

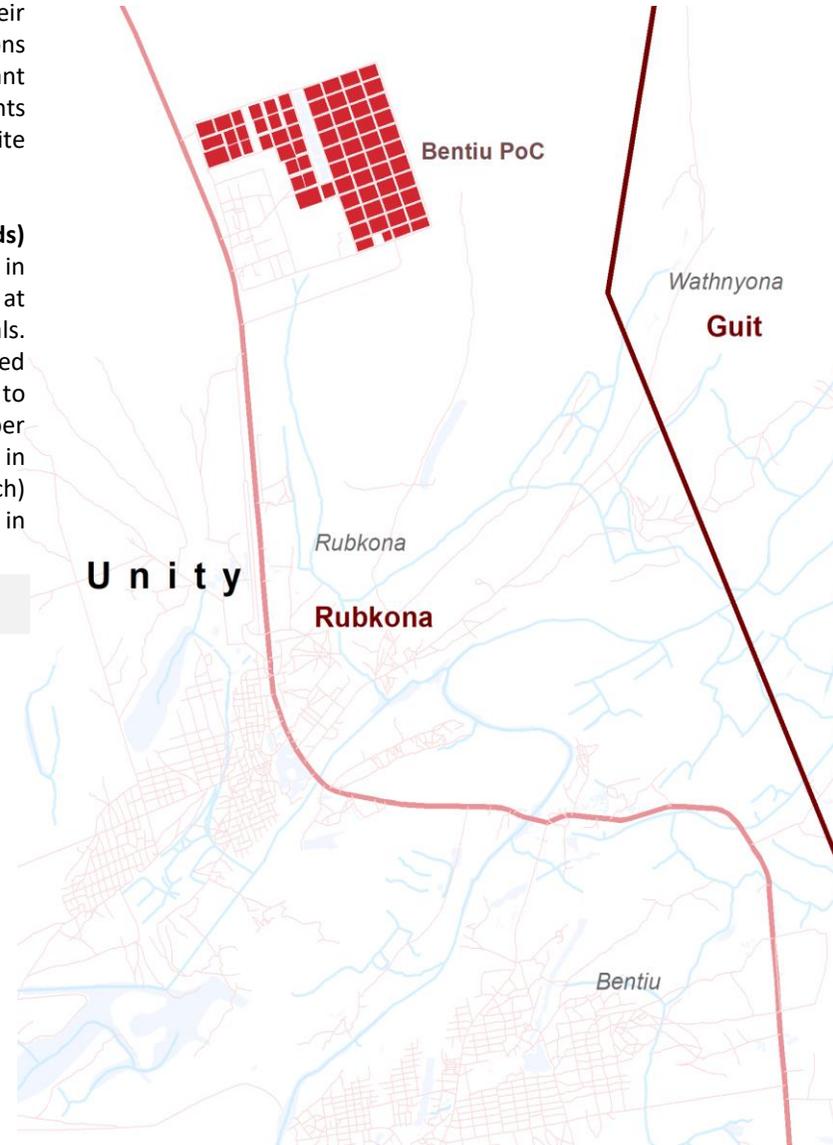
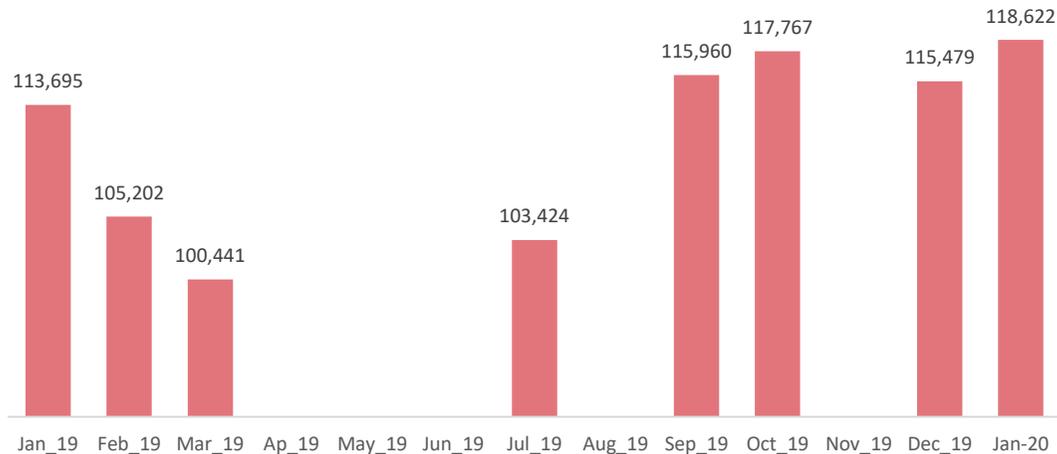


The Bentiu Protection of Civilian (PoC) site was established in December 2013. As of January 2020, 134,915 beneficiaries are biometrically registered as active beneficiaries in the site representing a decrease by 1,535 individuals since December 2019 due to a combination of a growing number of people changing their checkpoints to other nearby locations such as Koch and Leer as well as due to deactivations of registrations following three consecutive no-shows at food distributions. Recognizing that there have been significant population changes since the last overall biometric registration, IOM DTM conducts regular population counts to monitor population dynamics and displacement trends showing that the population within Bentiu PoC site continues to reflect less than the total Bentiu PoC site population biometrically registered.

