

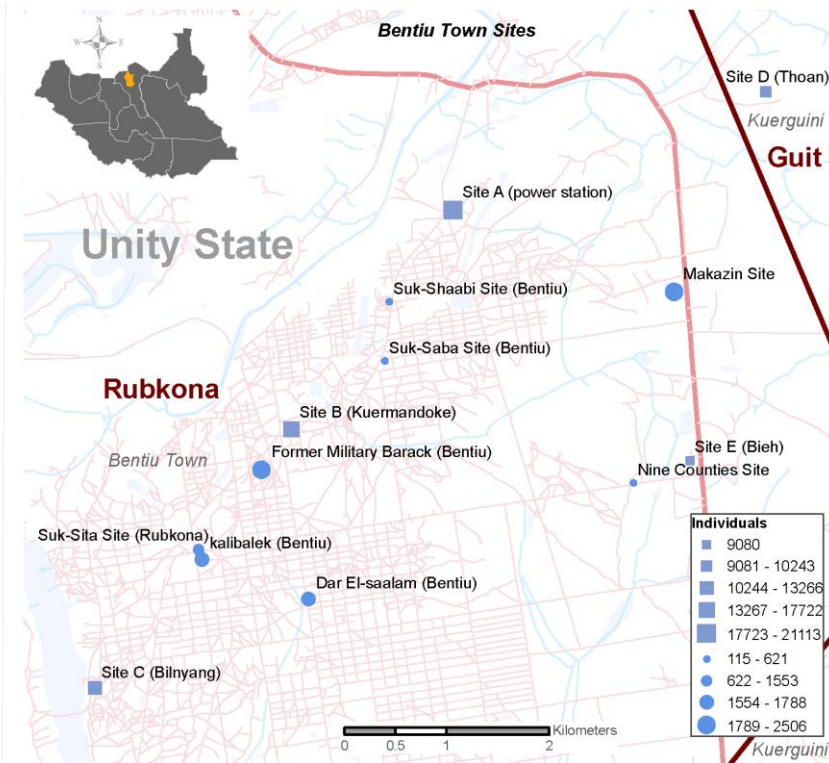
Data collection: March 2023

Population overview (March 2023): 71,424 individuals

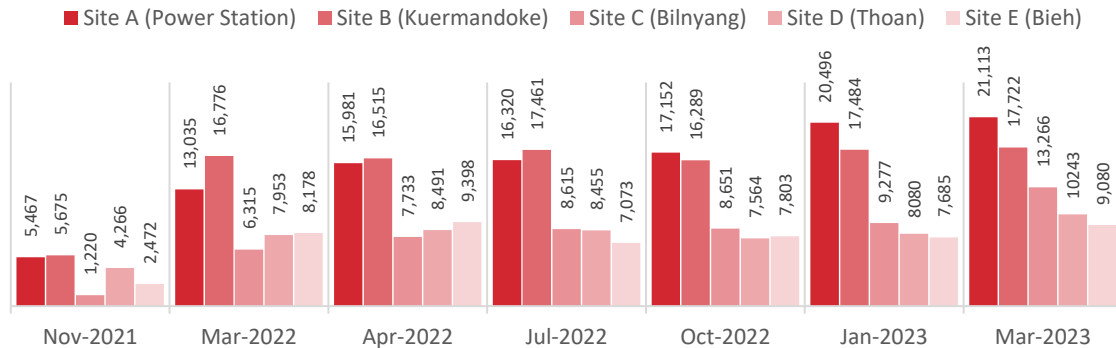
Unity State has been experiencing flooding since 2019 in the counties of Mayendit, Leer, Panyijiar, and Koch. As a result of the flooding in Guit and Rubkona in 2021, Bentiu Town Sites (A, B, C, D, and E) were formed in August 2021. In order to provide accurate information on the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), the International Organization for Migration's Displacement Tracking Matrix (IOM DTM) began conducting monthly population counts in November 2021, including questions on areas of habitual residence, areas of displacement, intentions to return or relocate and demographic information to inform partners.

As per March 2023 population count findings, the Bentiu Town Sites (A, B, C, D, and E) population stands at 71,424 individuals / 9,976 households (on average 7 individuals per households). This represents a twelve per cent decrease (8,402 individuals/887 households) compared to January 2023.

