Comprehensive movement intentions monitoring:
Dadaab Refugee Complex, Garissa County, Kenya

July 2019

Summary
As of May 2019, a total of 211,544 mostly Somali refugees reside in Dadaab refugee complex (Dagahaley, Hagadera and Ifo). With continued conflict, instability and drought causing new displacement in Somalia, there is a need to strengthen knowledge of future return intentions and movement patterns of the refugee population. Due to reduced humanitarian funding in Dadaab, this information is essential to inform prioritisation and identification of vulnerable populations.

Since May 2017, REACH has worked with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) and humanitarian partners in Dadaab on developing tools and methodologies for data collection and analysis of needs in Dadaab refugee complex. In February 2019, REACH conducted an intentions survey in Dadaab refugee complex where 46% of households (HHs), said that they were not willing to return to their country of origin mainly due to fear of conflict. Following up on the situation in February, this factsheet provides an overview of comprehensive movement intentions monitoring conducted in July 2019 across the three camps of Dadaab refugee complex.

A total of 1125 HHs were interviewed from 3 to 12 July, 2019. HHs were randomly sampled at camp level to fulfill a 95% confidence level and a 5% margin of error. In addition, data was weighted during analysis to correct for under or over representation of HHs interviewed from different camps. The confidence level is guaranteed for all questions that apply to the entire surveyed population. Findings relating to a subset of the population may have a wider margin of error. The maximum margin of error of subsets is indicated with ‘MOE.’

Displacement
Top reported country of origin:
- Somalia: 94%
- Ethiopia: 6%

Top 5 push and pull factors for displaced HHs:

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Vulnerabilities
% of households with vulnerable household members:
- Pregnant or lactating women: 60%
- Persons living with disability: 12%
- Persons suffering from chronic illness: 3%
- Unaccompanied children: 3%

1. UNHCR Statistics package, May 2019
2. HHs could choose multiple answers
Comprehensive movement intentions monitoring:

**Returns**

7% of HHs reported that they had at least one member of their HH return to Somalia since first arriving in Dadaab. Of those HH members, 25% returned due to lack of livelihood opportunities in Dadaab. HHs with members who returned to Somalia through voluntary repatriation (volrep) (MOE=11.54):

- **Yes**: 17%
- **No**: 83%

Of the 83% who did not return through volrep, 56% reported that they had gone to Somalia for a temporary trip while 44% said that they did not want to lose their refugee status.

**Freedom of movement**

23% of HHs reported that women and girls were not able to move freely in the community and 20% reported the same for men and boys.

Top reported barriers to free movement in the community:
- Lack of movement pass: 65% women, 86% men
- Gender based violence: 47% women, 7% men
- Restriction by community leaders: 8% women, 4% men

**Registration and Documentation**

99% of HHs reported that at least one member of their household had a refugee alien card issued by the government of Kenya while only 23% of households had a member who possessed a kenyan birth certificate.

Refugee registration in Dadaab:
- All members registered: 92%
- Some members registered: 8%

Top reported reasons for not registering as refugees (MOE=10.38):
- Registration is not available: 37%
- Had gone to Somalia through volrep then came back: 22%
- Did not want to register: 20%
- Did not know the process of registration: 18%

3. Households could choose multiple answers

**Intentions**

**Likelihood of return to country of origin:**

- Will return if certain conditions are met: 38%
- Will not return: 35%
- Unlikely to return: 17%
- Likely to return: 6%
- Certain to return: 4%

**% of HHs that are likely or certain to return to their country of origin in the following timelines (MOE= 9.51):**

- In the next 3 to 6 months: 36%
- In the next 6 to 12 months: 23%
- After 1 year: 23%
- In the next 3 months: 18%

Main reported reasons for considering to return to Somalia for HHs that said they were certain to return or very likely to return (MOE=11.54):
- Wanted to return to contribute in Somalia: 32%
- Potential closure of the camp: 31%
- Fear of conflict in community of refuge: 22%

Main reported reasons for not considering to return to Somalia for HHs that said they will not return or are unlikely to return:
- Fear of conflict in area of origin: 63%
- Insecurity in area of origin: 63%
- Drought: 34%

Main reported factors that would increase willingness to return for HHs that said return is unlikely or that they would only return if certain conditions are met (MOE=7.31):
- End of conflict in Somalia: 84%
- Availability of income opportunities in Somalia: 47%
- Availability of education services in Somalia: 37%

**Top reported regions of potential return in Somalia:**

- Lower Juba: 42%
- Banadir: 19%
- Bay: 11%

% of HHs that reported that all HH members would return to Somalia at the same time:
- Yes: 88%
- No: 12%

Of the 12% HHs reporting that not all HH members will return to Somalia at the same time, 83% said that men would return first to check on the security situation.

Top reported reasons for not all HH members returning to Somalia at the same time (MOE=8.58):

- Insecurity in Somalia: 77%
- Lack of education services in Somalia: 46%
- Some HH members are in school in Dadaab: 44%

Intending to return through volrep programme:
- Yes: 79%
- No: 21%

Of the 21% HHs who would not sign up for Volrep, 86% cited fear of losing their refugee or asylum seeker status as the main reason.

% of HHs that reportedly received information about their potential areas of return:
- Yes: 50%
- No: 50%

86% of those who reportedly received information about their potential areas of return, get the information from radio or television.

Frequency of receiving information about potential areas of return:
- Daily: 54%
- Weekly: 25%
- Monthly: 17%
- Less than monthly: 4%

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