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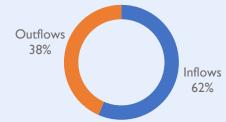
OVERVIEW

During the month of February 2023, a total of 42,264 movements were recorded and 2,957 migrants were interviewed across 34 Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) in Zimbabwe. The total movements recorded decreased by 5% compared to the previous month. 62% of movements observed were inflows, whilst 38% were outflows. The top three sending districts were Beitbridge (48%), Harare (11%) and Masvingo (7%). Matabeleland South recorded the highest number of outflows (52%) and Harare recorded the highest number of inflows (22%).

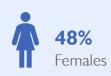
The South Africa-Zimbabwe corridor recorded the highest movement of 32,902 (78%) followed by the Zambia-Zimbabwe corridor which recorded 5,628 (13%) movements. Thirty-two per cent of movements along the South Africa-Zimbabwe corridor were short-term local movements. Of the migrants travelling from South Africa, 16% were travelling to Harare, 14% to Beitbridge and 6% to Bulawayo. Twenty-eight per cent of movements along the South Africa- Zimbabwe corridor were long-term economic movements, and 25% were family reunifications. The Zambia-Zimbabwe corridor consisted of 69% short-term movements, and 15% long-term economic movements. Of the migrants travelling to Zambia, 77% were travelling from Harare and 8% from Kariba. Forty-nine per cent of migrants travelling to Zambia were going to conduct commercial activities.

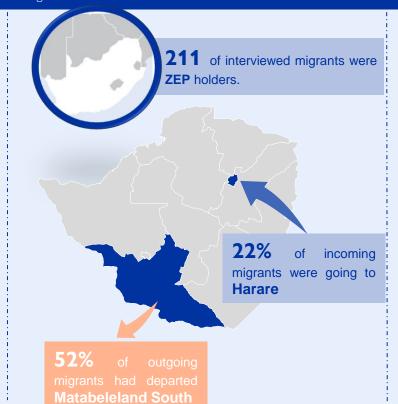
Outgoing migrants who had departed from Matabeleland South highlighted Limpopo (42%) and Gauteng (14%) as their intended destinations. Of the incoming migrants travelling to Harare, 35% were travelling from Lusaka and 28% from Gauteng.

42,264 Total Movements 5% decrease













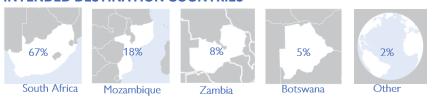


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JOURNEY PROFILES



INTENDED DESTINATION COUNTRIES

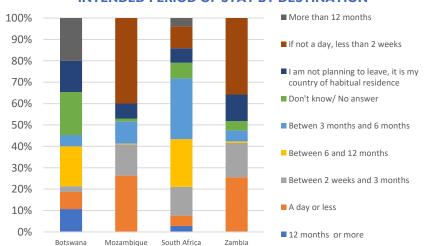


Sixty-seven per cent of migrants indicated that South Africa was their final intended destination. Of the migrants going to South Africa, 32% indicated that they were in search of employment, 29% were looking for livelihood opportunities whilst 18% were travelling to reunite with family. 46% of migrants indicated that their main reason for choosing South Africa as a destination country was to an existing job or to start a new job. 23% reported appealing socio-economic conditions and 14% were joining their family in South Africa.

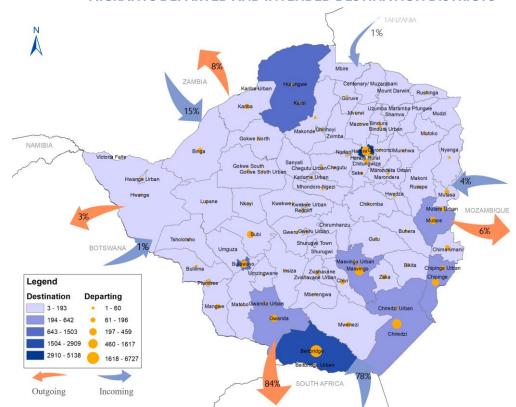
Of the migrants travelling to Mozambique, 36% were travelling to conduct commercial activities and 35% were travelling to reunite with their families. Migrants indicated that the main reasons for choosing Mozambique as a destination country were due to the presence of family members there (31%), affordable prices (23%) and appealing socioeconomic conditions.

