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According to IOM's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) Data, as of 30 July 2026, Blue Nile state was hosting 370 745 IDPs, over two thirds of them displaced within the state (263 446), followed by 78 029 IDPs displaced there from Khartoum. Of the total number of IDPs in Blue Nile, 145 030 IDPs were located in Damazin district, followed by Baw district with 106 694 IDPs. At the same time, an additional 20 878 displaced persons from Blue Nile were hosted in other states. As of 28 July 2026, IOM had recorded 230 572 IDP returns in Blue Nile state.1154 As of March 2026, the escalation in fighting in Kurmuk had reportedly displaced 80 % of its residents.1155 A Blue Nile government official put the number of displaced people between late March and the start of July 2026 at 100 000, most of them from Kurmuk locality.1156

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