



## SITUATION OVERVIEW

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20 500 (est)

returnees crossed  
the Chad-Sudan  
border



58%

of the returnees  
are women



11 075

returnees benefitted  
from multipurpose cash  
assistance



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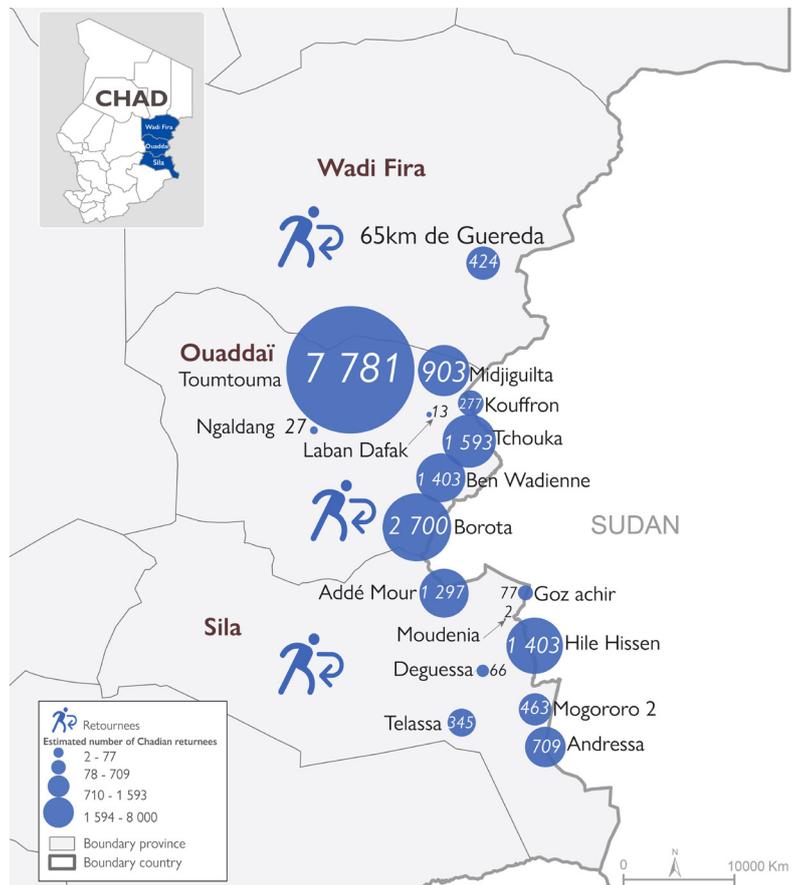
returnee locations  
identified



968

returnee households  
received emergency  
tarps

- A month after the beginning of clashes in Sudan, over 90,000 people have crossed the border into Chad. IOM estimates that more than 20,500 of them are Chadian returnees and expects this number to rise to 25,000 in the coming weeks.
- Intentions surveys show that many returnees are waiting for family members to join them or hope to return to Sudan to recover their belongings.
- Most returnees are settled in spontaneous locations near the border with Sudan and are in urgent need of basic goods and services such as food, water, sanitation and hygiene, shelter, non-food items, health and protection.
- IOM has trained several NGO and Government partners on site management to support better organization of the assistance provided to returnees.
- Finally, the beginning of the rainy season threatens to hinder the access of humanitarian actors to vulnerable populations who do not want to leave the border areas.



### Registration of displaced persons

In Eastern Chad, the Displacement Tracking Matrix supports the identification and registration of returnees, the mapping of population movements, and the assessment of migrants' needs and intentions. IOM estimates that 20 500 Chadian returnees have already crossed the Chad - Sudan border and expects this number to rise in the coming weeks. Registrations are currently ongoing in coordination with Government and United Nations partners.

### Coordination

IOM continues to coordinate with national and international actors for the registration of and assistance to returnees, including government counterparts, OCHA, UNHCR, WFP, IRC, ACTED, Première Urgence Internationale, Lutheran World Foundation, the Chadian Red Cross, Secours Islamique France, UNICEF, and UNFPA.

### Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

IOM is continuing water trucking to Toumtouma, one of the largest sites hosting over 7,700 returnees, in coordination with the International Rescue Committee (IRC). IOM has installed four 5,000-liter tanks at the site for the storage of water.

### Multipurpose Cash Assistance

IOM continues to distribute multipurpose cash assistance (MPCA) to vulnerable returnee households in coordination with a local financial service provider. IOM has so far distributed 40,000 CFA per household to 2 215 households (11,075 returnees), totalling over 88 million XAF. The majority of beneficiaries have been women. Beneficiaries have indicated spending the cash on essential items such as food and milk for infants.

### Immediate humanitarian assistance

IOM has distributed emergency tarpaulins to 968 returnee households in Toumtouma, in conjunction with WFP's food distributions.



## PRIORITY NEEDS



Emergency humanitarian assistance and protection (WASH, Shelter, NFI, Protection) - **USD 6 000 000**



Voluntary Return Assistance and Relocation - **USD 2 500 000**



DTM and Humanitarian Border Management - **USD 500 000**

## PARTNERS



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