

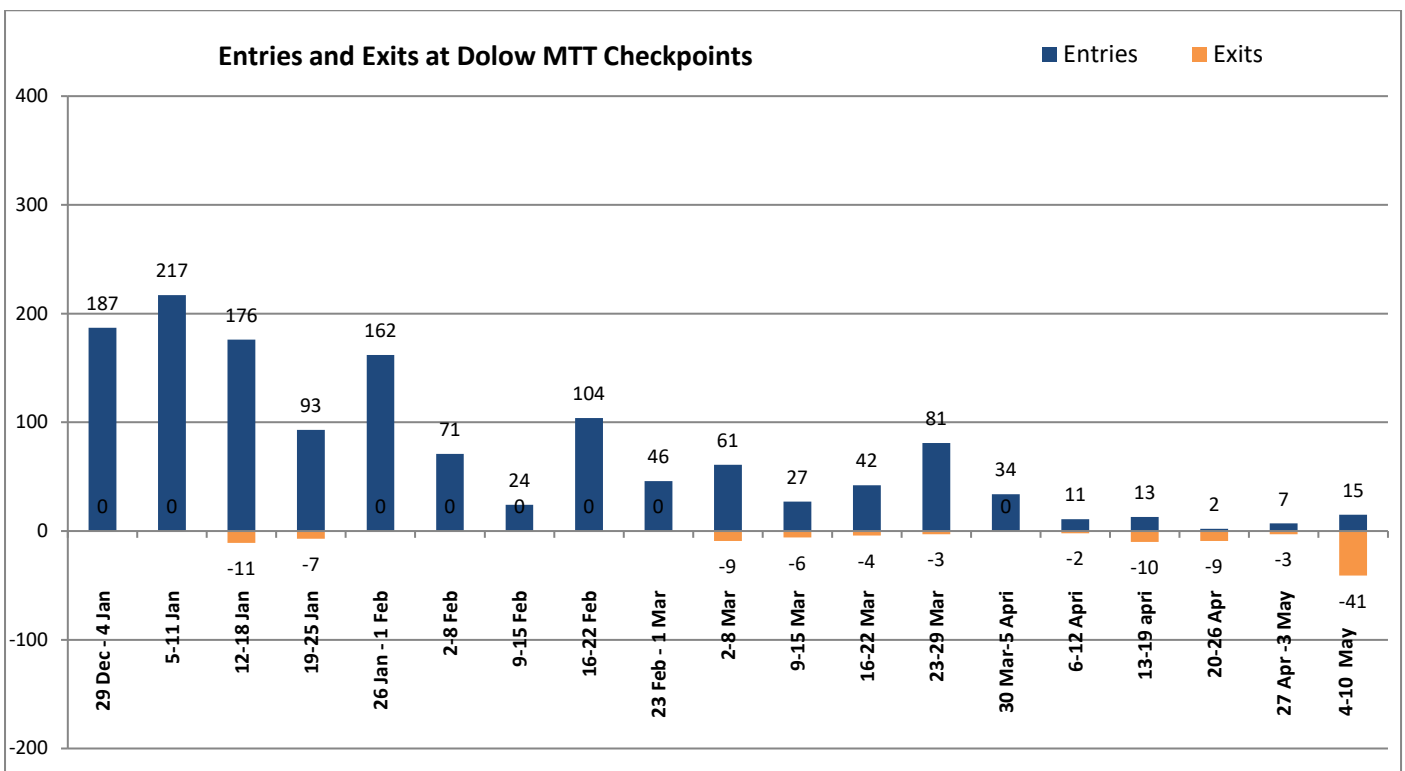


KEY MESSAGES

- This week a total of 15 entries and 41 exits were recorded at Kabasa and Qansaxley camps. The high number of exits observed the highest number in the past 5 months.
- The majority of the new arrivals cited lack of food as their reason for displacement (67%) while the rest cited employment opportunity (33%). The new arrivals came from nearby districts: Baardheere (33%), Belet Xaawo (33%) while the remainder came from across the border from Ethiopia (34%).
- All the new arrivals were directed to Qansaxley IDP site due to the Kabasa IDP site being closed to new arrivals since October 2017 due to lack of space.
- With the start of the raining season, 63% of households exiting this week mentioned managing their farm as their reason for leaving, 25% cited food as their reason for exit and the remaining 12% for other reasons.
- Those leaving the camps returned to the following locations: Baidoa District (38%), Bardheere (13%), Belet Xaawo (13%), Waajid (13%) and Luuq district (23%). Half of the families exiting intend to return back to the IDP site in the future and the remaining 50% will be looking for resettlement in other locations.



MTT enumerator interviewing new arrivals in the IDP site. Photo credit IOM.



METHODOLOGY

Movement Trend Tracking (MTT) is a movement monitoring exercise that tracks people who are moving in or out of sites on a semi-permanent or permanent basis. MTT aims to gauge the pulse of movements in and out of sites in Dolow.

MTT figures should not be considered official updates to the population figures of the sites. Rather, the data represents the intentions of IDPs and points towards general trends in their movements.

In Dolow, IOM enumerators are positioned at the 2 main IDP sites, Kabasa and Qansaxley, 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset. The teams identify people who are moving in or out of the sites with luggage. Interviews are done with the individual or the head of household.

MTT aims to complement existing information management products on displacements and movements in Dolow, by providing site level specific data on population movements on a regular basis, to assist agencies operating in sites and settlements with key information on: demographics of movement, area of origin, area of return/onward movement, reasons for movement and movement trends over time.