Between 1 February - 31 March 2023, Rapid Flow Monitoring (RFM) at points of entry in Bentiu Town Sites (A, B, C, D, and E) indicates a decrease in new arrivals (43%). Fifty-seven per cent were found leaving the sites. Most of the increased new arrivals during this period were recorded in Site C (62%), Site A (13%) and Site E (11%), most of whom came from locations within Unity State (99%), with Rubkona County (63%), Mayom (13). IDPs arriving at the sites travelled using boats (81%) or came by foot (11%), and other means (8%). *Due to late entry of new arrivals to the sites, the DTM team could not capture most of the new arrivals which led to the discrepancies between the RFM and the March population count.*



Monthly population trend at Bentiu Town Sites, November 2021 - March 2023*



*In December 2021, January, February, March, August, September, November, December (2022), and February (2023), IOM was unable to conduct population counts.

Collective Centres recorded in July – March 2023**

Site Name	No. HH	No. Inds
1 Makazin Site	343	2,506
2 Former Military Barack (Bentiu)	312	2,418
3 kalibalek (Bentiu)	227	1,788
4 Dar El-Saalam (Bentiu)	257	1,759
5 Suk-Sita Site (Rubkona)	202	1,553
6 Suk-Shaabi Site (Bentiu)	81	621
7 Nine Counties Site	99	501
8 Suk-Saba Site (Bentiu)	18	115

** Numbers not included in the overall population count.

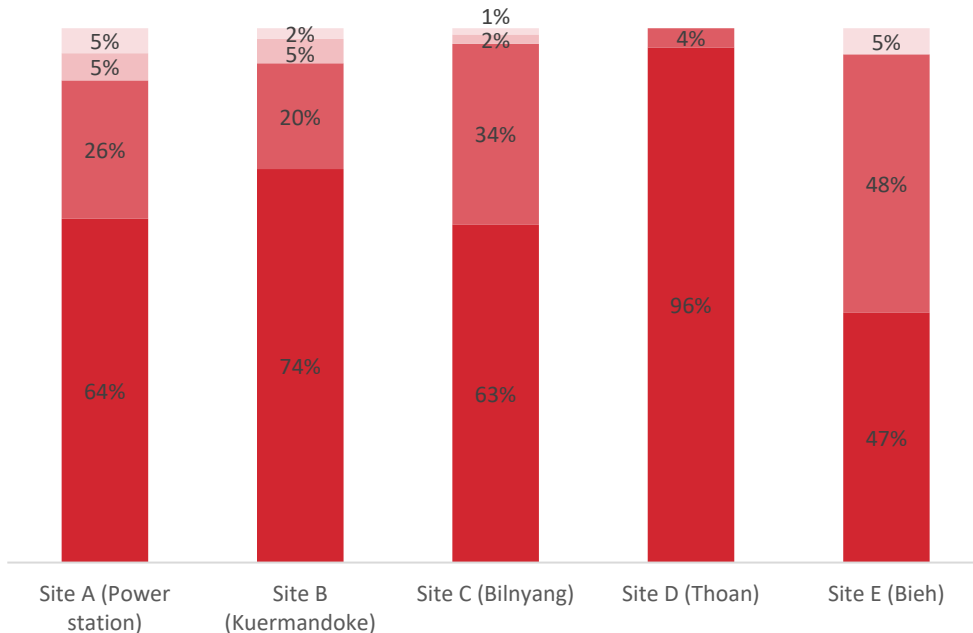


The population count findings for all sites indicate that 97 per cent of the IDPs were arriving from their place of habitual residence. Of these individuals, three per cent (2,055 ind.) intend to leave the sites (64% of those to the same place of origin) while 36% (1,942 ind.) of the IDPs arriving to locations other than their habitual residence.

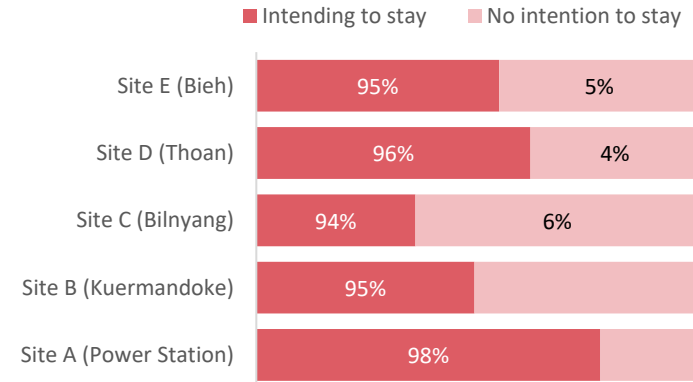
Respondents report the high likelihood of sites getting flooded (2,071 ind.) and a lack of service provision (799 ind.), Insecurity in the area (80) and family reunification (70 ind.), were the main reasons for IDPs intending to leave.

