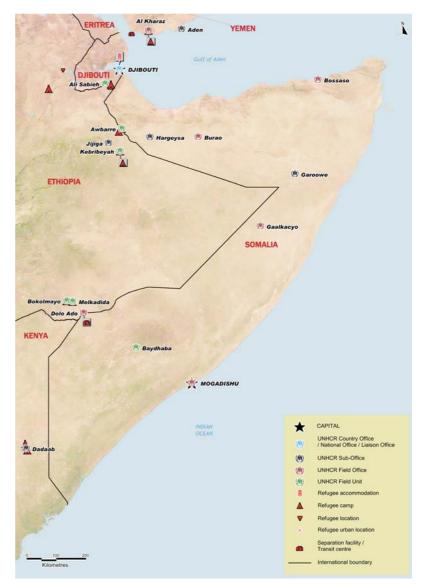
# SOMALIA

# Operational highlights

- UNHCR re-established its presence in Mogadishu after a two-year absence.
- UNHCR distributed 32,000 non-food items (NFIs) to cover the needs of 192,000 people and 4,000 emergency fire-retardant tents to house 24,000 people. Some 300 transitional shelter units were also erected to help 1,800 people.
- Post-distribution monitoring was conducted seven times.
- More than 13,200 internally displaced persons (IDPs) benefited from UNHCR protection risk mitigation (livelihoods) projects and gained access to safer and more sustainable sources of income.
- Some 65 per cent of women of reproductive age received sanitary kits, including the host community.
- Some 250 IDP households in Galckayo were relocated to Halobokad with the assistance of the municipal authorities, other UN agencies and NGOs, resulting in improved living conditions for approximately 1,500 people.
- An updated estimate, based on satellite imagery, of the IDP population around Mogadishu, as well as in Galckayo, Bossaso and Juba Dhexe, was provided by UNHCR to humanitarian agencies contributing to more precise planning and coordination.
- An "elders" house was established in Goroowe to bring local and IDP communities together to resolve complaints and incidents in a peaceful manner.
- UNHCR constructed a community centre in north Galckayo to improve the relationship between IDPs and host community.
- A regular telephone conference with a mixed migration taskforce was established with external partners to facilitate information flow and a regional approach to the problem.



- Under UNHCR's initiative, a humanitarian gap analysis was completed in Bossasso.
- The Kampala Convention on internally displaced persons (IDPs) was translated into the Somali language and shared with the Transitional Parliament for deliberation.
   UNHCR is hopeful for its eventual ratification.
- Transitional Federal Government (TFG) officials were trained on humanitarian and human rights laws.

## Persons of concern

Type of Population	Origin	Total	Of whom assisted by UNHCR	Per cent female	Per cent under 18
Refugees	Ethiopia	1,900	1,900	49	50
	Various	60	60	47	45
Asylum-seekers	Ethiopia	24,100	24,100	56	-
	Various	60	60	41	37
IDPs	Somalia	1,463,800	290,100	51	58
Returnees (refugees) <sup>1</sup>	Various	30	20	47	47
Total		1,489,950	316,240		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Demographic breakdown refers to assisted returnees

## Working environment

The security situation throughout Somalia remains fragile, particularly in the South-Central region. Continuous fighting between the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) and insurgent groups resulted in the displacement of thousands of people during 2010. While quarterly displacement figures declined from 179,000 at the beginning of 2010 to 65,000 at the end of the year, nearly 2 million Somalis remained in need of humanitarian assistance.

Dry weather conditions have increased the number of people of concern. UNHCR estimates that in December and the first weeks of 2011 some 14,000 people were displaced, particularly in the South-Central region, because of drought and conflict.

At the end of the year, the two main insurgent groups, Al-Shabaab and Hizbul-Islam, announced that they were joining forces. More displacement is expected as a result of conflict between the insurgents and the TFG. Humanitarian access to areas in the South-Central region remains limited because of security concerns.

In Puntland, the local authorities have enforced a crackdown on smuggling and human trafficking across the Gulf of Aden. While the tighter security measures appear to have reduced the number of crossings to Yemen, they have also resulted in returns to the South-Central region and the opening up of new smuggling routes through Djibouti. The situation has remained calmer in Somaliland, where a new government has shown interest in working with UNHCR on asylum-seekers, refugees, returnees and IDPs.

