



First boat using the voucher scheme departing from Renk enroute to Malakal © IOM 2023/ Kennedy OKOTH

CONTEXT

Since 15 April 2023, fighting between the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and paramilitary Rapid Support Forces (RSF) has continued in Khartoum, with clashes in Darfur and several other locations in Sudan. The Sudan crisis has a significant humanitarian impact in South Sudan, with more than 64,000 individuals crossing the Sudan-South Sudan border as of 19 May 2023. The real numbers are likely to be higher as some people entered the country unregistered.

More than 90 per cent of the recorded arrivals are South Sudanese returning home and most of the arrivals are registered at the Joda border crossing point in Upper Nile State. Transportation remains a challenge for South Sudanese returning home as a result of the rising prices caused by fuel shortages. As identified through rapid vulnerability screenings conducted at the border, among the returnees are

vulnerable individuals, most commonly unaccompanied or separated children, elderly and persons with physical disabilities, persons in need of health care, including those wounded from the conflict in Sudan, single female headed households. Protection staff on the ground have also received reports of Gender-Based Violence (GBV), including Conflict Related Sexual Violence (CRSV) in Sudan.

IOM has launched a [response plan appealing for USD 209 million](#) to provide life-saving humanitarian assistance to people affected by the crisis in Sudan. Out of USD 209 million, IOM is urgently calling for USD 105 million needed for the response in Sudan and USD 104 million for the response in Egypt, Libya, Chad, Central African Republic, South Sudan, and Ethiopia.

HIGHLIGHTS



Total individuals arrived from since fighting started

64,060

(Since 18th April 2023)



Point of Entry

Juba (Renk),
Roriak, Unity, NBG,
Raja, Amieth(Abyei AA)



Number of Flow Monitoring Points Operated by IOM

16



Intended Destination

Juba, Roriak, Renk Aweil town, Abyei, Wau Raja, Malakal, Bentiu

INTERVENTIONS

- Since the start of the response, IOM has continued to receive and facilitate the movement of 925 returnees from border points to Renk and then Malakal via the Nile.
- In close coordination with respective embassies, IOM has also supported air transportation to Juba for 187 third-country nationals for onward movement, and 199 third-country nationals have been supported with ground movement from Renk to Paloich Airport.
- IOM has had protection presence at key border entry points conducting rapid vulnerability screenings. More than 10,000 returnees have been screened, identifying 1,958 vulnerable individuals for prioritization for onward transportation assistance, medical assistance, WASH support, based on needs.
- At the transit center in Renk, IOM continues to deliver around 120,000 liters of water per day, in a coordinated effort with other WASH actors to meet basic urgent needs and improve the safe access to adequate water, sanitation, and hygiene practices. IOM is finalizing the construction of four emergency latrine blocks within the transit center.
- Following the opening of the Wadwill site in Northern Bahr El Ghazal, IOM, in coordination with UNHCR and partners, assessed the WASH needs to identify gaps and capacities.

Daily Arrival Trends

