



CENTRAL AFRICA REPUBLIC

QUARTERLY FACTSHEET

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HIGHLIGHTS

289,380

IDPs reached out by protection monitoring in 30 sub prefectures in 2015

21,722

IDP families and 2,545 returnee families received Core Relief Items (CRI) kits in 2015

713

GBV survivors received in listening centers in 15 localities benefited from psychosocial support and medical referrals in addition to income generating activities for the most vulnerable.

349

Local authorities in 5 critical localities in CAR in addition to 10,693 IDPs were trained and sensitized in housing, land and property rights.

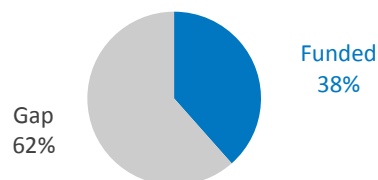
Population of concern

A total of **385,864** people of concern

	Total PoC
IDPs	378,425
Congolese Refugees	4,631
Sudanese Refugees	1,943
Refugees (various)	466
Asylum seekers	399
Total	385,864

Requirements/Funding

51,415,889 USD million requested



UNHCR Presence

Staff: 103 national staff and 38 International staff

Offices: 7 Offices in Bangui, Bouar, Bossangoa Bambari, Kaga Bandoro, Zemio and Paoua

WORKING WITH PARTNERS

- UNHCR works with 12 partners in the Central Africa Republic of which 11 international NGOs and one governmental partner. 2 international NGOs are dedicated to refugee programme and 10 partners dedicated to IDP programme. The government partner, the National Refugee Commission, works on the refugee and spontaneous returns programmes.
- UNHCR leads 2 clusters in CAR, namely the Protection and the merged Shelter/NFI/Camp Coordination Camp Management (CCCM) clusters. The clusters are active in the capital and the provinces. There are currently 5 regional Protection Clusters in Bossangoa, Bouar, Kaga Bandoro, Paoua and Bambari in addition to the NFI/shelter and CCCM working groups in the 4 localities. Within this context, UNHCR coordinates the work of more than 70 members from UN agencies, national and international NGOs as well as Government institutions.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection of Internally Displaced People

As of 8 September, the protection monitoring teams of UNHCR and its partners in 30 sub prefectures have reached out to 1,202,705 people affected by conflict of whom 289,380 IDPs to determine their security environment as well as their needs including vulnerabilities. The protection monitoring teams collect data of population movements to feed the population movements system in CAR. Several activities were implemented to respond to the recommendations made by protection monitoring teams. Among the main results are the following:

- As of 8 September, capacity building activities in advocacy, community mobilization, GBV protection and human rights, targeted 206 members of the 33 protection committees in 15 localities in CAR. These trainings have enabled committees to conduct or help conduct 660 sensitization sessions on protection and the promotion of human rights, prevention and management of gender based violence GBV, children's rights, IDPs guiding principles reaching out to 30,585 people including IDPs, local authorities and returnees.
- The Protection committees have referred 1868 people of which 713 GBV survivors to listening centers in 15 localities. GBV survivors receive psychological and financial support through income generating activities for the most vulnerable as well as medical referrals and child protection referrals.
- As of 31 August, a total of 284 women (including 126 GBV survivors) in 28 associations in Nana Gribizi, Kemo, Nana Mambere and Yaloke county have benefitted from income generating activities including agriculture, soap making, small restaurants, small shops, peanut butter production and cake baking.

■ As of 31 August, 12,658 spontaneous returns from Cameroon and Chad have been identified through 13 border points in Nana Mambere along the CAR border with Cameroon and Chad. The 1,983 spontaneous returnees identified in August 2015 reported that the main reason for return is voter registration. The National Refugee Commission tasked to register spontaneous returns since July 2015 in main return areas has registered 2,940 spontaneous returns in Nana Mambere and Nana Gribizi prefectures.



A group of women met by the joint Protection team in Domborou, a village near Yaloke, /August 2015. ©UNHCR

Shelter and CRIs for IDPs / Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM)

- As of 31 August, UNHCR CAR has distributed 21,722 core relief items (CRIs) kits composed of mats, plastic sheeting, jerry cans, kitchen sets and blankets to 119,373 displaced and returned people.
- Following UNHCR's successful reconstruction project implemented in 2014 with over 4,500 houses built or rehabilitated across CAR, UNHCR partnered with ACTED for the reconstruction of nearly 900 houses in Ouham Pende prefectures targeting vulnerable returned families. The beneficiary identification phase carried by community members is being finalized in the month of September. This will be followed by the distribution of reconstruction kits and the training of beneficiaries on construction best practices.

Through partnership with the Danish Refugee Council, UNHCR is in charge of the coordination and management of 37 IDP sites in CAR, representing 30% of the overall sites in CAR.