984 of the surveyed migrants indicated that they had no identification documentation to cross borders and of those, 44% were travelling to South Africa.

INTENDED PERIOD OF STAY BY DESTINATION







During the reporting period, Beitbridge (48%), Harare (11%), Masvingo (7%), Chiredzi (6%), and Bulawayo (3%) districts were the highest sending districts. Forty-seven per cent of movements from Beitbridge were short term local movements, 29% were long term economic movements whilst 22% were seasonal movements. Sixty-eight per cent of movements from Masvingo were long term economic movements and 18% were seasonal movements.

The highest receiving districts were Harare (22%), Beitbridge (11%), Bulawayo (6%), Hurungwe (4%) and Chipinge (3%). Fifty per cent of movements to Harare were due to family reunification, 26% were short term local movements whilst 16% were long term economic movements. Fifty-one per cent of movements to Beitbridge were short-term local movements and 33% were family reunifications.

Nineteen per cent of the migrants travelling to South Africa were planning to stay for a period between 3 months and 6 months whilst 15% were planning to stay for a period between 6 months and 12 months.

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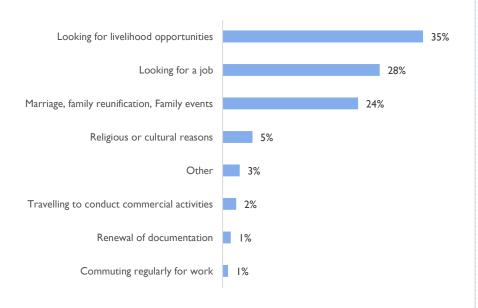
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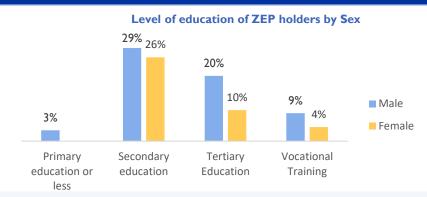




Of the migrants in possession of the ZEP travelling to Zimbabwe, 40% were planning to stay for a period between 2 weeks and 3 months. Fifty-three percent of migrants who were travelling from South Africa were from Gauteng province, 17% were from Western Cape and 12% from Limpopo. The destination provinces for ZEP holders included Harare (34%), Masvingo (15%) and Manicaland (13%).

Main Reason for the journey for ZEP holders

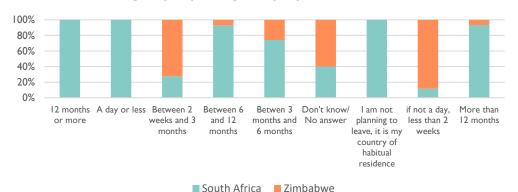




54% of ZEP holders who reported South Africa as their usual country of residence were secondary educated whilst 24% were tertiary educated. 68% of secondary educated ZEP holders are based in Gauteng, 17% are based in Limpopo and 6% are based in Western Cape. Of the tertiary-educated ZEP holders, 61% are based in Gauteng, 14% are based in Western Cape and 7% in Mpumalanga. Eighty-three per cent of ZEP holders residing in South Africa reported to be employed, 9% self-employed and 7% unemployed.

Ninety-three per cent of tertiary educated ZEP holders indicated that they were employed whilst 77% of the secondary educated indicated to be employed. The top three sectors for the secondary educated were Agriculture, forestry and fishery (41%), Transport and storage (13%) and Engineering, manufacturing and construction (9%).. The top three sectors for the tertiary educated ZEP holders are Engineering, manufacturing and construction (30%), Transport and Storage (11%) and Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery (11%).

