

## KEY FINDINGS



**135,405 IDPs**  
were displaced from Aj Jazirah since  
20 October 2024.

57%

Of IDPs were displaced to localities in Gedaref state, primarily in Al Butanah and Madeinat Al Gedaref localities.



**304,570 IDPs**  
were hosted in Aj Jazirah state as  
of 22 October 2024.<sup>1</sup>

## OVERVIEW

DTM Sudan has monitored an escalation in clashes between the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and Rapid Support Forces (RSF) across multiple localities in Aj Jazirah state since 20 October 2024. Reported clashes and increasing insecurity displaced an estimated 135,405 individuals (27,081 households) from locations across Aj Jazirah between 20 and 30 October 2024. Among the individuals displaced, many were IDPs who were already displaced prior to the escalation and therefore experienced secondary displacement.

On 20 October 2024, DTM field teams reported initial displacement

## DISPLACEMENT PATHWAYS

Field teams noted that many IDPs displaced from Aj Jazirah transited through Halfa Aj Jadeedah locality, Kassala and through Al Butanah and Al Fao localities, Gedaref. IDP households were displaced to 16 localities across three different states: Al Fao, Al Mafaza, Al Butanah, Ar Rahad, Galabat Ash-Shargiah, Madeinat Al Gedaref, and Wasat Al Gedaref localities in Gedaref (76,895 IDPs); Halfa Aj Jadeedah, Reifi Khashm Elgirba, and Reifi Nahr Atbara localities in Kassala (40,500 IDPs); and Abu Hamad, Atbara, Al Matama, Ad Damar, Barbar, and Shendi localities in River Nile (18,010 IDPs).

Of the estimated 135,405 total IDPs, about 57 per cent were displaced to Gedaref, primarily to Al Butanah (29,000 IDPs) and Madeinat Al Gedaref (25,000 IDPs) localities. DTM field teams in Gedaref reported that a new reception center was established in Al Fao locality. Field teams noted that many IDPs may transit through Gedaref in order to reach Kassala or River Nile, and even Khartoum, Northern, or Red Sea.

Approximately 30 per cent of IDPs were displaced to Kassala state, primarily to Reifi Nahr Atbara (22,500 IDPs) and Halfa Aj Jadeedah (17,500 IDPs) localities. Field teams noted that five new gathering sites were established in Halfa Aj Jadeedah locality in order to accommodate IDPs from Aj Jazirah.

Localities across River Nile received approximately 13 per cent (18,010 IDPs) of the total IDPs from Aj Jazirah, primarily in Shendi (11,700 IDPs), Al Matama (2,690 IDPs) and Ad Damar (1,680 IDPs). Many IDPs reportedly sought shelter in River Nile due to its relative safety and support from tribal and social connections.

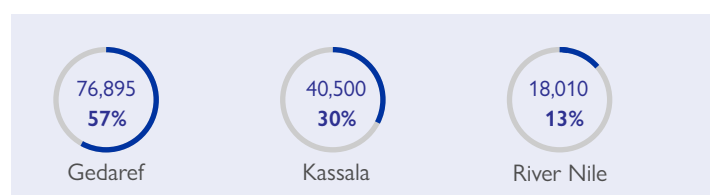
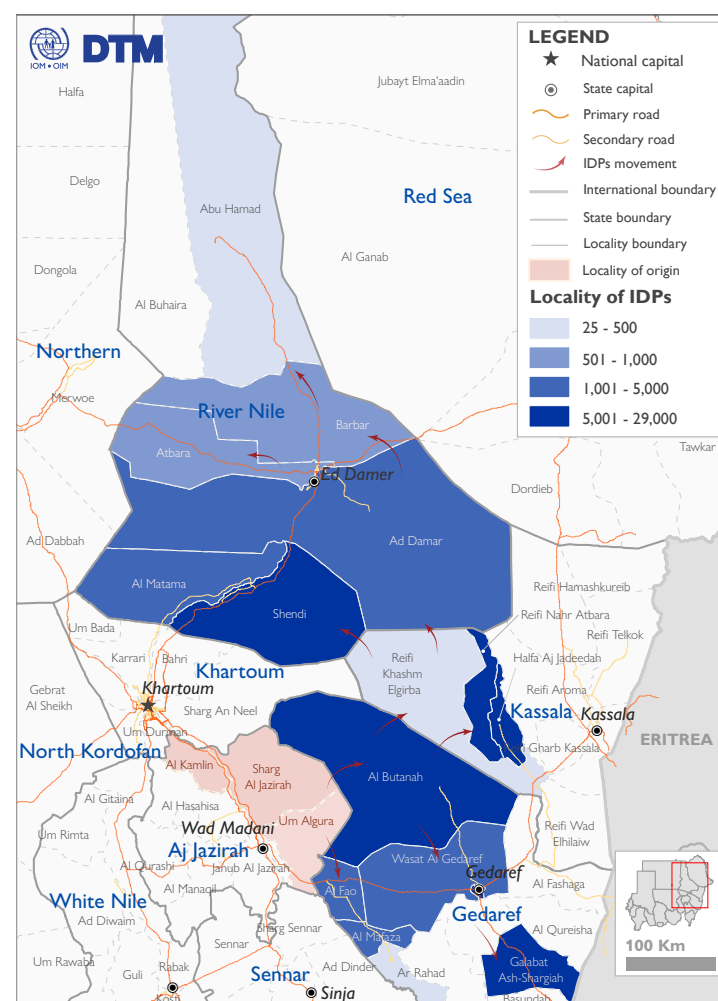


