Unlike refugees, internally displaced people (IDPs) are unable to cross a border to find safety. Instead, they become trapped in their own country.

Assisting IDP is challenging; populations become trapped in their own country and it can be difficult to deliver humanitarian assistance.

Internally Displaced People

This cartogram is a map where each country of the world is proportional to the total number of displaced people. Anything counted in absolute numbers can be distorted this way. Different colours help us to understand the geographic variation.

Where are the most internally displaced people?

New displaced IDPs


IDPs newly displaced by conflict

IDPs newly displaced by disasters

Countries most affected by conflict

Countries most affected by disasters

Newly displaced IDPs


Where are IDPs?

Source: Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre

There are multiple and complex drivers that contribute to displacement.

At the end of 2016 there were 31.1 million new internal displacements in 125 countries.

Definition

“Among the most vulnerable people in the world”

Where are the most internally displaced people?

Reference map

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