Overview of Refugees and Asylum-seekers in Sudan

as of 30 September 2021

Sudan hosts one of the largest refugee populations in Africa. South Sudanese make up the majority. Many others fled violence and persecution in neighboring countries, including Eritrea, the Central African Republic, Ethiopia, and Chad, but also the wars in Syria and Yemen pushed people to seek safety in Sudan. Most refugees live in out-of-camp settlements, host communities and urban areas, while others stay in 24 camps (10 at the East Sudan, 1 at Blue Nile State, 10 at White Nile State, 2 at East Darfur State and 1 at the Central Darfur State). Sudan continues to generously host and receive additional asylum-seekers.

Population Distribution

- 33% of population live in camps
- 67% of population live out of camps

New Arrivals Per Month (2020 - 2021)

South Sudan: 786,524 (70.3%)
- Total arrivals in 2020: 94,831
- Total arrivals in 2021: 92,087

Country of Origin

- South Sudan: 786,524 (70.3%)
- Eritrea: 126,228 (11.4%)
- Syria: 93,484 (8.4%)
- Ethiopia: 70,246 (6.3%)
- CAR: 27,569 (2.5%)
- Chad: 3,520 (0.3%)
- Yemen: 2,149 (0.2%)
- Others: 1,609 (0.1%)

Registration Status

- 717,013 Individuals registered
  - 65% Individual registration
  - 8% Household registration
  - 27% Un-registered

Persons with Disabilities¹

- 2% of registered population are persons with disabilities

Unaccompanied and Separated Children¹

- 14,863

Age-gender Breakdown²

- 53% Female
- 47% Male

Reproductive-age Women/Girls²

- 25%

Household Distribution²

- 52% Women headed-household
- 1% Children headed-household

School-age Children²

- 36%
- 10% Secondary school age children (14-17 yrs)

Legend

- Refugee Camp
- Refugee Settlement
- Crossing Point
- Refugees Per State
- 0 - 50K
- 50K - 100K
- 100K - 150K
- Over 150K

Sources: UNHCR, Commission of Refugees (CoR), UNICEF

¹ PSN Figures have been revised based on verification exercise.
² Population distribution statistics are based on registered individuals only.

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