

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 arrived 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.

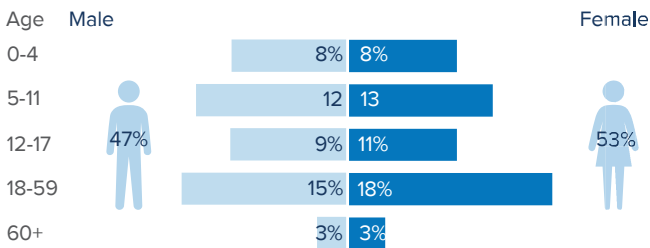
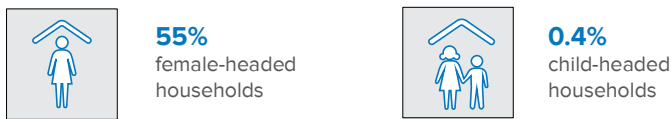
2093 households out of 13,246 households that arrived from April to June 2021 were interviewed from Unity, Northern/Western Bahr el Ghazal, Jonglei, Warrap, Central/Eastern/Western Equatoria and Upper Nile

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

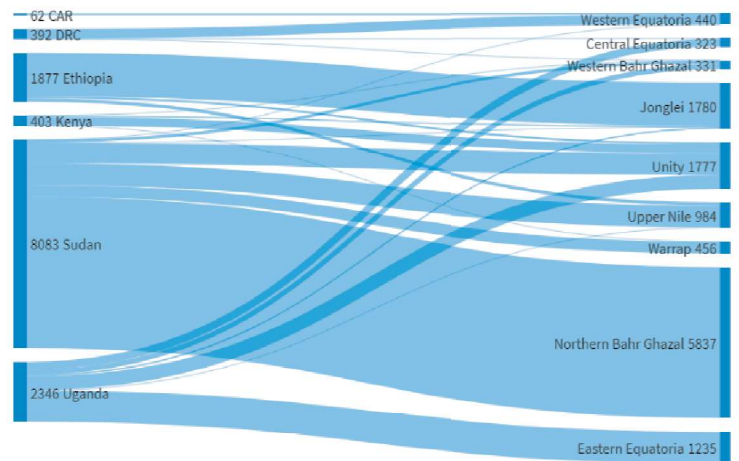
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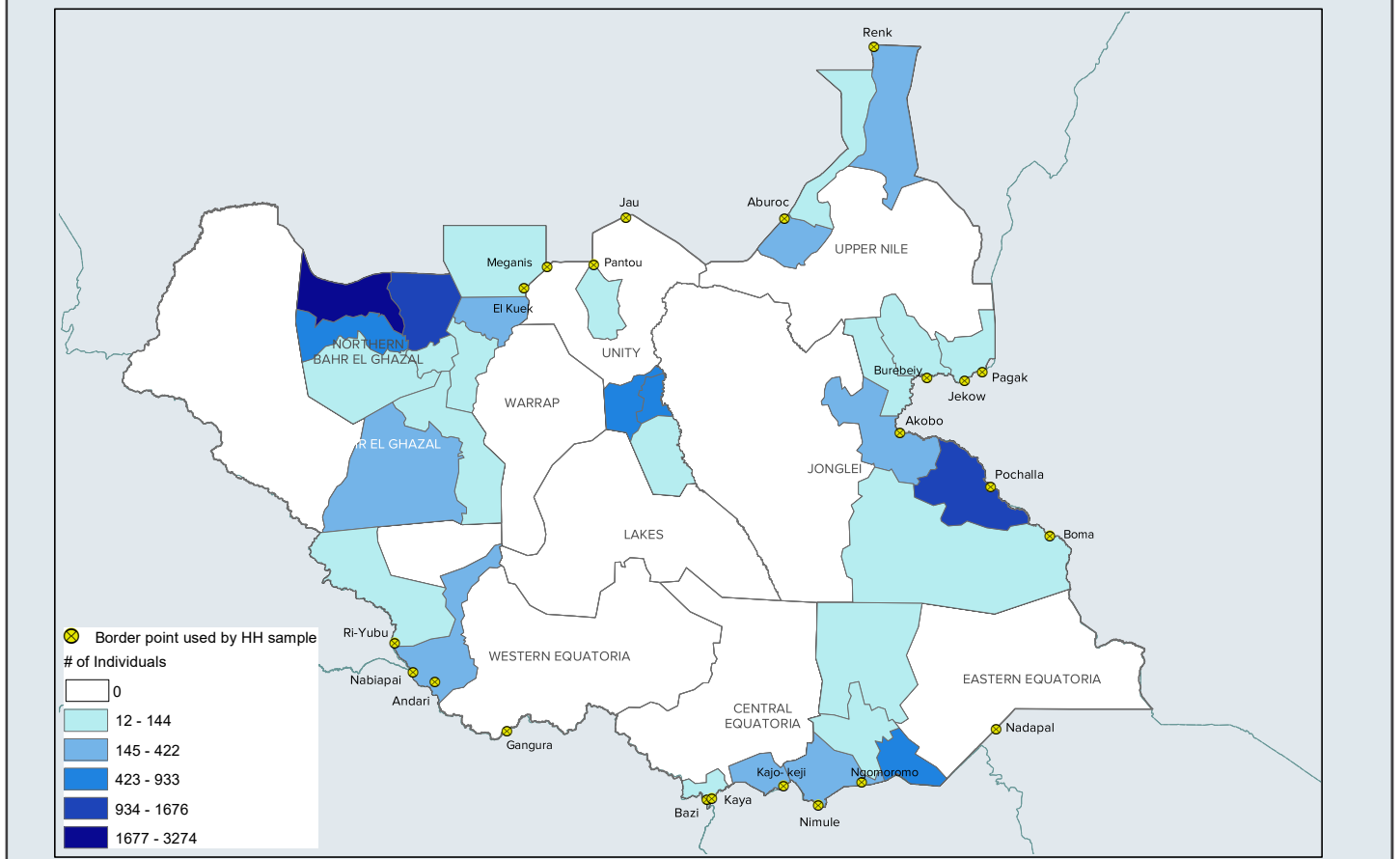
Demographics



