

FLASH REPORT #98: POPULATION DISPLACEMENT

North-west/North-central Nigeria

18 - 24 APRIL 2022







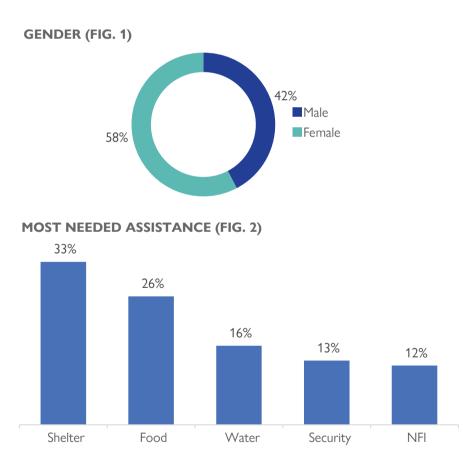
Movement Trigger: Armed attacks

OVERVIEW

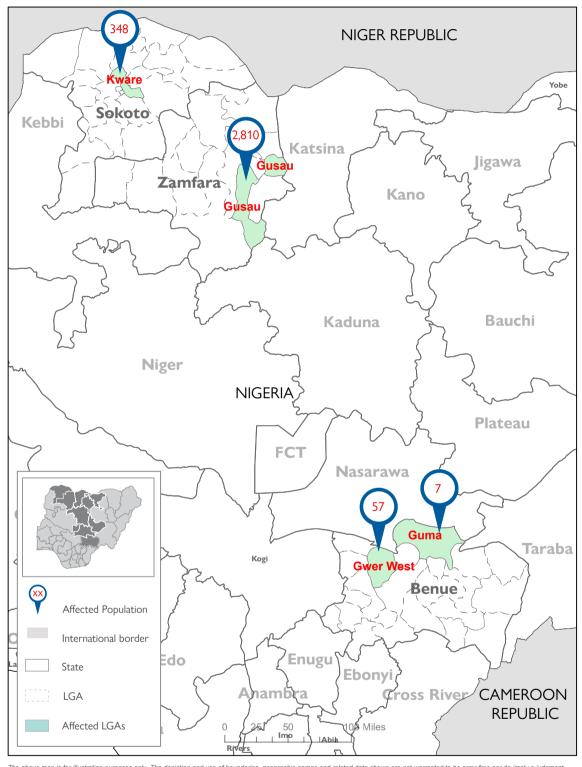
Nigeria's north-central and north-west zones are afflicted with a multidimensional crisis rooted in long-standing tensions between ethnic and religious groups and involves attacks by criminal groups and banditry/hirabah (such as kidnapping and grand larceny along major highways). During the past years, the crisis has accelerated because of the intensification of attacks and has resulted in widespread displacement across the region.

Between the 18th and 24th of April 2022, armed clashes and banditry have led to new waves of population displacement. Following these events, rapid assessments were conducted by DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) field staff to inform the humanitarian community and government partners, and 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.

During the assessment period, the DTM identified an estimated 3,222 individuals who were affected by the attacks. A total of 3,190 individuals were displaced to neighbouring wards in the LGAs Guma and Gwer West in Benue State, Kware in Sokoto State and Gusau in Zamfara State. A total of 72 casualties were reported, including 40 injuries and 32 fatalities.



AFFECTED LOCATIONS



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State	LGA	Cause of Incident	Number of Affected Households	Number of Affected Individuals	Casualties	Male	Female	Children	Number of Damaged Shelter
Benue	Guma	Attacks	1	7	0	3	4	2	2
Benue	Gwer West	Attacks	11	57	17	23	34	29	0
sokoto	Kware	Attacks	97	348	6	155	193	100	0
Zamfara	Gusau	Attacks	359	2,810	49	1,182	1,628	1,707	50
Grand Total			468	3,222	72	1,363	1,859	1,838	52

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