

SUDAN: South Sudanese Refugee Response

December 2019

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Winterization campaign brings blankets and other basic items to refugees in Khartoum Open Areas

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577

New arrivals in December 2019

18,645

Total new arrivals in 2019

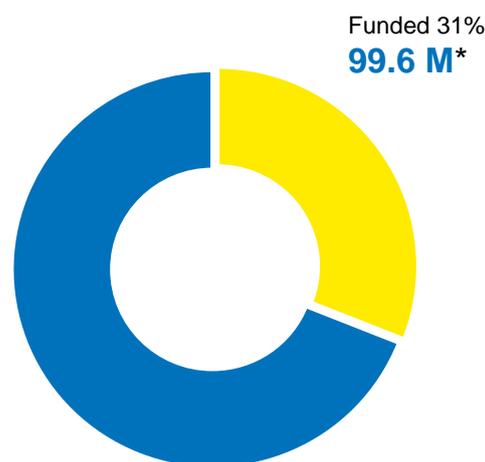
810,917

South Sudanese refugees in Sudan
(*Additional sources estimate that there are 1.3 million South Sudanese refugees in Sudan; however, data requires verification.)

Population and demographic dashboard can be found on page 5.

TOTAL INTER-AGENCY FUNDING REQUIRED FOR SUDAN UNDER THE 2019 SOUTH SUDANESE REFUGEE RESPONSE PLAN (RRP)

USD 326 M



*Funding received by UN agencies is based on UN Financial Tracking System (FTS) information.

NEW ARRIVALS BY STATE IN 2019

STATE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
EAST DARFUR	1,552	2,338	1,528	353	2,000	37	48	0	0	1,400	18	19	9,293
WEST KORODFAN	767	438	620	248	449	374	181	18	31	141	236	312	3,815
SOUTH DARFUR	487	259	60	233	167	53	93	38	99	0	208	13	1,710
SOUTH KORODFAN	167	68	200	171	216	335	561	229	289	76	170	0	2,482
WHITE NILE	138	39	174	88	107	209	0	31	58	53	235	213	1,345
TOTAL	3,111	3,142	2,582	1,093	2,939	1,008	883	316	477	1,670	867	577	18,645

Population Update

- REFUGEE ARRIVALS DECREASE AT THE END OF THE YEAR** – Total new arrivals of South Sudanese refugees to Sudan in December was 577, bringing the total number of new arrivals in 2019 to 18,645. Among the new arrivals, more than 49 per cent arrived through East Darfur, 20 per cent through West Kordofan, 13 per cent through South Kordofan, followed by South Darfur and White Nile States. This represents a reduced influx as compared to 2018, with 33,117 new arrivals recorded. The total number of South Sudanese refugee arrivals projected by end of 2020 is 20,000 individuals.

Operational Update

- NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFI) WINTERIZATION CAMPAIGN KICK-STARTS IN KHARTOUM ‘OPEN AREAS’:** UNHCR in partnership with the Government’s Commission for Refugees (COR) and Care International Switzerland (CIS) started an NFI winterization campaign that reached by its end in January 11,225 refugee households (around 44,900 individuals) and 603 host communities households (around 2,412 individuals) in Jabal Aulya (Bantiu and Dar Es Salam 7 and 8), Um Badda (Naivasha, John Madit and Angola) and Sharq El Nile (Takamol, Haj Yousef Barak 3 and 4, and Shigla 39). Kitchen sets, jerry cans, blankets, plastic sheets and soap were distributed to extremely vulnerable South Sudanese refugees living in the ‘Open Areas’ in Khartoum to cover some basic needs to survive the cold months in Sudan, which generally last from December to February. The biometric verification Global Distribution Tool (GDT) was used in all locations to update the files of the registered refugees, for instance, updating identified special needs.
- CASH TRANSFERS ALLOW REFUGEES TO RENT LAND AND START THEIR BUSINESSES IN EAST DARFUR:** In 2019, WFP’s cash-based transfers to all South Sudanese refugees living in Al Nimir refugee camp (home to more than 12,800 refugees in East Darfur State), enabled an estimated 375 refugee farmers to rent land and farm their own crops by providing them with the capital they need to purchase the inputs they need and fund land access. Previously, most refugees in the camp were only able to work as labourers on host community farms. UNHCR is discussing with a private sector company how to include the refugee production of peanuts in the already existing host-community value chain.