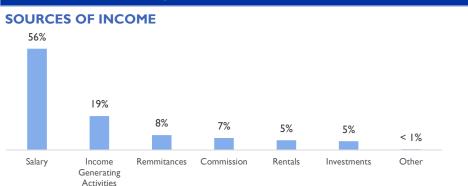




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SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROFILES

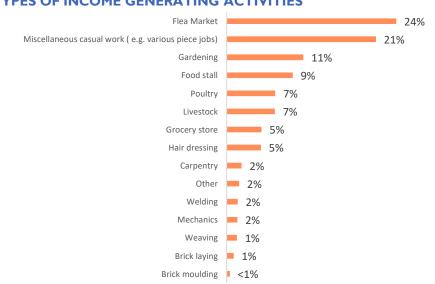




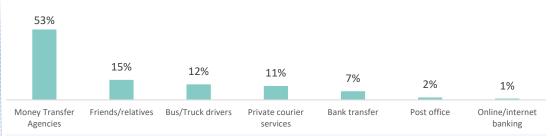
Forty-seven per cent of migrants whose country of usual residence is Zimbabwe reported receiving a salary as their main source of income and the top 3 sectors where they are employed are Agriculture, forestry, Fishery (23%), Wholesale and retail trade (18%), and Transport and storage (13%).

Twenty-four percent of migrants whose usual residence is Zimbabwe indicated Income generating activities as a source of income. 43% of the respondents reside in Manicaland, 30% in Mashonaland West and 14% in Matabeleland South. The top three income-generating activities were the Flea market (24%), Causal work (21%) and Gardening (11%).

TYPES OF INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES

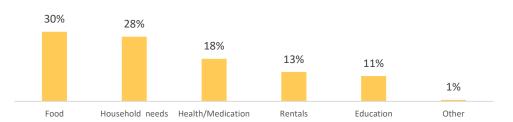


HOW DO YOU SEND/ RECEIVE REMITTANCES

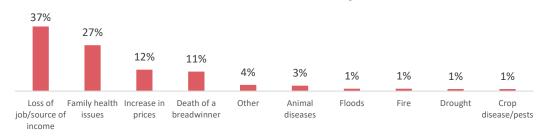


Of the surveyed migrants who reported to be receiving remittances, 34% reside in Manicaland, 17% in Bulawayo and 16% in Masvingo. Fifty-one percent of the migrants reported receiving between \$100 - \$500 and 46% reported receiving less than \$100.

WHAT ARE THE REMITTANCES USED FOR?



SHOCKS EXPERIENCED BEFORE EMBARKING ON JOURNEY

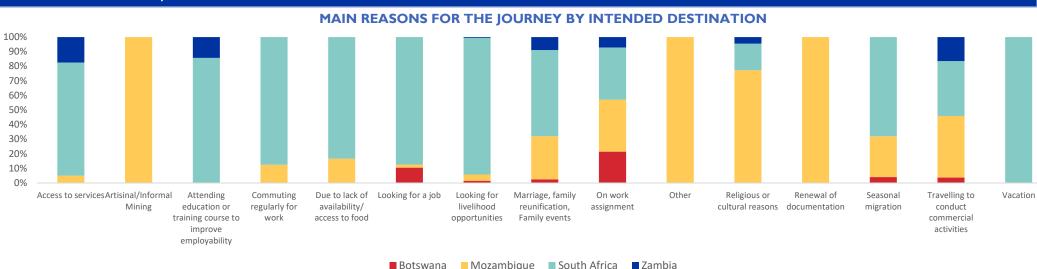


Twenty-seven per cent of the surveyed migrants reported that their household experienced shocks in the last 6 months before they embarked on their journey. The top three districts for migrants who lost their jobs/source of income were Chimanimani (29%), Bulawayo (20%) and Beitbridge (8%).

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REASONS FOR MOVEMENT





During the reporting period, 27% of the migrants were travelling in search of employment, 22% were looking for livelihood opportunities whilst 22% were travelling to reunite with family.

