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Displacement and violence in Sudan

8,594,507

People internally displaced across Sudan, end of October 2026

IOM DTM, Displacement and Return Snapshot, 17 November 2026

5,395,491

People who returned to their place of habitual residence in Sudan, end of October 2026

IOM DTM, Displacement and Return Snapshot, 17 November 2026

Source: PRISM, from the sources each figure names

The Situation, November 2026

The conflict in Sudan between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces began on 15 April 2023 (UNHCR, Egypt: New Arrivals from Sudan, 12 November 2026). In September 2026, ground clashes, drone strikes and intercommunal tensions intensified in Blue Nile, the Kordofans and Darfur and caused more displacement (UNHCR, External Update #123). In Blue Nile, where the army is fighting the Rapid Support Forces allied with the SPLM-N, more than 3,000 families fled Ed Damazine, mostly to Sennar, in the days before 12 November (Darfur24, 12 November 2026). In IDMC's separate count, 9,116,896 people were living in internal displacement in Sudan at the end of 2025 (IDMC, GIDD).

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Displacement and Returns Inside Sudan

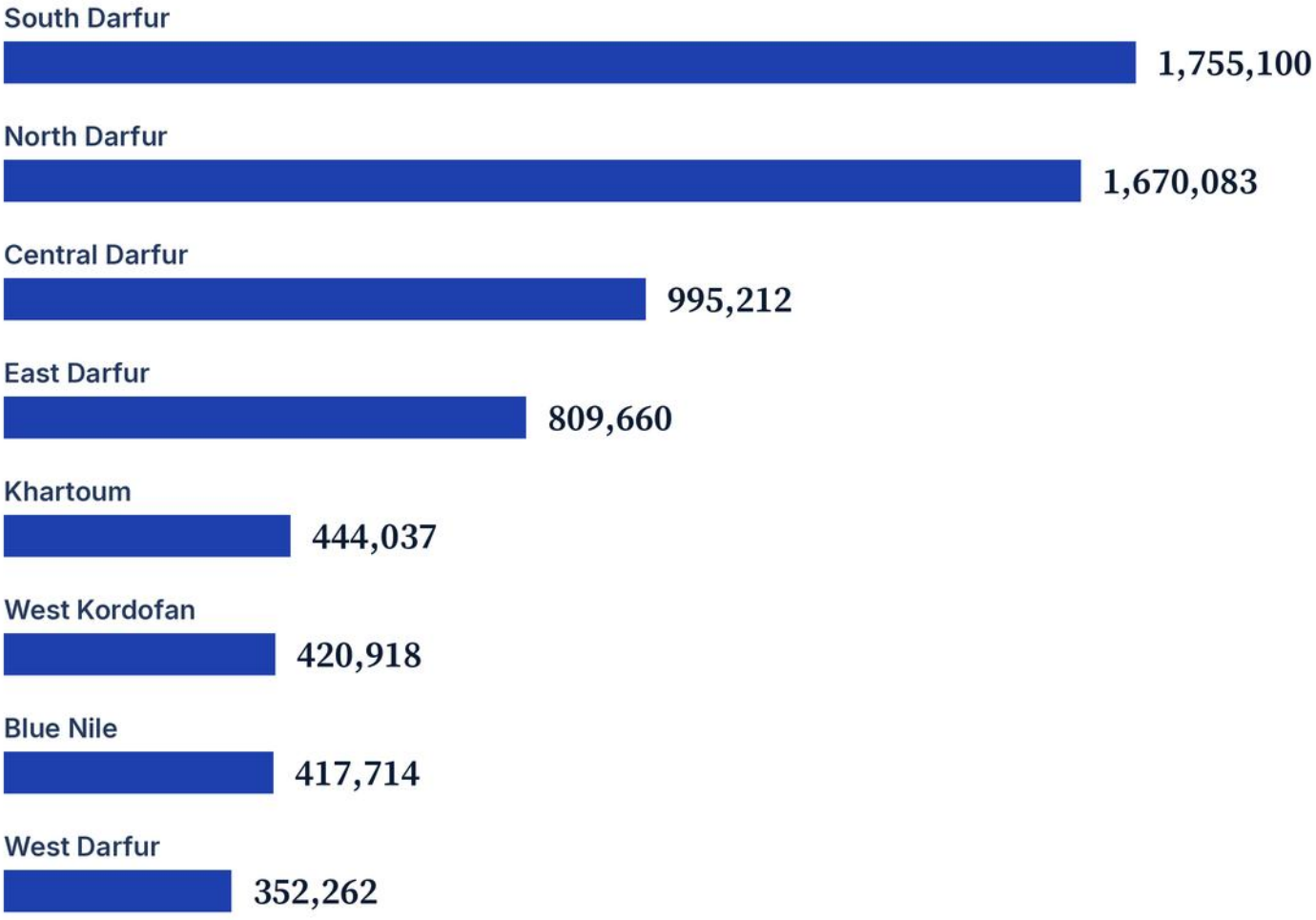
R15 FORCED DISPLACEMENT AND RESTRICTED MOVEMENT

- **Displaced population.** 8,594,507 people were internally displaced across Sudan at the end of October 2026, against 8,585,611 on 30 September 2026 (IOM DTM, Snapshot of 17 November 2026; IOM DTM, round 40).
- **Blue Nile.** 119,782 people were displaced across Blue Nile between 11 January and 15 October 2026, mostly from Geisan and Al Kurmuk to Ed Damazine and Ar Rusayris, and 45% were children (IOM DTM, Flash Alert, 29 October 2026).
- **Abu Zabad.** About 750 people fled Abu Zabad, West Kordofan, on 14 November 2026 during fighting between the army and the Rapid Support Forces, and moved to Al-Sunut, Al-Salam and Lagawa (IOM via Darfur24, 16 November 2026).
- **Returns.** 5,395,491 people had returned across Sudan by the end of October 2026, including 2,884,725 to Khartoum and 1,312,110 to Aj Jazirah, and 19% came back from abroad (IOM DTM, Snapshot of 17 November 2026).

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Internally Displaced People by State in Sudan

People internally displaced, the 8 states hosting most, as of 30 September 2026



Source: IOM DTM, Sudan round 40, 30 September 2026
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Movements Across the Borders

R01 ABDUCTION AND ARBITRARY DETENTION · R15 FORCED DISPLACEMENT AND RESTRICTED MOVEMENT

- **Egypt.** 1,500,000 Sudanese had fled to Egypt since April 2023 as of 12 November 2026 (Government of Egypt via UNHCR, Egypt: New Arrivals from Sudan, 12 November 2026).
- **Chad.** 944,933 Sudanese refugees had arrived in Chad since April 2023 as of August 2026, and 12,782 new arrivals were registered there in August against 5,262 in July (UNHCR, External Update #122).
- **Libya.** An estimated 570,481 Sudanese refugees had reached Libya since April 2023 by September 2026, when a security campaign in eastern Libya arrested more than 4,500 people, and UNHCR names no force (UNHCR, Sudanese Refugees in Libya).
