

Our Mission

To lead on the provision of high-quality data and analysis on internal displacement, with the aim of informing policy and operational decisions that improve IDPs' lives worldwide. We do this by monitoring all displacement situations, providing estimates of the number of IDPs worldwide, researching drivers, patterns and impacts of internal displacement, and disseminating research and data relevant to key global and regional policy processes.

About IDMC

The Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre (IDMC) is the global leader on internal displacement data and analysis. Set up in 1998, IDMC has a **unique and internationally endorsed mandate** to monitor internal displacement worldwide. Since then, we have been committed to offer a **rigorous, transparent and independent service** to the international community.

As an independent, non-governmental organisation, our role is to improve knowledge and understanding of internal displacement and inform policy and operational decisions that improve the lives of internally displaced people worldwide.

What we do

- We provide credible, timely, multi-sourced data on all situations of internal displacement worldwide.
- We interpret the global data with interdisciplinary research into the drivers, patterns and impacts of internal displacement.
- We translate this evidence into targeted advice and support to inform global, regional and national policy-making.

IDMC is a global information and expertise hub on internal displacement

- We use our **convening power** to work with partners around the world to consolidate multiple data sets on the scale, scope and patterns of displacement to provide **accurate, verified figures in a timely way**
- We develop and share **open-source data** and **specialist tools** to help decision makers dealing with internal displacement.
- We gather data from individual countries which is collated and analysed to form **global information resources**, which enable global targets can be set and progress towards them measured.
- We pride ourselves on being **transparent and independent** in the way we work and share data and information.
- We are the **global authority** on internal displacement with **20 years of experience**
- We are a **learning organisation** is committed to **pushing the boundaries**

Our tools

We provide tools that enable displacement data to be collected, reported, analysed, interpreted and – most importantly – used quickly and efficiently in decision-making processes. We combine high quality methodologies for data analysis with state-of-the-art online tools, opening the way for new and practical ways of using displacement data and research. Our tools include:

- [Global Report on Internal Displacement \(GRID\)](#). Our flagship report summarises key findings, reveals important patterns and trends in global data on internal displacement and highlights issues of relevance to global and regional policy-makers, as well as national governments, international NGOs, journalists and academics. It takes stock of all situations of displacement and indicates which require most attention and resources across humanitarian and development sectors.
- [Displacement Data Exploration Tool](#). A tool which lets users generate their own custom charts using our displacement data, UNHCR's refugee data and all of the indicators from the World Bank's open data catalogue.
- [Internal Displacement Updates \(IDUs\)](#). A real-time mapping tool which captures new displacement events on a daily basis.
- [Country pages](#). An overview of the figures, context, drivers and patterns of displacement per country, and of the priority needs and vulnerabilities.
- [Research papers](#). A series of case studies and reports exploring displacement drivers and trends, and drawing on cross-country and cross-situational comparisons. IDMC works on the scale and impacts of protracted disaster displacement, on the social and economic impacts of displacement, and on displacement in the context of development projects.
- [Global Displacement Risk Model](#). An innovative tool for exploring and visualising disaster-related displacement risk metrics such as how many people are likely to be displaced per country per year, or over five- or ten-year period. It also enables users to assess the likelihood of the occurrence of specific displacement events, for instance a cyclone that displaces 100,000 people or an earthquake that displaces 50,000 people.
- [Internal Displacement Event Tagging and Clustering Tool \(IDETECT\)](#). IDETECT analyses "big data" to detect disaster and conflict-related displacement reported in the news and on social media. IDETECT not only represents a way to explore how innovative technologies can enhance and improve data collection but also a significant shift in the way we approach projects.