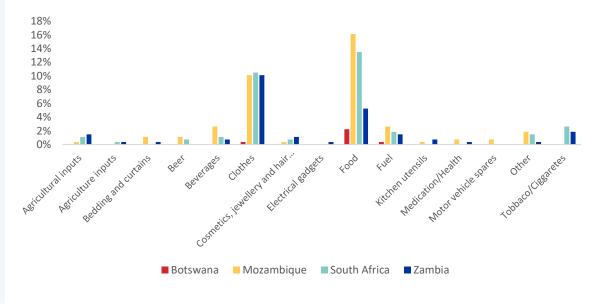
Forty-nine per cent of migrants travelling to Zambia were going to conduct commercial services and of those 70% were female. 64% of the females were travelling to purchase goods from Zambia.

33% of female migrants travelling to Zambia, indicated that they were travelling to access general medical care.

Of the migrants travelling to Botswana, 61% were in search of employment and 68% were male. Most of the males (63%) had completed secondary education whilst 14% had completed tertiary education.

Thirteen per cent of migrants who started their journey in Zimbabwe indicated that they were going to buy items whilst 4% were travelling to sell. Of those travelling to buy, 45% were travelling to Mozambique, 36% to South Africa and 16% to Zambia. Mozambique (37%), South Africa (35%) and Zambia (24%) were the main destinations for those travelling to sell their goods.

IF TRAVELLING TO PURCHASE IN THE DESTINATION COUNTRY, WHAT ARE YOU PURCHASING?

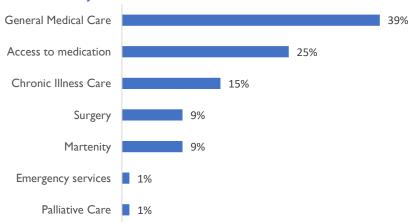


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MAIN REASONS FOR THE JOURNEY



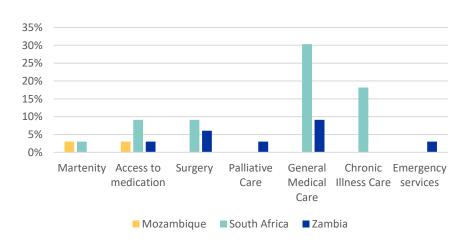




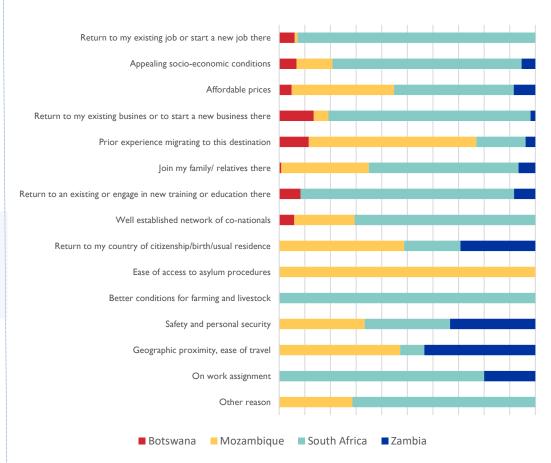
Seventy per cent of those travelling to access services were seeking better health services at the place of their intended destination whilst 18% were seeking better education services. Of those travelling for health services 47% were travelling to South Africa, 18% to Zambia and 5% to Botswana.

Of the migrants travelling to access health services, 39% indicated access to general medical care as their main reason for travel.

HEALTH SERVICES ACCESSED IN DESTINATION COUNTRY



WHY DID YOU CHOSE THIS FINAL DESTINATION?



Twenty-two per cent of the migrants chose South Africa due to the appealing socio-economic conditions whilst 14% were joining family there. Most migrants travelling to Mozambique had chosen the destination as they had family ties (31%), 24% per cent indicated affordable prices, and 16% reported appealing socio-economic conditions. Twenty-six per cent chose Zambia as their final destination due to its geographic proximity and ease of travel and 20% stated the appealing socio-economic conditions.

