



On 15 April 2023, fighting erupted in Khartoum and other regions of Sudan. Thousands of people fled their homes seeking refuge and protection in neighboring countries. Beginning on 16 April, South Sudan received thousands of new arrivals through several entry points along the border between Sudan and South Sudan. The majority (over 90%) of those are passing through the Joda border point, Renk County, Upper Nile state, with an influx of close to 3,000 people to Renk on a daily basis.

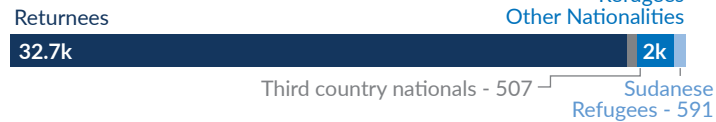
35,874
estimated newly arrived individual

5,751
estimated households

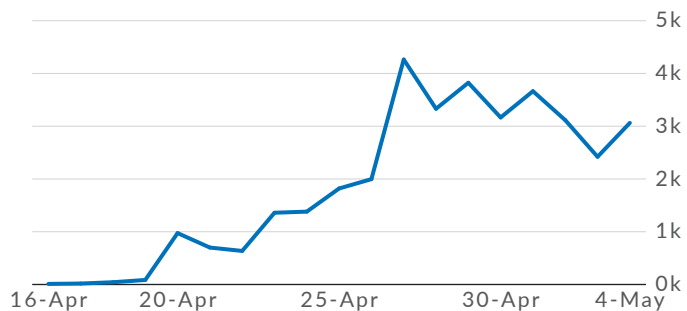
Gender breakdown of new arrivals



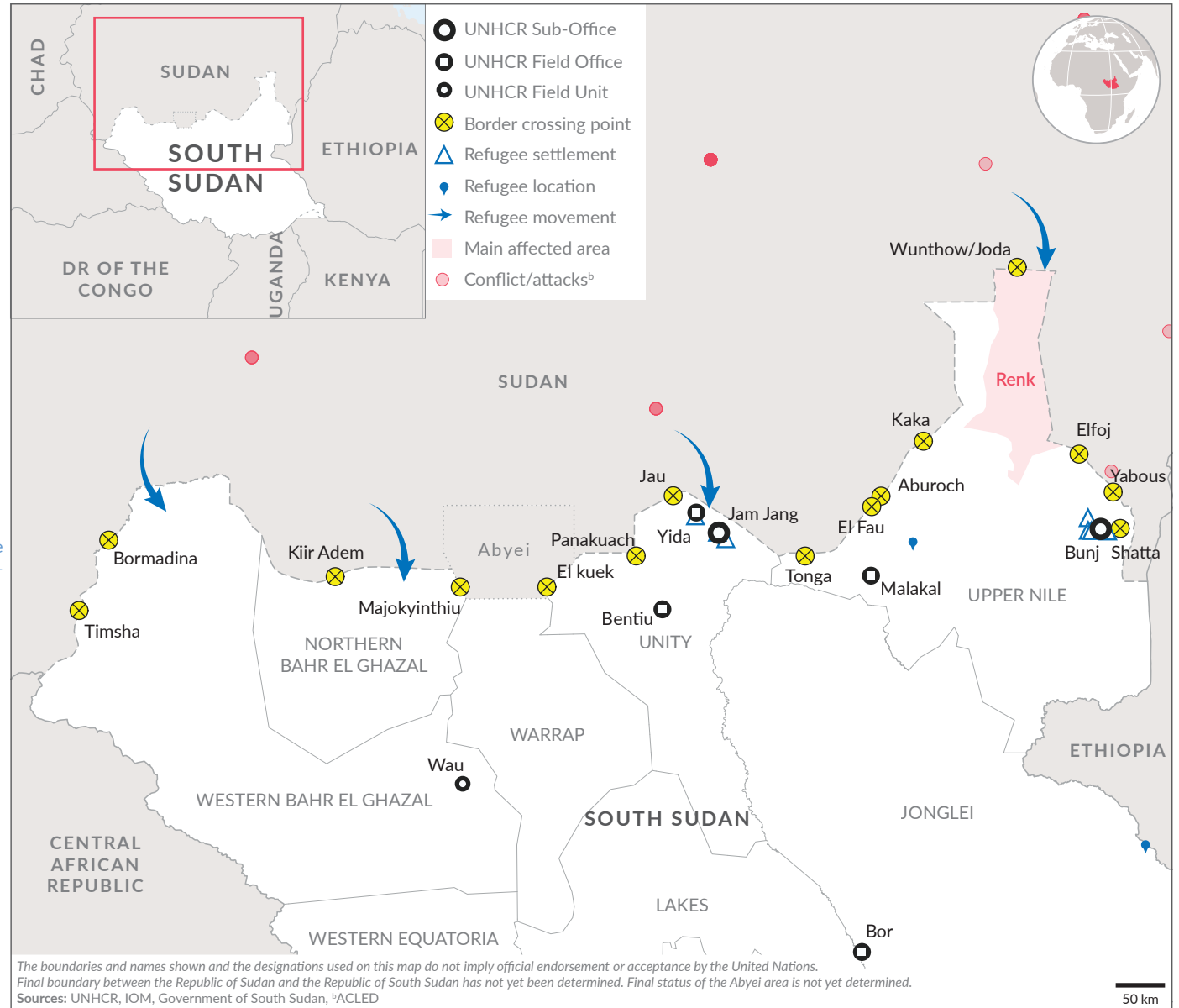
Arrivals by population type



Daily arrival trends













UNHCR works in collaboration with IOM and the **Relief & Rehabilitation Commission** of the Government of South Sudan to collect data on new arrivals from Sudan. More information on this joint initiative can be found: [Population Movement from Sudan to South Sudan](#)



