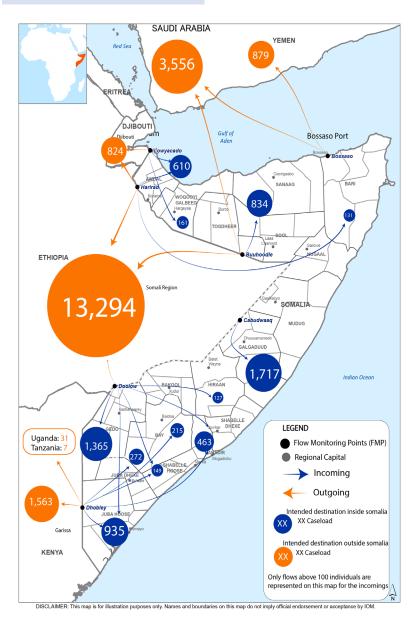


SOMALIA – CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS FEBRUARY 2023

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MOVEMENT ILLUSTRATION



HIGHLIGHTS

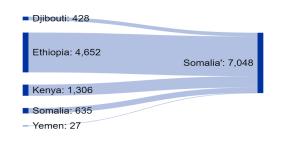
A total of 27,201 movements were observed in February 2023, representing a -5% decrease compared to 2022 when 28,717 movements were observed during the same period.

If compared with February 2022, Doolow(42%) and Harirad (24%) FMPs recorded an increase in movements, while Lowyacado (-50%), Bossaso (-46%), Buuhoodle (-30%), Cabudwaaq (-25%) and Dhobley (-2%) FMPs recorded a decrease in movements.

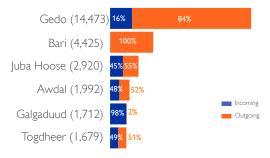
Doolow (32%), Cabudwaaq (24%) and Dhobley (19%) FMPs recorded the highest numbers of incoming flows, while Doolow (61%), Boassaso (22%) and Dhobley (8%) recorded the highest numbers of outgoing flows.



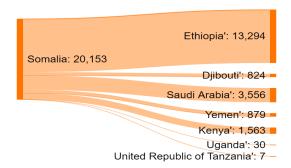
Incoming flows: 7,048 movements were observed as entering Somalia. Movements recorded originated from Ethiopia (66%), Kenya (19%), Djibouti (6%) and Yemen (<1%) while 9 per cent of the movements observed as entering Somalia also originated from Somalia.





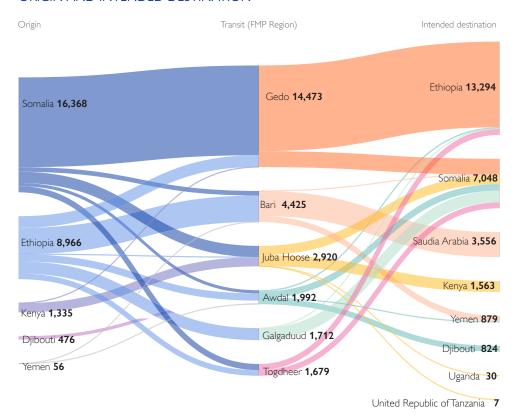


Outgoing flows: 20,153 movements were observed as exiting Somalia. The main countries of intended destination for outgoing flows were Ethiopia (66%), Saudi Arabia (18%), Kenya (8%), Yemen (4%) and Djibouti (4%).

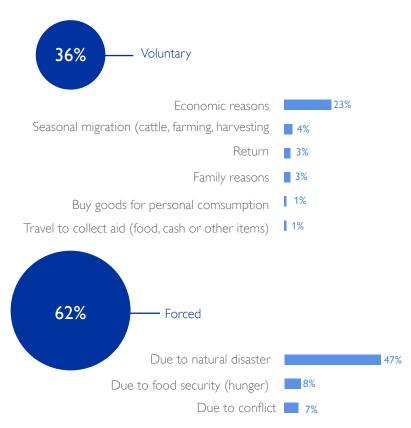


TRAVEL HISTORY, MIGRATION DRIVERS AND CHALLENGES

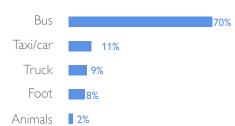
ORIGIN AND INTENDED DESTINATION



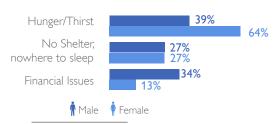
REASONS FOR MOVEMENT







¹MAIN DIFFICULTIES*



From FMS data collection tool sample size of 672 individuals who faced difficulties. This question has multiple answer options and the sum of % can exceed 100%.





