

UNMISS Bentiu PoC Update

Displacement Tracking and Monitoring : 14 - 20 November 2015



Internally displaced persons (IDPs) continued to arrive at the UN Mission in South Sudan's protection of civilians (PoC) site in Bentiu, the capital of Unity State at the same pace as the week before though marked variation was noted in their places of origin.

While the key push factor continued to be food insecurity, the recent fighting in the southern part of Rubkona County also contributed to the change in trend.

A total of 1,621 individuals arrived at the PoC between 14 to 20 November 2015, which is nearly the same as the 1,623 new arrivals that had come in the week before, taking the overall population of the PoC to 127,253 individuals or 33,424 households.

During Focused Group Discussions carried out by DTM, majority (96 per cent) of new arrivals stated that they came to the PoC seeking food (minor decrease of less than one per cent from the week before). Insecurity was cited as the second main cause of movement by the remaining four per cent of the new IDPs.

While there was no change in number of new arrivals movement when compared to last week, marked variation was noted in the places of origin of the new arrivals. Notably, in comparison to last week, more IDPs came from Rubkona County and lesser numbers came from Leer County though it continued to be the leading source of origin for most IDPs. As against the 51.5 per cent or 836 individuals that came in the week before, this week 39.3 per cent or 636 individuals came from Leer County.

Rubkona County followed Leer with 27.9 per cent or 452 individuals coming from there which is a significant increase in comparison to the 18.5 per cent or 301 individuals that came last week. This is primarily because of the fighting in Nhialdu region of Rubkona County.

Koch County with 15.3 per cent or 247 individuals showed a slight increment from last week's 14.2 per cent or 230 individuals and Mayendit County contributed 10 per cent or 162 individuals, again a slight decrease compared with last week's 11.8 per cent or 192 individuals. Ninety six individuals or 5.9 per cent of new arrivals came from Guit County which shows a slight increase from the 3.9 per cent or 63 individuals that came last week and the remaining 1.5 per cent of new arrivals came from Mayom and Panyijiar counties (*see Map*).

Map of displacement counties

