



Affected Population:
1,398 Individuals



Damaged Shelters:
220



Casualties:
59



Movement Trigger:
Clash/Fire

OVERVIEW

On 06 February, a clash between herders and farmers was reported in the community Nzaav in Yaav ward of Kwande LGA in Benue state. The clash displaced 438 individuals to the community Jato-Aka in Mbaikyor ward. Six people were injured as a result of the clash.

On 09 February, communal clashes over land were reported in the communities Egba and Abugbe in Egba ward of Agatu LGA in Benue state. The clashes affected 632 individuals in Egba and 299 individuals in Abugbe and displaced 897 individuals to the community Obagaji in Obagaji ward. The clashes resulted in 34 fatalities and 19 injuries.

Also, on the same day, a fire broke out in the community Abatoir in Wakilin Kudu III ward of Katsina LGA of Katsina state. The fire outbreak affected 11 individuals and displaced them to the community Rahamawa in Wakilin Kudu III. The fire damaged two shelters in Abatoir.

On 11 February, 18 individuals fled the community Gamji in Yargoje ward of Kankara LGA for fear of attack. They were displaced to the community Katoge in Mashi ward of Mashi LGA, both in Katsina state.

Following these events, DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff conducted rapid assessment 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.

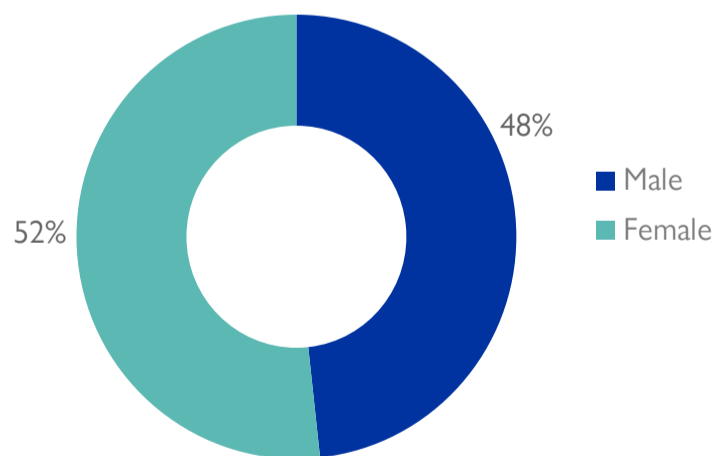


Fig. 1. Gender breakdown of affected population

Maps of the affected areas

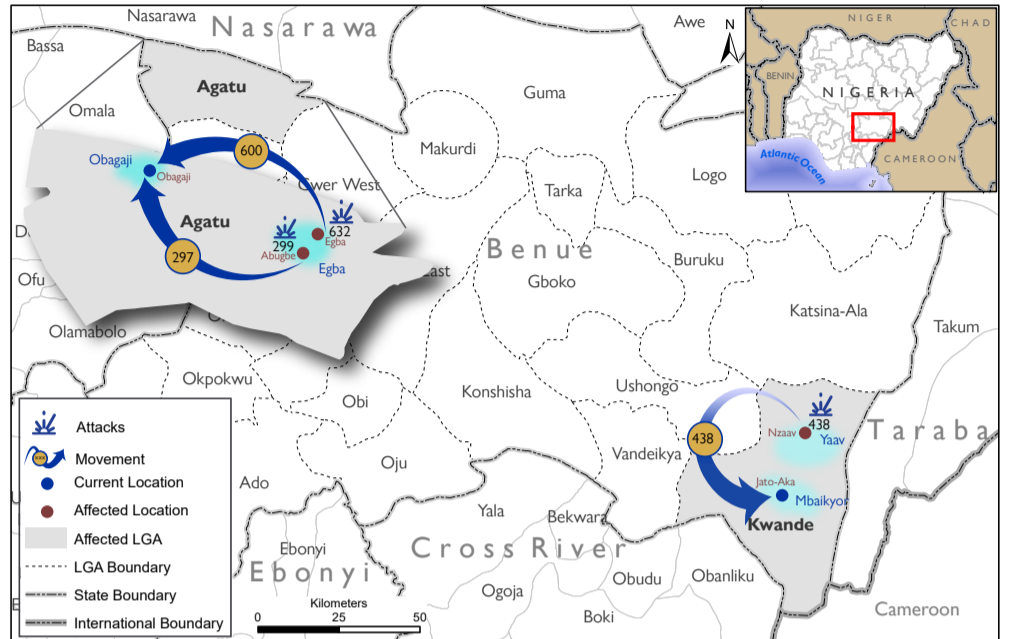


Fig. 2. Map showing locations of incidents and movements in Benue state.*

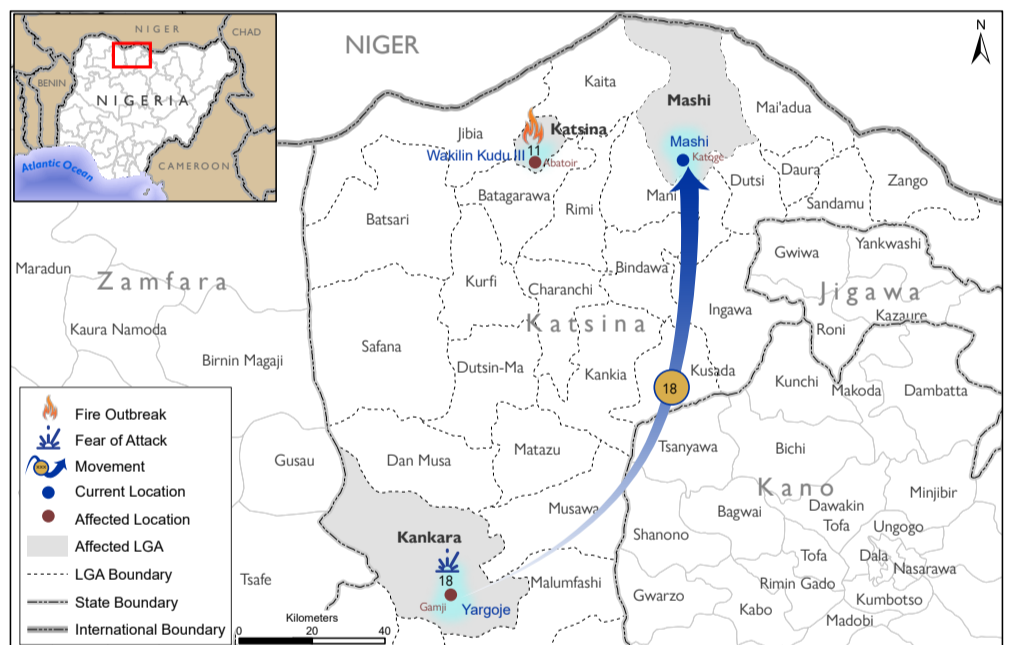


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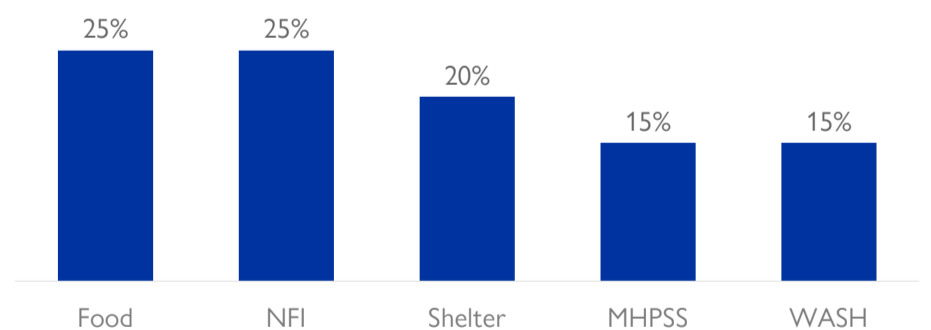


Fig. 4. Most needed assistance

State	LGA	Cause of Incident	Number of Affected Households	Number of Affected Individuals	Male	Female	Children	Casualties	Number of Damaged Shelter
Benue	Kwande	Herders-Farmers clash	71	438	202	236	138	6	104
Benue	Agatu	Attack	144	931	461	470	428	53	114
Katsina	Kankara	Fear Of Attack	2	18	8	10	11	0	0
Katsina	Katsina	Fire Outbreak	2	11	4	7	7	0	2
Grand Total			219	1,398	675	723	584	59	220

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