FLASH REPORT #170 POPULATION DISPLACEMENT North-west/North-central Nigeria

Benue and Zamfara states — Nigeria



31 July 2024



1,032
Individuals
Affected



04Affected
Locations



ODamaged
Shelters



29Casualties

Movement Trigger:



Event Overview

On 23 and 24 July 2024, armed bandits attacked the community of Tinenune in Borikyo ward and farmer-herders clash occured in the community of Dyom in Mbatian ward of Ukum Local Government Area (LGA) in Benue State. There were reports of two fatalities. The attacks affected 69 individuals in 25 households and the clash affected 137 individuals in 43 households. The affected individuals included 49 children, 110 women and 47 men.

On 24 and 25 July 2024, armed bandits attacked the communities of Magami Village in Gabake ward and Gidan Sarkin Muslumai in Sakajiki ward of Kaura Namoda LGA in Zamfara State. There were reports of 10 injuries and 17 fatalities. The attacks affected 826 individuals in 154 households and displaced them to the community Gidan Zurmi House, Mother Cat in S/Baura/S/Mafara ward in Kaura Namoda, the affected individuals included 462 children, 201 women and 163 men.

Of all the needs identified, security and health were the most prevalent. Other needs included food, psychosocial support, non-food items (NFI), shelter and transport.

Following these events, DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff conducted rapid assessments to inform the humanitarian community and Government/partners, and to enable a targeted response.

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-west regions.

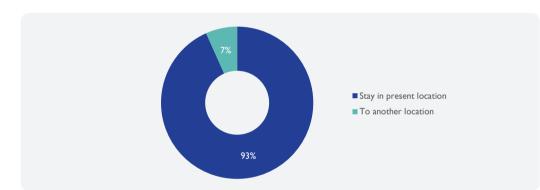
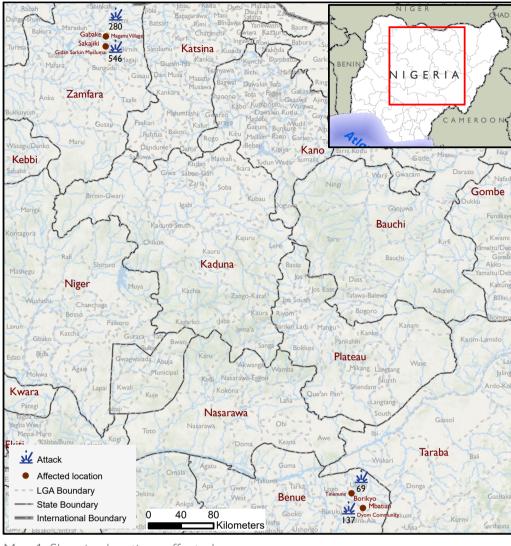


Fig. 1. Future intentions



Fig. 2. Most needed assistance



Map 1. Showing locations affected.

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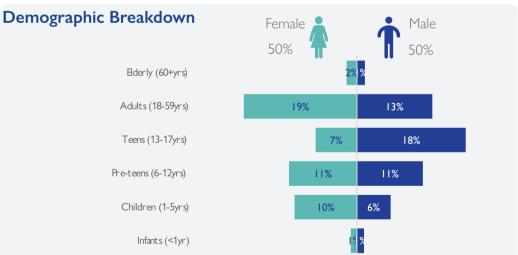


Fig. 3. Gender breakdown of affected population

State	LGA	Ward	Number of Affected Household	Number of Affected Individuals			Casualtry	Number of Partially Damaged	Number of fully Damaged
				Male	Female	Total	Casualty	Shelters	Shelters
Benue	Ukum	Borkiyo	25	15	54	69	0	0	0
		Mbatian	43	51	86	137	2	0	0
Zamfara	Kaura Namoda	Gabake	51	125	155	280	4	0	0
		Sakajiki	103	245	301	546	23	0	0
Total			222	436	596	1,032	29	0	0

Methodology: Crises and emergencies require the humanitarian community to act urgently. As a subcomponent of DTM's mobility tracking, flash reports utilise direct observation and a broad network of key informants to monitor sudden displacement resulting from events like natural disasters or attacks and collect information on the number, profile, and immediate needs of affected populations. In the initial 24 - 48 hours after an incident, DTM Nigeria activates a rapid assessment to document the event, urgent needs of affected individuals, demographic information, and impact. If displacement occurs, DTM Nigeria issues an Early Warning Flash/Incident report within 72 hours, notifying partners and stakeholders.

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