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Country Sheet

Chad



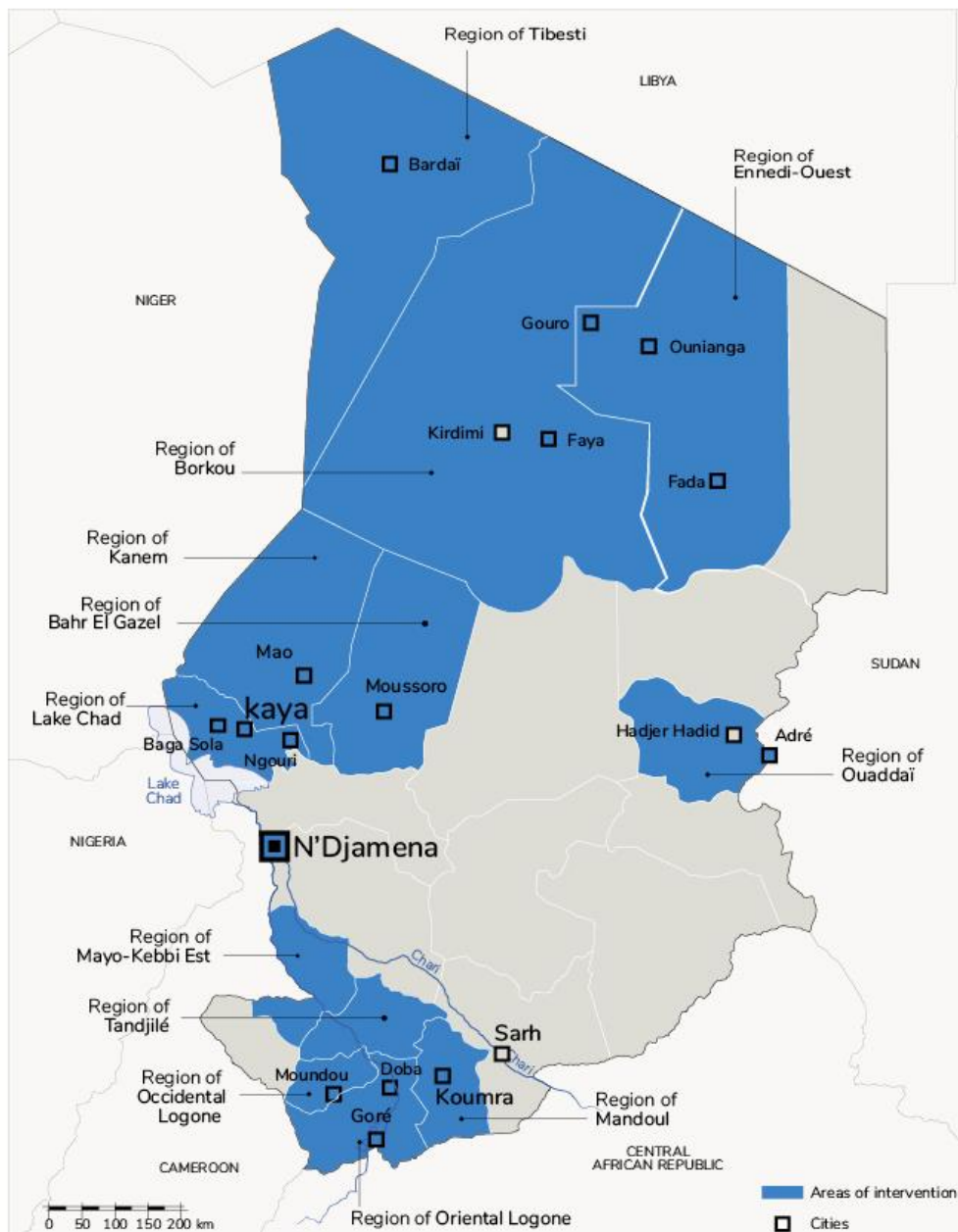
HI's team and areas of intervention

In September 2023, there were 133 people on HI's team in Chad

The Chad programme, whose coordination office is based in N'Djamena, bases its action on four pillars:

- Armed violence reduction (land clearance and release, risk education, conflict transformation and victim assistance);
- Inclusive education (keeping children in school and child protection in emergency situations, improving the quality of education provision for children with special needs);
- Strengthening livelihoods (improving the economic autonomy and quality of life of vulnerable people);
- Access to health/rehabilitation services (support to the health system for functional rehabilitation, stimulation therapy, access to mental health care).

