

# Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC)

## ARMENIA

Global Report on Internal Displacement (GRID 2018)

Conflict displacement  
Figures analysis



## ARMENIA - Contextual update

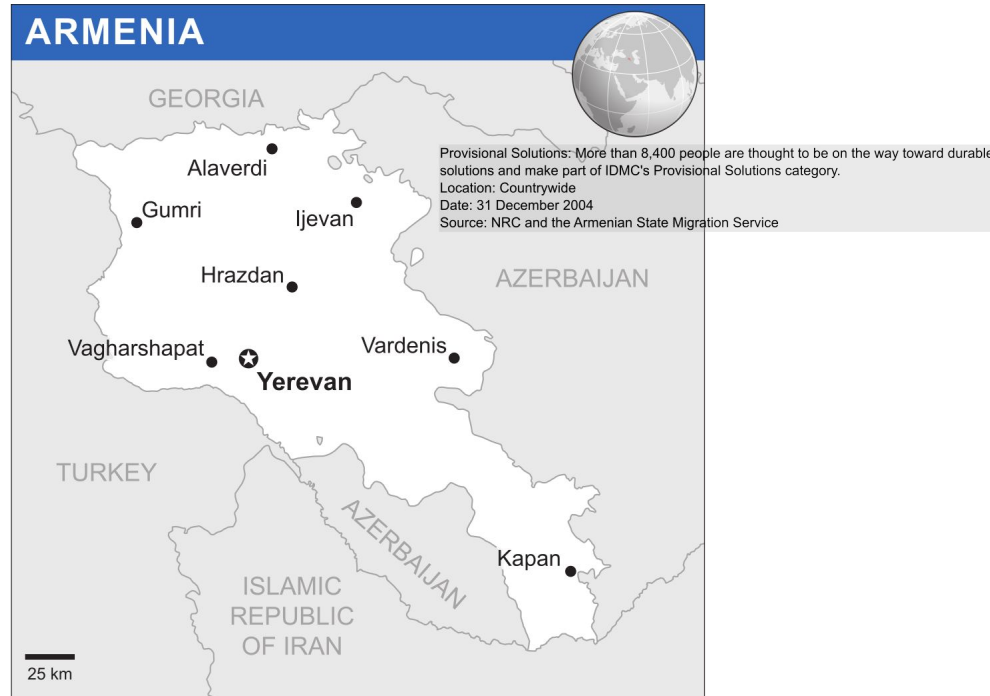
<b>Stock:</b>	0
<b>New displacements:</b>	0
<b>Returns:</b>	N/A
<b>Provisional solutions:</b>	8,400

Armenia is involved in an ongoing territorial and ethnic conflict against Azerbaijan over the disputed region of Nagorno-Karabakh and seven surrounding districts, which are *de facto* controlled by the self-declared Nagorno-Karabakh Republic, but are internationally recognized as *de jure* part of Azerbaijan. The conflict began in 1988 when the Karabakh Armenians demanded that Karabakh is transferred from Soviet Azerbaijan to Soviet Armenia. The conflict escalated into a full-scale war in the early 1990s. The demand to unify with Armenia began peacefully; however, in the following months, as the Soviet Union's disintegration neared, it grew into a violent conflict.

By the end of the war in 1994, the Armenians were in full control of most of the enclave and also held approximately 9% of Azerbaijan's territory outside the enclave, territory which Armenia continues to control. As many as 230,000 Armenians from Azerbaijan and 800,000 Azerbaijanis from Armenia and Karabakh were displaced as a result of the conflict.

Tensions between the two countries remain, and both countries frequently accuse each other of breaching the ceasefire, leading to sporadic clashes.

# ARMENIA - Map of IDPs having reached provisional solutions as of 2017



Sources: Displacement data (IDMC); map (OCHA, Reliefweb) created in Jun 2013.  
The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations and IDMC.

## ARMENIA - Stock: 0 IDPs

*This corresponds to the total number of individuals in a situation of internal displacement at the end of 2017*



We have not received an update on the stock figure since 2004. Based on the assumption that places where IDPs were last registered are relatively stable and that IDPs have been living there for nearly three decades, we determined that including them in the stock figure may lead to inflated numbers. The historical IDP caseload is therefore recorded under the 'provisional solutions' category.

## ARMENIA - New displacements: 0

*This corresponds to the estimated number of internal displacement movements to have taken place during the year*



We did not record any new displacements in Armenia in 2017.

## ARMENIA - Returns: N/A

*This corresponds to the number of individuals for which sufficient evidence exists to indicate a return to the habitual place of residence*



We did not identify or obtain any data for this category.

## ARMENIA - Provisional solutions: 8,400

*This corresponds to cases of individuals who IDMC considers to not have achieved a durable solution*



### **Challenges in accounting for returns**

As in previous years, we did not receive any information on return movements in 2017; however, based on the assumption that the IDPs lastly registered in 2004 have been living in their places of displacement for almost three decades and that no organisation in the country has any information on them, they are likely in the process of achieving durable solutions.