

POPULATION COUNT

Bentiu PoC

Data collection May 2020

The Bentiu Protection of Civilian (PoC) Site was established in December 2013. As of 15th May 2020, 131,268 individuals are biometrically registered as active beneficiaries in the site representing a decrease by 1,122 individuals since January 2020 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 / verification, IOM DTM conducts regular population counts to monitor population dynamics and displacement trends showing that actual number of persons currently living at Bentiu PoC site remains lower than the registered total.

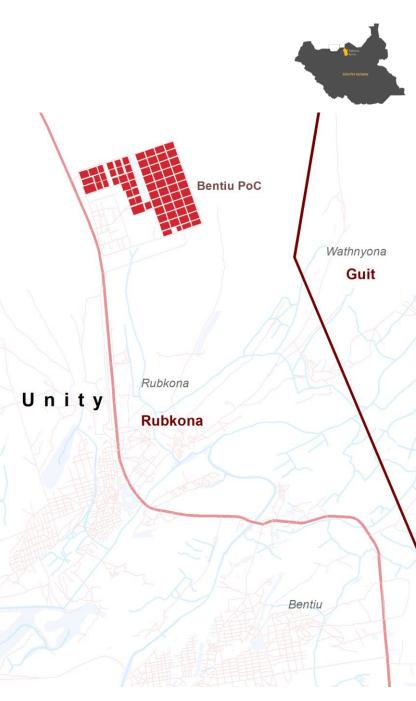
As per the May 2020 population count, the population stands at 111,766 individuals (15,959 households) in 12,054 inhabited shelters (on average 9 individuals per shelter). According to indicative Displacement Site Flow Monitoring findings, the number of new arrivals per month has been decreasing since December 2019. Entry and exit movements from the Bentiu PoC site continue to be characterized by short, medium and long-term movement in similar proportions to the first quarter of 2020. While COVID-19 developments in Greater Unity are expected to impact communities within the state, the current absence of an area lockdown/complete movement restrictions for Bentiu PoC site residents results in regular inflow and outflow mobility between the site and surrounding locations within national curfew hours (median of 12,480 individuals entering and 13, 427 individuals exiting per day in the month of May 2020).

Within the context of increased criminality, communal clashes as well as COVID-19 developments in Bentiu PoC Site and surrounding locations, movement flows between the site and surrounding locations continue to be affected as noted by monitoring teams (May saw an increased median of 12,480 individuals entering and 13, 427 individuals exiting per day in comparison to April).

Monthly population trends at Bentiu PoC site, May 2019 - May 2020*

*In May, June, August, November 2019 and February 2020, IOM was unable to conduct population counts.







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Population in Bentiu PoC site (May 2020)

 Sector 5 33,477
 Sector 3 25,226
 Sector 2 19,993
 Sector 4 19,439
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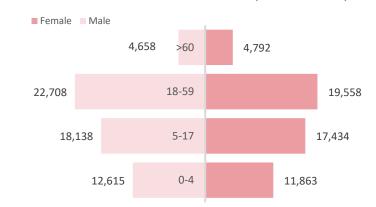
The most populous sector is Sector 5 hosting over a quarter of the overall population (30%), followed for Sector 3 (23%) and Sector 2 (18%).

The blocks with the largest populations were Block 9 of Sector 5 (3,168 individuals) as well as Block 7, Sector 1 (3,064) and Block 10, Sector 5 (2,962).

The population count showed a decrease of young male population groups between April 2020 and May 2020 (18-59-year-old males: 24,929 to 22,708 individuals).

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

111,766 individuals, 48% Female



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