## Achievements and impact

UNHCR aimed at creating a favourable protection environment for the people of concern in an environment marred by continuing conflict. The Office explored avenues in which it could expand the rights of refugees, asylum-seekers and the internally displaced. Increased advocacy for the respect of the principle of non-refoulement was pursued in Puntland and Somaliland. UNHCR resumed refugee status determination and resettlement in Puntland and Somaliland. Measures to mitigate mixed migratory flows towards the Gulf of Aden and beyond were put in place. The monitoring of violations of human rights and refugee law resulted in stakeholders better adhering to basic protection principles on behalf of vulnerable and displaced communities. Basic needs and services were delivered in an improved operational environment through UNHCR's reinforcing post-distribution monitoring. Community-based self reliance and livelihood interventions targeting women and other vulnerable groups were initiated. Some 65 per cent of IDP women and girls received sanitary materials. The organization of crop production and livestock development contributed to alleviating the impact of the food crisis and mixed migratory movements.

#### Favourable protection environment

 UNHCR increased advocacy for the respect of the principle of non-refoulement and measures to reduce mixed-migration movements towards the Gulf of Aden while strengthening protection in Puntland and

- Somaliland. UNHCR endeavoured also to identify and implement durable solutions for refugees and returnees through the promotion of resettlement and local integration. Throughout the year it worked with partners to rejuvenate the mixed migration task force by helping it to formulate a clear strategy and plan of action.
- UNHCR also made substantial progress in negotiating
  the resumption of registration by the authorities in
  Somaliland, with whom an agreement was reached at the
  end of 2010. In Puntland, however, the unstable political
  environment and concerns about public order hindered
  efforts to create a better protection environment for
  people of concern. The AU Convention for the Protection
  and Assistance of IDPs in Africa, the "Kampala
  Convention", was translated into Somali. UNHCR has
  been lobbying for its ratification by the Transitional
  Parliament.
- UNHCR constructed a community centre in north Galckayo to improve relations between IDPs and the host community. It also constructed police and immigration offices at Galckayo to monitor refoulement and admission of people of concern.

#### Fair protection processes

 In Galckayo, population movement tracking and protection monitoring network partners were given support in gathering data on population movement and tracking of incidents of violations.

#### Basic needs and services

- In Somaliland and Puntland, UNHCR held a dialogue with refugees on the phasing out of a monthly subsistence allowance. Refugees were encouraged to participate in livelihood projects to improve their self-sufficiency.
- In Somalia, UNHCR promoted livelihood activities as a means of improving the living and security conditions of people of concern. These activities included efforts to integrate and prevent the further displacement of individuals from Somaliland repatriated from Djibouti and Ethiopia. Some 700 returnees benefited from reintegration projects that improved access to water, livestock, agriculture and vocational training.
- Furthermore, UNHCR has lobbied development partners such as FAO and ILO to gradually integrate returnees into their programming. Meanwhile, more than 13,000 IDPs, approximately half of them women, benefited from alternative livelihood activities and protection-risk mitigation projects.
- UNHCR provided 29,000 NFI kits to approximately 175,000 people in 2010. Post-distribution monitoring was conducted at seven locations to determine if NFIs were the appropriate form of assistance, if alternatives could be considered, and if any diversion occurred. In addition, 24,000 people benefited from 4,000 fire-retardant emergency tents and 300 families were provided with transitional shelter units. Some 250 IDP households were assisted with voluntary relocation in Galkayo as part of the inter-agency effort to find durable solutions for IDPs.



### Security from violence and exploitation

 UNHCR monitored violations of human rights and persuaded all actors to adhere to basic protection principles. Data and analysis derived from the population movement tracking tool and the protection monitoring network highlighted civilian casualties caused by military actions against insurgents.

#### Community participation and self-management

 People of concern to UNHCR took part in participatory assessment and community mobilization, and were represented in leadership management structures. They also participated in programme monitoring and evaluation. Community self-management and equal representation still needs to be strengthened.

#### **Durable solutions**

 In the absence of local integration and prospects for voluntary repatriation, resettlement remains the only durable solution. Despite difficulties in undertaking resettlement interviews, as travelling to Somalia is limited due to security reasons, 190 households were resettled in 2010.

## Logistics and operations support

 A warehouse with the capacity of 10,000 NFI kits was maintained in Galckayo.

