In the South-East, about 2,400 individuals were newly displaced and about 310 were secondary displacements. The increases were counterbalanced by returns of around 2,500. Consequently, the total number of IDPs slightly decreased to 228,800 from 228,900 last week.

In Kayin State, 1,750 were displaced within Kawkareik Township while 650 were displaced within Hpapun Township as a result of continuous clashes and airstrikes. Since the end of February, most of the new IDPs in Kayin State have originated from Hpapun Township due to the deterioration of the situation in the area.

In Shan State (South), returns continued to areas of origin within the state as well as towards neighbouring Kayah State where conflict has temporarily deescalated. In total, around 2,500 IDPs returned to Pekon Township in Shan State (South), as well as to Loikaw and Demoso townships in Kayah State. The overall situation continues to be volatile nevertheless with several clashes reported this week. In Kayah State, fighting in Demoso Township resulted in the secondary displacement of 310 IDPs.