Durable Solutions

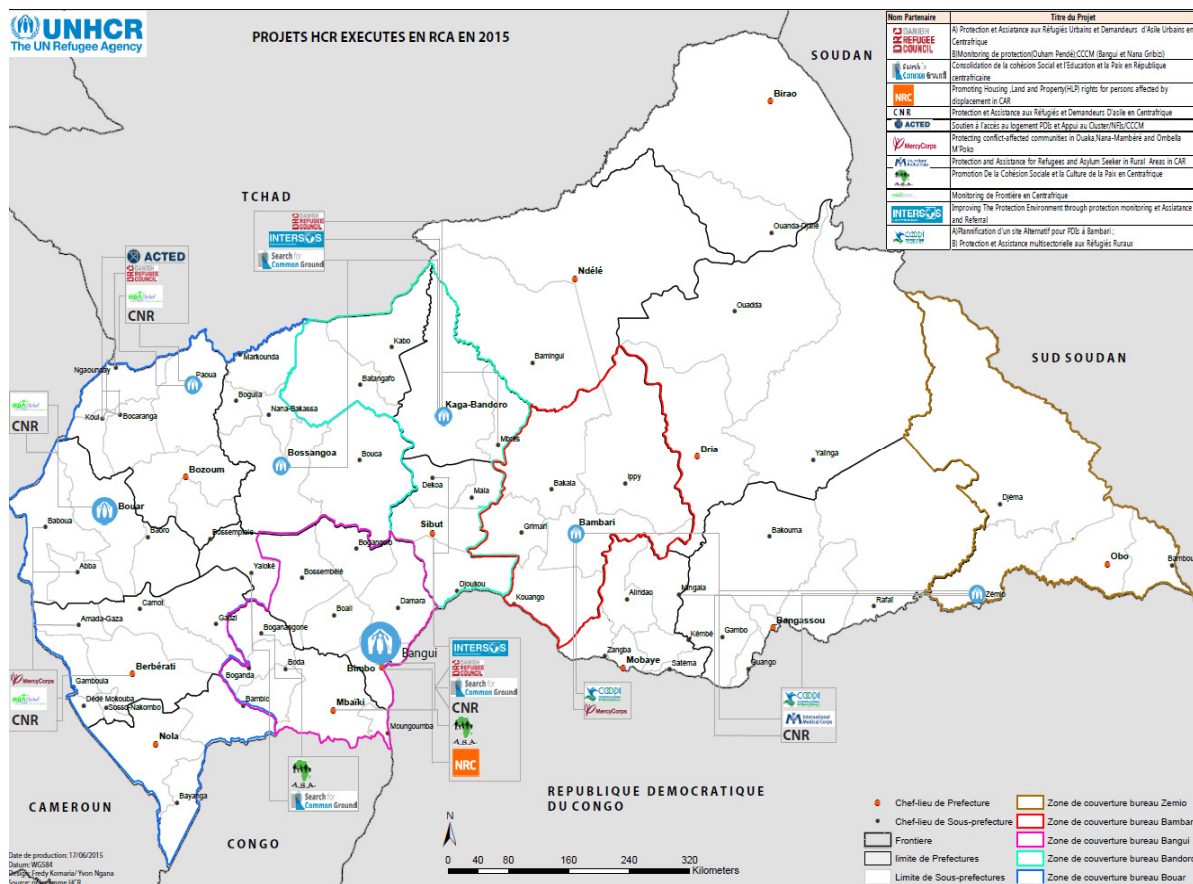
- Durable solution strategy: UNHCR has finalized the draft note on the guiding principles for return in CAR, pending endorsement by the Humanitarian Country Team. UNHCR and UNDP are putting in place a working group on return that will be tasked to operationalize the guiding principles by accompanying and coordinating all actions aiming at assisting return and reintegration of IDPs in CAR.
- **Social Cohesion activities:** during the reporting period, 43 journalists participated in 2 workshops on "protection and journalism" and "journalism and language in times of crisis". These sessions aimed at raising journalists' awareness on the management of rumours and inter communal tensions through their work in order to prevent fuelling violence and

conflict, and to contribute in the reporting of human rights violations in order to raise awareness of the population and to alert the civil society. The widespread violence has torn the social fabric of the Central African Republic. In order to restore dialogue between communities, UNHCR' has established peace communities, peace education programmes, community discussions and awareness raising activities such as participative theatre and radio programmes through its partnership with ASA and SFCG.

- **Housing, Land and Property rights:** Considering the scope of housing, land and property (HLP) destruction/deprivation especially at the peak of the CAR crisis, UNHCR has partnered with the Norwegian Refugee Council to prepare the ground for HLP restitution especially in the context of return. As of 31 August, 349 local authorities in 5 critical localities in CAR were trained in HLP rights and 10,693 IDPs CAR have been sensitized on procedures for housing, land and property restitution.
- **Repatriation:** 19 flights have conveyed 805 Congolese refugees back to the DR Congo Oriental province within the framework of the Zemio voluntary repatriation process which started on 3 August and ended on 7 September.

Multi sectorial assistance to Refugees

- UNHCR and its partners assisted about 7,439 refugees and Asylum seekers mostly from DRC, Sudan and Chad through protection and multi-sectorial assistance including healthcare, education and vocational trainings in Bangui as well as Bambari and Zemio camps.
- The security situation in Pladama Ouaka refugee camp in Bambari hosting Sudanese refugees remains of concern to UNHCR despite the securing of the camp by MINUSCA peacekeepers following several incidents. A relocation country for the 1,859 Sudanese refugees trapped in inter communal conflicts is being sought.



More info about the CAR situation including on <http://data.unhcr.org/car/regional.php>

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