



Situation Report #6

Humanitarian Crisis in CAR

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Key Figures



2,400,000
Total people
affected¹



576,000
Women of
reproductive age²



62,557
Estimated pregnant
women²



134,400
People targeted with
SRH services



188,160
People targeted with
GBV programmes

Highlights

- The humanitarian situation in the Central African Republic (CAR) remains unstable due to ongoing insecurity and conflict. Incursions by armed groups linked to the conflict in Sudan resulted in casualties

¹ [République centrafricaine: Besoins humanitaires et plan de réponse 2025.](#)

² Estimated figures are based on the Minimum Initial Services Package (MISP) for Sexual and Reproductive Health in Humanitarian Settings calculator.

and destruction within CAR. Insecurity is making it difficult to access affected people in Vakaga (in the far northeast of CAR, bordering both Sudan and Chad) as well as Kabo, Ouham-Fafa (northwestern near the border with Chad). The region hosts hundreds of thousands of internally displaced persons (IDPs) and refugees, and the insecurity is exacerbating the already precarious situation of women and children, whose access to basic social services remains severely limited.

- Torrential rains and strong winds resulted in flooding in the locality of Gbazara, near Batangafo, affecting 515 people from 103 households. Economic hardship from disrupted livelihoods and deepening food insecurity is impacting the population, especially in female-headed households.
- At the end of 2024, the President of CAR declared maternal and neonatal deaths a national emergency. To address this crisis, UNFPA is supporting the set up of quality maternity and neonatal services, conducting monitoring, and providing capacity-building to healthcare providers. From 24-26 June, 30 vital sexual and reproductive health (SRH) focal points from national and international organizations participated in a workshop led by UNFPA on the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) for reproductive health.
- In June, UNFPA mobilized US\$1 million via the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) underfunded to address gender-based violence (GBV) needs in the Zangba, Zémio, Rafai and Mboki zones. These zones are vulnerability 4 according to the JIAF 2.0, convergence and underfunded zones.

Situation Overview

- As of the end of June, the number of recorded people displaced in CAR includes 54,602 refugees and asylum seekers and 446,722 IDPs.³ Women and girls face heightened vulnerabilities as a result of displacement due to protection risks in overcrowded shelters, limited access to maternal care which increases the risk of maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality, and poor sanitation and lack of menstrual supplies can lead to increased risk of infections.
- Traditional chiefs and the MINUSCA protection system are putting mechanisms in place to reassure and facilitate the return of displaced persons.
- Since April, the Government of CAR has been negotiating with the two main non-state armed groups, the Coalition of Patriots for Change (CPC) and the Return, Reclamation, Rehabilitation (3R), with the aim of achieving a ceasefire. However, in-fighting within 3R in June is further complicating the peace process.
- On June 13, 2025, two young men were murdered in Terfel (Birao) during a robbery, causing panic and the displacement of 750 people, mainly women and children, from Guédé and Sissi to Birao.
- On June 26, an exploding transformer at a high school in Bangu triggered panic amongst students and led to stampede, killing at least 29 students and injuring hundreds more. Humanitarian actors, including some members of the GBV Area of Responsibility (AoR), mobilized to provide psychosocial support to the students and the families impacted.

UNFPA Response

In June, UNFPA and its implementing partners continued activities to strengthen SRH services and combat gender-based violence (GBV) among local populations:

³ [UNHCR. Operational Data Portal. IDPs in Central African Republic.](#)

GBV Prevention:

- **Community-level awareness-raising activities on GBV prevention** were attended by 3,620 people, including 1,586 women, 1,119 girls, 548 men, and 367 boys. The composition of participants reflects an inclusive and strategic approach to contribute to building a safer and more respectful environment for everyone.

SRH Services:

To enhance access to essential SRH services, supplies and medicines were delivered through nine health facilities, including four mobile clinics and five static clinics.