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General Country Data

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Country	Chad	CAR	Niger	France
Population	17 723 315	5 579 144	26 207 977	67 935 660
HDI	0.251	0.24	0.292	0.825
Gender Development Index	0.77	0.81	0.835	0.99
Maternal mortality	1063	835	441	8
GINI index	37.5		37.3	30.7
Population under UNHCR mandate	1 080 557	527 348	716 412	693 598
INFORM index	7.9	8.6	7.5	2.3
Fragile states index	104.6	105.7	93.4	28.8
Public social protection		3.5	20.60	100
Official Development Assistance received	722.2	652.5	1775	

Humanitarian law instruments ratified by the country

Humanitarian law instruments	status
International Convention on the Rights of the Child	Ratified in 1990
Ottawa Mine Treaty	Ratified in 1999
African Charter on the rights and welfare of the child (1990)	Ratified in 2000
Optional protocol to the convention on the involvement of children in armed conflict	Ratified in 2002
Oslo Convention on cluster munitions (2008)	Ratified in 2013
The United Nations convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	Ratified in 2019

Geopolitical analysis

President Idriss Déby, who died on 20 April 2021 during clashes with the non-state armed group *Front pour l'Alternance et la Concorde au Tchad* (FACT) from Libya, had dominated Chad's political scene since his accession to power in 1990. With the country in deep economic recession since the drop in oil prices in 2014, Déby's death the day after the announcement of his fifth re-election plunged the country into a period of turmoil and uncertainty.

In the wake of the president's death, a transitional Military Council was put place for 18 months.



After several months of pre-dialogue in Doha (Qatar), the National Sovereign Inclusive Dialogue (DNIS) delivered its conclusions in October 2022, laying the foundations for a transitional government supposed to organise democratic elections within 24 months. The Dialogue brought together representatives of the government, civil society and politico-military groups. Intended to lead to democratic elections and return power to civilians, it was interrupted several times and struggled to meet the expectations of the various groups. The Transformateurs, Wakit Tama and FACT (Front pour l'Alternance et la Concorde au Tchad), influential opposition groups, refused to take part in the Dialogue. The Dialogue designated General Mahamat Idriss Déby as President of a new transition that will last for two years until October 2024, following on from the first transition phase, which lasted 18 months. It also endorsed the possibility for the transitional president to stand in the elections to be organised at the end of this second phase of the transition. In response, and despite a ban by the authorities, several opposition parties called for demonstrations against the extension of the transition and the continued leadership of Mahamat Idriss Déby. The demonstrations that took place in several towns, including N'Djaména, on 20 October 2022, also known as "Black Thursday", were violently repressed, resulting in several deaths and the arrest of dozens of people. This tumultuous situation forced some opponents to leave the country. Institutional reforms were launched, notably the adoption of a new constitution, an electoral code and the creation of a new electoral commission. As a member of the Sahel G5 and the Multinational Joint Task Force (MNJTF), Chad has until now been perceived internationally as a stable and powerful country, thanks to its military interventions in response to conflicts in neighbouring countries. However, recent politico-military events affecting certain neighbouring countries (the war in Sudan, which began on 15 April 2023, the coup d'état in Niger on 26 July 2023 and the coup d'état in Gabon on 30 August 2023) are contextual factors that could have a negative impact on the country's stability. This landlocked central African country is also facing the consequences of climate change (increased rainfall, longer periods of aridity and drought), which is exacerbating desertification and drying up Lake Chad. Meanwhile, the region is already under pressure from the arrival of Nigerian refugees and the frequent movements of internally displaced people. Chad has experienced various humanitarian crises since 2003. These crises are linked to major population movements in border areas, which are a source of conflict with the host populations. The country is hosting refugees from Sudan in the east, refugees and returnees from the Central African Republic in the south, and more recently Nigerian refugees and internally displaced people in Lac province in the west. In Lac province, instability persists. In 2020, the government carried out a 3-week military operation. Since 2020, the authorities have banned access to certain areas of the province classified as "red" following an upsurge in security incidents, to enable the Defence and Security Forces to organise a sweep. Since then, the security situation in the area has not stabilised and the measure has not been officially lifted, as other areas have subsequently also experienced major deadly attacks. Since 2021, attacks and acts of economic predation against civilians have continued (kidnappings, murders, robberies, arson, etc.) and could escalate. The current increase in the power and influence of Islamic State in West Africa (ISWAP) has changed the security context as the group gains access to more weapons, fighters and territory.