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CHALLENGES & VULNERABILITIES



Persons with

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CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED

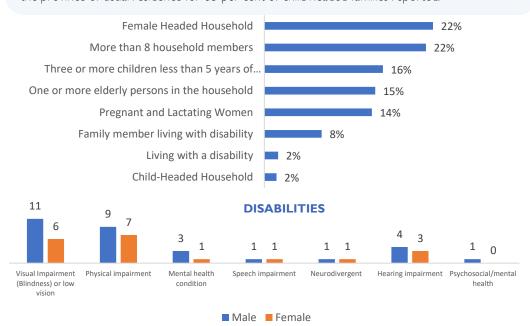
364 migrants encountered challenges along their journey. Sixty-one per cent of those who encountered challenges were inflows whilst 39 per cent were outflows. 38 per cent of the migrants who encountered challenges lacked money and finances, 10% had mental trauma and/or depression and 10% mentioned theft and bribing. Four per cent of the migrants who faced challenges mentioned deportation and 52% of those went through the Zimbabwe-South Africa corridor whilst 43% went through the Zimbabwe-Botswana corridor. Other challenges mentioned by migrants (7%) include flooded rivers, heavy rains and bad roads which can be attributed to Cyclone Freddy as 64% travelled though South Africa and 28% travelled through Mozambique which were severely hit by the cyclone.

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Challenges	Botswana	Mozambique	Africa	Zambia
Lack of money or finances	4	1	201	7
Mental trauma and/or depression (including homesickness				
or distress)	0	0	54	_
Other	0	11	25	3
Theft/Bribing/	0	4	16	17
Arrest and/or detention by authorities or non- government entities	5	2	22	1
Difficult access to water	0	1	21	1
Discrimination / Stigmatizations (including either physical or verbal abuse)	0	0	23	0
Deportation	10	0	12	1
Lack of information	1	0	22	0
Difficult access to Personal Protective Equipment (Masks, Gloves, Sanitizers, Soaps)	0	14	8	0
Identity document issues	2	3	13	3
Lack of or difficult access to food	0	0	15	2
Difficult access to health care services	0	0	12	0
Myself or family member contracted Covid-19	0	0	4	3
Difficulty with sending or receiving remittances from abroad	0	0	6	0
Performed work or other activities without the expected payment	0	0	2	0
Physical or sexual violence of any kind	0	0	2	0

VULNERABILITIES



Seventy per cent of the observed pregnant women were transiting along the South Africa-Zimbabwe corridor. Among the respondents, 306 reported that their households were female headed and 22 were family members of a child-headed households. Thirty-four per cent of the migrants who reported that they were members of a female headed household were residence of Manicaland province whilst 23 per cent were coming from Masvingo. Matabeleland South was the province of usual residence for 85 per cent of child headed families reported.



Seventeen migrants had a visual impairment (blindness) or low vision. Fifty per cent of migrants with visual impairment were travelling for family reunification whilst 14% were travelling to access services in South Africa.

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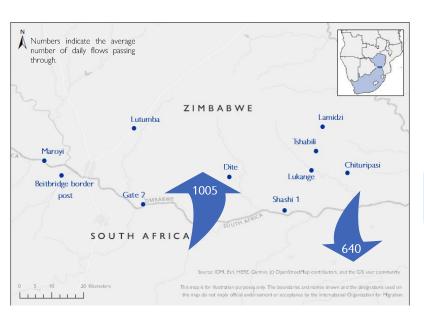




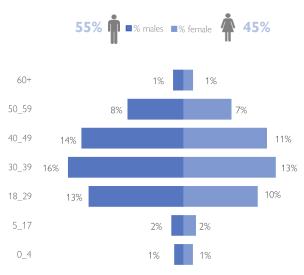


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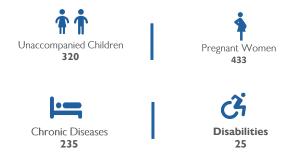
Over the reporting period, a total of 32,902 cross-border movements were observed at the Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs). The average daily number of flows was 1,645. This represented a 1 per cent decrease compared to January during which 1,660 individual movements were observed on a daily basis. Zimbabwe (61%) and South Africa (39%) were the main countries of departure whilst Zimbabwe (58%) and South Africa (39%) were the main countries of the intended destination of individuals passing through the different FMPs. However, this information is based on direct estimation, therefore is likely under-reported. Out of 32,902 individuals observed, 55 per cent were males and 45 per cent were females. There were 433 women who were visibly pregnant and 320 unaccompanied children observed. Boys and girls (males and females below 18) made up 6 per cent of individuals observed. Twenty-nine per cent of the interviewed migrants were travelling for family reunification and 23 per cent were looking for a job. Twenty-two per cent travelled to look for livelihood opportunities



DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE



VULNERABLE GROUPS

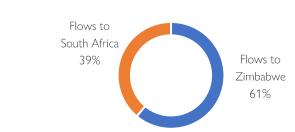


Of the migrants with chronic diseases 23 per cent suffered from diabetes and 21 per cent suffered from hypertension. Forty - three per cent of those with disabilities had visual impairment and 22 per cent were suffering from physical impairment.

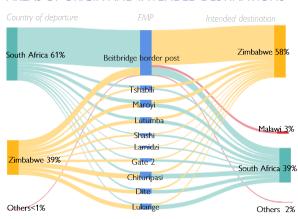
MODES OF TRANSPORTATION



FLOW DIRECTION



AREAS OF ORIGIN AND INTENDED DESTINATIONS



Others include Botswana and Lesotho for countries of departure and Zambia, Mozambique and Democratic Republic of Congo for countries of destination.

REASONS FOR MOVEMENT

easons for Movement	Total	Flows to Zimbabwe	Flows to South Africa
Short Term Local Movement (<6 months)	32%	52%	48%
Long Term Economic Movement (>6 months)	28%	30%	70%
Family Reunification (>6 months)	25%	97%	3%
Seasonal Migration	11%	29%	71%
Forced Conflict * Please note that multiple answers were possil	3% ble for this que	96%	3%

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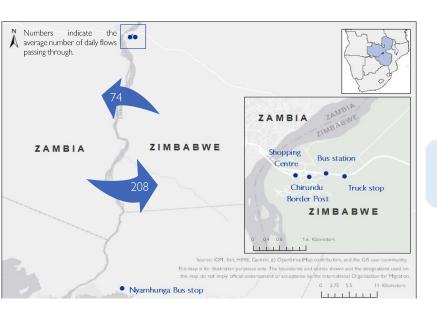




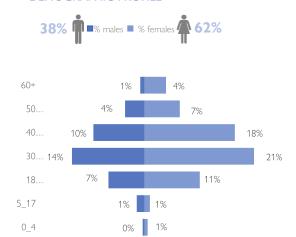


OVERVIEW

Over the reporting period, a total of 5,628 cross-border movements were observed at the Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs). The average daily number of flows was 282. This represented a 21 per cent increase compared to January, during which 233 individual movements were observed on a daily basis. Zambia (64%). Zimbabwe (20%) and South Africa (9%) were the main countries of departure while Zimbabwe (72%) and Zambia (27%) were the main countries of the intended destination of individuals passing through the different FMPs. Out of 5.628 individuals observed, 38 per cent were males and 62 per cent were females. There were 150 women who were visibly pregnant. Boys and girls (males and females below 18) made up 4 per cent of individuals observed. Of the interviewed migrants 55 per cent were travelling to conduct commercial activities while 19 per cent were travelling for family reunification. Sixty-six per cent of those travelling to conduct commercial activities were going to buy or sell clothes whilst 13% were going to buy/sell food.



DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE



VULNERABLE GROUPS*



Of the migrants with chronic diseases, 52 per cent suffered from hypertension and 18 per cent suffered from diabetes. Thirty-seven per cent of the disabled suffered from visual impairments and 42 per cent suffered from physical impairments

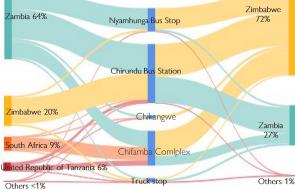
MODES OF TRANSPORTATION



FLOW DIRECTION







Others include Mozambique and the Democratic Republic of Congo for countries of departure and Malawi, South Africa, Democratic Republic of Congo, United Republic of Tanzania and Mozambique for countries of destination.