In total, 860 individuals directly benefited from these essential services, which included:

- **245 pregnant women received antenatal care**, ensuring crucial monitoring for maternal and child health before birth.
- **240 women benefited from postnatal consultation services**, providing vital support after delivery.
- **375 women and girls participated in menstrual health awareness sessions** organized as part of the international menstrual hygiene campaign. They also received dignity kits⁴, which were distributed at supported health facilities.

Women's Empowerment:

UNFPA, through its partners, supported 2,046 women and girls with psychosocial services and life skills activities at seven women and girls' safe spaces (WGSSs) in Bégoua-Liton, Bimbo, Birao, Bria, Léya, Mboko-Landja, and Ndélé, offering vital support and empowerment opportunities, including:

- **Training and support for income-generating activities (IGAs):** 771 participants (491 women and 280 adolescent girls) attended IGA training in Ndélé and Birao to strengthen their economic resilience and better meet their basic needs. Among them, 108 (65 women and 43 adolescent girls) participated in the post-distribution monitoring carried out to analyze and collect information on the quality and quantity of IGA items received, and participant satisfaction.
- **Peer-to-peer vocational training:** 41 new learners (29 women and 12 girls) were trained in sewing through classes led by their peers, promoting skill transfer and self-reliance.
- **Life-skills enhancement:** 357 participants (235 women and 122 girls) attended life-skills sessions, focused on decision-making and problem-solving to strengthen their autonomy, critical thinking, and the ability to cope with daily life challenges, including responding to cycles of gender-based violence.
- **Information and Education-Communication (IEC):** 842 people (235 women and 122 girls) attended awareness sessions at schools and WGSSs, on menstrual hygiene, pregnancy prevention among adolescent girls, and available social services.

⁴ Dignity kits contain a three months' supply of essential items to maintain hygiene and health. It includes a backpack, reusable sanitary pads, underwear, lincloths, cotton towel, soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, toothbrush, vaseline, mosquito net, whistle, flashlight and pair of sandals.

Results Snapshots



860

People reached with **SRH services**
68% female, 32% male



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Health facilities supported





5,666

People reached with **GBV prevention, mitigation and response** activities
83% female, 17% male



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Safe spaces for women and girls supported

	375	Dignity kits distributed to women and girls
	771	Women and adolescent girls received training to support income-generating activities

Coordination Mechanisms



Gender-Based Violence:

- UNFPA maintained its leadership role in coordinating the GBV sector and facilitated bi-monthly GBV AoR meetings at both national and sub-national levels, significantly improving the overall response to GBV needs in CAR.
- The Education Cluster received comprehensive guidance on integrating GBV considerations into their sector-specific activities. A dedicated GBV risk mitigation plan is currently under development to enhance safety and protection measures for students at school and on their way to and from school.
- UNFPA Gender-Based Violence Information Management System (GBVIMS) Coordinator chaired the monthly meeting of GBVIMS members. These meetings provided a crucial platform for technical discussions concerning the ethical and secure collection of data, ensuring that all information is handled with sensitivity and confidentiality.

- In June, the GBV AoR mobilized approximately US\$330,000 via the Humanitarian Fund from OCHA to cover the long-neglected Ouadah zone. The allocation strategy has been finalized and projects are currently being drafted by beneficiary NGOs for submission.

Sexual and Reproductive Health:

- From June 24 to 26, a MISP-SRH training session was organized in Bangui, at Lorry, with the participation of 30 members of the SRH working group. The aim was to strengthen the SRH working group members' knowledge of MISP-SRH, so that they could also contribute to the quality of the data collected.

Funding Status

In 2025, UNFPA needs \$16.6 million to provide lifesaving SRH and GBV services in CAR. As of June 2025, \$2.6 million has been mobilized, including the recently approved CERF. Additional funding is urgently required to address the **funding gap of \$13.1 million** and ensure UNFPA can effectively respond to the needs of women and girls in CAR.

