FLOW MONITORING DASHBOARD - EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE (EVD) CONTEXT **March 2020**



Movement

Types

Outgoing Incoming

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OVERVIEW AND TRENDS

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This Dashboard provides an analysis of the trends in population mobility observed at four (4) flow monitoring points (FMPs) established between the Burundi and Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) border at Ruhwa, Gatumba, Rubenga and Vugizo. Observations were made between 1 and 27 March 2020. Some movements were also observed between Rwanda and Burundi at Ruhwa FMP (triangular part), and the reason for most of these movements was the return to their habitual residence. Over the reporting period, a total of 28,348 movements were observed at these points. About 48 per cent of all movement were incoming and 52 per cent were outgoing, with most of the movements travelling towards the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which was also the main country of origin of incoming movements. No movements were reported originating in health zones with recent confirmed outbreaks of EVD. It was observed that from 23 to 27 March the movements decreased significantly and from 28 March onwards, no movements were observed due to the border closure decision took by the authorities to prevent COVID-19 outbreaks in the country. On March 18, 2,247 incoming movements were observed, the majority of which (1,677) are followers of Eusebie (prophetess) who left the Democratic Republic of the Congo to return to their country of origin Burundi via Gatumba.

KEY FIGURES MOVEMENT ILLUSTRATION 28,348 Total movements observed **Flow Monitoring Points RWANDA** Mugina 71% 26% 76% 42% Ruhwa DRC Movements with Burundi Movements with intended Cibitoke nationals nationals taxi, cars, or buses durations of 1 week or less Around 3% of other nationalities were observed. Naoz TYPE OF DAILY MOVEMENT OBSERVED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD Rubenga Bukinanyana Kayanza **DEMOCRATIC** Gahomho REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO Musigati Bubanza Gihar BURUNDI **Vugizo** Gitega Muramvya Gatumba **DEMOGRAPHIC OBSERVATIONS BY FMP DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD** Bujumbura Flow monitoring point Rural 59% Mugongo Boundaries 1% 1% Commune Outflow Inflow Muhuta Outgoing movements 55% 37% 18-59 Rumonge Incoming movements REPUBLIC OF REPUBLIC O 5 10 20 Km 1% 1% Rumonae Map disclaimer: The arrows show the main flows registered for each FMP. This map is for illustration purposes

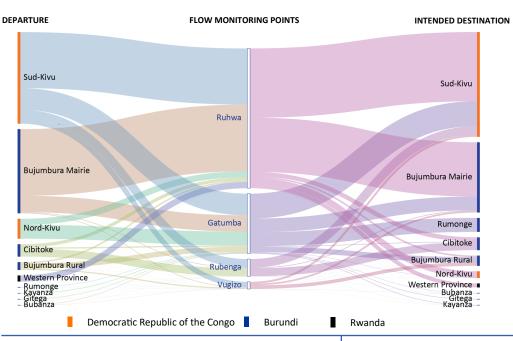


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MIGRATION FLOWS



HIGHLIGHTS

Movements: Of the 28,348 movements, most were of respondents between 18-59 years of age (92%). Few of the outgoing movements were headed towards Rwanda (4%). The rest (96%) were headed to Democratic Republic of the Congo. About 76 per cent of the movements were carried out through taxis, cars or buses which suggests fast moving flows. Due to COVID-19, the authorities decided to close the borders with the Democratic Republic of the Congo (which had confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the country) to avoid the spread of the pandemic in Burundi. This resulted in a dramatic decrease in migrant movements towards the end of the month.

Duration of the movements: The majority of the movements (42%) were of temporary nature, between one day and one week.

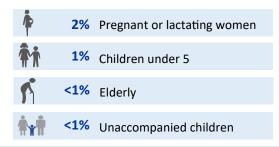
Reasons for movement: Most of the movements were driven by returning home (47%), family-related reasons (28%), and business/economic reasons (13%). About 7 per cent of the incoming movements were to seek health care.

Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs): Ruhwa FMP tracked the majority of all movements (62%), with 27 per cent of movements tracked through Gatumba, 8 per cent through Rubenga and the remaining 3 per cent through Vugizo.

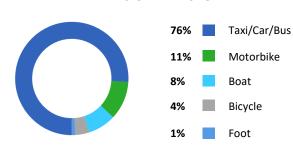
REASONS FOR MOVING

Reasons for movement	Outgoing (%)	Incoming (%)	Grand Total (%)
Return	70.6%	21.7%	47.0%
Visit Family	16.1%	40.3%	27.8%
Economic reasons	11.6%	13.7%	12.6%
Family reunification	0.1%	12.2%	6.0%
Health care	0.2%	6.7%	3.3%
Buy goods for personal consumption	0.1%	2.8%	1.4%
Education	0.3%	2.4%	1.3%
Seasonal	0.9%	0%	0.5%
Other	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Grand Total (%)	52%	48%	100%

VULNERABILITY PROFILE



MEANS OF TRANSPORT



Methodology: Flow monitoring is a component of DTM used to describe trends in the flows of individuals observed. Flow Monitoring (FM) is used for internal and cross-border population movement to better inform on nature, volume, direction and drivers of migration. The exercise is carried out at Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) strategically established at the border with Democratic Republic of the Congo where trained enumerators interview people passing through the FMPs in both directions, irrespective of their status (migrants or others) by nationality and with information disaggregated by sex and age. FM informs on population movements, origin and intended destinations, reasons for moving and population profiles.

Limitations: The Flow Monitoring Points are strategically placed to capture the most characteristic migration flows, and to complement systems established by government authorities. The exercise does not aim at providing a full description of all movements in the country or through a specific point, but should be understood as a way of describing the characteristics of population movements and profiles at targeted locations limited to those people observed. Data collection is carried out over the week during the day from 06:00 to 18:00.