CROSS BORDER MOVEMENTS – SOMALIA
JULY 2020

HIGHLIGHTS

NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES
3,220

NUMBER OF DEATHS
93

NUMBER OF RECOVERIES
1,598

OBSERVED MOVEMENTS – FLOW MONITORING
In July 2020, a total of 14,134 movements were observed at Flow Monitoring Points (FMPs). This represents a decrease of 36% in comparison with July 2019 when 22,228 movements were observed. Between these two periods, five FMPs (Dhobley, Lowyacado, Buuhoodle, Bossaso and Doolow) recorded a decrease in movements while two FMPs (Cabudwaq and Harirad) saw an increase in movements.

Like in June 2020, this month saw a majority of incoming flows (69%) against (31%) outgoing flows. Cabudwaq and Bossaso FMPs recorded the highest levels of incoming flows (19% each of all incoming flows), while Dhobley recorded the highest number of outgoing flows (33% of all outgoing flows).

*Information as available on 8/5/2020.
Sources: Federal Government of Somalia, UN OCHA and WHO

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In July 2020, 1,193 instances of chronic diseases were self-reported. Importantly, a migrant may present more than one chronic disease.

Of the self-reported conditions: diabetes 36%, hypertension 34%, chronic respiratory diseases represented 24%, immunity deficiency 2% and cancer 2%. Cardiovascular diseases 1%, Migrants reported the highest levels of chronic diseases in Juba Hoose (33% of reported diseases) Togdheer (31%) and Gedo (19%).

53% of the groups interviewed were aware of the COVID-19 pandemic. This is an improvement from June 2020 when only 46% of the groups were aware about COVID-19. Interviewees who reported not knowing about COVID-19 were offered an awareness session by trained enumerators utilizing posters in Somali, Oromo, Amharic, Arabic and English.

PREVALENCE OF CHRONIC DISEASES PER REGION OF FMP

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MIGRANTS AGED 60 OR ABOVE (HIGH RISK POPULATION)

In total 424 out of 14,134 persons were 60+ years old, which is equivalent to 3%.

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<td>14,134</td>
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SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW

* COVID-19 related data was collected between 1st to 31st July 2020 with a revised Flow Monitoring Registry tool (see methodology section). Chronic diseases being monitored are: diabetes, cardiovascular disease, hypertension, cancer, chronic respiratory disease and immune deficiency.
MOVEMENTS OBSERVED BY TYPE OF FLOW AND REGION

### Incoming

- **Djibouti**: 900
- **Ethiopia**: 6,880
- **Kenya**: 1,226
- **Somalia**: 9,695

### Outgoing

- **Djibouti**: 262
- **Ethiopia**: 1,420
- **Somalia**: 4,439
- **Kenya**: 1,435
- **Yemen**: 1,305
- **Uganda**: 22

**Movements Trends**

**Main Countries of Origin and Intended Destination**

**Incoming**

- **Ethiopia**: 6,880 (71%)
- **Kenya**: 1,226 (13%)
- **Djibouti**: 900 (9%)
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**Outgoing**

- **Kenya**: 1,435 (32%)
- **Ethiopia**: 1,420 (32%)
- **Yemen**: 1,305 (29%)
- **Djibouti**: 262 (6%)

**Incoming Flows**: recorded originated from Ethiopia (6,880 observations or 71%), Kenya (1,226 or 13%) and Djibouti (900 or 9%). In addition, 650 of the movements observed (or 7%) as entering Somalia also originated from Somalia; this is likely due to difficulties to travel within Somalia, as well as relative ease of transportation through neighboring countries and shorter distances.

**Outgoing Flows**: for the month of July 2020, a total of 4,439 movements were observed as exiting Somalia. Main countries of intended destination for outgoing flows are Kenya (1,435 or 32%), Ethiopia (1,420 or 32%), Yemen (1,305 or 29%), and Djibouti (262 or 6%).

