



**Affected Population:**  
5,544 Individuals



**Damaged Shelters:**  
552



**Casualties:**  
295

**Movement Trigger:**  
Attack/Communal Clashes

**OVERVIEW**

On 19 and 20 January, communal clashes between Tiv's and Jukun's, land dispute, were reported in the communities Afia in Tsaav ward of Ukum LGA, Ologba/Egba in Egba ward of Agatu LGA and Gaadi in Fiidi ward of Makurdi LGA, all in Benue State. The clash affected 2,050 individuals and displaced 186 individuals from Ologba/Egba community to Obagaji town in Obagaji ward and 1,559 individuals from Afia community to Zaki Biam community in Uyam ward, while others remained in their communities. As a result of the clashes, 3 fatalities and 45 injuries were reported.

Also on 20 January, a clash between herders and farmers was reported in the community of Abagena in Agan ward of Makurdi LGA. The clash affected 623 individuals and displaced 615 individuals from their houses to Abagena camp in the community. As a result of the clash, 8 fatalities and 16 injuries were reported.

On 21, 22 and 23 January, armed bandits reportedly attacked the communities Dan Garu, Ma'Aji and Nasarawa in Zakka 'A' ward of Safana LGA and the community Dan Garu in Karare ward of Batsari LGA, all in Katsina State. These attacks affected 2,871 individuals and displaced 323 individuals from Dan Garu in Karare ward to Batsari town in Batsari ward, 1,151 individuals from Dan Garu and 889 individuals from Ma'Aji in Zakka 'A' to Safana town in Safana ward and 370 individuals to Dutsin-Ma town in Dutsin-Ma 'B' ward of Dutsin-Ma LGA. As a result of the attacks, 115 fatalities and 108 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.

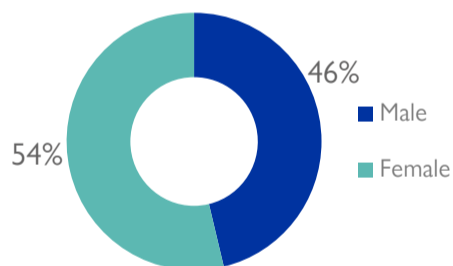


Fig. 1. Gender total

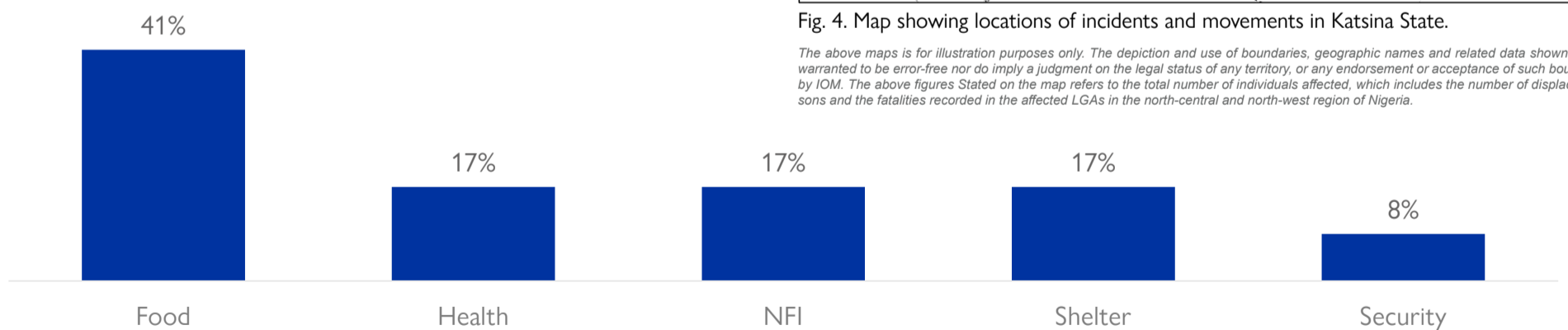


Fig. 2. Most needed assistant

State	LGA	Cause of Incident	Number of Affected Households	Number of Affected Individuals	Casualties	Male	Female	Children	Number of Damaged Shelter
Benue	Ukum	Attacks	250	1,562	39	761	801	839	48
Benue	Makurdi	Attacks	154	925	27	433	492	440	201
Benue	Agatu	Attacks	29	186	6	86	100	82	30
Katsina	Batsari	Attacks	64	372	42	174	198	241	0
Katsina	Safana	Attacks	319	2,499	181	1,110	1,389	1,596	273
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>816</b>	<b>5,544</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>2,564</b>	<b>2,980</b>	<b>3,198</b>	<b>552</b>