Main reasons for IDPs intending to leave the sites

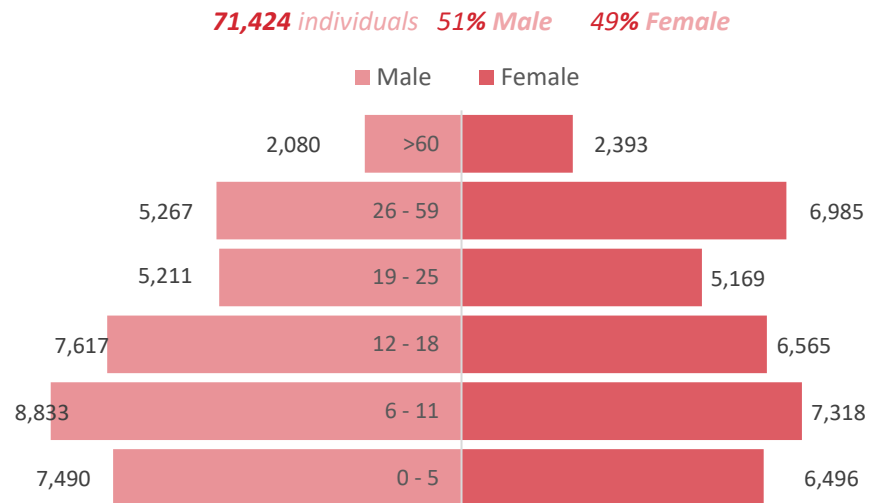
- The area is flooded/likely to get flooded
- Lack of service provision
- Insecurity in the area
- Family reunification



IDPs by their intention to stay at the sites (A, B, C, D and E)

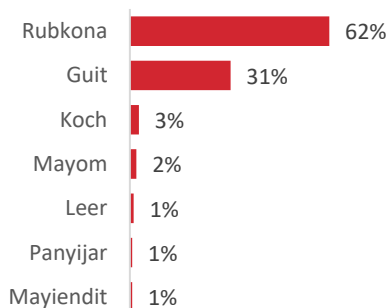


Bentiu Town Sites population by age and sex (March 2023)

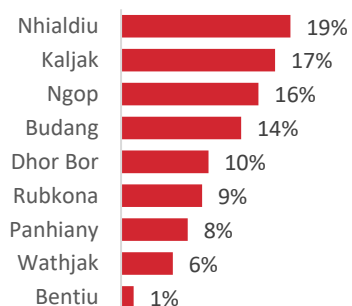




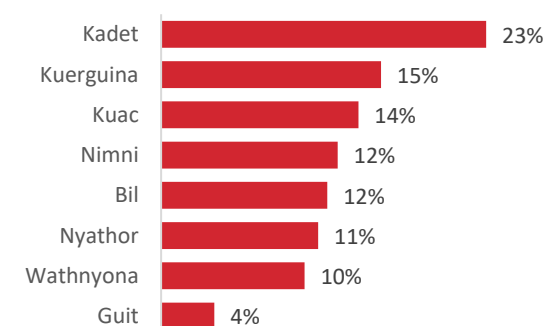
Population by county of displacement



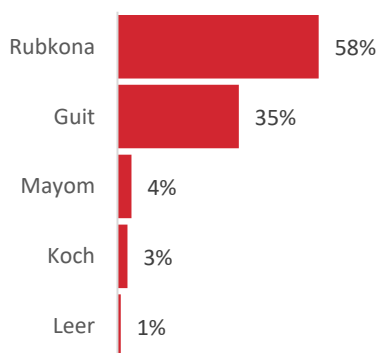
Population displaced from their Payam of origin from within Rubkona County



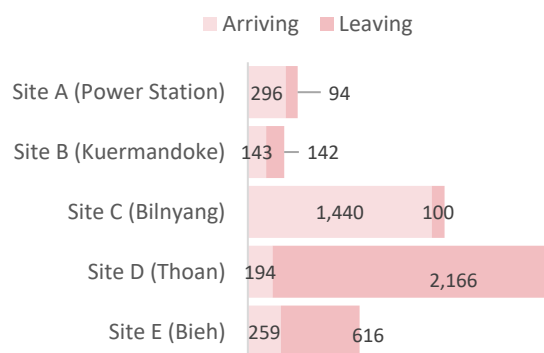
Population displaced from their Payam of origin in Guit County



County of destination for IDPs intending to leave the sites



Individuals interviewed through Rapid Flow Monitoring (RFM) entering and leaving the sites 1 February - 31 March 2023 [n = 5,450]



Means of transportation for ind. interviewed through Rapid Flow Monitoring (RFM) entering and leaving the sites 1 February - 31 March 2023 [n = 5,450]

