Methodology:
In coordination with the office of the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC), UNHCR and its partners triangulate received reports at community level in areas of return through focus group discussion, key informant interview as well as through meetings with traditional community leaders, religious leaders, representatives of local administration and law enforcement authorities coupled with the observations by the monitoring teams.

Overview of spontaneous refugee returns (as of February 2020)

Reported number of spontaneous refugee returnees*
*This number represents the total returns corroborated from November 2017 to date

2,228,543
South Sudanese refugees in the region as of 31 January 2020

276,896
South Sudanese refugees in the region as of 31 January 2020

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Spontaneous refugee return trend (Jan 2019 - Jan 2020)**
**Historical data might change retroactively due to late reporting and time required to triangulate information
***The higher returns reported in 2020 is due to increased access, triangulation and verification of cumulative returns to Central Equatoria State and does not denote marked increase in returns during the period

Spontaneous refugee returnees by Country of Asylum

Overall

- Uganda: 12,262
- Sudan: 73,067
- Ethiopia: 53,457
- Democratic Republic of the Congo: 6,256
- Kenya: 2,960
- Sudan: 3,050
- Central African Republic: 79
- Other:

Current Month

- Uganda: 1,205
- Sudan: 5,017
- Ethiopia: 6,256
- Democratic Republic of the Congo: 3,050
- Kenya: 79
- Sudan: 79
- Other:

Spontaneous refugee returns by county (cumulative)

SOUTH SUDAN

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Source: Geographic data: UNHCR, UNCS, UNDP. Returnee statistics: UNHCR and partners

Movement

Legend

Border entry points

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