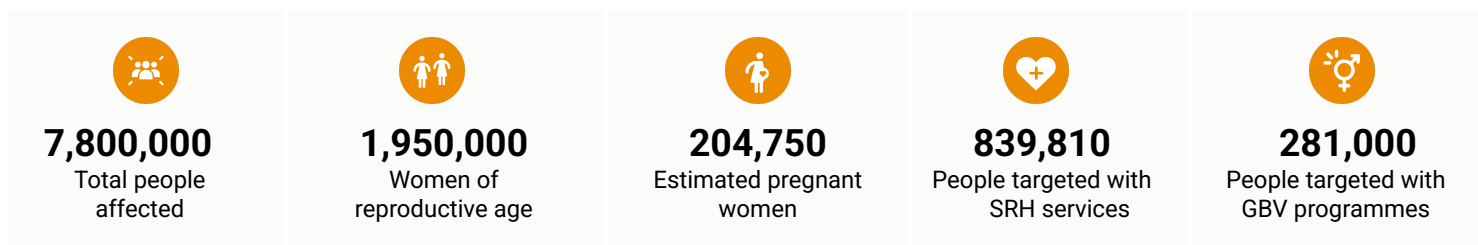


# Situation Report

Armed conflict in North-East Nigeria continues to place lives at risk

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## Key Figures



## Highlights

- Nearly 8 million people in Nigeria, including 1.95 million women of reproductive age, require humanitarian assistance due to conflict, food insecurity, lack of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services, limited education, and protection concerns. Women and girls in crisis settings face heightened vulnerability to gender-based violence.
- On January 31, 2025, the Borno State Government took significant steps toward closing IDP Camp Muna in Maiduguri.

- Non-State Armed Groups (NSAGs) continued their attacks, leading to deaths, injuries, and displacement. Violence in Zamfara and Borno State remained particularly severe, with reports of bomb explosions and civilian casualties.
- Millions of Nigerians remain internally displaced due to conflict and natural disasters, particularly in Borno State. To address long-term displacement, Benue State launched an action plan for IDP durable solutions on January 24, with UNFPA participating to mobilize partner support.
- On January 23, 2025, the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) for Nigeria was launched, addressing the ongoing crisis in Borno, Adamawa, and Yobe (BAY) states. Now in its fifteenth year, the crisis continues to have a profound impact on women and girls.
- The closure and relocation of IDP camps in Borno State demand a focus on durable solutions, coordinated by UNDP with UNFPA, to ensure safe and dignified returns for women and girls while maintaining their access to essential services.
- A UN High-Level Mission visited Bama, Borno State, ahead of the Fifth Lake Chad Basin Governors' Forum, held in Maiduguri from January 29-31. The forum aimed to foster regional dialogue and cooperation, addressing pressing challenges while working toward long-term stability and development.

## Situation Overview

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- **Borno State Camp Closure Plan:** On January 31, 2025, the Borno State Government made a significant stride in its initiative to close all IDP camps in the state by closing the Muna IDP camp in Maiduguri. This initiative, focused on returning displaced people to their communities, may positively impact women and girls by rebuilding social networks and support systems disrupted by displacement, improving safety, and access to livelihoods, and reducing the risk of exploitation, GBV, child marriage, and harmful practices such as FGM.
- **Crime and Violence:** In January, women and children were targeted in escalating violence in Borno and Zamfara. Zamfara saw a surge in kidnappings, with at least 200 people, mostly women and children, taken in Maru LGA and 46 abducted in Gana town.

## UNFPA Response

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To support women and girls in vulnerable situations, UNFPA has implemented targeted interventions in the following areas:

- 14,238 individuals received SRH services through UNFPA-supported facilities, including the clinical management of rape (CMR), antenatal and postnatal care, assisted births by skilled personnel, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and family planning.
- 11,873 individuals accessed protection and GBV services, including case management, mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS), temporary safe shelter, psychological first aid (PFA), security and legal support, and referrals to specialized services.

- 2,234 women and adolescent girls participated in skills acquisition sessions across the supported facilities.
- Through outreach and awareness campaigns led by frontline workers, UNFPA reached 9,621 community members with key messages on SRH and GBV, including family planning.

## Results Snapshots



**14,238**  
People reached with **SRH services**  
65% female, 35% male






**79**  
**Health facilities supported**



**11,873**  
People reached with **GBV prevention, mitigation, and response activities**  
82% female, 18% male



**48**  
**Safe Spaces for Women and Girls supported**

	300	Dignity kits distributed to individuals
	5	Youth spaces supported by UNFPA
	34	Reproductive health kits were provided to service delivery points to meet the needs of 8,569 individuals

## Coordination Mechanisms

### Sexual and Reproductive Health

The SRH Working Group meeting in Borno was held on January 28, 2025, co-led by the State Reproductive Health Coordinator and UNFPA. The main area of discussion is mapping SRH services in Borno and prioritizing resources to continue providing critical SRH/GBV services under the current developments.

### ♀ Gender-Based Violence

As the lead agency for the Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Area of Responsibility (AoR), UNFPA, in collaboration with key partners, continues to strengthen efforts to address GBV in the region. In January, the first GBV Sub-Sector (GBVSS) meeting of 2025 was held to mark the launch of HRP 2025 and review partner project proposal submissions. The GBV AoR is requesting \$20,458,819 to support interventions targeting 1,099,936 women and girls at risk of violence. The meeting also reviewed the 2024 GBV Sub-Sector dashboard, summarizing key trends, achievements, service gaps, funding, and partner contributions.

Discussions included a briefing from Not Weapons of War on their 2025 efforts to address conflict-related sexual violence, highlighting emerging trends, response strategies, and coordination mechanisms. Additionally, the GBV AoR and Child Protection AoR collaborated on their 2025 action plans, with a focus on improving services for vulnerable children, women, and adolescents. Key recommendations emphasized the need for caseworker training, harmonized case management tools, stronger referral pathways, and increased advocacy for funding, particularly for integrated services. Ensuring stronger coordination and survivor-centered interventions remains a priority as humanitarian needs grow.

### ✂ Other working groups led by UNFPA

UNFPA plays a key role in addressing the needs of vulnerable populations through its leadership and coordination efforts. As an active member of the Dignity Kit Task Force, UNFPA leads and supports initiatives to ensure essential resources reach those in need. Through the SRH Working Group, under the leadership of the State Ministry of Health, UNFPA also coordinates the Clinical Management of Rape Task Force, ensuring timely and effective care for survivors. Additionally, UNFPA supports Justice Sector Reform Teams across Borno, Adamawa, and Yobe (BAY) states, facilitating monthly coordination meetings to strengthen access to justice for GBV survivors.

## Funding Status

In 2025, UNFPA Nigeria will require US\$ 15,712,729 to fund its Humanitarian Response Plan, which focuses on delivering critical SRH and GBV services to vulnerable populations. As of January 2025, only 9.8 percent of the required funding had been mobilized, amounting to US\$ 1,534,540, with contributions from the Government of Canada, Japan, and the Government of Norway. This leaves a significant funding gap of 90.2 percent (US\$ 14,178,189) of UNFPA's humanitarian appeal, which jeopardizes UNFPA's ability to meet the needs of those most affected by ongoing humanitarian crises.