Sample sources/destinations (individuals)



Sample size per county



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.

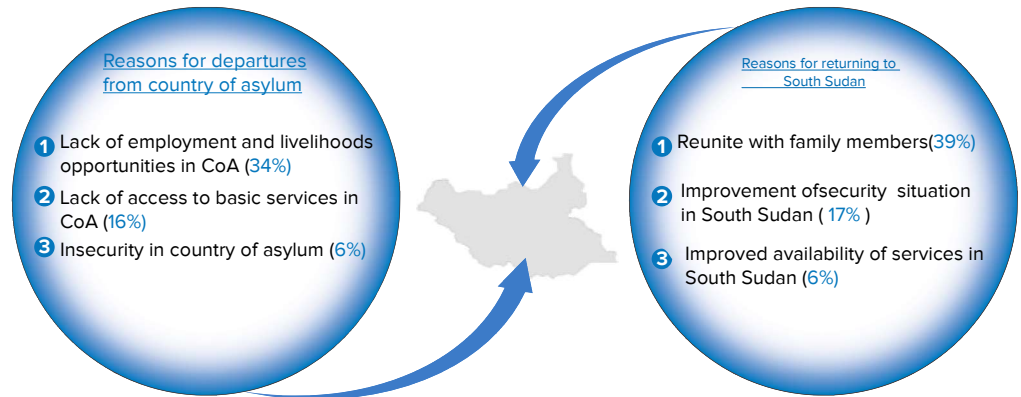
Refugee Returnee statistics: UNHCR and Partners.

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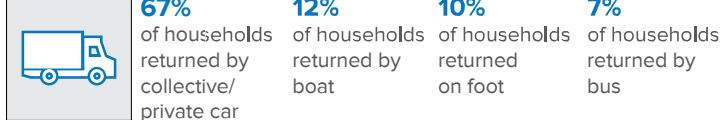
THE JOURNEY

Reported reasons for return (Households)



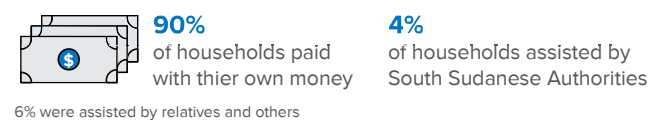
Note: One household reported one or more reasons for their return to country of asylum

Mode of transport (households)



2% used other means such as moterbike and airplane.

Mode of payment (Households)



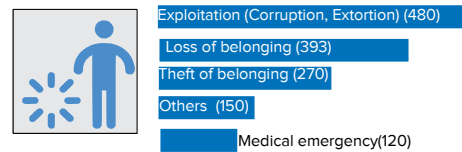
Vulnerabilities identified (cases)*



*One individual can have more than one vulnerability

**Other such as teenage pregnancy, single women at risk, people with chronic illness, etc.

Top 5 reported protection incidents



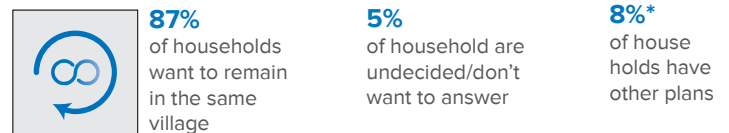
FUTURE PLANS

Intended return duration



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

Permanent returnee's intention



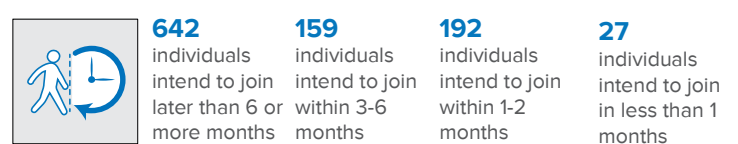
*Other: Move to another village in the same payam or to other county or state or leave South Sudan.

Reuniting with the family



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

Immediate family members return plan



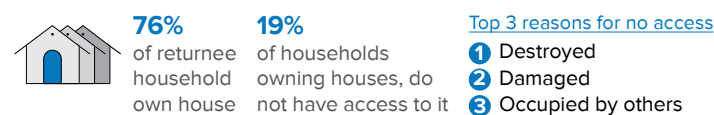
Remaining immediate family members in Country of asylum



Relationship with host community



Housing in South Sudan



Land in the South Sudan

