

FLASH REPORT #131 POPULATION DISPLACEMENT

North-west/North-central Nigeria

24 - 29 January 2023











OVERVIEW

On 25 January, it was reported that bomb blast from unknown source exploded in the community Elegamaku in the Rukubi ward of Doma LGA in Nasarawa State. The blast affected 720 individuals. As a result of the blast, 39 fatalities were reported.

Also on 25 January, a clash between herders and farmers was reported in the community of Ichembe in the Kumakwagh ward of Kwande LGA. The clash affected 387 individuals and displaced 378 individuals to the community Jato-Aka in the Mbadura ward. As a result of the clash, 9 fatalities and 36 injuries were reported.

Following these events, rapid assessment were conducted by DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff to inform the humanitarian community and government/ partners, and 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. 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. During the past years, the crisis accelerated and has resulted in widespread displacement across the north-central and north-western regions.

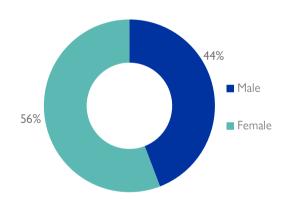


Fig. 1. Gender total

Map of affected areas

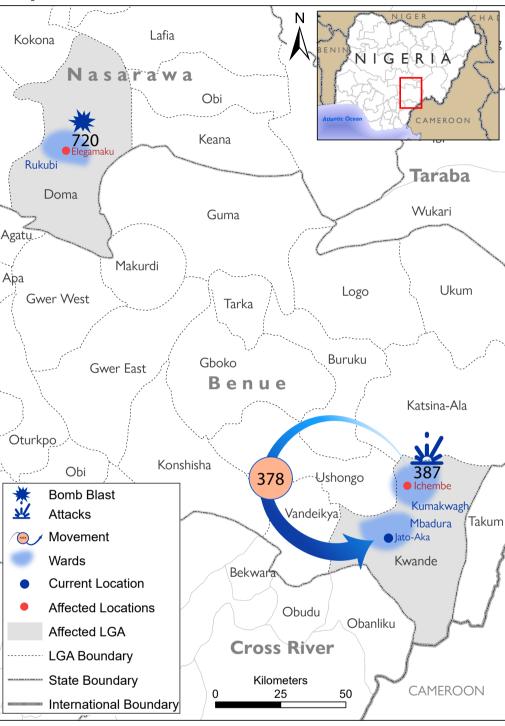


Fig. 3. Map showing locations of incidents and movements Benue and Nasarawa State.*

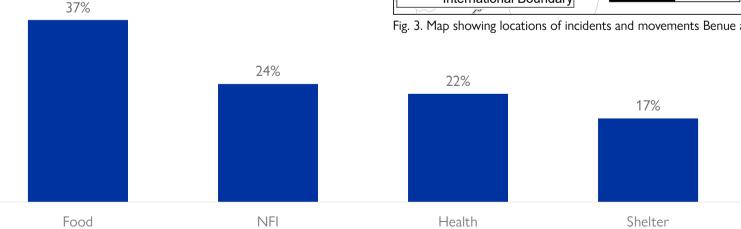


Fig. 2. Most needed assistant

| State | LGA | Cause of Incident | Number of Affected Households | Number of Affected Individuals | Male | Female | Children | Casualties | Number of Damaged Shelter |
|-------------|--------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------|--------|----------|------------|------------------------------|
| Benue | Kwande | Attacks | 74 | 387 | 177 | 210 | 137 | 45 | 75 |
| Nasarawa | Doma | Bomb Blast | 144 | 720 | 312 | 408 | 376 | 38 | 7 |
| Grand Total | | | 218 | 1,107 | 489 | 618 | 513 | 83 | 82 |

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