Summary of HI's work in the country

HI worked in Chad on several occasions between 1982 and 2000, mainly in physical rehabilitation. In 2001, HI published the Landmine Impact Survey (national study on the socio-economic impact of mines/ERW in Chad), which is still a reference today. In 2010-2011, HI conducted a capacity-building programme in the demining sector that led to the definition of the National Action Plan for Victim Assistance.

Thanks to a demining and victim assistance project (PADEMIN), the programme was extended in 2014. HI now operates in N'Djaména, in Lac province (Centre-West), Logone Occidental and Logone Oriental (South), in Kanem and Barh El Gazel (North-West), in the



provinces of Borkou, Ennedi and Tibesti (BET) in the North, and in the province of Ouaddaï in the East.

The main areas of intervention include:

- Inclusive education and education in humanitarian emergencies (Safe school, WASH in school)
- Physical and functional rehabilitation (physical therapy, orthopaedic fittings, technical aids), including the Stimulation Therapy approach for children with malnutrition aged 6 to 59 months
- Socio-economic integration of the most vulnerable households, notably through the development of income-generating activities and vocational training
- Conflict transformation, social cohesion and inclusive local development
- Mine action including non-technical and technical surveys, risk education, demining and decontamination
- Assistance to victims of mines, explosive remnants of war (ERW) and improvised explosive devices (IEDs), people with disabilities and vulnerable people
- Today, with the Sudanese refugee crisis, HI is operating in the East through Atlas Logistique activities, in particular shared storage and the rehabilitation of Adré airstrip.
- HI is also launching mental health activities in the east;

In 2017, HI launched the PRODECO project implementing the comprehensive approach to mine action (CAMA) concept, in consortium with Mine Advisory Group (MAG), Secours Catholique et Développement (SECADEV) and the Swiss Foundation for Mine Action (FSD). This project ended in 2022. The ODYSSEE 2025 project (2019-2021), enabled HI to pursue its 2016-2025 strategy in terms of innovation, notably with drones, the aim being to become more responsive and pertinent in its armed violence reduction activities.

Another major project, Saha Wa Tarbia, financed by AFD and run in consortium with Action contre la Faim (ACF), Association pour le Développement Economique du Lac (ADESOL) and Association des Femmes Juristes du Tchad (AFJT), was launched in 2022 in the fields of inclusive education and sexual and reproductive health. The two projects, Ngla-Ha (peace building in the North) and ECW (support for children with disabilities), will come to an end in 2023.

Since the last update, a series of new projects have been launched:

- The Wash-Nut project, funded by GIZ (as part of its integrated development project in northern Chad - COM Nord) and supported by AFD, the EU and German cooperation, aims to promote hygiene and build 1,560 family latrines in the northern provinces (BET), in the towns of Faya, Fada and Bardai.
- The PISEV project, funded by the CDCS, is a socio-economic inclusion project for vulnerable populations in the departments of Fouli and Kaya in the Lac province.
- The EU-funded CSO (Civil Society Organisation) support project, implemented in consortium with the national organisations APIL and AFJT and covering the province of Borkou and the 10 districts of N'Djamena, aims to promote the social participation and economic inclusion of vulnerable groups.
- The Edu Floods project, funded by ECW via UNICEF, in consortium with UNICEF and Technidev, is providing inclusive education for the children affected by the floods in 2022 in the provinces of N'Djaména, Lac, Logone Oriental, Mayo-Kebbi Est and Tandjilé.



- The Sudan crisis project funded by the Humanitarian Coalition is setting up physical and functional rehabilitation and mental health activities for Sudanese refugees in the east of the country, in the province of Ouaddaï.

HI's strategy for 2022-2024 is to further develop the Chad programme through a people-centred approach aimed at improving the link between emergency responses and longer-term solutions so that communities affected by crises or shocks are more resilient and can live in peace. HI will continue to focus on its core activities: assistance to people with disabilities, inclusion, mine action, physical and functional rehabilitation and inclusive education in emergencies, while extending its range of activities to meet needs and seeking innovative and sustainable solutions for the socio-economic development of Chad's most vulnerable populations.



