# Why the world needs to care about South Sudan

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# **FAMINE HITS PARTS OF SOUTH SUDAN**

unicef for every child

Localised Famine has been declared in South Sudan.

Malnutrition is at crisis level because of food insecurity, war and mass displacement

# **SITUATION**



4.9 million people are severely food insecure now



Set to increase to 5.5 million of a population of 11 million by mid-2017



1.1 million children are acutely malnourished



UNICEF is supporting 670 therapeutic feeding sites across the country









#### **EDUCATION**

With over half of South Sudanese children not in school, the Back to Learning initiative offers learning opportunities to children.



# **SITUATION**



Nearly 2 million children are out of school



1/3 of schools in affected areas are destroyed, closed or in use by the military



Half as many girls reach secondary school as boys



44% primary school age children are enrolled in school

# **ACHIEVEMENTS**



650,000 + children received education in 2015/16



772 learning spaces established in 2015/16



300,000 children supported with school supplies



Over 8,000 teachers





#### CHILD PROTECTION IN EMERGENCIES

Both sides in the conflict have signed commitments to end violations against children; however, grave violations of children's rights continue, such as killing, maiming, abduction, sexual violence and recruitment.



# SITUATION SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE CONFLICT



2,000 children killed by armed groups and armed forces



>3,000 children abducted by armed groups and armed forces



876,000 children are psychologically distressed



>17,000 children are associated with armed forces and armed groups

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**



1,933 children released from armed forces and armed groups



1,085 children released from Cobra Faction received education



Over 800 children received psychosocial support



100% of children released received reintegration support









#### CHILD PROTECTION AND GBV

GBV was widespread prior to the conflict. But it has greatly intensified in the current crisis. Adolescent girls are particularly at risk of GBV, sexual violence and early and forced marriage.



### SITUATION



> 900,000 children have been internally displaced



> 14,000 children registered as unaccompanied or missing

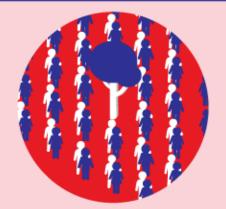


1/4 of reported conflict related sexual violence cases were children



253 reported incidents in 2014 to 2016 of sexual violence affecting 1,130 children

## **ACHIEVEMENTS**



>100,000 reached in 2016 with GBV prevention & response services



18 health facilities supported to provide clinical management of rape and psychological first aid.



13 safe spaces for women and adolescent girls established and supported



4,500 children were reunified with their families



ITV News has witnessed the cost of civil war in the world's newest country where half its population doesn't have enough food to eat.

If the brutal blood-letting were a little closer to home, if those desperate to escape murder, rape and starvation were landing on Europe's doorstep, we might have taken more notice of