**Map of Cross Border Movements – Somalia**

The map shows the movements observed in Somalia for the month of July 2020. The data includes the main countries of origin and intended destination for both incoming and outgoing flows.

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**incoming flows**

**outgoing flows**

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**DISCLAIMER**: This map is for illustration purposes only. Names and boundaries on the map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by IOM.
**MIGRATION PROFILES**

**AGE AND SEX DISTRIBUTION**

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<td>54%</td>
<td>46%</td>
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**DECLARED NATIONALITY OF PERSONS ON THE MOVE**

- **ETHIOPIA**: 58%
- **SOMALIA**: 40%
- **DJIBOUTI**: 2%
- **OTHER**: <1%

**VULNERABILITIES**

A total of 2,119 vulnerabilities were reported in July 2020. Vulnerabilities may be overlapping since individuals may have more than one vulnerability. The following percentages are calculated on the total number of observations for this month:

- **Children Under 5**: 7%
- **Pregnant and Lactating**: 6%
- **Physical disability**: 1%
- **Elderly (60+)**: 1%
- **Unaccompanied Child**: 1%

**HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION PRIOR TO MIGRATION***

- **None**: 57%
- **Primary**: 16%
- **Lower Secondary**: 11%
- **Upper Secondary**: 10%
- **Other (such as religious school)**: 3%
- **Tertiary (Bachelors, Masters)**: 2%
- **Professional training (more than 1 year)**: 1%

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*Data from FMS, which is based on a sample (2,090 respondents) of the total movements. Data should be interpreted with caution.
MIGRATION REASONS AND LOGISTICS

WILLINGNESS TO RETURN HOME*

- Don’t know: 33%
- Yes, as soon as conditions permit: 15%
- Yes, no matter what the situation is: 14%
- N/A: 13%
- Prefers not to answer: 11%
- No, I don’t want: 10%
- No, I can’t go back home: 4%

TIME SINCE DEPARTURE*

- Today or less than 2 weeks ago: 50%
- Doesn’t know/Prefer not to answer: 23%
- Between 2 weeks and 3 months ago: 20%
- Between 3 and 6 months ago: 6%
- More than 6 months ago: 1%

DIFFICULTIES DURING THE JOURNEY*

- N/A: 66%
- Yes: 30%
- No: 4%
- Doesn’t know/Prefer not to answer: 0%

DIFFICULTIES FACED AT THE TIME OF THE INTERVIEW**

- Hunger/thirst: 69%
- Financial issues: 47%
- No shelter, nowhere to sleep: 45%
- Sickness: 27%
- Lack of information: 19%
- Deportation: 4%
- Injuries: 3%
- Arrest/detention by authorities: 3%
- Attacks/assault: 3%
- Identity documents issues: 1%
- Mental issues: 1%

REASONS FOR MOVEMENT

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- Economic reasons: 28%
- Seasonal Migration (cattle, farming, harvesting): 20%
- Forced movement due to Conflict: 12%
- Forced movement due to food insecurity (hunger): 8%
- Forced movement due to Natural Disaster: 7%
- Other: 6%
- Family reasons: 6%
- Health Care: 6%
- Return: 3%
- Travel to collect aid (food, cash or other items): 2%
- Buy goods for personal consumption: 1%
- Education: 1%

TRANSPORTATION MODES

- Bus: 41%
- Foot: 20%
- Truck: 18%
- Taxi or Car: 15%
- Animals: 3%
- Boat: 2%

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**Data from FMS based on 616 respondents out of 2,090 who reported to have faced difficulties during the journey. A person could report up to three difficulties.
METHODOLOGY

The purpose of flow monitoring 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 March 22, 2020, the tool includes COVID-19 related indicators, such as awareness of COVID-19 and the prevalence of chronic diseases.

• 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.

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.

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 7 cross border flow monitoring points, which is not exhaustive of all cross-border roads that migrants may use. In addition, although data is collected daily, it is collected only during peak 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.