

### SITUATION OVERVIEW

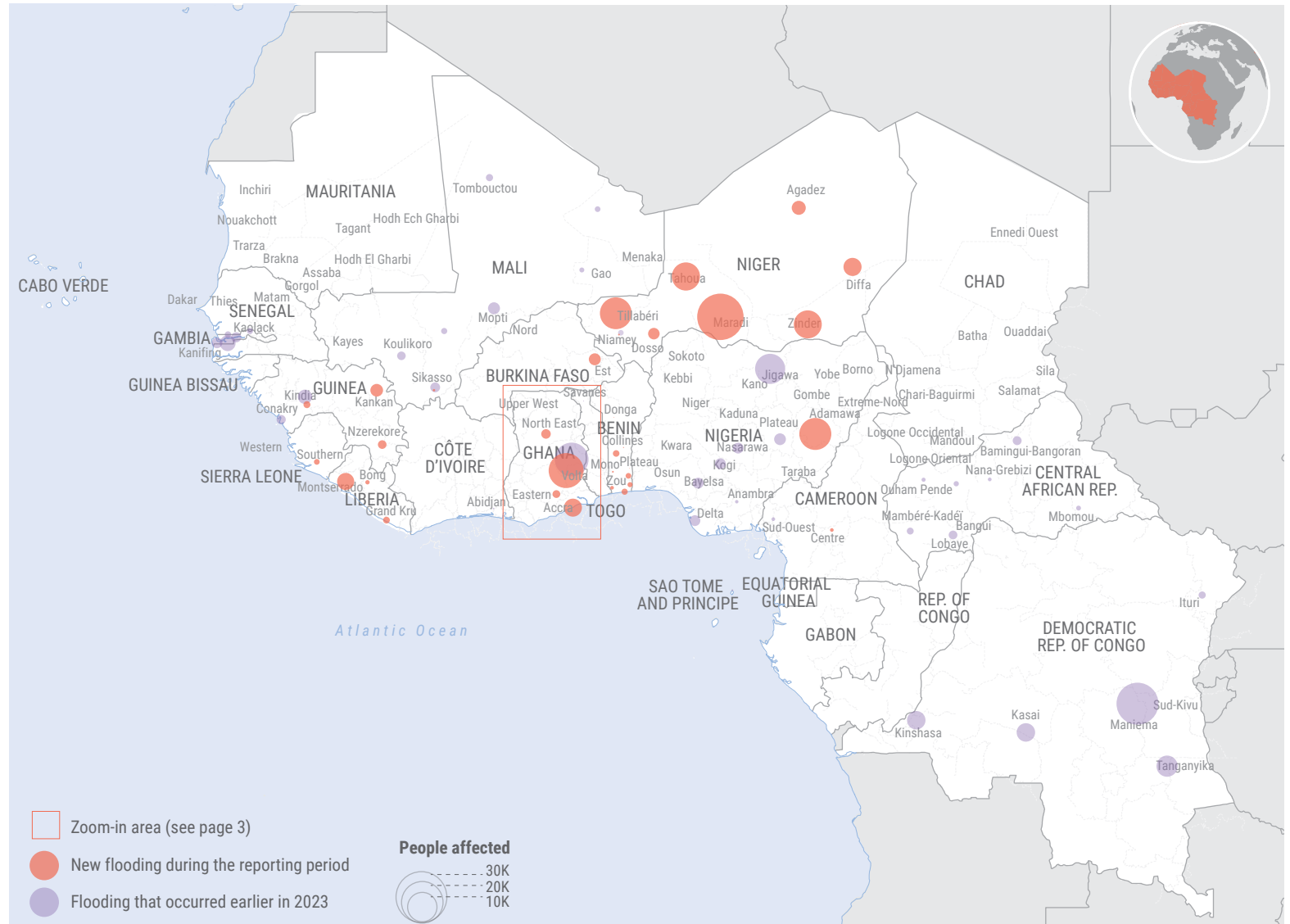
As the West and Central Africa region reached the tail end of its rainy season, significant damage continued to occur due to flooding, with notable impact on people's lives and livelihoods, as well as basic infrastructure, hampering access to services and humanitarian aid. Flooding also carries severe consequences for communities' sanitation, hygiene and health.

