

# FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION SNAPSHOT

May 2023

## Food security



**83.5 million** people in need of urgent food assistance in 11 countries across the region

**63.4 million** people in Crisis or worse levels of acute food insecurity (IPC<sup>1</sup> Phase 3+) in 10 countries covered by the IPC

**50.1 million** people in Crisis (IPC Phase 3)

**13.3 million** people in Emergency (IPC Phase 4)

**83,350** people in Catastrophe (IPC Phase 5)

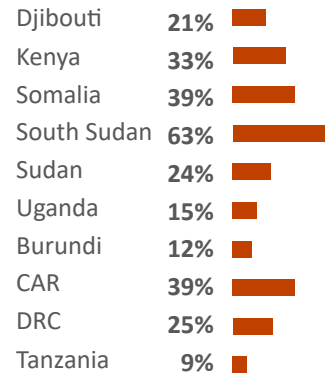
An additional **89.3 million** people in Stressed (IPC Phase 2)

Country	Crisis (IPC Phase 3)	Emergency (IPC Phase 4)	Catastrophe (IPC Phase 5)	Crisis or worse (IPC Phase 3+)
Djibouti	164,077	85,872		249,949
Kenya	4,213,529	1,224,686		5,438,215
Somalia	4,688,500	1,854,380	40,350	6,583,230
South Sudan	4,822,000	2,899,000	43,000	7,764,000
Sudan	8,549,970	3,103,098		11,653,068
Uganda	1,050,595	50,925		1,101,520
<b>IGAD Total</b>	<b>23,488,671</b>	<b>9,217,961</b>	<b>83,350</b>	<b>32,789,982</b>
Burundi	1,353,000	51,000		1,404,000
CAR	1,766,459	621,627		2,388,086
DRC	22,459,941	3,380,803		25,840,744
Tanzania	990,097			990,097
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,058,168</b>	<b>13,271,391</b>	<b>83,350</b>	<b>63,412,909</b>

Source: IPC

**Ethiopia**  
20.1 million people are targeted for food assistance<sup>2</sup>

### Prevalence of acute food insecurity



Source: IPC

## Sudan

Ongoing clashes are expected to drive a **further deterioration in the food security situation**, with **19.9 million people projected to be food insecure** through September 2023 if the conflict continues<sup>3</sup>



**866** civilian deaths  
**6,000** people injured across the country<sup>4</sup>

**2.1 million** newly or secondarily displaced people<sup>5</sup>  
**Disruption of livelihoods and destruction of critical infrastructure**



**Disruption of imports and internal trade flows**  
**Shortage of basic commodities and soaring food prices**

**Darfur and Khartoum** remain the most affected though the fighting is quickly spreading across the country

## Nutrition



**Kenya**  
**970,215** wasted children, 242,567 of them severely so

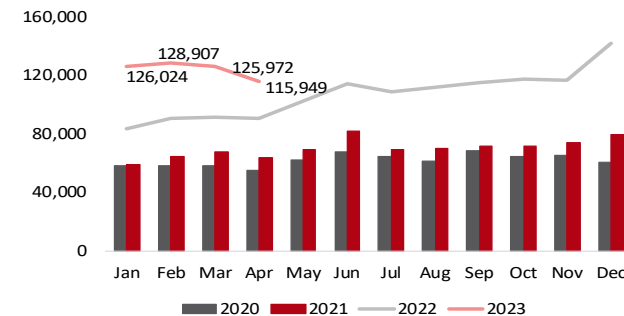
**Somalia**  
**1.8 million** wasted children, 478,000 of them severely so

**South Sudan**  
**1.4 million** wasted children, 345,893 of them severely so

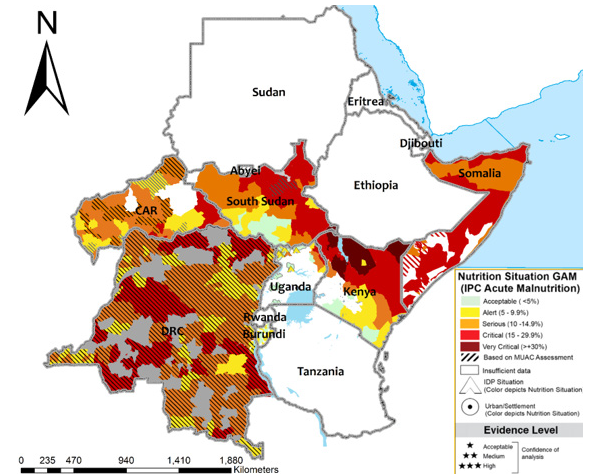
**Sudan**  
**Over 3 million** wasted children, 690,000 of them severely so

Severe acute malnutrition (SAM) admissions in the HoA remain significantly higher compared to the last three years

### SAM admission trends in Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia



Source: UNICEF



Source: IPC

1. The IPC is a set of standardised tools used to classify the severity of food insecurity using a five-phase scale, that is, Minimal (IPC Phase 1), Stressed (IPC Phase 2), Crisis (IPC Phase 3), Emergency (IPC Phase 4), and Catastrophe or Famine (IPC Phase 5)