## Constraints

The difficult funding environment left a great number of needs unmet, especially in shelter, NFIs, and support to livelihoods. UNHCR was unable to reach agreement with the authorities on a framework for the resumption of registration in Somaliland. Initially, refugees did not respond positively to plans to increase livelihood opportunities and discontinue their monthly allowances, despite outreach and dialogue. A number of refugees believed that participating in livelihood activities would hamper their efforts to be resettled; however, explanations about the resettlement process and the benefits of the projects allayed most fears.

Humanitarian access, particularly in the South-Central region, continued to be a major constraint. The security situation prevented implementation, monitoring and



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evaluation of UNHCR projects in the Field. Access to Mogadishu and other areas in the South-Central region remained extremely limited, while movement within Somaliland and Puntland is more feasible but requires special security measures. UNHCR was able to re-establish its presence in Mogadishu in September, although national staff mobility remained limited. Some staff members in areas controlled by insurgents in the South-Central region were relocated due to security concerns.

## Financial information

Funds received by the operation were insufficient to address all identified needs. While humanitarian access was restricted in several parts of the country, the demand for improved accountability and risk management increased. Self-reliance and livelihood efforts suffered most from inadequate funding. The targets could not be reached. The greatest impact was felt by populations with specific needs, especially IDP women. The lack of alternative livelihood activities exposed this group to additional protection risks during firewood collection and other activities. Low funding levels resulted in inadequate staffing for refugee status determination (RSD) and a backlog of cases in Somaliland. Insufficient staffing also prevented UNHCR from providing comprehensive individual counselling.

## Organization and implementation

UNHCR re-established its presence in Mogadishu in September 2010, after a two-year absence.

## UNHCR's presence in 2010

<ul><li>Number of offices</li></ul>	6
□ Total staff	90
International	19
National	57
JPOs	2
UNVs	10
Others	2

# Working with others

UNHCR worked with 31 implementing partners in Somalia in 2010 and led the protection and the emergency shelter/NFI clusters as part of the coordinated approach to IDPs in Somalia. It also participated in the establishment of the Common Humanitarian Fund. In late 2010 the Humanitarian Coordinator established a Nairobi-based Puntland IDP task force to devise an overall strategy to improve the situation of IDPs in Puntland. UNHCR played a lead role in the task force, together with OCHA.

# Overall assessment

Despite the limits on access and lack of security, UNHCR continued to provide emergency humanitarian support to populations in need. In the South-Central region, the Office worked closely with national and international NGOs to ensure the delivery of aid. Moreover, UNHCR has increased

its accountability to donors and the international community through post-distribution monitoring of NFI delivery.

UNHCR strengthened IDPs' skills and enhanced their livelihood opportunities. Protection-risk mitigation projects targeted women and youth. UNHCR also coordinated the provision of humanitarian aid in the field, providing valuable tools for monitoring, planning and evaluation. Through these tools, other UN agencies and humanitarian actors in Somalia have access to vital information on displacement and violations of human rights, information that is instrumental in planning interventions and developing a coordinated response.

#### **Partners**

#### Implementing partners

Government: Ministry of Resettlement/Rehabilitation

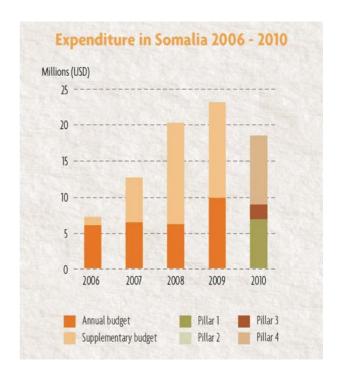
NGOs: Access Aid and Development, Action in Semi-Arid Lands, Agricultural and Rural Development Organization, Bay Women Development Network, Center For Development And Child Rights, Comprehensive Community Based Rehabilitation In Somaliland, Galckayo Education Center For Peace and Development , Galckayo Medical Foundation, Hargeisa Voluntary Youth Committee, Hiran Women Action on Advocacy for Peace and Human Rights, Intersom Relief and Development Organization, KAALO Relief and Development, Puntland Center for Human Rights and Democracy (PUNCHAD), Sean Deverux Human Rights Organization, Somali Association for Rehabilitation and Development, Somali Human Rights Association, Somali Minority Rights And Aid Forum, Somali Social Development Organisation, Somaliland People's Development Organisation, TAAKULO Community Development Volunteers, University of Hargeisa, We Are Women Activists (WAWA), Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Populi, Danish Refugee Council, Intersos, Norwegian Church Aid, Norwegian Refugee Council, Relief International, Save the Children Fund UK, Gruppo Per Le Relazioni Transculturali, Veterinary Aid UK