REASONS FOR MOVEMENT

Reasons for Movement	Total	Flows to Zimbabwe	Flows to Zambia
Short Term Local Movement (<6			
months)	69%	72%	28%
Long Term Economic Movement (>6 months)	15%	92%	8%
Family Reunification (>6 months)	14%	79%	21%
Disaster	1%	100%	<1%
Forced Conflict	1%	100%	<1%

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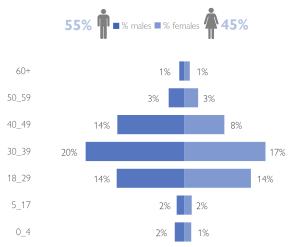


OVERVIEW

Over the reporting period, a total of 2,965 cross-border movements were observed at the Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs). The average daily number of flows was 148. This represented a 12 per cent decrease compared to January during which 168 individual movements were observed on a daily basis. Mozambique (52%), Zimbabwe (45%) and South Africa (2%) were the main countries of departure while Zimbabwe (49%), Mozambique (47%) and South Africa (4%) were the main countries of the intended destination of individuals passing through the different FMPs. Out of 2,965 individuals observed, 55 per cent were males and 45 per cent were females. There were 31 women who were visibly pregnant. Boys and girls (males and females) below 18 made up 6 per cent of the individuals observed. Thirty-rine per cent of the surveyed migrants were travelling to join their family members. Thirty-two per cent of the interviewed migrants travelled to conduct commercial activities. Majority of migrants travelling for commercial activities were going to buy/sell food (38%) and clothes (29%).



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VULNERABLE GROUPS*



Of the migrants with chronic diseases, 45 per cent were suffering from hypertension and 21 per cent suffered from HIV. All those who identified as disabled have physical impairment.

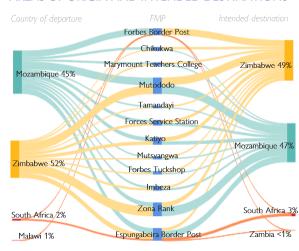
MODES OF TRANSPORTATION

Car	Motorbike		Bus	Truck
48%	\$\$ 25%	六 23%	3%	1%

FLOW DIRECTION



AREAS OF ORIGIN AND INTENDED DESTINATIONS



REASONS FOR MOVEMENT

Reasons for Movement	Total	Flows to Zimbabwe	Flows to Mozambiqu
Short Term Local Movement			
(<6 months)	71%	53%	479
Family Reunification (>6 months)	21%	60%	409
Long Term Economic Movement (>6 months)	7%	42%	58%
1 lovement (> 0 months)	7 70	12/0	
Forced Disaster	<1%	100%	<19
Seasonal Migration	<1%	<1%	1009
Forced Conflict	<1%	100%	<19
Covid 19	<1%	100%	<19

* Please note that multiple answers were possible for this question

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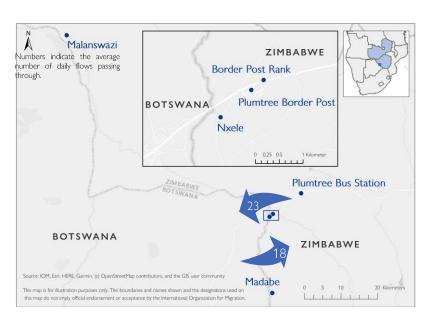




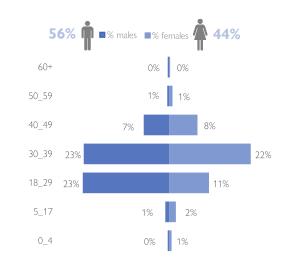


OVERVIEW

Over the reporting period, a total of 769 cross-border movements were observed at the Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs). The average daily number of flows was 41 This represented 20 per cent decrease in the number of movements compared to January during which 49 individual movements were observed on a daily basis. Zimbabwe (59%) and Botswana (37%) were the main countries of departure while Botswana (54%), Zimbabwe (41%) and South Africa (5%) were the main countries of the intended destination of individuals passing through the different FMPs. Out of 769 individuals observed, 56 per cent were males and 44 per cent were females. There were 2 women who were visibly pregnant. Boys and girls (males and females) below 18 made up 4 per cent of the individuals observed. Of the surveyed migrants, 39 per cent were travelling to look for jobs and 19% were travelling to conduct commercial activities. Of those travelling to buy/sell food.



DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE



VULNERABLE GROUPS*

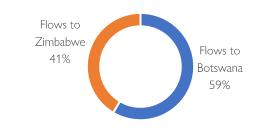


Of the migrants with chronic diseases, 36 per cent suffered from HIV and 29% suffered from Diabetes. Sixty per cent of migrants who stated they were living with disabilities suffered from hearing impairment and 20 per cent from physical impairment.

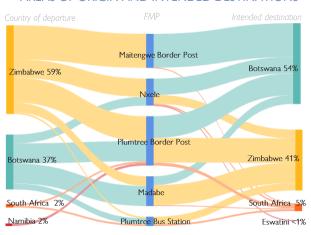
MODES OF TRANSPORTATION

Car	Foot	Bus	Truck
47%	^ 27%	24%	2%

FLOW DIRECTION



AREAS OF ORIGIN AND INTENDED DESTINATIONS



REASONS FOR MOVEMENT

		Flows to	Flows to
Reasons for Movement	Total	Zimbabwe	Botswana
Short Term Local Movement (<6			
months)	50%	37%	63%
Long Term Economic Movement			
(>6 months)	33%	11%	89%
Family Reunification (>6 months)	12%	51%	49%
Seasonal Migration	3%	100%	<1%
Forced Conflict	1%	100%	<1%
Unknown	1%	100%	<1%

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CONCLUSION

• IOM has included an additional flow monitoring point in Beitbridge at congregational areas and target communities that were not previously captured. IOM continues to offer psychosocial support to migrants in need across the 4 corridors. Migrants in need of additional support are referred to the Ministry of Social Welfare and Development and other supporting organizations such as Friendship Bench for further counselling services.



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METHODOLOGY

Flow Monitoring is a data collection activity which seeks to gather key information on mobility and migrant profiles. It begins by identifying zones in which large mobility flows occur and highlighting the characteristics and journeys of travellers in these zones. DTM teams, with the support of local authorities and partners, identify strategic points of transit, where Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) are set up. At each FMP, DTM conducts two main activities: Flow Monitoring Registry (FMR) and Flow Monitoring Surveys (FMS). The tools collects data at FMPs through direct observation and interviews with key informants, including staff working at transit stations, border patrol officers, local authorities, bus or taxi drivers and travellers themselves.

The FM tools gather data on the number of travellers crossing FMPs, as well as the provenance, next destination, vulnerabilities, challenges, reasons and means of transport of travellers. At each FMP, data is collected by a team of enumerators. Data collection is carried out daily, between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. Enumerators collect data via a mobile data collection form to ensure data integrity and quality. This report is an overview of the data collected from 1 to 28 February 2023.

LIMITATIONS

Data collected in the framework of Flow Monitoring activities are the result of direct observations and interviews conducted at FMPs between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. The data are not representative of all migration flows in the border area, and, because they only reflect the situation of observed or surveyed individuals, cannot be generalized. Temporal coverage of the data collection exercises is also limited to a specific time window. While data is collected daily, Flow Monitoring activities do not capture all flows transiting through FMPs. Data on vulnerability is based on direct observation and self-reporting. Therefore, the findings should be understood as mainly indicative.

Data collected for these exercises should be understood as estimations only. IOM does not make any warranties or representations as to the appropriateness, quality, reliability, timeliness, accuracy or completeness of the data included in this report. On some occasions demographic percentages are slightly below or above 100 per cent due to rounding in calculations, as it also occurs when breaking down the relative flows of different nationalities through a border crossing.

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