2. OCHA, Ethiopia 2023 Humanitarian Response Plan, February 2023

3. OCHA, Sudan Revised Humanitarian Response Plan, May 2023

4. OCHA, Sudan Humanitarian Update, 16 June 2023

5. As of 15 June 2023 (UNHCR)

## Displacement



**5 million** refugees and asylum seekers<sup>6</sup>

**11.81 million** internally displaced persons (IDPs)<sup>6</sup>

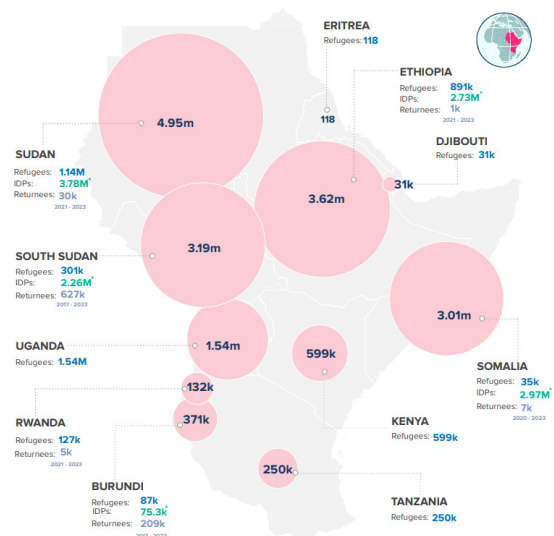
**42,321** returnees in 2023<sup>6</sup>

**Displacement due to weather extremes**

**2.7 million** IDPs due to the 2020-23 drought across Ethiopia, Kenya and Somalia<sup>7</sup>

**410,343** IDPs due to floods in Somalia between 01 January-24 May 2023<sup>7</sup>

### Displaced populations as of 30 April 2023



Source: UNHCR

### Sudan<sup>8</sup>

As of 15 June, 2.1 million people had been forcibly displaced in Sudan since 15 April 2023, including 1.67 million IDPs and about 480,000 refugees and asylum seekers

#### Refugee arrivals from Sudan by population and gender as of 15 June 2023<sup>8</sup>

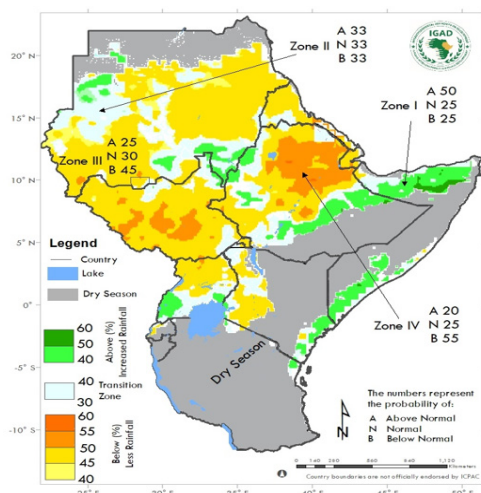
	Sudanese	Returnees	Other nationalities
Egypt	210,000		5,600
South Sudan	5,900	109,800	3,000
Chad	116,000		
CAR	10,400	4,700	
Ethiopia	4,100	220	7,700



Female 53% Male 47%

## Climate

### Rainfall outlook for June-September (JJAS) 2023



Source: ICPAC

- Between June and September 2023, drier than normal conditions are forecast over most parts of Sudan, South Sudan, central to northern Uganda, western Kenya, Ethiopia, Djibouti and Eritrea.
- Meanwhile, wetter than usual conditions are forecast over northern and southern coastal parts of Somalia, south-eastern Ethiopia, cross-border areas of Ethiopia-South Sudan-Sudan, and coastal Kenya.
- During the same period, warmer than average temperatures are expected over the whole region, with higher probabilities over northern Sudan, parts of Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya and Tanzania.
- El Niño conditions, associated with drier conditions in the northern parts of the region during the JJAS season and wetter conditions in the equatorial parts during the October-December (OND) season, are forecast to persist during the last half of 2023 into early 2024<sup>9</sup>.

### Humanitarian response

#### Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) funding by country (million USD) as of 23 May 2023

Country	Required	Funded	Funded (%)
Ethiopia	3,990	881.9	22.1%
Kenya	4,518	95.1	21.1%
Somalia	2,600	657.9	25.3%
South Sudan	1,700	465.1	27.4%
Sudan (Revised)	2,570	317.3	12.4%

Source: OCHA

- Countries also received funding outside the HRPs
- Generally, the humanitarian response in the region remains underfunded

### Recommendations

- Immediate, coordinated and multi-sectoral life-saving assistance in areas with populations in Crisis or worse (IPC Phase 3+).
- Multi-sectoral life-saving assistance and protection in areas of hostilities in Sudan, and areas that have received displaced populations from the country.
- Rapid scale-up of nutrition interventions to treat malnutrition cases and prevent a deterioration in the overall nutrition situation. In addition, mass screening exercises should be prioritised and nutrition services expanded to low-coverage areas.
- Scale up of livelihood programmes to support recovery and return to self-reliance for households recovering from drought.

6. UNHCR, Regional Dashboard, 30 April 2023

7. IOM

8. UNHCR, Sudan Emergency, June 2023

9. CPC et al. El Niño Advisory, June 2023