



Sudan – Complex Emergency

SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

SITUATION AT A GLANCE

7,825

Deaths Caused by Ongoing Conflict in Sudan Since April 15

> ACLED – September 8, 2023

24.7

Number of People in Need of Humanitarian Assistance

UN - May 2023

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People Internally Displaced Since April 15, 2023

IOM - August 31, 2023

805,954

Sudanese Refugees and Asylum Seekers Displaced Since April 15, 2023

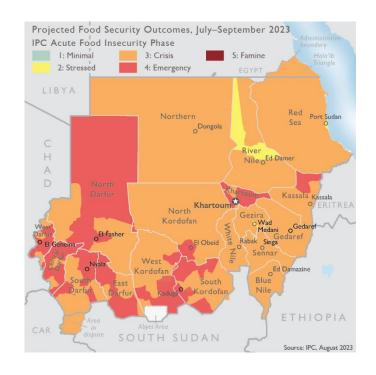
> UNHCR – September 13, 2023

244,223

Newly Arrived Refugee Returnees Displaced Since April 15, 2023

UNHCR – September 13, 2023

- On September 6, U.S. Ambassador to the UN Linda Thomas-Greenfield announced \$163 million in humanitarian assistance funding for Sudan.
- The IASC activated a system-wide scale-up in humanitarian response efforts from August 29, 2023 to February 28, 2024. ERC Martin Griffiths also approved \$20 million from CERF for the Sudan response.
- Recent strikes in Khartoum led to the deaths of at least 49 people, and injury to more than 100 people, MSF reports.
- IOM reports approximately 1.1 million crossborder movements from Sudan into neighboring countries. The UN has increased its refugee response appeal from \$566.4 million to \$1 billion.



TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING	USAID/BHA ^I	\$415,500,268
For the Sudan Response in FY 2023	State/PRM ²	\$294,456,981
For complete funding breakdown with partners, see detailed chart on page 5	Total	\$709,957,249

USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (USAID/BHA)

² U.S. Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

U.S. Ambassador to the UN Linda Thomas-Greenfield Announces \$163 Million in Humanitarian Assistance to Sudan

During her visit to Chad on September 6, the U.S. Ambassador to the UN Linda Thomas-Greenfield announced nearly \$163 million in humanitarian assistance funding in response to the ongoing crisis in Sudan and its regional impacts. This additional funding, including nearly \$103 million from State/PRM and \$60 million from USAID/BHA, brings the total assistance for the Sudan emergency response to nearly \$710 million in FY 2023. U.S. Government (USG)-funded partners continue to respond to the needs of refugees, internally displaced persons (IDP), and persons affected by conflict in Sudan, including neighboring Chad, Egypt, South Sudan, Ethiopia, and the Central African Republic.

Widespread fighting between the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) and the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) since April 15 has led to thousands of deaths and injuries amongst civilians, forced more than 4.1 million from their homes within Sudan and an additional 1 million people seeking shelter in neighboring countries, as well as grave protection violations including an increase in gender-based violence (GBV). Moreover, an estimated 24.7 million people—approximately half of the country's population—will require humanitarian assistance during 2023 according to UN estimates. The USG remains the largest single donor for the Sudan response; the additional assistance from the USG will bolster existing support for humanitarian partners providing emergency food assistance, protection services, health care, nutrition support, shelter, and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services, among other assistance, for millions of people in Sudan and other countries in the region.

IASC Activates System-Wide Scale-Up; ERC Griffiths Announces \$20 Million in Additional Funding for Sudan

The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) activated a system-wide scale-up for Sudan—formerly known as an L3 emergency—from August 29, 2023 to February 28, 2024, according to an IASC update. The scale-up will mobilize the operational capacities and resources needed to match the complexity, scale, and urgency of the crisis in Sudan. The announcement comes on the same day as UN Under-Secretary-General and Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC) Martin Griffiths approved an additional \$20 million in funding from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) to respond to humanitarian needs in Sudan, according to the UN. However, Sudan's Humanitarian Response Plan remains underfunded, with approximately 30.5 percent of the \$2.57 billion request funded as of September 15.

Recent Strikes in Khartoum Mark Deadliest Weekend Since Beginning of Conflict

Between September 9 and 10, two incidents in Sudan's capital city of Khartoum led to the deaths of at least 49 people, international media report. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) reported treating more than 100 people following the deadly attacks, marking the deadliest weekend witnessed by MSF teams in Khartoum since the beginning of the conflict on April 15. On September 9, staff at a nearby MSF-supported hospital reported six people dead and 45 injuries following an attack on a residential area in Khartoum. Similarly, 43 people were killed and over 60 people were wounded and treated in another MSF-supported hospital in south Khartoum, following an explosion in Gorro market on September 10. The perpetrator of the attacks is not clear, with the RSF implicating the SAF's air force, and SAF denying that it targeted a civilian area. More than 7,800 fatalities have been recorded in Sudan between April 15 and September 8, with more than 1,400 of these deaths reportedly occurring in Khartoum State, according to the Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project (ACLED).

