The total of 1.5 million refugees represents a 14% increase from February 2021. Chad hosts the largest number of refugees or with 67% from Sudan. Cameroon hosts the second largest number of refugees mainly from the Central African Republic (73%) and Nigeria (28%).

The number of internally displaced persons reported by 7 UNHCR operations rose to an estimated 7.5 million, up from 6.4 million at the end of February 2021 (17%). Nigeria hosts 42% of the IDP population in the region.

Central Sahel countries host 28% of PoC in the West & Central Africa with most of the forced displacements (87%) taking place within individual countries, rather than across national borders.