Figure 1: IDPs Displaced from Al Jazirah State by State of Displacement, as of 30 October 2024

Note: DTM Sudan regularly issues Early Warning Flash Alerts to report on specific incidents that triggered or may trigger sudden displacement. These alerts provide initial estimates only, pending verification by DTM field teams. Flash alerts therefore may or may not reflect broader displacement trends. For detailed information on displacement and mobility in Sudan, refer to Sudan Mobility Update (10).

from [Village 40 and other villages in Um Algura locality, Aj Jazirah](#). Between 20 and 30 October 2024, there were reports of displacement from multiple areas across [Sharg Aj Jazirah and Um Algura localities](#), including Tamboul, Rufa'ah, and Junayd Towns, as well as 20 other villages in Sharg Aj Jazirah, Al Kamlin, and Um Algura localities. Widespread telecommunications outages across Aj Jazirah also hindered the ability of DTM field teams to provide immediate displacement estimates from other affected areas.

DTM field teams noted that movement restrictions reportedly inhibited the ability of individuals to relocate to safer areas. IDPs may continue to relocate depending on the capacity of shelter sites, the establishment of new gathering sites or reception centres, and the availability of humanitarian aid. Many individuals were moving on foot, and the majority of the IDPs were reportedly women and children.



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Map 1: Reported Localities of IDPs Displaced from Aj Jazirah, 20 - 30 October 2024

1. Displacement data valid as of 22 October 2024. For more information see [Sudan Mobility Update 10](#).

## BROADER DISPLACEMENT CONTEXT

Since the expansion of [conflict in Aj Jazirah in December 2023](#), DTM released 20 conflict-related Early Warning Flash Alerts on Aj Jazirah, representing nearly 91 per cent of the total flash alerts pertaining to Aj Jazirah since 15 April 2023.

As of 22 October 2024, Aj Jazirah hosted approximately 304,570 IDPs, representing 3 per cent of the total IDP population in Sudan. IDPs in Aj Jazirah were observed across 1,762 locations in eight different localities. The majority of IDPs were recorded in Al Manaquil (32%), Al Qurashi (25%), and Al Kamlin (20%).

Approximately half (49%) of IDPs in Aj Jazirah were originally displaced from other locations within Aj Jazirah, while half (49%) were originally displaced from Khartoum. Less than one per cent were reportedly displaced from White Nile, Blue Nile, or Sennar.

Aj Jazirah represented the fourth most common state of origin among all IDPs in Sudan: an estimated 7 per cent (816,956 IDPs) of IDPs reportedly originated from Aj Jazirah state.

Displaced households in Aj Jazirah were hosted primarily with host families and communities (86%) or in schools and public buildings (12%). An estimated 2 per cent were sheltered in open areas or in forms of improvised shelter.

2. DTM regularly releases Early Warning Flash Alerts to report on incidents that triggered or may trigger sudden displacement, including armed clashes, attacks, or natural hazards. DTM released 465 flash alerts between 15 April 2023 - 30 October 2024. Flash alerts are published via the [DTM Sudan Mailing List](#).

State of Displacement	Locality of Displacement	# HHs	# IDPs	% IDPs
Gedaref	Al Fao	775	3,875	3%
Gedaref	Al Butanah	5,800	29,000	21%
Gedaref	Madeinat Al Gedaref	5,000	25,000	18%
Gedaref	Galabat Ash-Shargiah	3,000	15,000	11%
Gedaref	Wasat Al Gedaref	407	2,035	2%
Gedaref	Al Mafaza	361	1,805	1%
Gedaref	Ar Rahad	36	180	<1%
Kassala	Reifi Khashm Elgirba	100	500	<1%
Kassala	Halfa Aj Jadeedah	3,500	17,500	13%
Kassala	Reifi Nahr Atbara	4,500	22,500	17%
River Nile	Atbara	152	760	1%
River Nile	Al Matama	538	2,690	2%
River Nile	Shendi	2,340	11,700	9%
River Nile	Abu Hamad	38	190	<1%
River Nile	Barbar	198	990	1%
River Nile	Ad Damar	336	1,680	1%
Total		27,081	135,405	

Total per cent may not equal 100 due to rounding.

Table 2: IDPs Displaced from Aj Jazirah, 20 - 30 October 2024

## DISCLAIMER:

DTM Early Warning Flash Alerts provide preliminary estimates on displacement due to a specific incident. Figures may change pending on-going verification from DTM field teams and should not be understood as official figures. Figures in flash alerts therefore may or may not be indicative of broader displacement dynamics. For more granular information on displacement and mobility in Sudan, see [Sudan Mobility Update \(10\)](#).

DTM Sudan is a suite of methodological tools which aims to track and monitor displacement. DTM collects primary data, with a focus on providing the best estimates for support of the wider humanitarian community. See [DTM Methodological Note](#).