- **Central African Republic.** The Central African Republic hosted 41,039 Sudanese refugees on 10 November 2026, 27,919 of them in the Korsi settlement in Birao (UNHCR, CAR: Sudan Situation, 10 November 2026).

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Attacks on Civilians

R02 ATTACKS ON CIVILIANS

- **Wad Al Mahi.** A drone strike next to a displacement site in Wad Al Mahi, Blue Nile, reported on 10 October 2026, killed at least 31 civilians, mostly women and children, and injured dozens, and the statement names no perpetrator (UN RC/HC Sudan).
- **Sanakit.** An attack on a camp for displaced families east of Sanakit, West Kordofan, killed at least 9 children aged 5 to 10 on 17 October 2026, and UNICEF names no one responsible (UNICEF, 20 October 2026).
- **Nyala.** An armed drone attack on a market in Nyala, South Darfur, killed at least 5 children aged 7 to 14 and injured 2 others on 26 October 2026, and UNICEF names no one responsible (UNICEF, 29 October 2026).
- **Abu Qalb.** A drone attributed to the Sudanese Armed Forces hit a football field in Abu Qalb, West Kordofan, on 15 November 2026, killing at least 15 civilians, 4 of them children, a rights observatory said (Radio Dabanga, 16 November 2026).

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Access, Food Security and Funding

R05 DENIAL OF SERVICES AND ACCESS · R02 ATTACKS ON CIVILIANS

- **Access.** Humanitarian access constraints in Sudan's complex crisis were at level 5 of 5, extreme, in the assessment read on 20 November 2026 (ACAPS).
- **Aid workers.** 22 attacks on aid workers in Sudan killed 17 and kidnapped 24 in 2026. On 3 October, an airstrike on a marked aid convoy between Dilling and Kadugli killed a UN-contracted driver, and the record names no attacker (AWSD).
- **Food security.** 19,466,533 people in Sudan faced IPC Phase 3 or worse from February to May 2026, including 134,808 in Phase 5. The IPC found no area in Famine and 14 areas at risk of Famine (IPC, 3 June 2026).
- **Funding.** On 20 November 2026, the Sudan Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan 2026 had received US$1.57 billion of its US$2.87 billion requirements, a coverage of 54.9% (OCHA FTS).

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Protection and International Law

R02 ATTACKS ON CIVILIANS · R07 RECRUITMENT OF CHILDREN · R04 CHILD, EARLY OR FORCED MARRIAGE

- **UN Resident Coordinator.** On 10 October 2026, Denise Brown, UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in Sudan, called the Wad Al Mahi killings a flagrant disregard for international humanitarian law (UN RC/HC Sudan).
- **ICRC.** On 23 October 2026, the ICRC said aerial attacks in Sudan, most likely by armed drones, had reportedly killed hundreds of people in recent weeks, and that the use of drones does not change the rules of war (ICRC).
- **UNICEF.** On 10 November 2026, UNICEF said drones had caused 2 in 3 child casualties in Sudan that year, and that up to 15 power stations were struck in October, stopping water pumps and water treatment (UNICEF, 10 November 2026).
- **Protection Cluster.** The Global Protection Cluster rated 106 of 188 assessed localities in Sudan as hotspots, with child marriage and forced recruitment the most frequent pair (GPC, Global Protection Update, October 2026, p. 11).

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