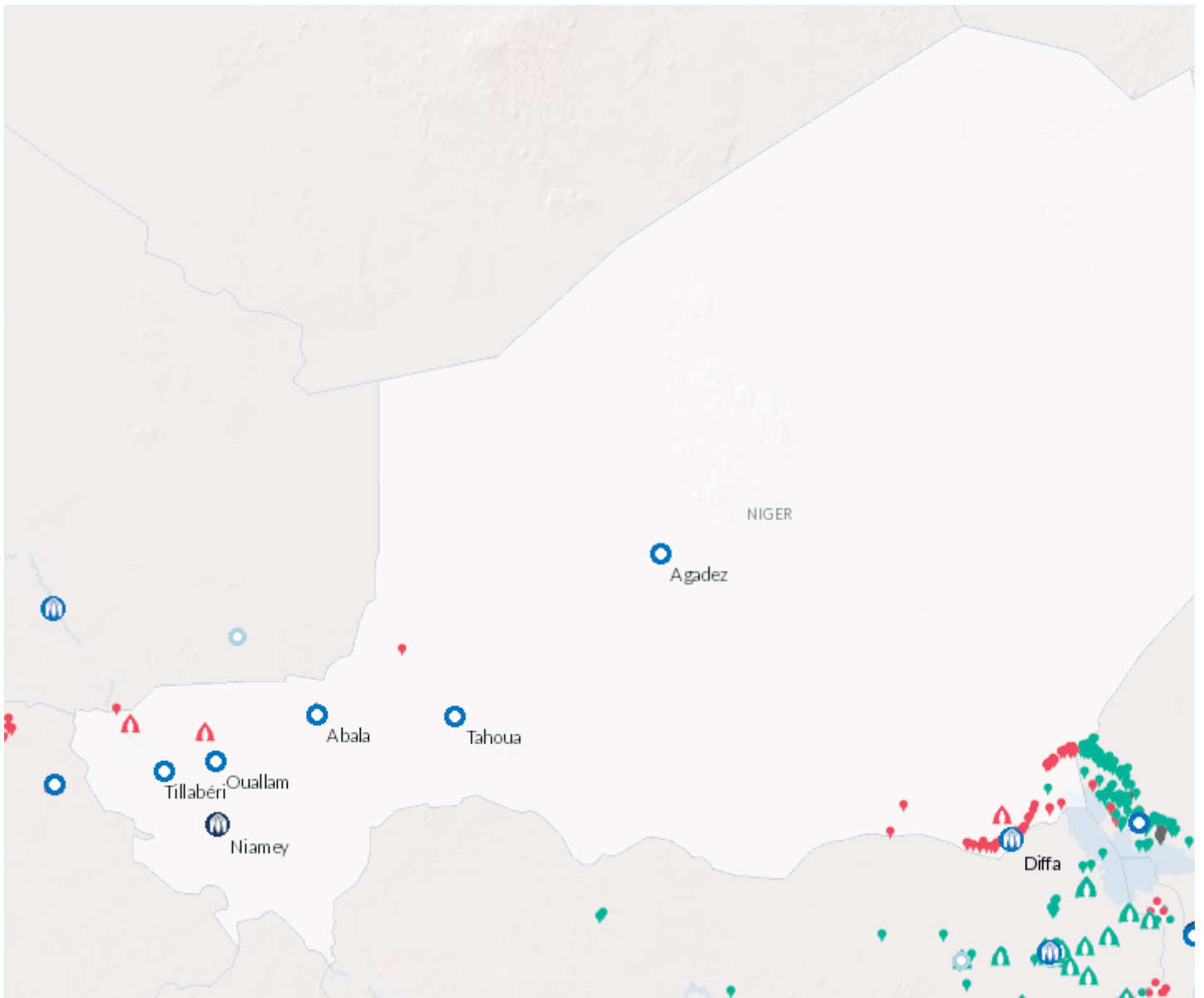


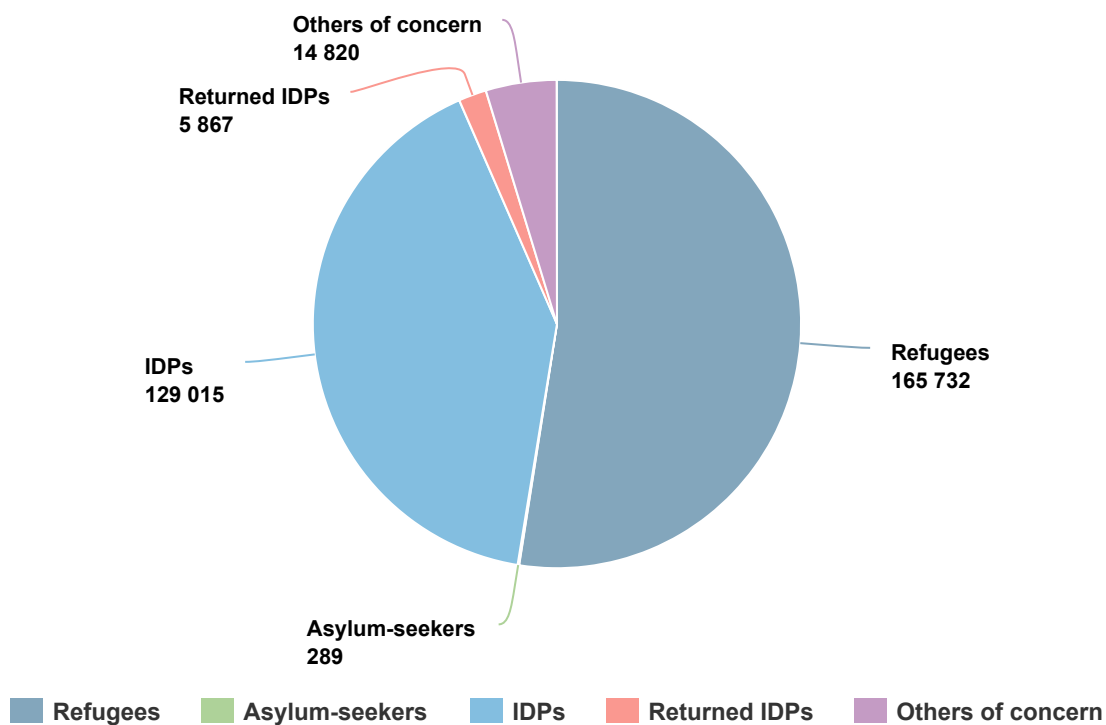
