

SOMALIA TASK FORCE ON YEMEN SITUATION

INTER-AGENCY UPDATE #24

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KEY FIGURES

391

Individuals arrived from Yemen

581

Refugee children enrolled in schools

671

Refugees supported with health care assistance

718

Refugee households provided with cash assistance

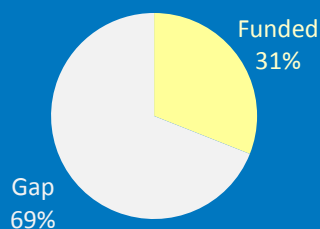
91

Refugees provided with transport allowance

FUNDING

US\$ 7.9 million

Requested for the Yemen Situation

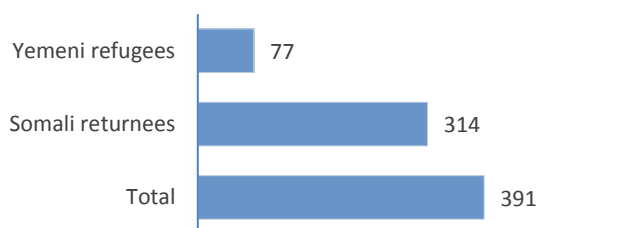


HIGHLIGHTS

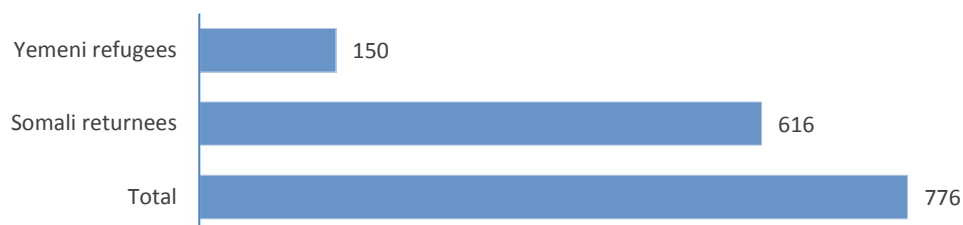
- In February, 391 individuals; 314 Somali returnees and 77 Yemeni refugees, arrived from Yemen and were received by UNHCR and partners in Somalia;
- Access to education was provided to 581 refugee children;
- Health care assistance was provided to 671 Yemeni refugees by UNHCR and partners;
- UNHCR and partners distributed cash assistance to 718 Yemeni refugee households, comprising of 1,383 individuals, to meet their basic needs.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

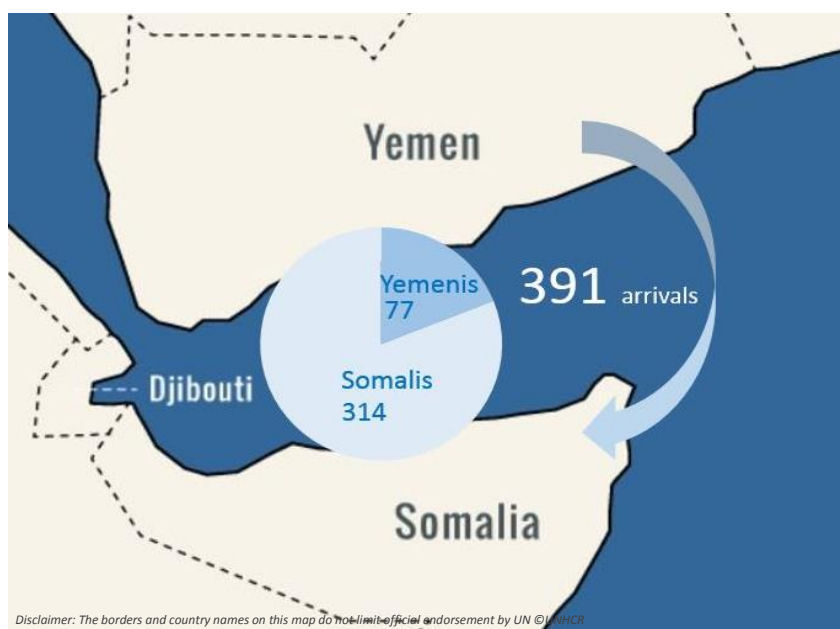
A total of **391** people of concern in February 2017