MIGRANT PROFILES

SEX AND AGE

50% 50% **2%** | 60+ 1% **2%** | 50-59 | **3% 5% 4**0-49 **4% 7%** ■ 30-39 ■ **9% 15%** 18-29 **12% 13%** 5-17 15% **6%** 0-4 7%

NATIONALITY

83%



15%

2%

VULNERABILITIES¹



13% Children under five



2% Pregnant and lactating women



2% Unaccompanied children



<1% Elderly (60+)

DO YOU HOLD A PASSPORT, OR ANY OTHER FORM OF IDENTIFICATION?*



11%



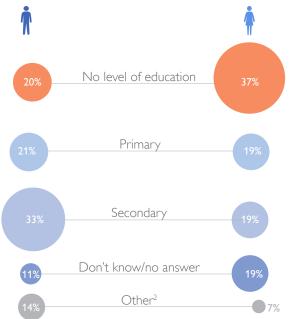
No 92%



Yes 8%

* Data from FMS which is based on a sample size of 1.307 individuals

SEX AND HIGHEST EDUCATION LEVEL COMPLETED*

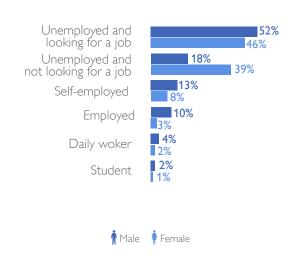


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SEX AND CURRENT OCCUPATION*

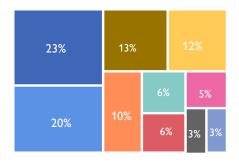
Other

<1%



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MAIN SECTORS OF EMPLOYMENT*



- Agriculture, forestry
- Wholesale and retail trade; motor vehicles/motorcycles repair
- Other
- Construction
- Activities of households as employers
- Other service activities
- Education
- Human health and social work activities
- Fisheries
- Accomodation and food service activities

^{*} Data from FMS which is based on a sample size of 306 individuals

METHODOLOGY

The Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) is a system to track and monitor displacement and population mobility. It is designed to regularly and systematically capture, process and disseminate information to provide a better understanding of the movements and evolving needs of mobile populations, whether on site or en route. DTM provides decision makers with primary data and information on human mobility, both in country and at the regional and global level.

Flow monitoring is one of DTM's four methodological components. Its purpose is to provide regular and updated information of the size and profile of population movements. The information and analysis provided by flow monitoring also aims to contribute to improved understanding of shortcomings and priorities in the provision of assistance along the displacement/migratory routes. Flow monitoring methodology consists of three basic steps:

- High Mobility Area/Location Assessments: aimed at mapping locations of high mobility to establish where to set up Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs) through key informant interviews;
- Flow Monitoring Registry (FMR): aimed at capturing quantitative data about certain characteristics such as the volumes of migrants, their nationalities, sex and age disaggregated information, their origin, their planned destination and key vulnerabilities. This is collected by enumerators at the FMPs. Since 22 March 2020, the tool includes COVID-19-related indicators, such as awareness of COVID-19 and the prevalence of chronic diseases. In March 2021, the FMR tool was modified to capture the distinctions between transiting locations and places of origin, transiting destinations and final destinations thus the incoming/outgoing flows from March 2021 may not be directly comparable with the previous weeks and months;
- Flow Monitoring Survey (FMS): aimed at capturing qualitative information about the profiles of migrants, migration drivers and migrants' needs. This is done through interviews with a sample of migrants passing through the FMPs. Since 1 September 2020, the tool includes COVID-19-related indicators, such as the challenges encountered since the start of the pandemic.

Movement categories:

- Outgoing/Exiting Migrants: migrants originating from and travelling out of the country where the FMP is located. Nationality is irrelevant.
- Transiting Migrants: migrants travelling through the country where the FMP is located, where both departure point, and the intended final destination, are not the country of FMP. Nationality is irrelevant.
- Incoming Migrants: both entering (non-nationals of the country with the FMP) and returning (nationals of the country with the FMP) migrants, where the intended destination is the country containing the FMP.
- Internal Migrants: where both the departure and the destination country are the country with the FMP. This includes circular migration.

More information on flow monitoring data and reports can be accessed via DTM's Flow Monitoring portal.

LIMITATIONS

Data collected for this exercise (from FMR and FMS) should be understood as indicative observations at FMPs. They represent only part of the total flows passing through Somalia. DTM Somalia has seven (7) cross-border FMPs, which is not exhaustive of all cross-border roads that migrants may use.

Although data is collected 5 days per week and it is collected only during working hours. The spatial and temporal coverage of this data collection activity is therefore incomplete. However, it provides information on the situation at assessed points and allows to make hypothesis on the overall situation.

In addition, having collected flow monitoring data consistently in the past years, historical data offers the possibility to observe trends and make comparisons. Data on vulnerability is based on direct observation and should be understood as mainly indicative. FMS data is based on a sample of the total movements observed and therefore it should be interpreted with caution.

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