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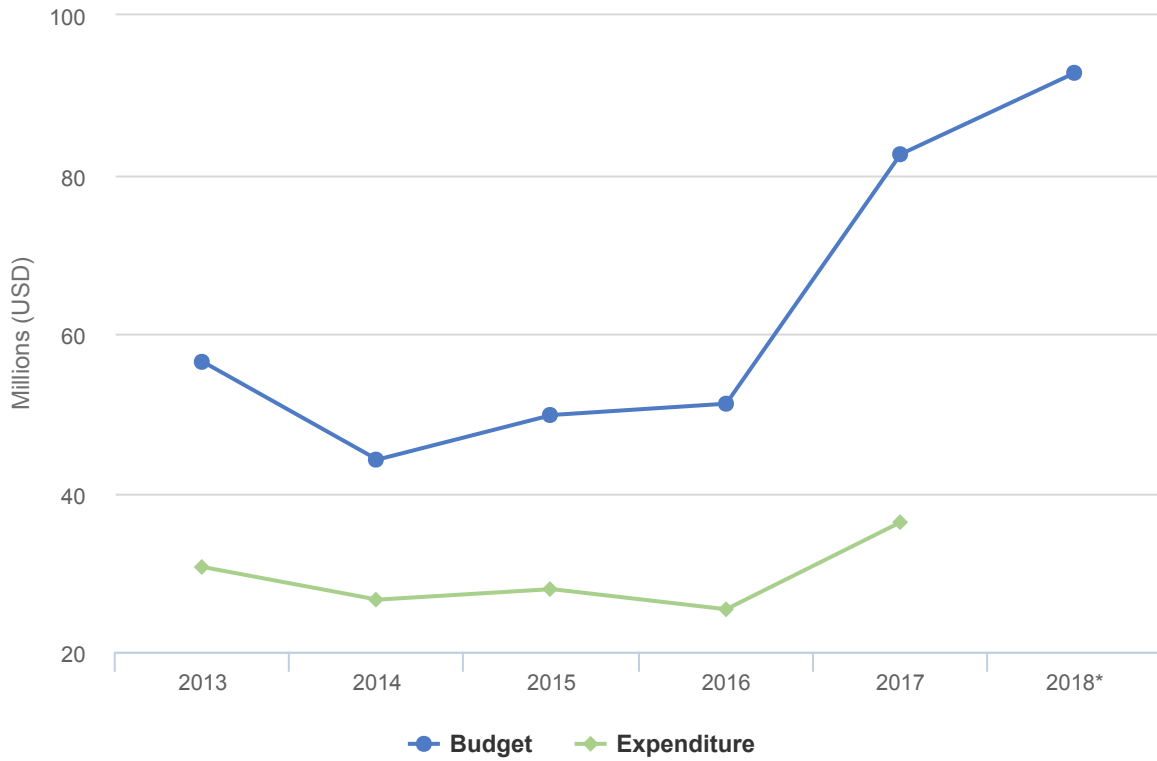
People of Concern