Refugee Needs Increase as I.I Million People Displaced to Neighboring Countries; UN Appeals for Increased Support

The conflict in Sudan has prompted approximately 1.1 million cross-border movements from Sudan into neighboring countries—primarily Chad, Egypt, South Sudan, Ethiopia, Central African Republic, and Libya—as of September 10, according to the International Organization for Migration (IOM). This figure has grown by more than 2 percent since September 3. The influx of refugees from Sudan have forced humanitarian agencies in neighboring countries to reduce their reach and shift priorities of humanitarian assistance amid a lack of funding and heightened needs, according to the UN. In South Sudan for example, approximately 7.8 million people face heightened levels of acute food insecurity; however, emergency food assistance will only be given to 3.2 million people who face the highest levels of food insecurity. Furthermore, those given food assistance will receive reduced rations for seven to eight months of the year. The UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator in the Central African Republic (CAR), Mohamed Ayweya, stressed that the influx of new arrivals from Sudan into CAR has also placed an additional burden on the local population, which is already facing humanitarian challenges, according to national media.

The UN recently updated its regional refugee response plan—previously launched in May and revised in June—to indicate relief agencies will require more than \$1 billion to adequately respond to the urgent humanitarian needs of more than 1.8 million refugees that have fled or will likely flee Sudan between May and December 2023. The increase in financial requirements from \$566.4 million is largely due to the protracted time frame of the conflict and the higher projected arrivals in neighboring countries, particularly in Chad and South Sudan.

KEY FIGURES

U.S. GOVERNMENT RESPONSE



People reached with WFP food assistance between its resumption of activities in May and mid-August

FOOD SECURITY

USAID/BHA and State/PRM support multiple UN agencies and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to bolster food security and livelihoods throughout Sudan. In partnership with USAID/BHA, the UN World Food Program (WFP) provides emergency food assistance to people experiencing acute food insecurity countrywide through cash transfers for food and U.S.-sourced and locally and regionally procured cereals, pulses, and vegetable oil. The UN agency reached an estimated 1.8 million people across Sudan between its resumption of activities in early May and mid-August with support from USAID/BHA and other donors.



Of emergency health supplies delivered by USG partner WHO

HEALTH

USAID/BHA and State/PRM support IOM, the UN Population Fund (UNFPA), UNHCR, the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), the UN World Health Organization (WHO), and additional NGO partner organizations to provide life-saving health care across Sudan. USAID/BHA partners provide essential medicines, support health facilities, and train implementing partners to support critical health needs. In addition, USG partners—including UNFPA and UNICEF—support essential health interventions for IDPs, refugees, and other vulnerable populations in Sudan and Sudanese refugees in neighboring countries.





Women and girls reached with dignity kits and information about GBV services between April 15 and August 11 by USG partner UNFPA



People in Sudan provided safe drinking water by UNICEF between July 16 and August 15

NUTRITION

With USAID/BHA and State/PRM support, IOM, UNICEF, WFP, WHO, and other partner organizations prevent, identify, and treat acute malnutrition through multi-sector integrated interventions, including the provision of nutritional supplements, as well as agriculture, food security, health, and WASH activities. As of August, nearly 76 percent of outpatient therapeutic programs were active across Sudan to treat severe acute malnutrition in children younger than five years of age. USAID/BHA-supported nutrition programming includes educational activities and malnutrition treatment focused on children and pregnant and lactating women.

PROTECTION

USG partners—including UNFPA, UNICEF, and several NGOs—provide conflict-affected and vulnerable people with USG support in Sudan as well as neighboring countries. Between April 15 and August 11, UNFPA provided seven health facilities in two states with medical supplies sufficient to respond to more than 5,100 sexual and reproductive health emergencies. Additionally, UNFPA reached nearly 12,000 girls and women across eight states with life-saving dignity kits and information about GBV services.

WASH

USAID/BHA and State/PRM support IOM, UNICEF, UNHCR, WHO, and NGOs to provide emergency WASH assistance in Sudan. With USAID/BHA and other donor support, UNICEF reached an estimated 2.7 million people in Sudan with safe drinking water between July 16 and August 15. USAID/BHA and State/PRM partners—including UNHCR and UNICEF—also assist in preventing and containing disease outbreaks, including dengue and malaria. During Sudan's annual rainy season, USAID/BHA partners support flood-affected populations with emergency WASH supplies—such as chlorine for water purification, hygiene kits, and water containers—to ensure access to safe drinking water.

