

FLASH REPORT #120: POPULATION DISPLACEMENT North-west/North-central Nigeria

10 - 16 October 2022





Affected Population: 758 Individuals



Damaged Shelters: 53



Casualties: 22

Movement Trigger: Attacks/Floods

OVERVIEW

On 10 October, armed bandits reportedly attacked the community Barkin Daji in the Kuruwa ward of Tureta LGA in Sokoto State. The attack affected 94 individuals, who were displaced to the community of Kan Wuri in the Tureta ward of Tureta LGA. As a result of the attack, 2 injuries were reported.

On 12 October, armed herders reportedly attacked the community of Yeluwata, located in Nyiev ward of Guma of Benue State. The attack affected 199 individuals and led to the displacement of 193 individuals to the Ichwa Camp in North Bank I ward of Makurdi LGA in Benue state. As a result of the attack, 6 fatalities and 4 injuries were reported.

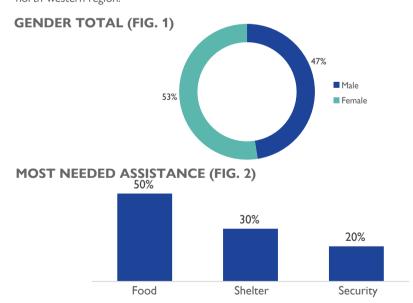
Furthermore, on 12 October, a flood resulting from an overflow of River Benue caused by the Lagdo dam opening in Cameroon was reported in the community of Wadata Rice Mill in Ankpa/Wadata ward of Makurdi LGA of Benue State. The flood affected 263 individuals and led to their displacement to the Ichwa Camp in the North Bank I ward of Makurdi LGA. As a result of the flood, 3 injuries were reported.

On 16 October, armed bandits reportedly attacked the community of Shantalawa in the Makera ward of Dutsin-Ma LGA in Katsina State. The attack affected 191 individuals, who were displaced within the community. As a result of the attack, 6 injuries were reported.

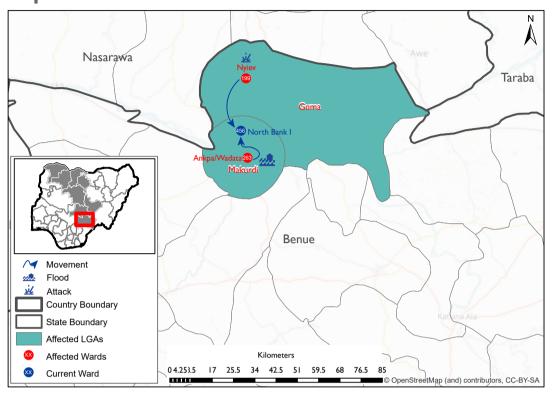
Also, on 16 October, a fire outbreak was reported in the community Bakin Kasuwa in the Ingawa ward of Ingawa LGA of Katsina State. The fire outbreak affected 11 individuals and led to their displacement to neighbouring shelters in the community. As a result of the fire outbreak, 1 injury was reported.

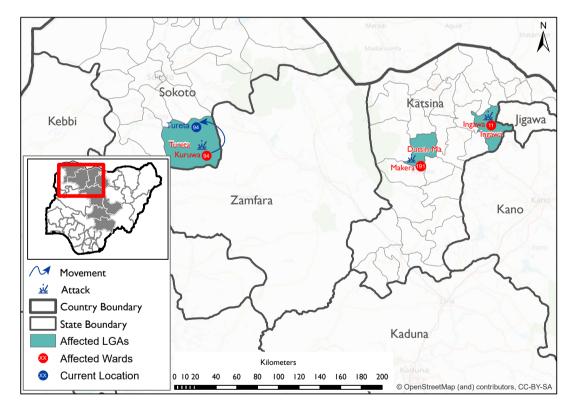
Following these events, rapid assessments were conducted by DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff to inform the humanitarian community and government partners to enable targeted response. Flash reports utilise direct observation and a broad network of key informants to gather representative data and collect information on the number, profile, and immediate needs of affected populations.

Nigeria's north-central and north-west zones are afflicted with a multi-dimensional crisis. Firstly, long-standing tensions between ethnic and religious groups often result in attacks and banditry or hirabah. These attacks involve kidnapping and grand larceny along major highways by criminal groups. Secondly, with the onset of the rainy season in the region, many areas have been affected by torrential rains and floods have devastated various communities. Infrastructure, crops, and shelters have been damaged which led to decimated livelihoods and the displacement of numerous households. During the past years and as a result of the consequences of climate change, the crisis accelerated and has resulted in widespread displacement across the north-central and north-western region.



Maps of affected areas





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State	LGA	Ward	Cause of Incident	Number of Affected Households	Number of Affected Individuals	Casualties	Male	Female	Children	Number of damage shelters
Benue	Guma	Nyiev	Attack	36	199	10	95	104	37	9
Benue	Makurdi	Ankpa/Wadata	Flood	42	263	3	139	124	71	14
Sokoto	Tureta	Kuruwa	Attack	23	94	2	41	53	32	7
Katsina	Ingawa	Ingawa	Fire Outbreak	2	П	I	5	6	4	2
Katsina	Dutsin-Ma	Makera	Attack	33	191	6	80	111	93	21
Grand Total				136	758	22	360	398	237	53

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