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**Maps of affected areas**

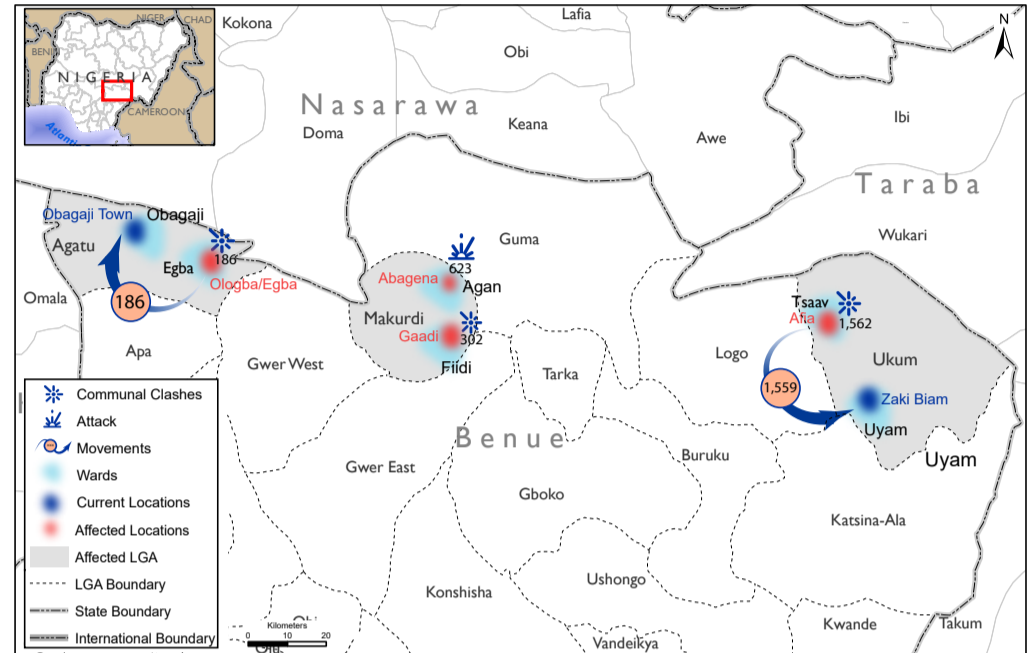


Fig. 3. Map showing locations of incidents and movements Benue State.

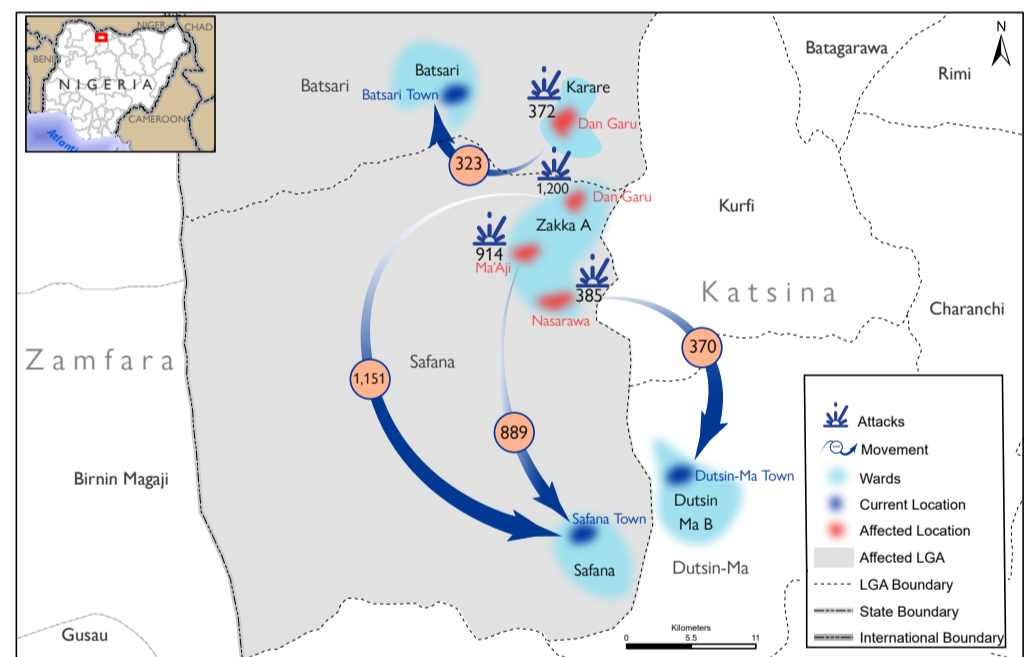


Fig. 4. Map showing locations of incidents and movements in Katsina State.

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