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Humanitarian Response in Renk, Upper Nile

Partners

 Protection, GBV Child protection	Protection is mainstreamed across all sectors by UNHCR and its partners, with particular focus at points of entry where refugees and returnees with specific needs are identified and transferred to the Transit Centre (TC). A protection desk has been set up at the TC where protection concerns are documented and those in need referred to relevant partners. As of 2 May, 43 protection cases have been identified, documented, and referred for further services. Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is providing psychosocial support to vulnerable individuals. Clinical GBV case management is ongoing by Relief International (RI). Save the Children (SCI) opened a child-friendly space in collaboration with ACTED. As of 2 May, nearly 240 children participated in activities at this location. DRC and NRC teams reached Renk and will set up operations in the coming days.	ACTED, HDC, JRS, LWF, RI, SCI, UNHCR
 Border Monitoring	UNHCR together with the Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) and IOM are monitoring the Joda border and collecting statistics on population crossing into South Sudan. In the next two to three days, a newly developed data collection tool will allow gathering of more granular details about the profile, status, and destination of those crossing the border.	HDC, IOM, UNHCR
 Health	As of 1 May, nearly 860 consultations were conducted in the two clinics set up by Relief International (RI) and International Medical Corps (IMC). 13 urgent medical cases were referred to Renk County Hospital. As of 2 May, medical facilities are established at both the transit centre and border reception centre. Two ambulances provided by UNHCR are transporting the most critical cases.	IMC, RI, UNHCR
 Nutrition	Screening for acute malnutrition is ongoing at both the border reception centre and at the transit centre (TC). Treatment for acute malnutrition in children is provided at the TC centre immediately, and referrals for additional nutrition services is in place. The provision of supplementary food to pregnant and lactating women (PLW), as well as to children under 5 is currently ongoing. From 26 Apr to 2 May, 1,007 children and 78 PLW were screened for malnutrition. Malnourished children and PLW are enrolled into treatment program on site. In total, 707 children under-five received high energy biscuits and 300 received supplementary food (LNS-MQ) at the transit site, while 78 PLW received Supercereal plus.	GOAL, UNICEF, WFP, UNHCR,
 WASH	As of 2 May, more than 90,000 litres of water were provided. A water truck from UNHCR is providing water to both the transit centre and reception centre. At the reception centre, a 5,000-litre water tank is installed, and 10 emergency latrines were constructed. At the transit centre, two 5,000 litre water tanks and a 10,000-litre water bladder were installed. 16 latrines were rehabilitated, while ACTED and IOM are constructing an additional 20 latrines.	ACTED, UNHCR
 Shelter & NFI	In the border reception center, temporary structures were completed (34 x 8 m, including waiting and screening area). In the Transit Center, 12 communal shelters are planned, each serving 45 people. Six of these are expected to be completed in the next few days. UNHCR mobilized heavy equipment for site clearing and ground levelling at the transit centre. As of 1 May, over 1,020 households have received core relief items since distribution on 26 Apr by UNHCR at the Transit Centre. The distribution consists of blankets, sleeping mats, and buckets. The distribution of mosquito nets is also planned.	UNHCR
 Food Security	Both Sudan and South Sudan are among the most food insecure countries worldwide. Hot meals are provided at the transit centre to refugees and vulnerable returnees with two meals per day. So far, more than 4,000 individuals are served daily. WFP and UNHCR are jointly support the national NGO to provide this service. High energy biscuits are procured by WFP and will be dispatched to border points to be provided to new arrivals. Once newly arrived refugees are settled in camps, they will be integrated into the general food assistance).	GOAL, UNHCR, WFP
 Humanitarian Transportation	The Government of South Sudan and UNHCR are transferring new arrivals from the border point to Renk (70km journey). UNHCR is focusing on the transport of vulnerable South Sudanese and refugees to the TC. IOM is coordinating the identification of boats and barges for onward transportation of returnees to six identified locations downstream, with the objective of releasing pressure on the transit site. UNHCR is organizing the first transport of Sudanese refugees to the camps in the Maban area. The Government of South Sudan and some private sector actors have flown some of the vulnerable arrivals to Juba in previous days. Local Church groups have supported returnees in their onward movement to Malakal.	Gov. of South Sudan, IOM, Local Church, Private Sector, UNHCR,
 Site Management	A headcount conducted on 1 May recorded a population of over 4000 individuals in the centre, and many reported a stay of over a week due to a lack of means to move. The TC is rapidly filling up. The congestion posed a challenge to general service delivery, NFI distributions which in particular have become contentious. UNHCR has engaged local police for support to control crowds control and security in TC. UNHCR held a meeting on 3 May near the TC to coordinate the intervention of humanitarian actors to scale up capacity.	ACTED, UNHCR
 Coordination	The emergency response plan is implemented under the leadership of the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC) of the Government of the Republic of South Sudan leading whole of government response. UNHCR and IOM will co-lead the overall response for returning South Sudanese, in close coordination with other humanitarian actors.. UNHCR and IOM ensured the inclusion of 63 partners in the newly released emergency response plan.	Gov. of South Sudan, IOM, UNHCR