Main sectors of intervention	Main activities:	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Project start and end date	Donors funding the project
RIMSCASSA - Rehabilitation, Inclusive Humanitarian Action, MHPSS¹ and Stimulation therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity-building, organisational and technical support for medical staff and rehabilitation services in hospitals (including raising awareness to MHPSS) • Provision of rehabilitation care, home follow-up and support to the families/guardians of people with disabilities • Awareness-raising for nutritional health personnel and training for rehabilitation personnel in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 180 people with physical disabilities • 2,400 children with malnutrition • 2,400 parents of children with malnutrition (including 200 parents benefitting from the social fund) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre d'Appareillage et de Réadaptation de Kabalaye (CARK) • Maison Notre Dame de la Paix (MNDP) • Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) • WACA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N'Djaména • Logone Occidental province(Moundou) • Logone Oriental province (Goré) • Lac province (Kaya and Fouli) 	From 01/07/2022 to 30/06/2024 (24 months)	German Foreign Affairs Ministry (GFFO), Aktion Deutschland Hilft (ADH)

¹ SMSPS : Santé Mentale et Soutien Psychosocial



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	<p>stimulation therapy for children with malnutrition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual stimulation sessions for children with malnutrition and their parents/guardians (in nutrition centres and health or rehabilitation centres) • Financial support to mothers of children with malnutrition to start/boost income generating activities to contribute to the prevention and treatment of malnutrition • Information and awareness-raising sessions for humanitarian actors and local authorities on the IASC directives on the inclusion of people with disabilities in humanitarian actions • Technical assistance for revising programming tools and processes in order to include the relevant essential actions of the IASC (Inter- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 85 health personnel (including 30 people with disabilities) • 50 humanitarian actors and decentralised state services with at least 100 people with disabilities on their programmes • Indirectly: 10,000 people living in the areas targeted by the intervention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern Worldwide • ALIMA • Action contre la Faim (ACF) • International Rescue Committee (IRC) • Hôpital Notre Dame des Apôtres • Union National des Associations de Personnes Handicapée au Tchad (UNAPHT) 			



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	<p>Agency Standing Committee) directives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities to build the capacity of representatives of people with disabilities and their organisations to participate fully in the coordination and programming of the humanitarian response 					
<p>Saha Wa Tarbia (« Health and Education ») – inclusive education, sexual and reproductive rights and health (SRRH)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening access for everybody to quality inclusive education in a protective and supportive environment • Improving equitable access to quality health care and services, including sexual and reproductive health and rights and gender-based violence for children, adolescents, and women, including those with disabilities • Promoting the inclusion of vulnerable people, gender equality and the empowerment of women, teenage and young girls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 92,575 women of child-bearing age • 84,768 children under 5 • 210,062 young and teenage girls and adults to SRH services • 12,000 children and teenagers benefiting from learning spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consortium with : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Contre La Faim (ACF) • Association de Développement Economique et Social du Lac (ADESOL) • Association des Femmes Juristes du Tchad (AFJT) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lac province, Wayi department • Kanem province, Kanem Sud and Wadi Bissam departments • Barh El Ghazel province, BEG Sud and Michémiré departments 	<p>From 03/06/2022 to 30/05/2026 (48 mois)</p>	<p>Agence Française de Développement (AFD)</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening the capacity of decentralised education, health and social services to coordinate the development of quality education, health and protection services, ensuring equitable access to these services for young and teenage girls, women and other vulnerable people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 97,170 children and teenagers from 25 IPEP² benefiting from the improved quality of teaching 500 teenage girls and women benefiting from community schemes 				
PROSCOLAC – inclusive education, protection violences and abuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Referencing of children and school enrolment Capacity-building and support for teachers, parent-teacher associations (APE), student mothers' associations (AME) and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15,200 children from indigenous and displaced communities, including 7,600 girls and 1,420 vulnerable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consortium with SIF (Secours islamique France) Délégation Provinciale de l'Education Nationale et la 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lac province, Kaya and Fouli departments 	From 01/06/2021 to 30/06/2024 (37 months)	European Commission Directorate-General for Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)