- FIRE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TRAININGS CARRIED OUT IN EAST DARFUR:**

The Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS) conducted trainings on fire prevention and response in Al Nimir and Kario refugee camps and El Ferdous settlement, home to 48,623 South Sudanese refugees, in East Darfur State. Around 130 refugee women and men and 15 members of the host community participated in these trainings. The participants were selected based on their living location in the camps and settlement so that each participant could relay his/her learned knowledge to other refugees within their respective zones. Some teachers were also selected for the training to ensure the messages were disseminated among students as many of the previous fire incidents occurred when the children were left alone at home. At the end of each training, the participants were



Fire prevention and response training in El Ferdous settlement. © Sudanese Red Crescent Society 2019

requested to come up with recommendations on what could be further done by the refugees and organizations present in the camps in order to reduce the fire outbreaks to a minimum.

- NEWLY BUILT WATER TANKS IN WHITE NILE STATE WILL SERVE WATER TO FOUR REFUGEE CAMPS:** The construction of two elevated water tanks by the Water, Environment and Sanitation (WES), was completed at Jouri and El Kashafa camps and will serve the around 24,000 South Sudanese refugees living in these two camps in White Nile State. These water tanks will mitigate water shortages that communities in the camps have suffered since 2018. Similarly, the construction of an additional two water tanks was completed and made operational at Alagaya and Al Redis I camps, which will help provide adequate water at peak demand times and maintain equitable distribution across the different blocks.

- 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM COMMEMORATION IN WEST KORDOFAN SEEKS TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN:**

In West Kordofan State, the Ministry of Health and Social Development, UNHCR and Global Aid Hand brought together refugee and host communities in El Fula village, Kharasana, Muglad Town and El Tibbun areas - where 20,746 refugees live in settlements - to combat all forms of violence against women. Under the framework of "Orange the World: Generation Equality: Stands against Rape", more than 600 participants attended activities that included seminars, trainings, media campaigns, theatre, sports, HIV/AIDS voluntary tests and reproductive health care services to bring



Refugee and host community members participating in the commemoration of the 16 Days of Activism against violence against women in West Kordofan. © UNHCR 2019

awareness against sexual and gender-based violence and empower girls and women. Similar activities were also carried out in South Kordofan and Kassala States.

- HYGENE PROMOTION FOR CHOLERA PREVENTION REACHES REFUGEE HOMES IN WHITE NILE STATE:** Catholic Agency for Overseas Development and its partner Sub-Saharan International Development Organization conducted hygiene promotion sessions and community sensitization activities in five camps in White Nile State (Al Jameya, Khor Al Waral, Um Sangour, Alagaya and Dabat Bosin) through community meetings, focus group discussions and home visits. The sensitization activities focused on proper disposal of feces, handwashing at critical times, safe water chain and proper handling of food. During December, CAFOD and SIDO conducted 5,496 home visits in 5 camps, reaching 27,787 individuals (9,811 female, 4,954 male and 13,022 children) and 28 focus group discussion attended by 473 women and girls on cholera prevention and community engagement. Similarly, theatre sessions on improved personal hygiene practices conducted in the five camps reached additional 9,152 individuals (1,110 male, 2,547 female and 5,495 children). Adequate hygiene practices are key in the prevention acute waterborne illness outbreaks.

Appealing Partners for Sudan's 2019 South Sudanese Refugee Response Plan (RRP)

- Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA)
- American Refugee Committee (ARC)
- Al Manar Voluntary Organization (AMVO)
- Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)
- CARE International Switzerland (CIS)
- Concern Worldwide
- Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Global Aid Hand (GAH)
- International Organization for Migration (IOM)
- Islamic Relief Worldwide (IRW)
- Mercy Corps
- Nada El Azhar for Disaster Prevention and Sustainable Development (NADA)
- Norwegian Church Aid (NCA)
- OXFAM – US
- Plan International Sudan
- Relief International
- Save the Children International
- United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR)
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
- United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
- United Peace Organization (UPO)
- Welthungerhilfe (WHH)
- World Food Programme (WFP)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- World Vision International (WVI)

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LINKS

UNHCR Data Portal for the South Sudan Situation:

