

South Sudan annex to UNHCR Press Release

“With 1 human in every 113 affected, forced displacement hits record high”

Refugees in South Sudan

By the end of 2015, South Sudan was home to 263,000 refugees, originating from Sudan (241,002), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (15,916), Central African Republic (1,882) and Ethiopia (4200). The Sudanese are mainly found in Unity and Upper Nile State, while the Congolese, Ethiopians, and refugees from CAR are mainly in Central and Western Equatoria, with some Ethiopians living in Jonglei State. Compared to the end of 2014, the refugee population in South Sudan increased by 15,000 people.

Number of refugees in South Sudan per 1 USD GDP (PPP) per capita

Comparing the size of a refugee population to the Gross Domestic Product (Purchasing Power Parity) - the GDP (PPP) per capita - provides the relative contribution and effort made by countries, in relation to their national economy. In 2015, the 30 countries with the largest number of refugees per 1 US D GDP (PPP) per capita were all members of developing regions, South Sudan was the seventh country with the highest number of refugees in relation to its national economy during the year, hosting 137 refugees per 1 USD GDP (PPP) per capita.

Number of refugees in South Sudan compared to the population size

In South Sudan there were 21 refugees per 1,000 inhabitants by the end of 2015.

Refugee children in South Sudan

By the end of 2015, 67 percent of refugees in South Sudan were children, compared to 60 percent in 2014.

Internally displaced people in South Sudan

The number of IDPs at the end of 2015 was estimated at 1.69 million, compared to 1.5 million at the end of 2014 - nearly 200,00 more IDPs in the course of 12 months.

Refugee outflows from South Sudan

With 162,100 people fleeing in 2015, South Sudan was the country with third-largest number of newly displaced refugees, after Syria and Burundi.

South Sudanese refugees

With 778,629 South Sudanese refugees worldwide, by the end of 2015 South Sudan was the second largest source country of refugees in Africa after Somalia (1.2 million) and the fourth largest source country of refugees worldwide, after Syria, Afghanistan and Somalia. A large majority of refugees originating from South Sudan were hosted by Ethiopia (281,500), Uganda (199,400), Sudan (194,400), and Kenya (95,700).

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