Renk Road Monitoring

Renk County, Upper Nile State, South Sudan

South Sudan Displacement Crisis

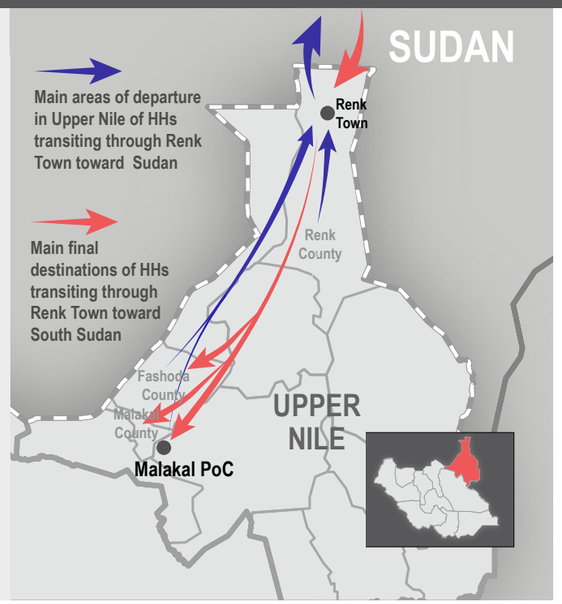
March 2018

CONTEXT AND METHODOLOGY

Renk Town is located in Renk County, Upper Nile State, near South Sudan's border with Sudan. Since independance in 2011, Renk has become a major destination and transit point for returnees from Sudan and, since the beginning of the current conflict in 2013, for internally displaced persons (IDPs) fleeing conflict in Upper Nile State.

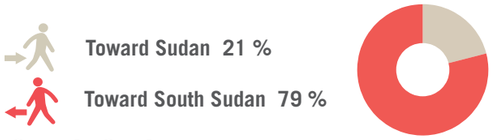
This factsheet provides results from the REACH road monitoring exercise in Renk Town, Renk County. REACH monitors one entry point in Renk to record the arrivals and departures of South Sudanese returnee and IDP households (HHs) on a daily basis. Daily data is synthesized into a monthly factsheet to provide an overview of wider movement trends, including push/pull factors and intentions.

The following findings are based on primary data collected throughout March 2018, during which 26 departing HHs (104 individuals) and 70 arriving HHs (386 individuals) and 122 transiting HHs (689 individuals) were recorded. Enumerators interviewed respondents who were arriving in and departing from Sukjima bus station. Travellers interviewed by REACH in March were all going to and from Sudan. Respondents were selected based on pre-survey questions on motives of travel to ensure that only displaced people or returnees were interviewed.[1] Not all entry points to Renk Town were covered systematically, and most arrivals reportedly took place after data collection hours (9:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m). As such, the data presented in this factsheet is not representative, rather indicative of movement trends for the assessed population.



TRANSITS VIA RENK TOWN

56% of the total traffic recorded in Renk Town.[1]



Toward Sudan

Previous location

3 primary areas of most recent long term location of HHs transiting to Sudan:

Malakal PoC	27 %
Renk County	27 %
Fashoda County	15 %

Push factors from previous location

3 primary push factors reported by HHs transiting to Sudan:

Distance from family	31 %
Lack of healthcare services	31 %
No job	15 %

Intended destination

3 primary intended areas of destination in Sudan for transiting HHs:

Al Waral Refugee Camp	31 %
Al Alagaya Refugee Camp	19 %
Al Redis I Refugee Camp	8 %

Pull factors

3 primary pull factors reported by arriving HHs for transiting to areas in Sudan:

Proximity to family	38 %
Presence of healthcare services	23 %
Presence of education services	15 %

Toward South Sudan

3 primary areas of most recent long term location of HHs transiting to South Sudan:

Al Redis II Refugee Camp	34 %
Al Waral Refugee Camp	16 %
El Kashafa Refugee Camp	15 %

3 primary push factors reported by HHs transiting to South Sudan:

Distance from family	39 %
Lack of food	28 %
Lack of education services	11 %

3 primary intended areas of destination in South Sudan for transiting HHs:

Malakal PoC	65 %
Malakal County	14 %
Fashoda County	6 %

3 primary pull factors reported by HHs transiting to South Sudan:

Proximity to family	41 %
Presence of shelter	20 %
Presence of food distribution	13 %

ARRIVALS TO RENK TOWN

32% of the total traffic recorded in Renk Town.

Demographic

43% of the total arriving HHs are partial HHs.[2]

Previous location

3 primary areas of most recent long term location of HHs arriving from Sudan:

Other settlements in White Nile	27 %
Al Redis II Refugee Camp	21 %
El Kashafa Refugee Camp	14 %

Pull factors

3 primary pull factors reported by arriving HHs for coming to Renk Town:

Proximity to family	29 %
Presence of shelter	26 %
Presence of education services	17 %

Intended duration of stay

Reported length of time that arriving HHs intend to stay in Renk Town:

Less than a month	0 %
From 1 to 3 months	1 %
From 4 to 6 months	6 %
More than 6 months	7 %
Permanently	80 %
Not sure / no answer	6 %

Vulnerabilities

Proportion of HHs reporting a member with the following vulnerabilities:[3]

Breastfeeding woman	51 %
Pregnant woman	31 %
Malnourished child	17 %

DEPARTURES FROM RENK TOWN

12% of the total traffic recorded in Renk Town.

27% of the total departing HHs are partial HHs.

Intended destination

3 primary intended areas of destination in Sudan for departing HHs:

Al Alagaya Refugee Camp	16 %
Al Waral Refugee Camp	16 %
Al Redis II Refugee Camp	8 %

Push factors

3 primary push factors reported by departing HHs for leaving Renk Town:

Distance from family	46 %
Lack of health services	31 %
Lack of food	12 %

Reported length of time that departing HHs intend to stay at destination:

Less than a month	19 %
From 1 to 3 months	31 %
From 4 to 6 months	15 %
More than 6 months	23 %
Permanently	12 %
Not sure / no answer	0 %

Breastfeeding woman	23 %
Pregnant woman	19 %
Critically ill	15 %

Notes:
1. These are indicative trends; REACH does not record all arrivals and departures.
2. "Partial" HHs in the sense that not all members of the HH are travelling.
3. Respondents could choose more than one answer.

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