In September and October, approximately 299,000 people were affected by flooding across 10 countries, with Niger and Benin most heavily impacted. Close to 12,000 people in five countries were newly displaced due to flooding in the past two months, bringing the total number of countries facing flood-related displacement in 2023 to nine. In addition, in the reporting period, 381 people were reported to have lost their lives due to either drowning or the collapse of their dwelling.









As more than 7,000 hectares of croplands are reported to have been destroyed, along with 99 schools and two health facilities in in September and October alone, and the mid- to long-term effects of flooding on food security, education and public health are likely to heavily hamper communities' ability to recover.

Since the beginning of 2023, flooding has affected the lives of 880,000 people in the region, further exacerbating existing vulnerabilities of families affected by conflict, chronic poverty and the impacts of climate change.

As humanitarian partners are working to respond to the most pressing needs, preparedness initiatives must be implemented urgently across the affected areas to avoid preventable loss of life, and safeguard the resilience of flood-vulnerable communities.



### KEY FIGURES

	REPORTING PERIOD	IN 2023
 People killed	381	1K
 People injured	191	470
 People displaced	12K	185K
 People affected	299K	880K
 Houses damaged	20K	66K
 Destroyed croplands (Ha)	7K	10K
 Affected health facilities	2	2
 Affected schools	99	99

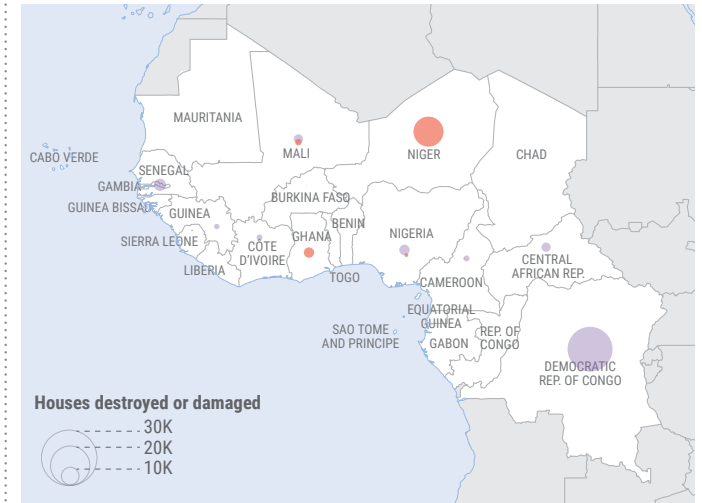
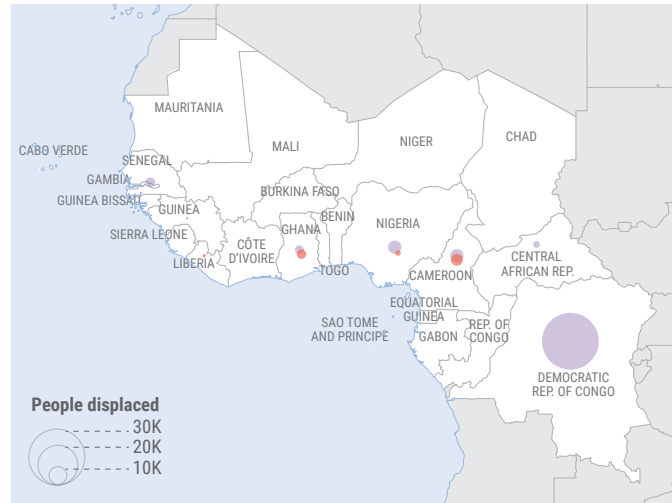
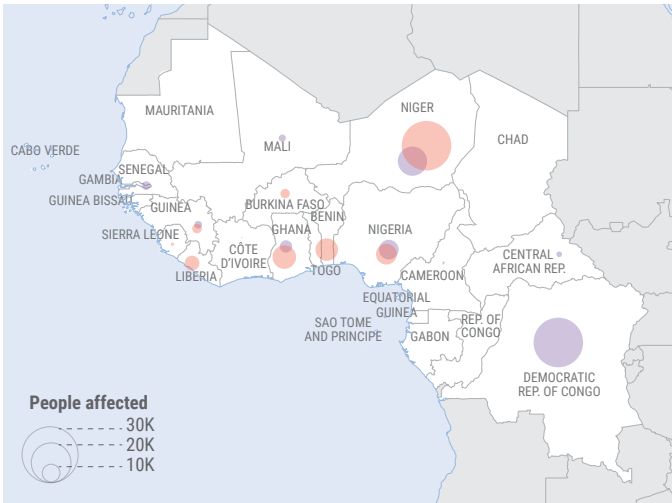
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**299K** PEOPLE AFFECTED IN **10** COUNTRIES