As per the **January 2020 population count, the population stands at 118,622 individuals (16,672 households) in 12,057 inhabited shelters (on average 7 individuals per shelter)**. The PoC site had been decreasing in population throughout the first half of 2019 and reached its highest point of the year in October 2019 at 117,767 individuals, it decreased in December 2019 but increased in January 2020 at 118,622 individuals. Although it is noted in the [Arrivals from Sudan Report](#) that movement between the two countries, as recorded in Rubkona Town, has dropped since November 2019, 24 per cent of interviewed Sudan arrivals intended to join their families at Bentiu PoC site. According to indicative Displacement Site Flow Monitoring findings, 43 per cent of new arrivals in January 2020 departed from Sudan although the recorded number was lower than in December 2019. Failed attempts to return home and checking on property (mainly to Rubkona, Guit and Koch) were the reason for 22 per cent of individual journeys carried out by residents who came back to the site in January 2020 after being away for over four months.

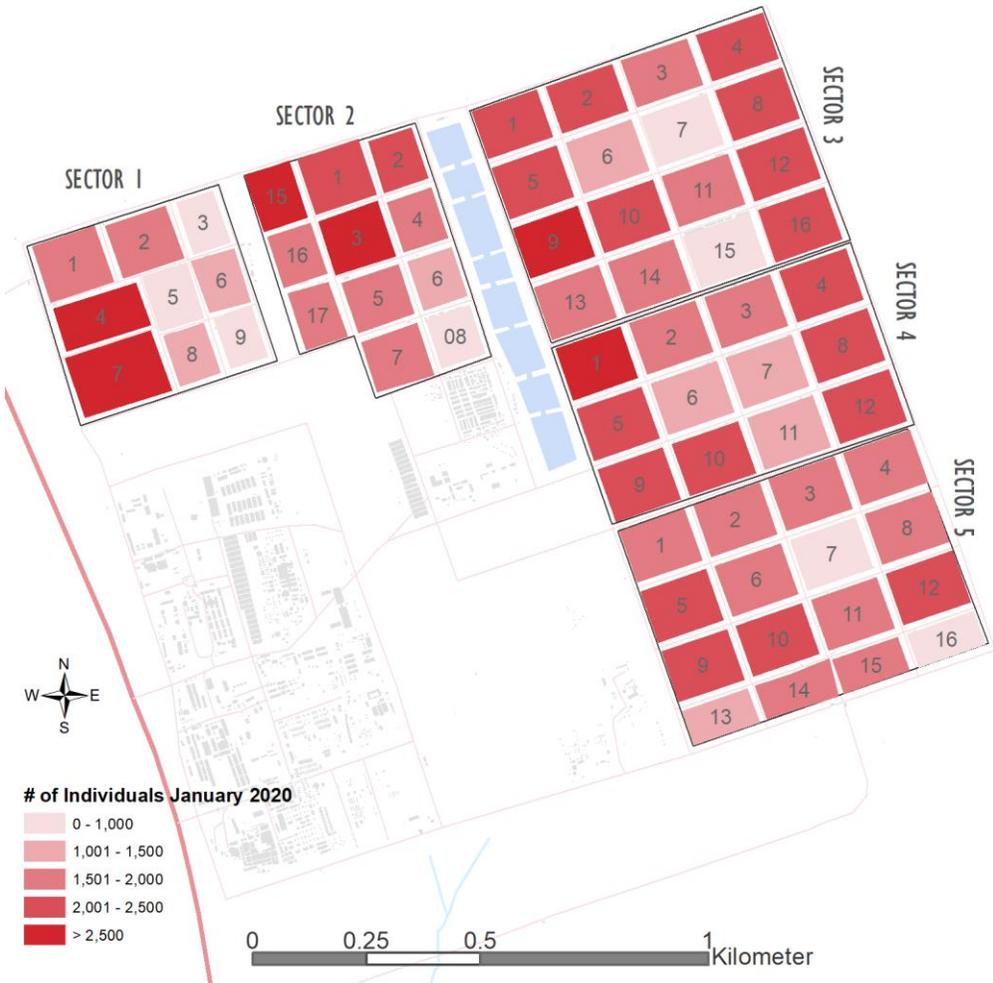
Monthly population trends at Bentiu PoC site, January 2019– January 2020

*In April, May, June, August and November 2019 IOM was not able to conduct population count.



Population in Bentiu PoC site (January 2020)

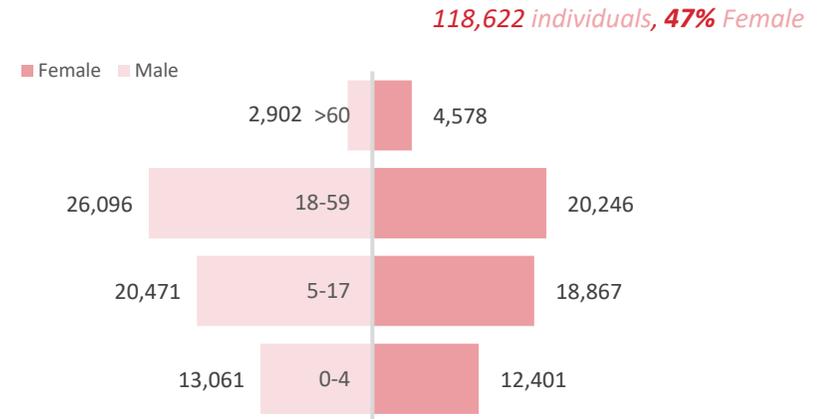
Sector 3 29,899	Sector 5 27,548	Sector 4 25,898	Sector 2 20,129	Sector 1 15,148
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The most populous sector is Sector 3 with a quarter of the overall population (25%), followed for sector 5 (23%) and Sector 4 (22%).

The blocks with the largest populations were Block 1 of Sector 4 (5,014 individuals) as well as Block 7, Sector 1 (4,187) followed by Block 15, Sector 2 (2,630).

Bentiu PoC, Population by age and sex (January 2020)



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