

SITUATION OVERVIEW

- Nigerians make up 3% of the world's 123 million forcibly displaced persons, including both internally displaced individuals and Nigerian refugees, primarily in the Lake Chad Basin.
- Conflict, insurgency, and communal violence have displaced millions, with the North-East experiencing the highest displacement.

KEY FIGURES

 **142,557**

REFUGEES AND ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN NIGERIA

- Nigeria hosts refugees & asylum-seekers from over 45 countries, with majority from Cameroon
- Most refugees are concentrated in border states across the North East (Borno, Adamawa, Yobe), North Central (Benue), and South South (Cross River) regions of Nigeria.
- 24,307** individuals are awaiting registration.

 **3,575,114**

INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

- 2,252,348** individuals displaced in the North East, primarily due to insurgency (92%) and communal clashes (6%).
- In the North West, **718,126** individuals are displaced, while the North Central region has **604,640**, driven by various conflict dynamics.

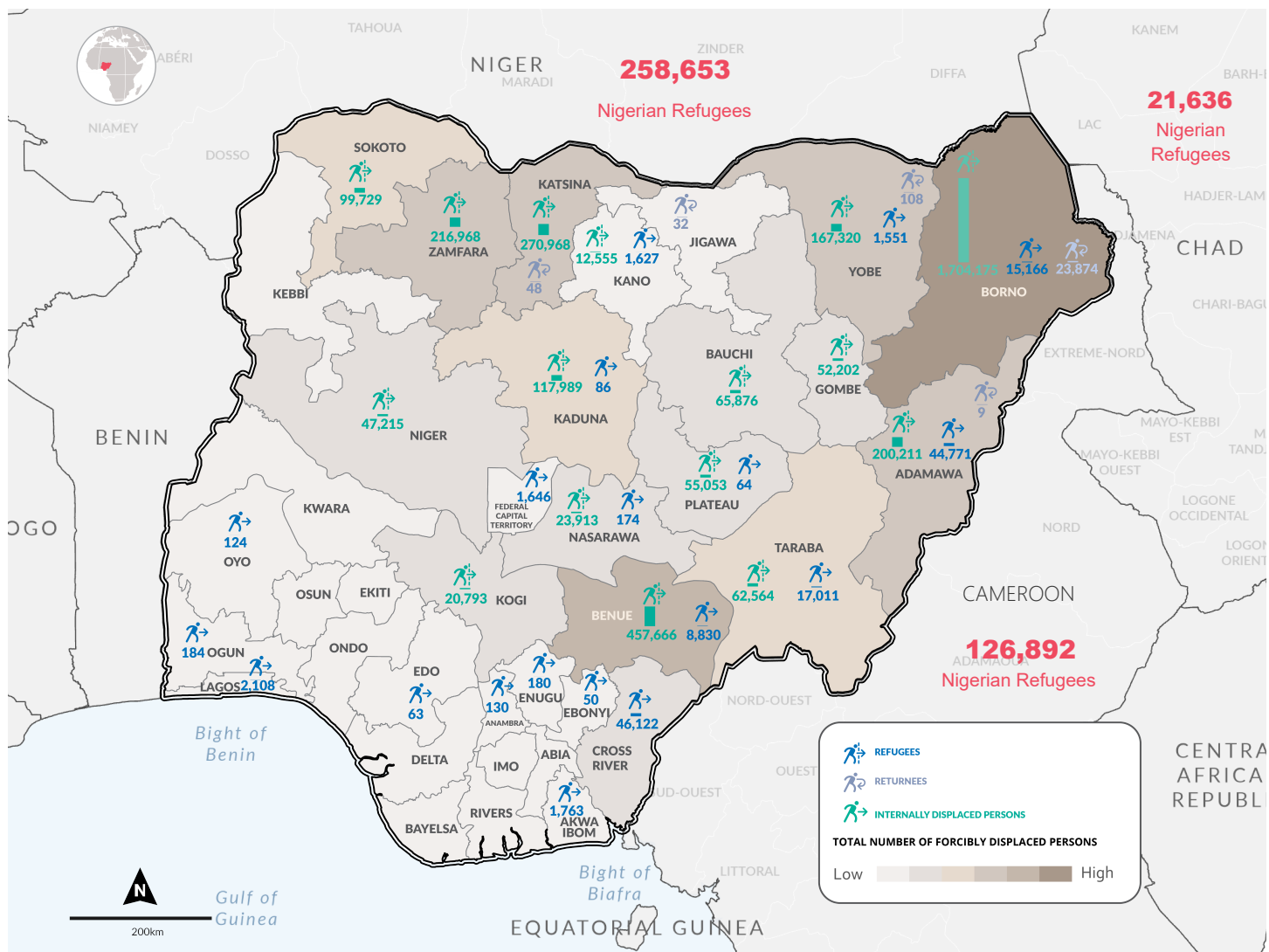
 **24,071**

REFUGEE RETURNEES

- Since the beginning of 2025, **2,640** refugees returned spontaneously from Cameroon, Chad, Niger and Sudan. Additionally, **21,431** refugees were repatriated bilaterally by the Nigerian Government from Chad (Feb 2025) and Niger (Apr-May 2025)

 **407,181**

NIGERIAN REFUGEES REGISTERED IN CAMEROON, CHAD, AND NIGER



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