<http://data2.unhcr.org/en/situations/southsudan/location/1904>

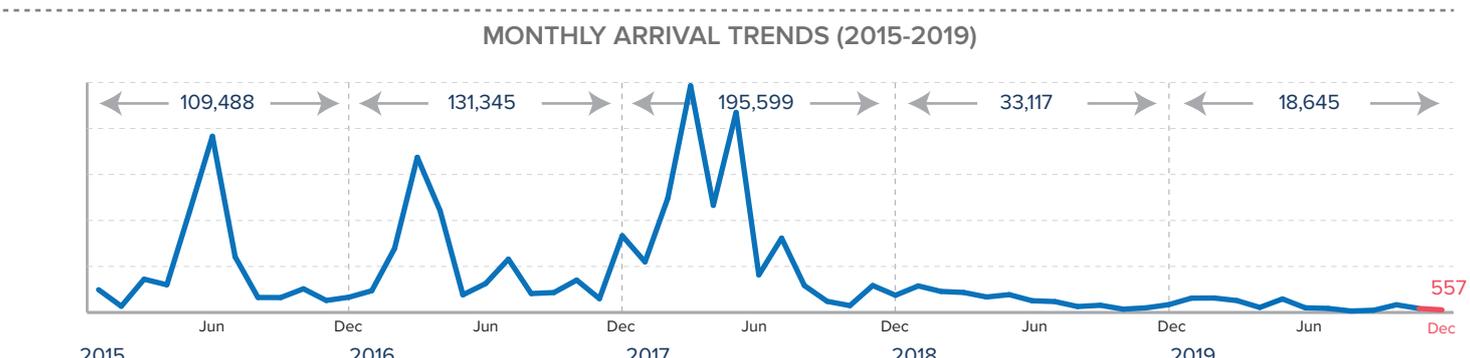
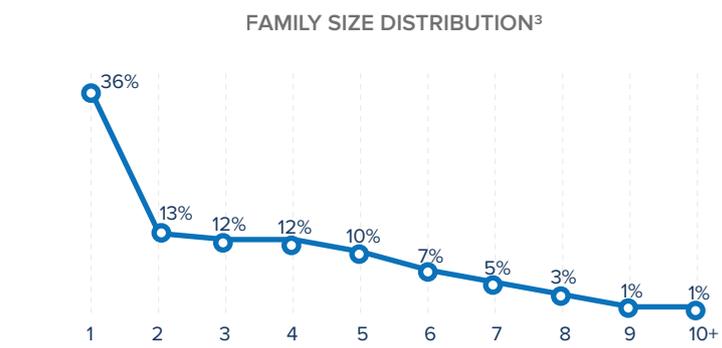
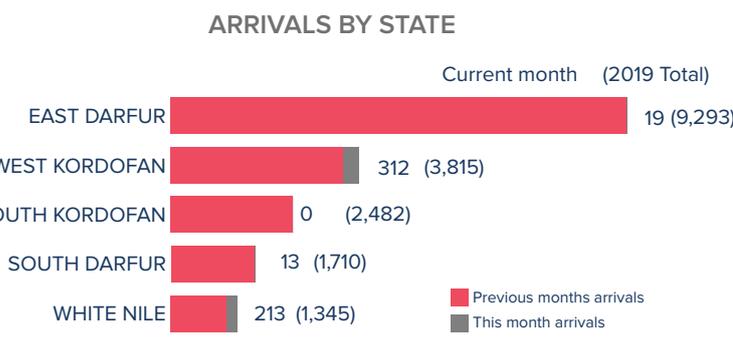
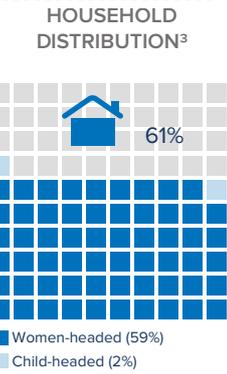
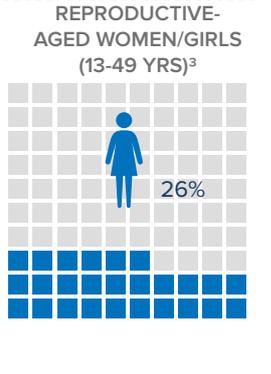
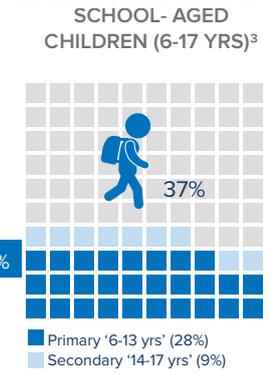
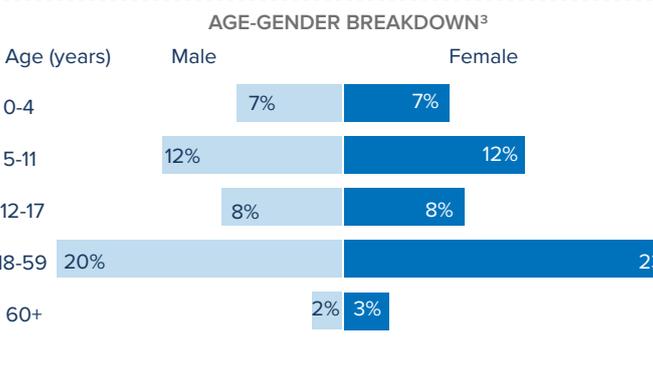
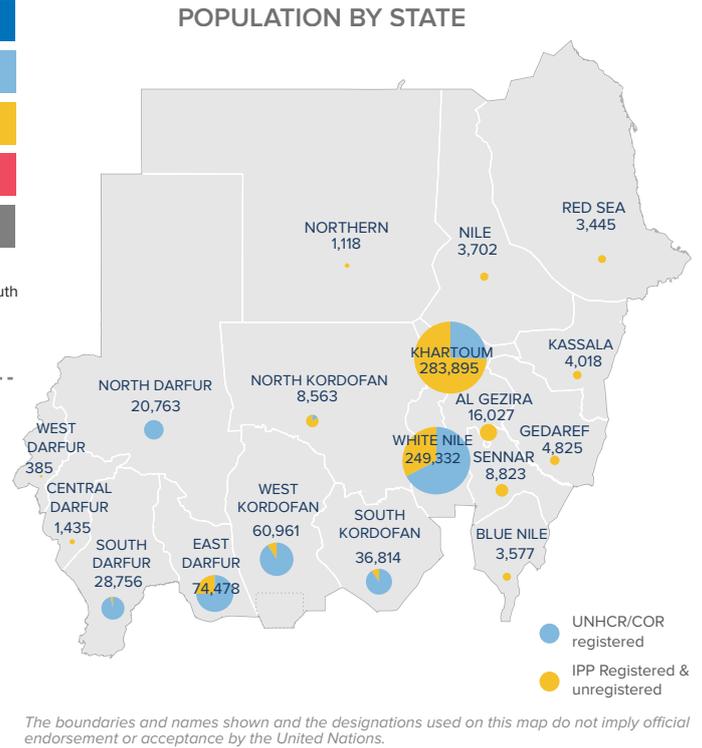
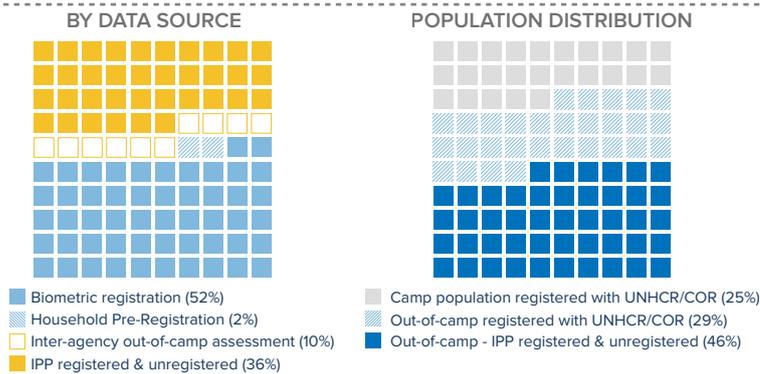
2019 South Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan:

<https://data2.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/67312>



¹Total number of refugees is the sum of UNHCR/ Commissioner for Refugees (COR) registered population and IPP registered & unregistered refugees. Government sources estimate a total of 1.3 million South Sudanese refugees in Sudan; however, these data require verification.

² IPP: Immigration and Passport Police



³Population distribution statistics are based on biometrically registered individuals only