

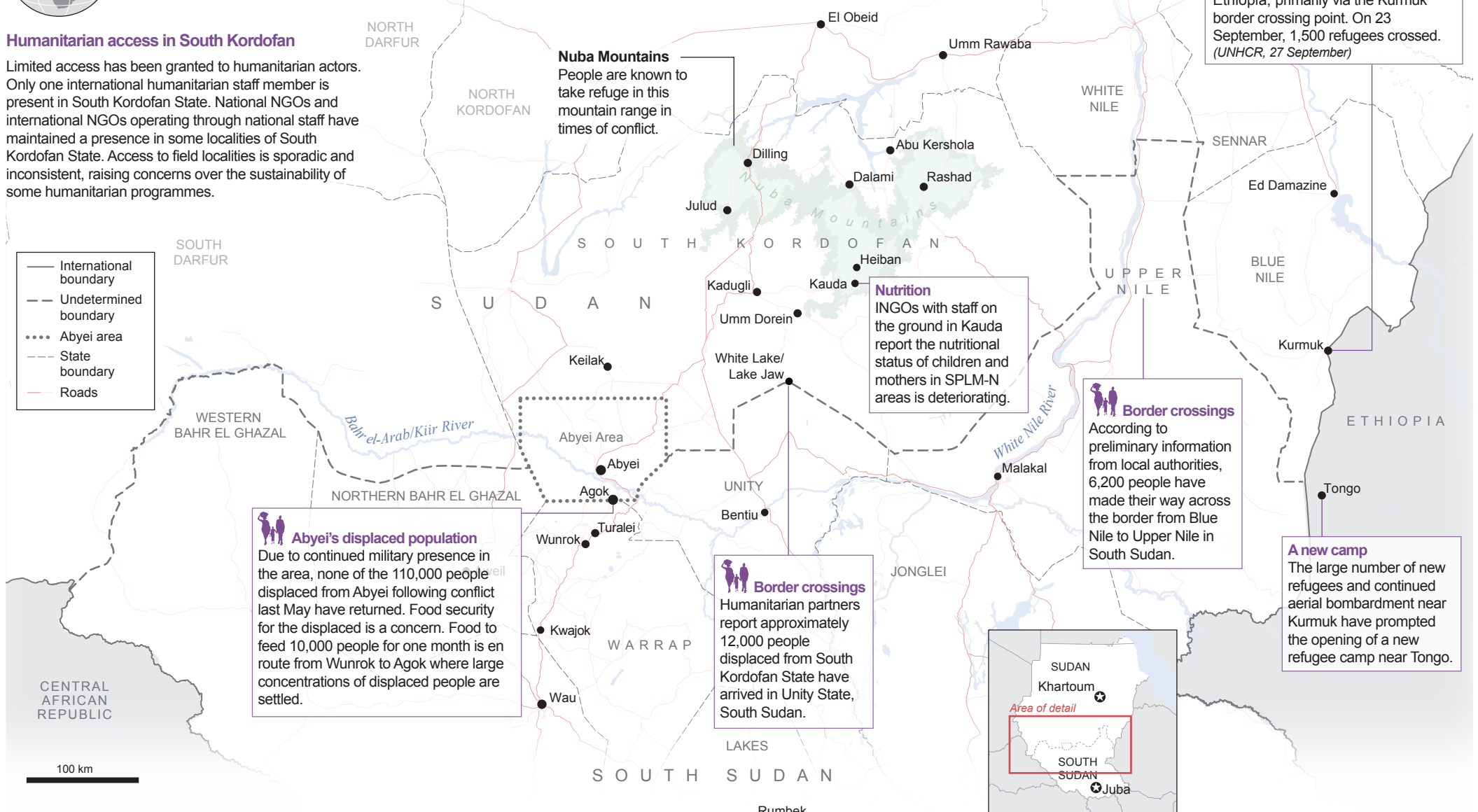


Ongoing conflict between Sudanese Armed Forces and the Sudanese People's Liberation Movement - North (SPLM-N) has led to new displacements and refugees from South Kordofan and Blue Nile states. UNHCR now reports 27,500 refugees have crossed into Ethiopia, prompting the opening of a new refugee camp.

**27,500**  
Sudanese refugees have entered Ethiopia, primarily via the Kurmuk border crossing point. On 23 September, 1,500 refugees crossed. (UNHCR, 27 September)

### Humanitarian access in South Kordofan

Limited access has been granted to humanitarian actors. Only one international humanitarian staff member is present in South Kordofan State. National NGOs and international NGOs operating through national staff have maintained a presence in some localities of South Kordofan State. Access to field localities is sporadic and inconsistent, raising concerns over the sustainability of some humanitarian programmes.



- International boundary
- - - Undetermined boundary
- ..... Abyei area
- - - State boundary
- Roads

**Nuba Mountains**  
People are known to take refuge in this mountain range in times of conflict.

**Nutrition**  
INGOs with staff on the ground in Kauda report the nutritional status of children and mothers in SPLM-N areas is deteriorating.

**Border crossings**  
According to preliminary information from local authorities, 6,200 people have made their way across the border from Blue Nile to Upper Nile in South Sudan.

**Abyei's displaced population**  
Due to continued military presence in the area, none of the 110,000 people displaced from Abyei following conflict last May have returned. Food security for the displaced is a concern. Food to feed 10,000 people for one month is en route from Wunrok to Agok where large concentrations of displaced people are settled.

**Border crossings**  
Humanitarian partners report approximately 12,000 people displaced from South Kordofan State have arrived in Unity State, South Sudan.

**A new camp**  
The large number of new refugees and continued aerial bombardment near Kurmuk have prompted the opening of a new refugee camp near Tongo.



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