

## FLASH REPORT #153 POPULATION DISPLACEMENT

North-west/North-central Nigeria 24 - 30 July 2023











## **OVERVIEW**

On 26 July, armed bandits attacked Kango Garacce community in Maru LGA and Damaga community in Maradun LGA; all in Zamfara State. The attacks affected 608 individuals and displaced 416 individuals from Kango Garacce community to Maru Town, and 165 individuals from Damaga community to Maradun North community. As a result of the attacks, 27 fatalities and 77 injuries were reported.

On 29 July, armed bandits attacked Garin Zaki community in Batsari LGA in Katsina State. The attack affected 1,004 individuals and displaced 1,002 individuals to Batsari Town. As a result of the attack, two fatalities and 11 injuries were reported.

Following these events, displacement tracking matrix (DTM) field staff conducted rapid assessments to inform the humanitarian community and Government/partners, and to enable a 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.

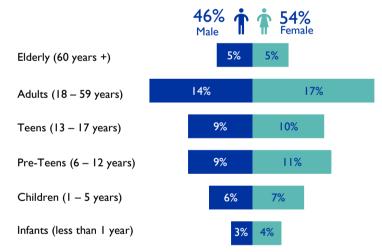


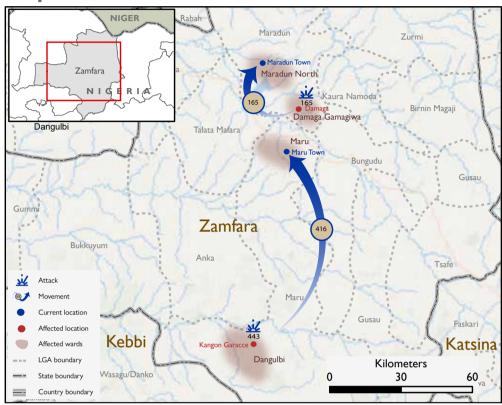
Fig. 1: Gender breakdown of the affected population



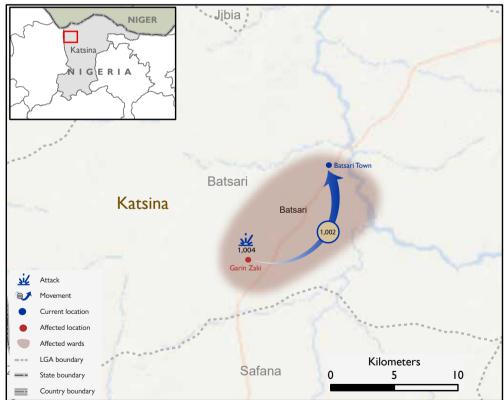
Fig. 2: Most needed assistance

Table 1: Affected individuals and LGAs

## Maps of the affected areas



Map 1: Location of incident in Zamfara State



Map 2: Location of incident in Katsina State

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State	LGA	Cause of incident	Number of affected	Number of affected individuals				Casualties	Number of partially	Number of fully	
			households	Male	Female	Total	Children	Casualties	damaged shelter	damaged shelter	
Katsina	Batsari	Attacks	201	471	533	1,004	619	13	0	0	
Zamfara	Maradun	Attacks	29	74	91	165	92	18	0	0	
Zamfara	Maru	Attacks	79	199	244	443	248	86	0	0	
Total			309	744	868	1,612	959	117	0	0	

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