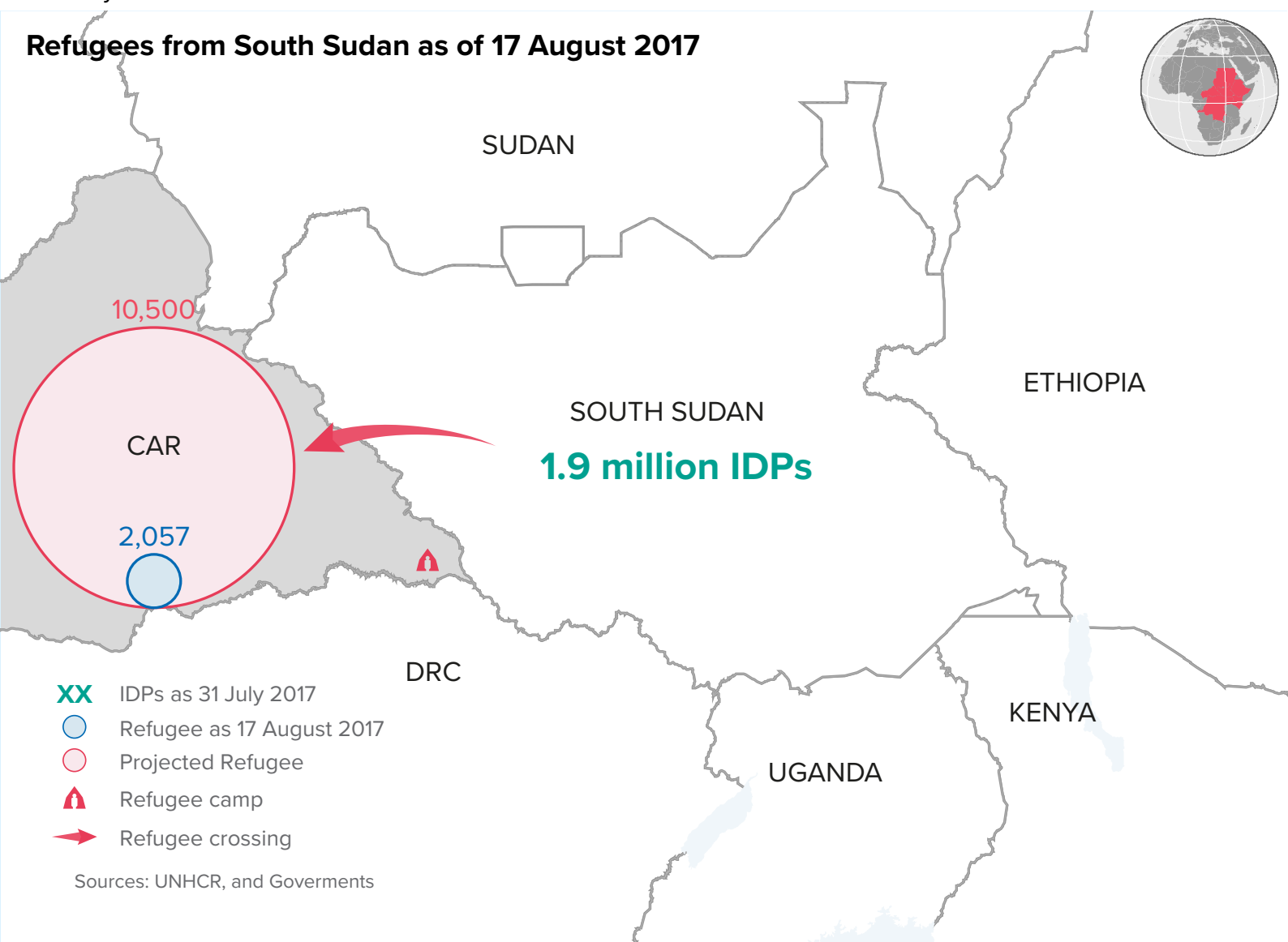


SOUTH SUDAN SITUATION

CAR REFUGEE RESPONSE PLAN - midyear update

January - June 2017

Refugees from South Sudan as of 17 August 2017

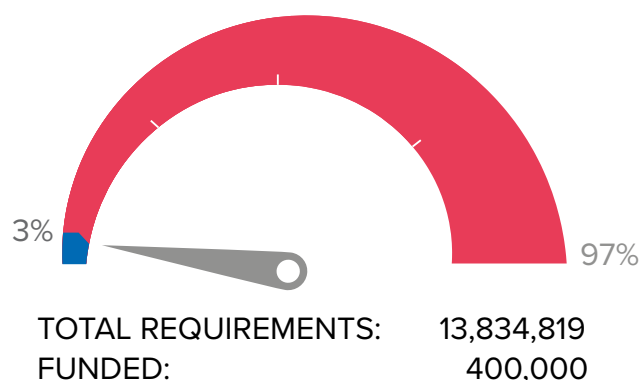


Country update

The start of 2017 marked the beginning of a relative stabilisation for the South Sudanese refugee population in the Central African Republic. The voluntary relocation of refugees from Bambouti to Obo had been completed, and the camp in Obo was becoming more firmly established. The first six months of the year saw UNHCR conduct a verification exercise, since which small numbers of new refugees have continued to arrive. Amongst the key achievements of the operation has been the provision of material assistance to the local hospital in Obo. This has equipped the hospital to be able to cater to the needs of the refugee population as well as the local host community.

Despite the challenges posed by insecurity along the main supply route, food distributions were conducted every two months. On the one occasion that this was not possible, UNHCR assisted with a cash distribution, enabling refugees to purchase food from the local market. Efforts were also made to support the livelihoods and food security of the refugees through the provision and division of plots of agricultural land. These land parcels were allocated with the support of the local authorities. Seeds were also distributed in the months prior to the start of the rainy season to support the community in recommencing agricultural activities. SGBV remains a taboo subject within the community, though consistent efforts have been made by protection workers to sensitise the population through awareness-raising sessions. Amongst those cases of SGBV that have been reported, 100% were met with psychosocial assistance and, where necessary, medical assistance. Nevertheless, protection actors in Obo will continue their efforts to raise awareness during the second half of the year in order to increase the rate of reporting of such cases by the community.

RRRP FUNDING LEVEL -27 July 2017



CAR ACHIEVEMENTS AND GAPS January - June 2017

