ETHIOPIA

New Population Movement from Sudan

As of 30 June 2024

Context and Highlights

Following the outbreak of armed conflict in Sudan on 15 April 2023, Ethiopia is receiving thousands of forcibly displaced people at two main points of entry (Metema and Kurmuk) along the land border between Sudan and Ethiopia. The Government's Refugees and Returnees Service (RRS) and UNHCR are coordinating the response to the new refugee inflows, including daily border monitoring, screening for asylum-seekers and refugees, and coordinating the provision of basic services, such as food, water as well as emergency healthcare, together with partners.

In Kurmuk, border points remain volatile with the potential for abduction, and other protection risks. The proximity to the conflict at the border perpetuates trauma and anxiety among refugees, hindering their ability to rebuild their lives in safety and dignity. Relocation to the new Ura Settlement started on 17 June, and so far more than 2,300 individuals have been relocated.

In Metema, physical security is of concern, and access to services, in particular life saving services such as health care is also challenging as there is a lack of an ambulance and pass permits take a long time to issue. Construction of the new Aftit site is ongoing to relocate refugees from Awulala and Kumer.

Key figures

56,486
Total arrivals in need of international protection since April 2023

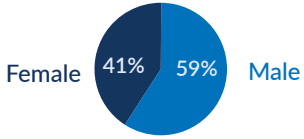
46,427
Sudanese and Non-Sudanese refugees/asylum seekers

10,059
Ethiopian refugee returnees

13,683
Total arrivals in 2024

94,135
Total Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia, including 48,964 old Sudanese caseload in Assosa

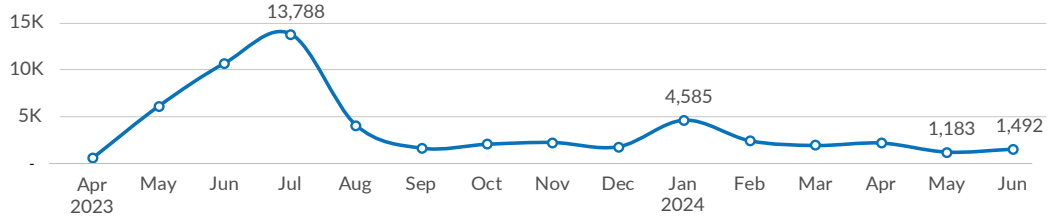
Gender breakdown



An estimated 58% of new arrivals are children

Funding

New arrival trends



Who Does What Where (3W) | 32 organizations responding to the emergency

Locations	Protection		WASH		Health & Nutrition		Livelihood		Education		Energy and Environment		Food Security		Logistics		Shelter / NFI	
# Partners	14		13		8		8		3		1		2		2		3	
Asosa 22 partners	8	CISP, IRC, MTI, PIE, PLAN, RaDO, RRS, UNHCR	7	ANE, CISP, ERCs, IRC, Kurmuk Woreda Water Development Office, PIE, UNICEF	5	ANE, GOAL, IRC, MTI, PIE	6	CESVI, CISP, DRDIP, GNE, INKOMOKO, NRC	1	PIE	1	NRDEP	2	ANE, WFP	2	AAHI, IOM	1	ANE
Metema 21 partners	10	AAE, DICAC, ERCs, IHS, IOM, MTI, PIE, RaDO, RRS, UNHCR	6	AAE, CRS, EECMY, IHS, LWF, Zonal Water Department	5	MTI, PIE, UNICEF, WVE, Zonal Health Bureau	2	LWF, PIE	3	DICAC, PIE, Zonal Education Bureau			2	ANE, WFP	2	AAHI, IOM	3	ANE, EECMY, RRS
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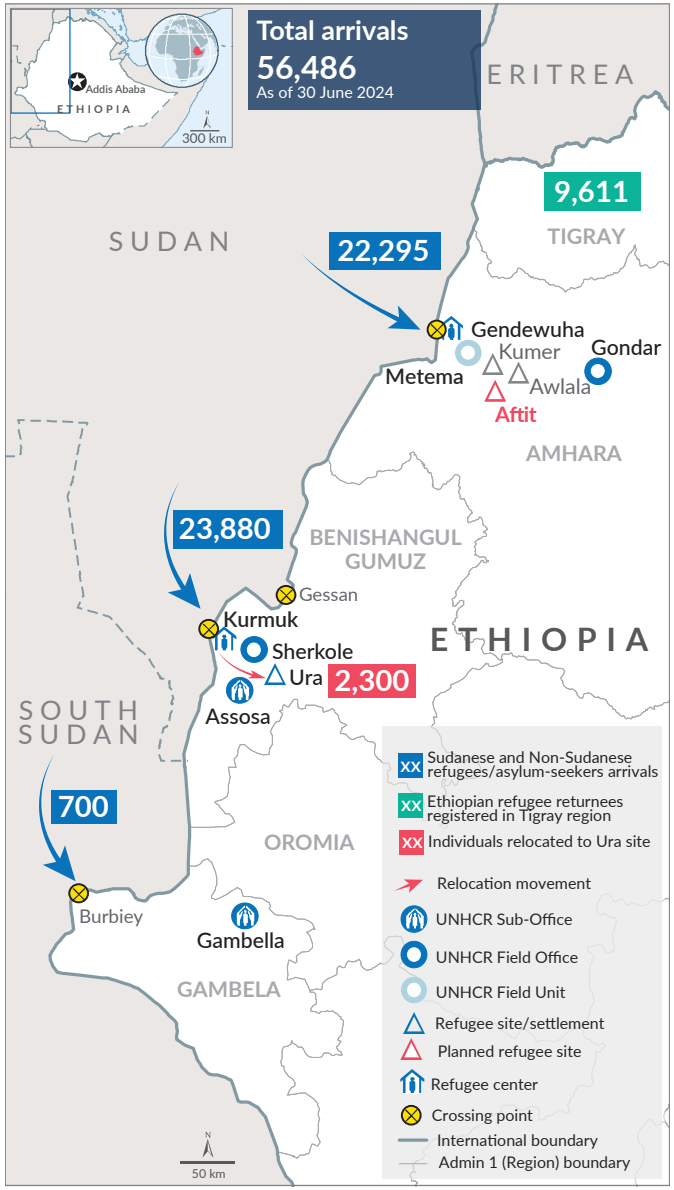
Situation map



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