

# 13.1 MILLION PERSONS OF CONCERN

The total population of concern (PoC) to UNHCR in West and Central Africa (WCA) relates to the people UNHCR is mandated to protect and assist. It includes those who have been forcibly displaced; those who have returned home within recent years; those who are stateless or at risk of statelessness; and other groups to whom UNHCR has extended its protection or assisted on a humanitarian basis.

1.6 MILLION REFUGEES & ASYLUM-SEEKERS

7.6 MILLION INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

1.7 MILLION STATELESS & AT RISK OF STATELESSNESS

1.6 MILLION RETURNED INTERNALLY DISPLACED

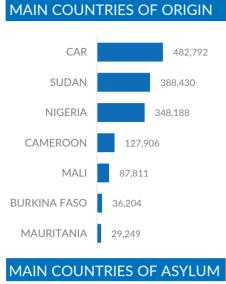
MILLION REFUGEES RETURNEES

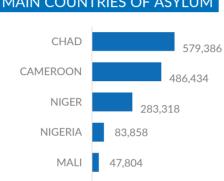
0.1 MILLION OTHERS OF CONCERN

The total of 1.6 million refugees represent a 11% increase from April 2021. Chad hosts the largest number or refugees with 67% from Sudan. Cameroon hosts the second largest number of refugees mainly from the Central African Republic (72%) and Nigeria (27%).

The number of internally displaced persons rose to an estimated 7.6 million, up from 6.6 million at the end of April 2021. Nigeria hosts 42% of the IDP population in the region. Burkina Faso host the second largest number of IDP (24%) with and increase of over 52% in one year.

The Lake Chad Basin hosts 36% of forcibly displaced population in West and Central Africa. Central Sahel hosts the second largest number (31%) with the majority being Internally Displaced Persons in Burkina Faso (64%).





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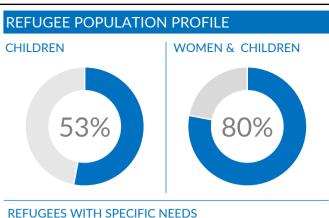
**BURKINA FASO** 

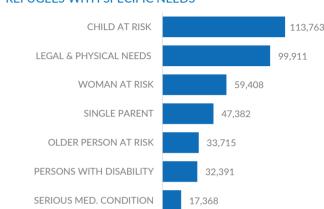
SENEGAL

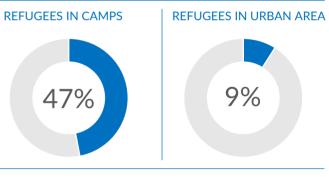
INTERNAL DISPLACEMENTS									
NIGERIA	3,141,409								
BURKINA FASO	1,850,293								
CAMEROON	936,767								
CAR	658,265								
CHAD	381,289								
MALI	362,907								
NIGER	264,257								

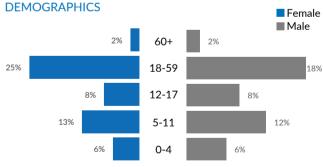
# PERSONS OF CONCERN BY COUNTRY NIGER MALI 585K CHAD CAPE 1.8M 5K GAMBIA GUINEA 1.1M VERDE 1.1M BISSAU GUINEA BURKINAFASO BENIN NIGERIA SJERRA 6K COTE TOGO GHANA D'IVOIRE 3.2M CAMEROON CAR 1.2M 1.9M E.G. GABON

	REFUGEES	ASYLUM SEEKERS	REFUGEES RETURNEES	IDPs	RETURNED IDP	STATELESS	OTHERS	TOTAL
BENIN	1,756	577						2.333
<b>BURKINA FASO</b>	25,205	34		1,850,293				1,875,532
CAMEROON	478,066	8,368		936,767	518,853			1,942,054
CAPE VERDE						115		115
CAR	9,485	1,048	27,002	658,265	496,244			1,192,044
CHAD	574,543	4,843		381,289			101,551	1,062,226
COTE D'IVOIRE	5,469	286	308,213			1,656,330		1,970,298
GABON	273	53						326
GAMBIA	4,455	483						4,938
GHANA	11,635	1,877						13,512
GUINEA	5,290	283						5,573
<b>GUINEA BISSAU</b>	2,114	37						2,151
LIBERIA	5,511	2,735						8,246
MALI	46,960	844	84,489	362,907	659,005			1,154,205
NIGER	250,656	32,662		264,257			37,306	584,881
NIGERIA	82,305	1,553	3,880	3,141,409				3,229,147
SENEGAL	14,530	2,058						16,588
SIERRA LEONE	345							345
TOGO	10,487	832						11,319
GRAND TOTAL	1,529,085	58,573	423,584	7,595,187	1,674,445	1,656,445	138,857	13,075,833

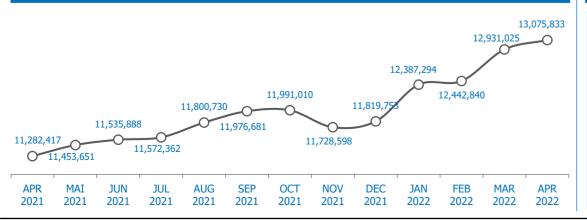








#### **POPULATION TRENDS**



# SITUATIONS

### **CAR SITUATION**

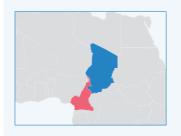


737,678
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS

658,265
INTERNALLY
DISPLACED PERSONS

These figures represent refugees from Central African Republic in neighboring countries (Cameroon, Chad, Congo, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, South Sudan) and IDP in Central African Republic.

# **FAR NORTH CAMEROON**



44,173
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS

36,276
INTERNALLY
DISPLACED PERSONS

These figures represent Cameroonian refugees in Chad and forcibly displaces people following the outbreak of violence in the Far North region of Cameroon in December 2021

## **SAHEL SITUATION**



1,031,231
REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS

2,858,740 INTERNAL

These figures represent all refugees and IDPs in Central Sahel (Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger), Chad and Mauritania. Refugees from Central Sahel in neighboring coastal countries (Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin) are also included.