INCREASE IN
4% 2017

2017	315,723
2016	302,227
2015	332,164



Budgets and Expenditure for Niger



Operational context

Since the arrival of the Nigerian refugees fleeing the Boko Haram conflict, the continuing insecurity in Diffa has resulted in a reduction of the absorption capacity of the host populations, as well as the capacity of the displaced population to support themselves, because of hampered basic social services in the region.

Also in Tahoua and Tillabery the security situation regions continued to deteriorate and had a major impact on both Malian refugees and the local population with restrictions of movements affecting both access to basic social services and economic activities. The relocation of over 3,600 refugees from Tazalite towards Intikane in Tawa province was completed in January 2017.

The situation of refugees in mixed movements became increasingly complex, following reports on the detention conditions in Libya of illegal migrants intercepted by the Libyan guard cost. Therefore, UNHCR proposed immediate evacuation of vulnerable refugees to Niger as an emergency transit mechanism (ETM). By the end of 2017, a total of 227 vulnerable persons of concern caught in migratory flows through Libya and immediately detained in appalling conditions were evacuated from Libya to Niger to be further resettled to third countries.

Since 2016, Agadez region has seen an estimated 300,000 migrants on their way to Libya, Algeria, and onwards to the Mediterranean Sea. UNHCR, IOM and the Government of Niger signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collectively address the issue and identify the 30 per cent of these migrants who are estimated to be asylum-seekers and refugees. To this end, UNHCR and the Regional Directorate for Civil Status, Refugees and Migration (DREC-RM) opened an office in Agadez in May 2017.

Population trends

In 2017, forced displacement affected 252,300 people of concern (PoCs) in Diffa region including some 108,500 refugees; 129,000 IDPs; and 14,800 refugee returnees.

More than 56,800 refugees arrived due to conflicts in Mali and were hosted in Tillabery, Tahoua and Niamey.

The number of asylum-seekers increased within the year with the referral system in place between UNHCR and IOM in Agadez and the cases received from Libya within the framework agreement of the ETM.

Key achievements

- UNHCR intensified its efforts to identify those in need of international protection among the mixed movements. The signing of MoU with the main stakeholders on mixed movements and the development of standardized operation procedures for the identification and guidance of asylum-seekers were among the most noticeable achievements. A UNHCR Office was opened in Agadez in 2017 for a better management of the mixed refugee movements.
- A cross-regional round-table to harmonize the approach to mixed movements took place.

