



UN staff on an assessment mission to Akobo, Ethiopia. Photo: WFP/Melese



World Food Programme

South Sudan Crisis Cross-Border Impact

Highlights

- South Sudanese continue to cross the border into Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia and Sudan. The situation remains unpredictable, even though the number of new arrivals has stabilized since the signing of the ceasefire agreement.
- Over 130,000 South Sudanese have arrived in neighbouring countries since mid-December and UNHCR projects that the number could rise to 260,000 by the end of the year.
- On 04 February in Nairobi, WFP and UNHCR held a joint donor briefing to present the needs related to the cross-border impact of the South Sudan crisis. WFP and UNHCR require US\$79 million and US\$40 million respectively to provide critical assistance for the next six months to the overall regional refugee caseload.

In numbers



>130,000 displaced across borders
>1,000 new arrivals daily
\$79 million needed for 6 months

Resourcing		
	6-month Shortfall US\$	6-month Shortfall %
Ethiopia Refugee PRRO	\$32m	63%
Kenya Refugee PRRO	\$30m	45%
Uganda Refugee PRRO	\$13m	55%
Sudan EMOP*	\$3.5m	N/A

* Needs for new South Sudanese refugees only.

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Situation Update

Uganda. Since mid-December, over 63,000 refugees have entered Uganda from South Sudan. The daily number of new arrivals is considerably lower following the signing of the ceasefire agreement in South Sudan. WFP provides high-energy biscuits upon arrival, cooked meals at reception centres and monthly food rations to those who have settled. Congestion at reception and transit centres is a challenge and efforts are being made to enhance resettlement capacity.

WFP supports approximately 260,000 refugees in Uganda. UNHCR projects that new arrivals from South Sudan may rise to 100,000 by the end of the year.

Kenya. More than 14,000 refugees from South Sudan have crossed the border into Kenya since mid-December. With global acute malnutrition rates at 14 percent, around the emergency threshold, the nutritional status among newly arrived children is of serious concern. To address the situation, WFP provides supplementary food products to children in reception centres until they can be enrolled in regular nutrition specific programmes. WFP provides high-energy biscuits at border crossing points, cooked meals at reception centres and dry rations in camps. WFP supports approximately 490,000 refugees in Kenya. UNHCR projects that new arrivals from South Sudan may rise to 50,000 by the end of the year.

Ethiopia. The number of refugees arriving from South Sudan since mid-December has reached 29,000. The relocation to Lietchor continues, even though at a slower pace than initially expected. WFP provides high-energy biscuits on arrival and dry food rations thereafter. Food has been prepositioned for efficient delivery and distribution.

WFP supports approximately 450,000 refugees in Ethiopia. UNHCR projects that new arrivals from South Sudan may rise to 60,000 by the end of the year.

Sudan. Over 23,000 people have crossed the border from South Sudan into Sudan since mid-December. WFP is assisting 10,500 new arrivals and a verification exercise is expected to increase the number in need of assistance. WFP supports UNHCR with transport of non-food items and provides warehousing in affected areas.

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