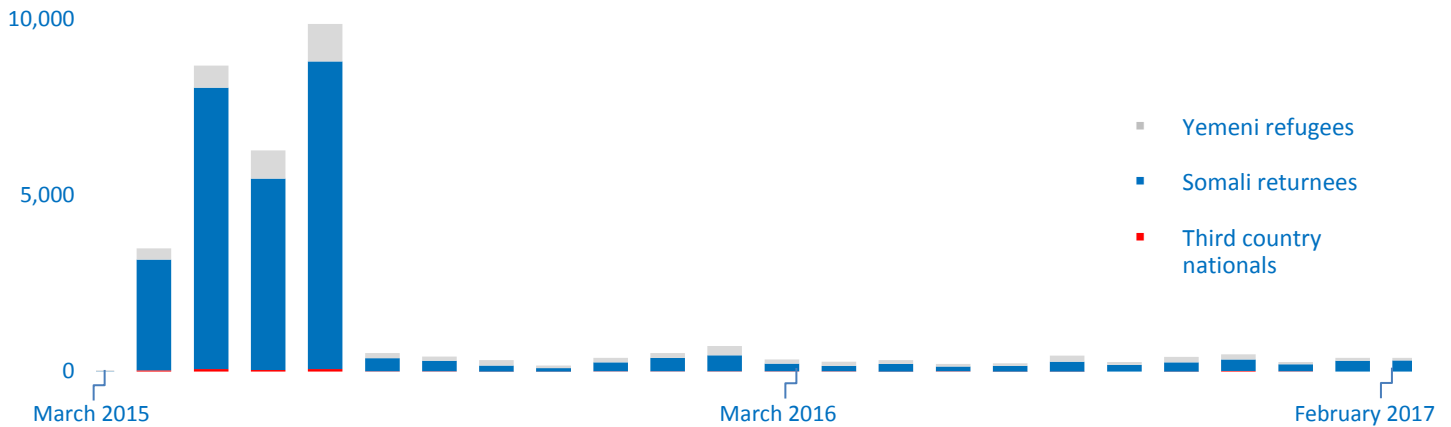
A total of **776** people of concern in 2017



ARRIVALS FROM YEMEN IN FEBRUARY 2017



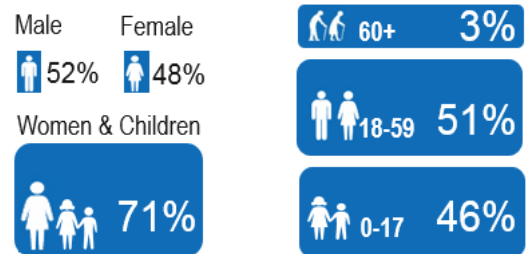
Arrivals by month and nationality



Destination declared on arrival by nationality

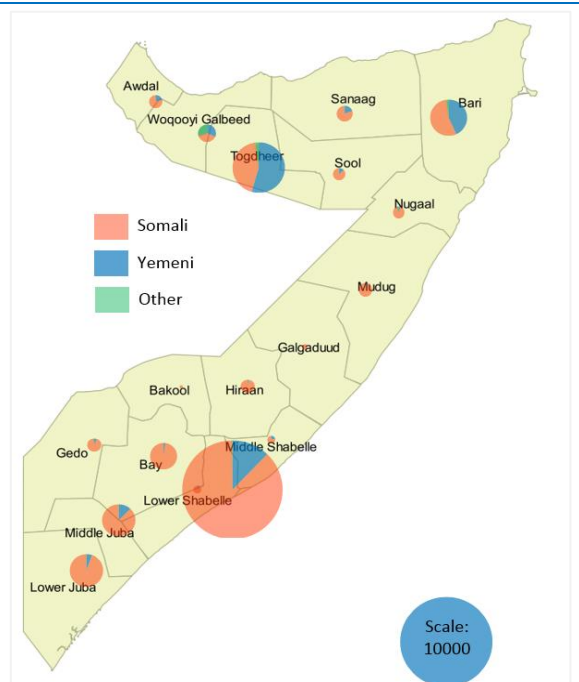
Nationality	2015	2016	2017	Total
Somali returnees	15,229	2,271	565	18,065
Yemeni refugees	3,156	1,300	92	4,548
Third country nationals	232	51	0	282
Registered	18,617	3,622	657	22,896
Unregistered	11,585	9,36	119	12,640
Total	30,202	4,558	776	35,536