**12K** PEOPLE DISPLACED IN **5** COUNTRIES

**20K** HOUSES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED IN **6** COUNTRIES



### PEOPLE AFFECTED

	REPORTING PERIOD	OVERALL IN 2023	(%*)
DR.Congo	-	491K	(0.5)
Benin	35K	35K	(0.3)
Burkina Faso	6K	6K	(0.0)
CAR	-	6K	(0.1)
Cameroon	300	610	(0.0)
Côte d'Ivoire	-	260	(0.0)
Liberia	15K	15K	(0.3)
Guinea	6K	12K	(0.1)
Ghana	36K	41K	(0.1)
Gambia	-	15K	(0.7)
Mali	132	10K	(0.1)
Niger	170K	170K	(0.7)
Nigeria	30K	77K	(0.4)
Sierra Leone	724	724	(0.0)
Chad	-	-	-

Dummy Max Value \*Percentage of people affected in affected regions

### PEOPLE DISPLACED

	REPORTING PERIOD	OVERALL IN 2023
DR.Congo	-	156K
Benin	-	-
Burkina Faso	-	-
CAR	-	2K
Cameroon	6K	9K
Côte d'Ivoire	-	-
Liberia	520	520
Guinea	180	180
Ghana	4K	7K
Gambia	-	4K
Mali	-	-
Niger	-	-
Nigeria	1K	9K
Sierra Leone	-	-
Chad	300	300

Dummy Max Value

### HOUSES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED

	REPORTING PERIOD	OVERALL IN 2023
DR.Congo	-	37K
Benin	-	-
Burkina Faso	10	10
CAR	-	2K
Cameroon	30	667
Côte d'Ivoire	-	638
Liberia	-	-
Guinea	-	544
Ghana	2K	2K
Gambia	-	3K
Mali	761	2K
Niger	17K	17K
Nigeria	272	2K
Sierra Leone	50	50
Chad	-	-

