

BACKGROUND

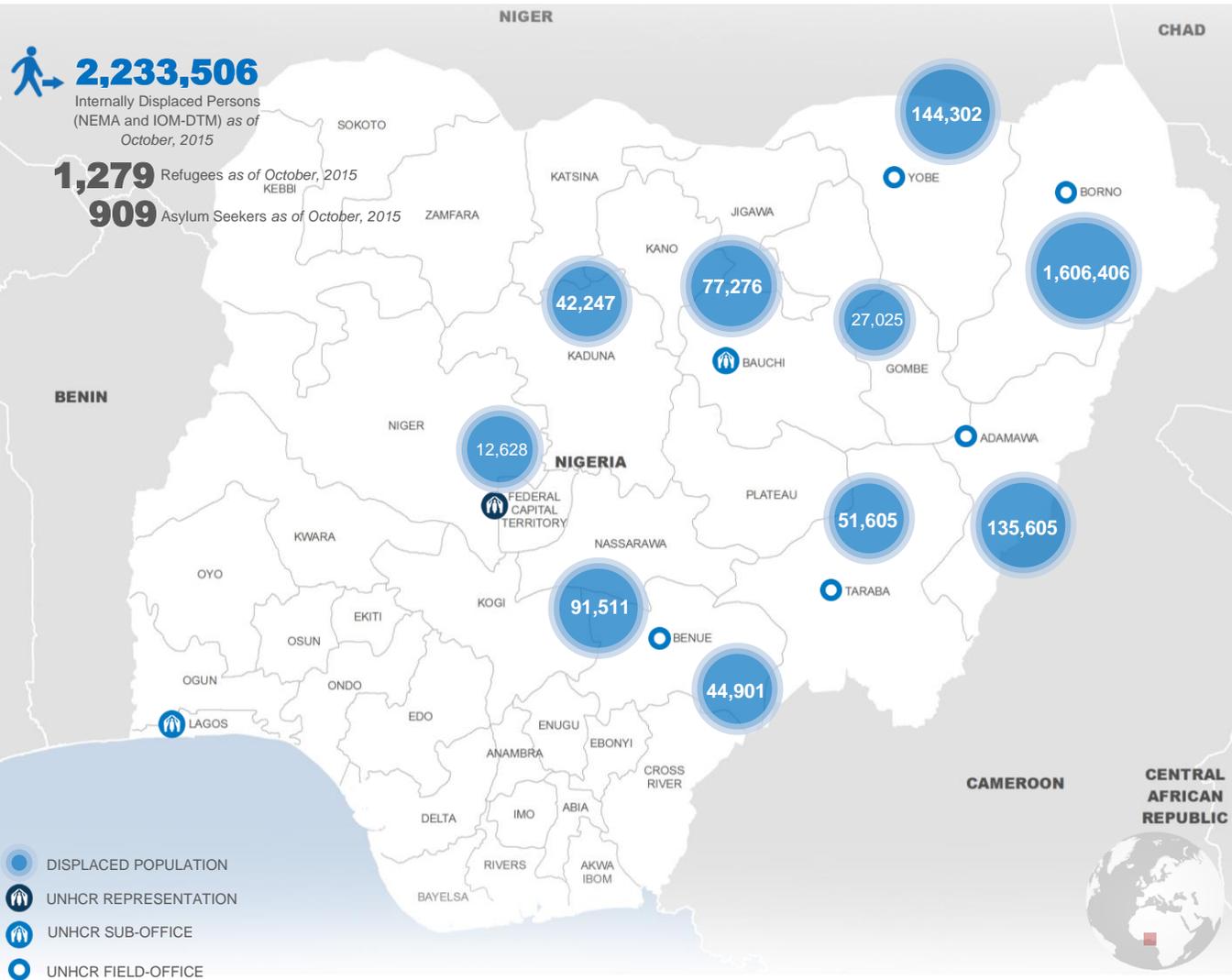
UNHCR Nigeria's strategic objective is to strengthen and expand the protection of very vulnerable persons of concern in the country, especially in response to the humanitarian crisis in the North East and the resulting displacement. This is achieved through a range of protection activities, including provision of protection services, coordinating protection response, building the capacity of the Government of Nigeria and key humanitarian partners in Nigeria on IDP protection issues. Crucial to safeguarding the protection of IDPs will be the enactment of an IDP Policy and Legal Framework which domesticates the AU Kampala Convention.

2,233,506

Internally Displaced Persons (NEMA and IOM-DTM) as of October, 2015

1,279 Refugees as of October, 2015

909 Asylum Seekers as of October, 2015



- DISPLACED POPULATION
- 🏠 UNHCR REPRESENTATION
- 🏠 UNHCR SUB-OFFICE
- 🌐 UNHCR FIELD-OFFICE

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2015

Strengthened humanitarian emergency and response capacity at State and National levels

INTERNALLY DISPLACED

Deployment of **314** protection monitors in ten States of the North East and North Central region.

Over **1,700** individuals benefited from **16** trainings on IDP Protection Principles; **4** trainings on Protection Monitoring; **6** trainings on CCCM.

5 State-level Protection Sector Working Groups (PSWGs) established in Adamawa, Yobe, Gombe, Borno & Taraba States in addition to National PSWG.

Profiling of IDPs with special needs initiated with Nigerian Red Cross Society with most vulnerable IDPs identified.

113,597 reached with protection-based kits, including **2,000** solar lanterns to vulnerable women and girls.

6 sensitization sessions on AGD/community leadership/peace building and Community Based Protection conducted in Borno and Adamawa.

Response to cholera outbreak in Maiduguri ongoing, including support to most vulnerable families with non-food items and shelter.

16,925 Nigerian returnees have been registered from Cameroon and transported to IDP sites in Adamawa and Borno.

Scaled up humanitarian footprint in the North East and North Central with UNHCR sub office in Bauchi, **5** additional field units in Borno, Yobe, Adamawa, Taraba and Benue.

REFUGEES

452 Cameroonian refugees voluntarily repatriated in January 2015

243 refugee children assisted with education allowance for second term 2015 academic year.

Initiated livelihood support in Benue and Cross Rivers States

143 women and girls of reproductive age assisted with sanitary towels

18 refugees including those with special needs provided with subsistence and transport allowances

PRIORITIES

- Protection presence and coordination in the North East and North Central is scaled up
- Increased capacity of government and humanitarian actors to address protection issues
- Protection of very vulnerable IDPs and other Persons of Concern is strengthened
- Advocacy for an IDP policy and legal framework
- Implementation of comprehensive durable solutions for refugees

RESPONSE STRATEGY

- Continuous and regular monitoring of IDPs
- Profiling and vulnerability screening of IDPs
- Most vulnerable households targeted for protection-based material assistance
- Training of partners on protection principles, human rights standards and CCCM for response capacity strengthening
- Advocacy for enactment of a comprehensive IDP policy and legal framework
- Protection monitoring for effective response to reported incidents and prevention of further violations.

OVERALL CHALLENGES

- Lack of security leading to reduced movement and limited humanitarian access
- Difficulty in reaching IDPs in host communities
- Insufficient donor response
- Gaps in national legal and policy frameworks for the protection of IDPs
- Underestimation of the magnitude of the crisis at the initial stage
- Funding constraints