CONTEXT IN BRIEF

- Fighting between RSF elements and the SAF began on April 15, 2023, significantly escalating the humanitarian crisis in Sudan. On April 23, USAID/BHA activated a Nairobi, Kenya-based Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) and Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Team to coordinate the USG response to escalating needs.
- The UN estimates that 24.7 million people require humanitarian assistance in Sudan in 2023, an increase from 15.8 million estimated to be in need prior to the RSF–SAF conflict. Access restrictions, bureaucratic impediments, insecurity, and limited funding hinder relief agencies' ability to respond to humanitarian and recovery needs in Sudan.
- On October 6, 2022, U.S. Ambassador John T. Godfrey reissued a declaration of humanitarian need (DHN) in Sudan for FY 2023. The U.S. Mission in Sudan has issued disaster declarations or DHNs due to the complex emergency in Sudan annually since 1987.

• In April 2019, a civilian uprising grew out of protests against fuel shortages, high bread prices, and other economic issues. On April 11, 2019, Sudanese military officials overthrew President Omar al-Bashir in support of a popular revolution, and subsequent political uncertainty contributed to heightened humanitarian, security, and protection concerns. In August, a signed constitutional declaration laid out arrangements for a civilian-led transitional government for a 39-month period, with Abdalla Hamdok appointed as Prime Minister. However, following political unrest, the military took over the transitional government on October 25, 2021, arresting civilian leadership. On November 21, Hamdok was reinstated as Prime Minister under a power-sharing agreement with SAF military leader Abdel Fattah al-Burhan, but thereafter resigned on January 2, 2022. The October 25 military takeover sparked widespread protests across the country. Military leaders and representatives of civilian pro-democracy parties subsequently signed a preliminary agreement to establish a two-year transitional civilian government on December 5, 2022.

USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE SUDAN RESPONSE IN FY 2023 1,2

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
F	UNDING IN SUDAN FOR THE SUDAN CRISI	S RESPONSE	
	USAID/BHA		
Implementing Partners	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$59,941,651
IOM	Humanitarian Coordination, Information, and Assessments (HCIMA), Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Countrywide	\$25,000,000
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)	HCIMA	Countrywide	\$9,000,000
UN Development Program (UNDP)	HCIMA	Countrywide	\$23,000,000
UN Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS)	HCIMA	Countrywide	\$600,000
UNFPA	Health, Protection	Blue Nile, Central Darfur, North Darfur, South Darfur, South Kordofan, West Darfur	\$3,000,000
UNICEF	Health, Protection, WASH	Countrywide	\$9,500,000
UNICEF	Nutrition-U.S. In-Kind Specialized Nutrition Products	Countrywide	\$15,300,000
	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$36,000,000
WFP	Food Assistance–U.S. In-Kind Food Aid	Countrywide	\$147,951,915
	Food Assistance—Cash Transfers for Food, Local, Regional, and International Procurement; Nutrition	Countrywide	\$32,696,000
	Program Support		\$460,701
TOTAL USAID/BHA FUNDING IN SUDAN IN FY 2023			\$ 362,450,267
	STATE/PRM		
Implementing Partners	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$11,100,000
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$74,000,000
UNICEF	Health, Protection, WASH	Countrywide	\$12,000,000
UNFPA	Health, Protection	Countrywide	\$5,400,000
WFP	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$1,730,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM FUNDING	IN SUDAN IN FY 2023		\$104,230,000
TOTAL USG FUNDING FOR TH	HE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN SUDAN IN FY 20	23	\$466,680,267

USG REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE SUDAN RESPONSE IN FY 2023 1,2,3