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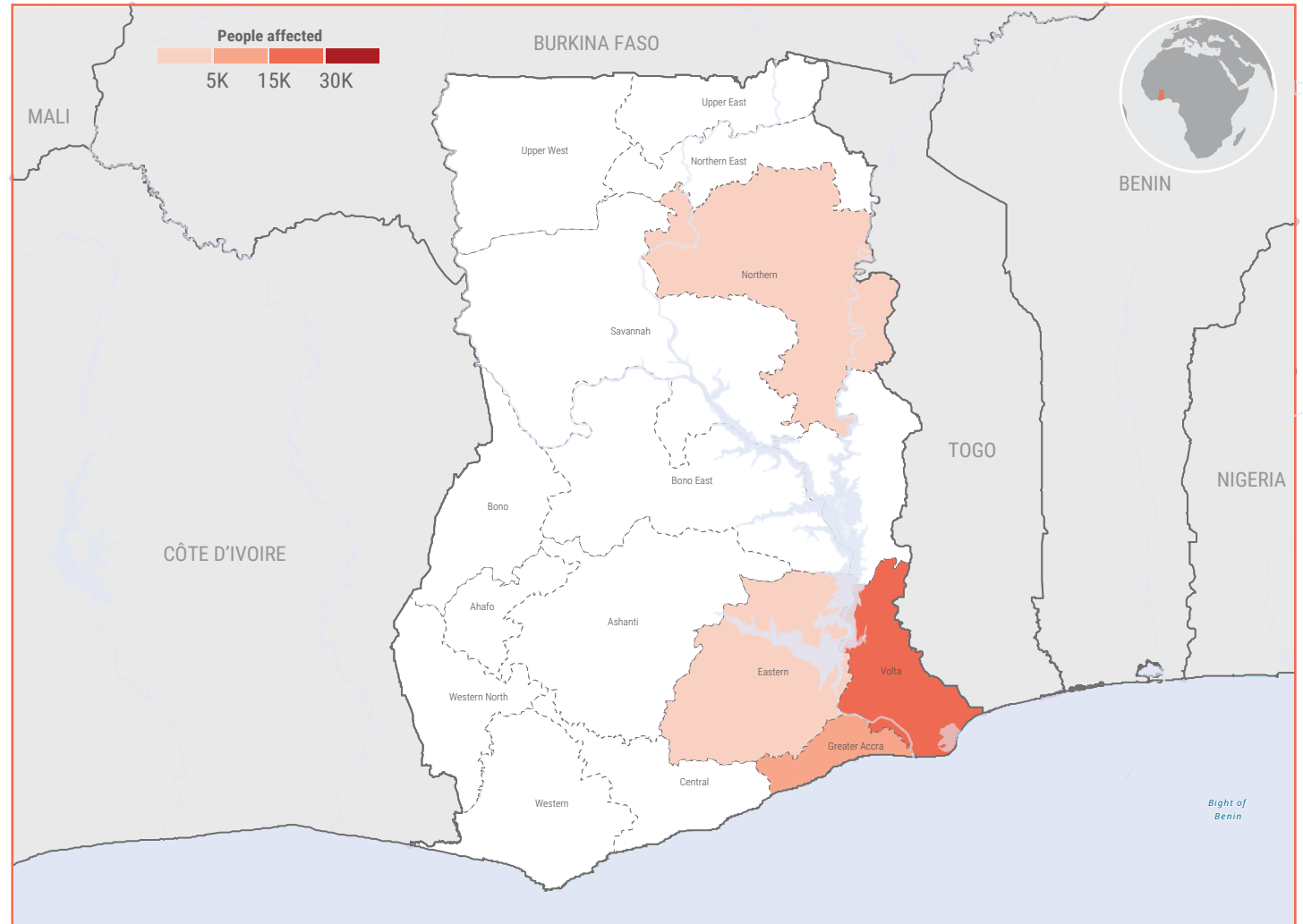
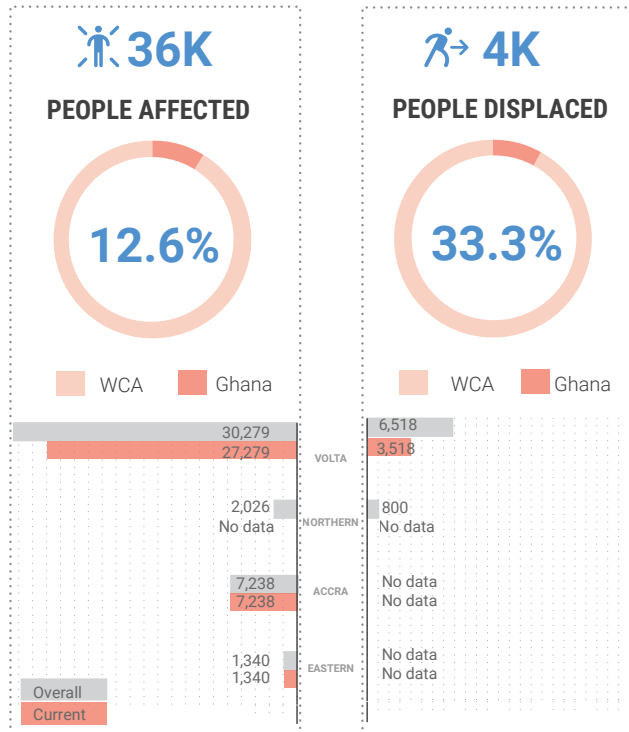
### GHANA

In south-eastern Ghana, on 15 September 2023, the Volta River Authority initiated the spillage of excess water to address rising levels threatening the Akosombo and Kpong dams.

The spilling resulted in flooding downstream along the banks of the river Volta and led to the destruction of homes and farmlands, displacing people in at least nine municipal districts and disrupting essential services.

On 8 October, the National Disaster Emergency Management Organisation (NADMO) activated the Emergency Operations Centre to coordinate the response efforts across eight districts. Emergency shelters were opened for the evacuation of affected people. A rapid inter-agency needs assessment carried out from 19 to 22 October found that 36,000 people have been affected.

In the Northern region of the country, flooding also occurred with minor humanitarian impact.



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