

## **United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS)**

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## **POC UPDATE**

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## UNMISS "Protection of Civilians" (PoC) Sites

As of 11 April 2019, a total of number of civilians seeking safety in six Protection of Civilians (PoC) sites located on UNMISS bases is **176,865** including 100,441 in Bentiu, 29,190 in Malakal, 30,882 in Juba UN House, 2,126 in Bor, and 14,226 in the area adjacent to UNMISS in Wau ".

Region	Location	Number of Civilians Seeking Protection
Central Equatoria	UN House PoC I & III	30,882
Unity	Bentiu	100,441
Upper Nile	Malakal	29,190
Jonglei	Bor	2,126
Area Adjacent to	AA	14,226
UNMISS in Wau	AA	14,220
TOTAL		176,865

**Source:** The figures reported are based on Biometric Registration conducted by IOM in UN House POC sites (October 2018), Bor (September 2018), and the headcounts conducted in Wau Adjacent Area (March 2019), Bentiu (February 2019) and DRC headcount for Malakal (October 2018). The change in numbers (e.g. Bor POC, Juba POC1, Juba POC3) from the previous weeks reflects deactivation exercises undertaken in the context of a joint WFP-IOM collaboration, whereby beneficiary households who do not show up for three consecutive food distributions are marked as no longer present/eligible for assistance. As such, the significant reduction in numbers does not reflect a recent outflow from the POC sites, but rather people who moved away a considerable time ago. Deactivations will henceforth continue a monthly basis for any beneficiary household that has not shown up for three consecutive food distribution rounds. Whereas increase in numbers may be a result of IDPs presenting themselves during a general food registration but may reside outside the POC sites. Wau POC 1 was successfully closed on 1 April 2019 after all the IDPs were successfully supported to return to their various communities across the country.

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