about the challenges they face and their plans for the future, UNHCR conducts an in-depth household-level survey of returnees across the country.

UNHCR and partners on quarterly basis collect information on refugee returns through key informant interviews, focus group discussions, and partner monitoring reports. Jointly with Government's Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, UNHCR validates the reports by interviewing randomly selected returnee households in areas of return during the period.

2093 households out of 13,246 households that arrived from April to June 2021 were interviewed from Unity, Northern/Western Bahr el Ghazal, Jonglei, Warrap, Central/Eastern/Western Equatora and Upper Nile

THE RETURNEES (13,246 refugees returned spontaneously between April-June 2021)

Sample size





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

Final status of Abyei area is not yet determined. Source: Geographic data: UNHCR, UNCS, UNDP. Refugee Returnee statistics: UNHCR and Partners. Author: UNHCR Representation Office in South Sudan. Feedback: <u>ssdjuimo@unhcr.org</u>

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SOUTH SUDAN Refugee returnee household survey

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THE JOURNEY

Reported reasons for return

(Households)



Note: One household reported one or more reasons for their return to country of asylum

Mode of transport (households)

10% **12**9 of househo**l**ds of households of households returned by returned by returned collective/ on foot boat

private car 2% used other means such as moterbike and airplane

Vulnerabilities identified (cases)*



192	77
Older people	Child
unable to	carer
care for	
themselves	



7%

bus

of households

returned by

Mode of payment (Households)

90% of households paid with thier own money

4%

of households assisted by South Sudanese Authorities

6% were assisted by relatives and others

Top 5 reported protection incidents



*One individual can have more than one vulnerability **Other such as teenage pregnancy, single women at risk, people with chronic illness, etc.

FUTURE PLANS

Intended return duration



7%* of households of housholds plan to stay plan to stay permanently temporarily

7% of household are undecided

Temporary stay for period between 1 and six months or as long as piece holds

Reuniting with the family





2142

532

368

53

45 31

51

Unaccompa-

nied children

of households said their family members planned to meet them in South Sudan

*91% of those who left immediate family members in the country of asylun

Remaining immediate family members in Country of asylum

1 Sudan	
2 Uganda	
3 Ethiopia	
4 Kenya	
5 DRC	
6 CAR	

Housing in South Sudan



19%

of households of returnee household owning houses own house not have acces

	Top 3 reasons for no access
	1 Destroyed
, do	2 Damaged
s to it	Occupied by others

Permanent returnee's intention



87% of households want to remain in the same village

5% of household are undecided/don't want to answer

8%* of house holds have other plans

Other: Move to another village in the same payam or to other county or state or leave South Sudan.

Immediate family members return plan



intend to join intend to join later than 6 or within 3-6 more months months

months

individuals months

Relationship with host community



97% of the househols feel safe in the current location



of households reported good relationship with the host community

Land in the South Sudan

95%

own land



5% of returnee of returnee households households do

Top 3 reasons for no access not have access

 Occupied by other Insecurity Other

Other: no available space, far from town, fear of previous fatigue, loneliness etc.

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642 individuals

159 individuals

192 individuals intend to join within 1-2



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intend to join in less than 1





