

Azerbaijan

Displacement associated with Conflict and Violence

Figures Analysis – 2020

	Figure	Highlight	Methodology and Sources	Caveats and Challenges
New Displacement	84,000	This figure refers to displacement triggered by the fighting between Azerbaijan and Armenia between September and November 2020 in the context of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.	This figure was obtained from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other international organisations in Geneva. It is based on the number of people who were forced to flee their homes and who became internally displaced from 27 September 2020. IDMC also used reports published by France 24 for triangulation purposes.	We have medium confidence in this figure as IDMC was unable to verify the methodology used by the source. Figures used for triangulation purposes were lower than those reported by our primary source.
Total number of IDPs as of 31 December 2020 <i>Pending further information and evidence, those who are in a situation of displacement, but progressing towards a durable solution have not been included.</i>	735,000	This figure refers mostly to people internally displaced prior to 2020 in the context of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.	This figure was obtained from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UN Office and other international organisations in Geneva. It is based on two caseloads: (1) a total of 651,000 people reported as internally displaced as of November 2019, and (2) 84,000 people reported as still displaced at year-end as a consequence of the 2020 hostilities.	We have medium confidence in this figure as the most significant caseload (651,000, or 89%) dates from November 2019. Since then, IDMC has been unable to obtain updated figures, including data on factors that may have affected the total number of IDPs (such as deaths and births, progress towards durable solutions, and cross-border movements). Furthermore, the second caseload (84,000) is based on the number of people internally displaced in 2020; in the absence of further information, IDMC assumes they remained displaced as of 31 December 2020. Finally, the unavailability of additional sources corroborating both caseloads has limited the triangulation of the data.