² Primary Education Inspections



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	<p>community protection networks (RECOP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forming and training a mobile team and its community relays in inclusive education, protection and psychosocial support • Identifying, assessing and referencing vulnerable children who are out of school • Raising the awareness of communities and school directors 	<p>children and/or children with disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,469 adults (members of RECOP and APE/AME, teachers and educational inspectors, psychosocial workers) 	<p>Promotion Civique (DPENC)</p>			
<p>PISEV – socio-economic inclusion, livelihoods</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection of beneficiary households using the Household Economy Approach (HEA) • Degressive social safety nets (cash transfers) based on the graduation approach • Practical training in financial education, setting up and managing income-generating activities (IGAs) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 460 households or 2,760 people (including 10% people with disabilities and 53% women) • Indirectly: 13,800 people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provincial and departmental authorities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lac province, Kaya and Fouli departments 	<p>From 01/11/2022 to 31/01/2024 (15 months)</p>	<p>Crisis and Support Centre (CDCS)</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up village savings and credit associations (AVEC) • Personalised social support 					
Latrines-WASH NutLatrines-WASH Nut	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving people's access to drinking water, by means of an appropriate marketing strategy and awareness-raising campaigns relayed by community relays and Chad Red Cross (CRT) volunteers. • Promoting good health and nutrition practices through mass, participatory awareness-raising in the community and in schools • Building 1,650 family latrines for households in the 3 intervention areas • Supporting households in the use and maintenance of latrines • Setting up a sustainable latrine construction industry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,560 households benefiting from family latrines, an average of 7,800 people • 25 primary, middle and secondary schools targeted by the "wash in school" programme, with a total average of 5,000 pupils • Between 5,000 and 6,000 households informed about nutrition and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing partner with GIZ as lead (German International Development Cooperation Agency) • Ministry of Public Health and National Solidarity • Chad Red Cross (CRT) • Chad Water Company (STE) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Borkou province (Faya) • Ennedi-Ouest province (Fada) • Tibesti province (Bardai) 	From 01/09/2022 to 31/03/2024 (19 months)	Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Agence Française de Développement (AFD) European Union (EU)



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		WASH for a total of almost 30,000 people				
EU –CSO – economic inclusion, local governance, social action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building actions for national referral CSOs (APIL & AFJT) according to identified needs • Setting up grants for local CSOs to carry out micro-projects in the fields of local development/citizen participation and vocational inclusion of vulnerable people and people with disabilities • Capacity building for local CSOs on citizen participation (advocacy, participation in local governance, design and implementation of community development micro-projects, etc.). • Support for relevant social and economic inclusion services in each area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 households (including 15% of people with disabilities and 50% of women) • 15 national civil society organisations (CSOs) • 10 community groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consortium with : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Association des Femmes Juristes du Tchad (AFJT) • Action pour la Promotion des Initiatives Locales (APIL) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N'Djaména • Borkou province 	From 27/12/2022 to 26/05/2027 (54 months)	European Union (EU)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for social action services to provide Personalised Social Support for vulnerable people • Financial support for the development and diversification of group activities and coaching in the field 					
Flood response in education - inclusive education, livelihoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for teaching staff on the concepts and approaches of inclusive education, protection and psychosocial support • Specific support for access to education for the most vulnerable and for children with disabilities • Implementation of the Safe-School approach in host schools and the original schools after the flooding • Meeting the psychosocial support needs of children presenting signs of psychological distress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 300 pupils covered by Integrated School Support (ISS) • 200 teachers • Indirectly: 270 094 students in the 5 provinces 	Consortium with : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UNICEF • Institut des technologies innovantes pour le développement (TECHNIDEV) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N'Djaména • Lac province • Mayo-Kebbi Est province • Tandjilé province • Logone Oriental province 	From 20/06/2023 to 31/05/2024 (12 months)	Education Cannot Wait (ECW)



Main sectors of intervention	Main activities:	Beneficiaries	Partners	Location	Project start and end date	Donors funding the project
Atlas Logistique – Sudan crisis – logistics, light civil engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rehabilitation of Adré’s airstrip • Setting up of shared warehousing facilities for the humanitarian organisations on the ground • Evaluation in Sila province • Cross-border evaluation from Adré to El Genaina (Sudan) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to 30 humanitarian organisations 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ouaddaï province (town of Adré) 	From 23/05/2023 to 31/10/2023 (6 months)	European Humanitarian Response Capacity (EHRC)
Project in the east – Sudan crisis – rehabilitation, MHPSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of early rehabilitation services at the hospital • Provision of post-trauma care and follow-up by physical and functional rehabilitation professionals • Psychological first aid (integrated approach with early rehabilitation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 700 refugees for rehabilitation services and 500 refugees for MHPSS 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ouaddaï province (town of Adré) 	From 01/05/2023 to 31/03/2024 (11 months)	Humanitarian coalition Aktion Deutschland Hilft HI own funds



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