	FUNDING IN CAR FOR THE SUD	AN CRISIS RESPONSE			
USAID/BHA					
WFP	Food Assistance	Countrywide	\$4,000,000		
WFP	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$4,000,000		
TOTAL USAID/BHA SUD	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN CAR II	N FY 2023	\$8,000,000		
	STATE/PRM				
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$300,000		
UNICEF	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$1,300,000		
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$4,300,000		
UNFPA	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$200,000		
TOTAL STATE/PRM SUE	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN CAR II	N FY 2023	\$6,100,000		
TOTAL USG FUNDING I	FOR THE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN CAI	R IN FY 2023	\$14,100,000		
	FUNDING IN CHAD FOR THE SU	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE			
	USAID/BHA				
WFP	Food Assistance	Countrywide	\$2,500,000		
WFP	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$550,000		
WFP	Food Assistance, Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$14,000,000		
TOTAL USAID/BHA SUD	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN CHAD	IN FY 2023	\$17,050,000		
	STATE/PRM				
Implementing Partner	Education, Protection	Ennedi Est, Ouaddai, Sila Provinces, Wadi Fira	\$3,454,212		
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$1,400,000		
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$65,400,000		
UNFPA	Multi-Sector Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$400,000		
WFP	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$2,315,000		
UNICEF	Multi-Sector Assistance	Eastern Chad	\$1,500,000		
TOTAL STATE/PRM SUE	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN CHAD	IN FY 2023	\$74,469,212		
TOTAL USG FUNDING I	FOR THE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN CHA	AD IN FY 2023	\$91,519,212		
	FUNDING IN EGYPT FOR THE SU	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE			
	USAID/BHA				
WFP	Food Assistance	Aswan	\$6,000,000		
TOTAL USAID/BHA SUE	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN EGYP	Γ IN FY 2023	\$6,000,000		
	STATE/PRM				
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$4,000,000		
UNICEF	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$2,500,000		
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$7,100,000		
TOTAL STATE/PRM SUE	DAN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN EGYP	Γ IN FY 2023	\$13,600,000		
TOTAL USG FUNDING I	FOR THE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN EGY	PT IN FY 2023	\$19,600,000		
	FUNDING IN ETHIOPIA FOR THE S	UDAN CRISIS RESPONSE			
	STATE/PRM				
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$1,600,000		

UNICEF	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$1,600,000
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$6,400,000
UNFPA	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$600,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM SUDA	AN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN ETHIOPIA IN FY	2023	\$10,200,000
TOTAL USG FUNDING FO	OR THE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN ETHIOPIA IN F	Y 2023	\$10,200,000
F	UNDING IN SOUTH SUDAN FOR THE SUDAN	CRISIS RESPONSE	
	USAID/BHA		
Implementing Partners	Disaster Risk Reduction Policy and Practice, HCIMA, Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA), Protection, Shelter, WASH	Countrywide	\$3,000,000
IOM	HCIMA, Health, Logistics, Health, MPCA, Protection, Shelter, WASH	Countrywide	\$5,000,000
UNICEF	Nutrition, Protection	Countrywide	\$2,500,000
WFP	Food Assistance, Logistics, Nutrition	Countrywide	\$11,500,000
TOTAL USAID/BHA SUDA	AN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN SOUTH SUDAN I	N FY 2023	\$22,000,000
	STATE/PRM		
Implementing Partners	Multi-Sector Assistance	Unity, Upper Nile	\$18,162,769
IOM	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$7,500,000
UNICEF	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$1,300,000
UNHCR	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$57,000,000
UNFPA	Multi-Sector Assistance	Countrywide	\$500,000
WFP	Logistics Support	Countrywide	\$1,295,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM SUDA	AN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN SOUTH SUDAN I	N FY 2023	\$85,757,769
TOTAL USG FUNDING FO	OR THE SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN SOUTH SUDAI	N IN FY 2023	\$107,757,769
	REGIONAL FUNDING FOR THE SUDAN CRISI	S RESPONSE	
	STATE/PRM		
Implementing Partners	Multi-Sector Assistance	Regionwide	\$100,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM REGIO	ONAL FUNDING FOR SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE IN F	Y 2023	\$100,000
TOTAL USG FUNDING FO	OR REGIONAL FUNDING FOR THE SUDAN CRISIS RE	SPONSE IN FY 2023	\$100,000
TOTAL USAID/BHA SUDA	AN CRISIS RESPONSE FUNDING IN FY 2023		\$415,500,268
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¹ Year of funding indicates the date of commitment or obligation, not appropriation, of funds. Funding figures reflect funding that has been committed or obligated as of September 15, 2023.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for disaster responses around the world can be found at interaction.org.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed, often in the affected region; reduce the burden on scarce resources, such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space;

² Estimated value of food assistance and transportation costs at time of procurement; subject to change.

³ USAID/BHA funding in CAR, Chad, and South Sudan supports programming to address preexisting needs in the countries, as well as new needs caused by the ongoing crisis in Sudan. Additionally, USAID/BHA and State/PRM funding for CAR, Chad, and South Sudan benefiting displaced people from Sudan is also reported in the USG CAR Fact Sheet, USAID/BHA Chad Assistance Overview, and USG South Sudan Fact Sheet, respectively.

can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietarily, and environmentally appropriate assistance.

- More information can be found at:
 - o USAID Center for International Disaster Information: cidi.org
 - o Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at reliefweb.int.

USAID/BHA bulletins appear on the USAID website at usaid.gov/humanitarian-assistance/where-we-work