Demography since March 2015



Destinations declared on arrival by nationality

Destination	Yemeni refugees	Somali returnees	Third country nationals	Total
Awdal	49	191	1	243
Bakool	0	24	0	24
Banadir	1,446	10,398	17	11,861
Bari	716	907	35	1,658
Bay	21	906	1	928
Galgaduud	0	40	0	40
Gedo	15	233	5	253
Hiraan	6	250	2	258
Lower Juba	163	1,165	2	1,330
Lower Shabelle	75	1,307	3	1,385
Middle Shabelle	10	257	0	267
Mudug	12	187	11	210
Nugal	70	284	3	357
Sanaag	21	78	0	99
Sool	8	80	0	88
Togdheer	30	182	1	213
Woqooyi Galbeed	1,770	1,411	72	3,253
Other	136	163	130	429
Total	4,548	18,065	283	22,896



UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Protection

- **New arrivals from Yemen:** During February, six boats carrying 391 new arrivals, including 314 Somali returnees and 77 Yemeni refugees, were received in Somalia.
- **Arrival assistance:** At the port in Somaliland and Puntland, and at the way station in Mogadishu, UNHCR provided new arrivals with information on available services and entitlements through UNHCR and partners, refreshments, and screening and medical checks. New arrivals were also provided with hot meals and accommodation at the reception centre in Berbera and way station Mogadishu.



UNHCR received Somali returnees from Yemen at the port Berbera

- **Registration:** UNHCR, in collaboration with partners Ministry of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (MRRR) in Somaliland and Puntland Ministry of Interior (MoI), registered a total of 161 persons; 79 Somali returnees and 82 Yemeni refugees, including five Yemeni refugee children born in Somalia.
- **Lifted suspension in Somaliland:** On 14 February, the Government of Somaliland lifted the suspension on arrivals from Yemen under the condition that new arrivals are screened prior to their departure in Yemen.

Education

- **Access to education:** To enable people of concern to access to education, UNHCR, through Action Africa Help International (AAH-I), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) and Save the Children International (SCI), supported a total of 581 Yemeni refugee students. Out of 581 students, 481 had access to primary education, 52 to secondary education, and 48 to tertiary education.

Health

- **Access to health care:** In February, UNHCR provided medical services through partners Gruppo per le Relazioni Transculturali (GRT), HANANO Medical Center and Hargeisa Group Hospital (HGH) to 671 Yemeni and Ethiopian refugees; 315 in Somaliland, 285 in south and central regions of Somalia and 71 in Puntland.

Food Security and Nutrition

- At the reception center in Berbera and Bossaso, new arrivals were provided with hot meals (except at the reception centre in Bossaso) and refreshments, and had access to potable water and sanitation.
- Gap:** UNHCR continues to advocate for the provision of food at the reception centre in Bossaso. Several meetings have been held between Puntland MoI and the World Food Program (WFP) to address and find a solution for the lack of food provided to new arrivals.

Logistics

- Transport allowance:** Onward transportation allowance was provided by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to 91 Yemeni refugees to enable them to reach various regions in south and central Somalia, Somaliland and Puntland.

Reintegration

- Entrepreneurship:** UNHCR, through National Commission for Refugees and IDPs (NCRI), held an initial training session on entrepreneurship for 67 Yemeni refugees in Mogadishu.
- Subsistence allowance:** In February, UNHCR and partner NCRI provided subsistence allowance to 718 Yemeni refugee households, comprising of 1,383 individuals (700 households in Puntland and 18 in south and central regions of Somalia).
- Subsistence allowance:** Vulnerable Yemeni refugees in Mogadishu, identified through vulnerability assessments, will be entitled to receive subsistence allowance to meet their basic needs through UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC).
- Small business grants:** UNHCR, through Action in Semi-Arid Lands (ASAL), completed the initial registration of 325 Somali returnees and 60 vulnerable host community households for the provision of small business grants and skills training in Garowe and Bossaso.
- Vocational training:** UNHCR, through partner DRC, began the identification of 40 Yemeni refugees to target for vocational skills training in electronics, tailoring, hair dressing, baking and fishing.

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