Unmet needs

Due to funding constraints, the following needs remained unmet:

- Completion of biometric registration activities in support of the regional solution strategy for Malian refugees.
- Continued implementation of the urbanisation project in support of sustainable local integration.
- Ensuring facilitated voluntary return for all refugees opting for this durable solution.
- Provision of support to the most vulnerable Malian refugees in meeting their basic needs until the end of the year.

- Continuation of the biometric exercise for displaced population in Diffa in order to improve civil status registration and documentation.

2017 Expenditure for Niger | USD

The following table presents the final budget and funds available by pillar and the final expenditure at the objective-level, as reported at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Final Budget	73,066,991	685,411	8,796,830	82,549,232
Income from contributions*	26,025,723	0	2,462,841	28,488,564
Other funds available / transfers	3,476,010	340,866	4,517,285	8,334,161
Total funds available	29,501,733	340,866	6,980,126	36,822,725

Expenditure by Objective				
Favourable Protection Environment				
Law and policy	696,191	0	0	696,191
Administrative Institutions and Practice	254,661	0	0	254,661
Legal remedies and legal assistance	424,497	0	-0	424,497
Access to territory	127,577	0	0	127,577
Subtotal	1,502,926	0	-0	1,502,926
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation				
Reception conditions	2,413,031	0	0	2,413,031
Identification of statelessness	0	80,328	0	80,328
Registration and profiling	1,795,387	49,368	663,342	2,508,096
Status determination	658,349	0	1,276	659,625
Individual documentation	21,406	210,015	0	231,420
Civil status documentation	258,170	0	0	258,170
Subtotal	5,146,343	339,711	664,617	6,150,671
Security from Violence and Exploitation				
Protection from effects armed conflict	124,519	0	0	124,519
SGBV prevention and response	778,417	0	1,041,928	1,820,345
Child protection	397,344	0	0	397,344
Subtotal	1,300,280	0	1,041,928	2,342,208
Basic Needs and Essential Services				
Health	2,363,797	0	0	2,363,797
Reproductive health and HIV/ Aids response	155	0	0	155
Nutrition	298,279	0	0	298,279
Water	1,215,891	0	0	1,215,891

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	Total
Sanitation and hygiene	265,058	0	0	265,058
Shelter and infrastructure	2,855,064	0	1,036,038	3,891,102
Energy	1,466,919	0	357,838	1,824,757
Basic and domestic and hygiene Items	1,210,928	0	1,629,405	2,840,332
Services for persons with specific needs	121,944	0	0	121,944
Education	892,866	0	310,962	1,203,828
Subtotal	10,690,900	0	3,334,242	14,025,143
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance				
Community mobilization	1,446,062	0	419,928	1,865,990
Co-existence with local communities	756,167	0	347,964	1,104,131
Self-reliance and livelihoods	2,160,990	0	0	2,160,990
Subtotal	4,363,219	0	767,892	5,131,111
Durable Solutions				
Voluntary return	349,935	0	0	349,935
Integration	14,163	0	0	14,163
Resettlement	27,844	0	0	27,844
Subtotal	391,942	0	0	391,942
Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships				
Coordination and partnerships	391,833	0	1,440	393,273
Camp management and coordination	2,436,598	1,155	716,348	3,154,101
Donor relations	121,944	0	0	121,944
Subtotal	2,950,375	1,155	717,787	3,669,317
Logistics and Operations Support				
Supply chain and logistics	1,145,278	0	21,610	1,166,889
Operations management, coordination and support	1,478,542	0	432,049	1,910,591
Subtotal	2,623,820	0	453,659	3,077,479
Headquarters and Regional Support				
Capacity building & skill development	-0	0	0	-0
Subtotal	-0	0	0	-0
2017 Expenditure Total	28,969,805	340,865	6,980,126	36,290,796

*Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the "New or additional activities – mandate-related" (NAM) Reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar 1.