Others: UNV

## **Operational partners**

Government: Ministries of Resettlement, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction; the Interior; State Security and Disarmament; the National Refugee Commission in Somaliland; and the Ministries of Security and Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration; the Interior; Planning and International Cooperation; and Information in Puntland

Others: FAO, ICRC, IOM, OCHA, UNDP, UNFPA, UN-Habitat, UNICEF, WFP, WHO



# Budget, income and expenditure in Somalia $\mid$ USD

	PILLAR 1 Refugee programme	PILLAR3 Reintegration projects	PILLAR 4 IDP projects	Total
FINAL BUDGET	17,407,488	2,117,000	47,782,485	67,306,973
Income from contributions <sup>t</sup>	4,044,087	288,900	9,154,656	13,487,642
Other funds available	2,736,872	1,825,298	1,787,349	6,349,519
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	6,780,958	2,114,198	10,942,004	19,837,161
EXPENDITURE BREAKDOWN				
Favourable protection environment				
International and regional instruments	19,889	0	0	19,889
National legal framework	97,974	0	32,682	130,655
National administrative framework	19,889	0	35,414	55,303
National and regional migration policy	50,037	0	45,875	95,911
Prevention of displacement	0	0	35,536	35,536
Prevention of statelessness	19,889	0	0	19,889
Co-operation with partners	19,921	0	612,843	632,764
Public attitudes towards persons of concern	48,892	0	37,315	86,207
Access to territory	0	0	35,414	35,414
Non-refoulement	55,267	0	32,682	87,949
Environmental protection	0	169,410	0	169,410
Subtotal	331,756	169,410	867,761	1,368,927
Fair protection processes and documentation				
Reception conditions	36,281	0	111,178	147,459
Registration and profiling	288,777	0	243,176	531,953
Access to asylum procedures	110,145	0	0	110,14
Refugee and stateless definitions	32,651	0	0	32,65
Fair and efficient status determination	206,887	0	0	206,887
Family reunification	32,651	0	0	32,65
Individual documentation	32,651	0	0	32,65
Civil status documentation	34,466	0	0	34,466
Subtotal	774,507	0	354,354	1,128,86
Security from violence and exploitation				
Impact on host communities	307,240	0	79,692	386,933
Effects of armed conflict	0	0	66,150	66,150
Law enforcement	45,209	0	0	45,209
Community security management system	0	0	43,424	43,424
Gender-based violence	104,782	0	346,241	451,024
Protection of children	48,688	0	85,046	133,734
Non-arbitrary detention	0	0	118,572	118,572
Access to legal remedies	65,618	0	40,691	106,309
Subtotal	571,538	0	779,816	1,351,354



	PILLAR1 Refugee programme	PILLAR 3 Reintegration projects	PILLAR 4 IDP projects	Total
Basic needs and essential services				
Shelter and other infrastructure	154,337	72,990	604,206	831,533
Basic domestic and hygiene items	340,903	415,311	988,104	1,744,318
Primary health care	420,298	0	0	420,298
HIV and AIDS	307,327	0	94,843	402,170
Education	221,524	0	0	221,52
Services for groups with specific needs	255,169	0	138	255,30
Subtotal	1,699,558	488,300	1,687,290	3,875,149
Community participation and self-management				
Participatory assessment and community mobilisation	88,661	144,771	141,610	375,04
Community self-management and equal representation	98,189	0	148,862	247,05
Self-reliance and livelihoods	234,570	455,105	1,023,445	1,713,12
Subtotal	421,420	599,876	1,313,917	2,335,21
Durable solutions				
Voluntary return	0	141,206	0	141,20
Resettlement	302,973	0	0	302,97
Subtotal	302,973	141,206	0	444,17
External relations				
Public information	0	0	169	16
Subtotal	0	0	169	16
Logistics and operations support				
Supply chain and logistics	636,068	242,144	1,201,284	2,079,49
Programme management, coordination and support	1,062,892	223,039	1,331,014	2,616,94
Subtotal	1,698,961	465,184	2,532,298	4,696,44
nstalments to implementing partners	980,245	250,221	1,995,216	3,225,68
otal	6,780,958	2,114,198	9,530,820	18,425,97

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Income from contributions includes indirect support costs that are recovered from contributions to Pillars 3 and 4, supplementary budgets and the "New or additional activities – mandate-related" (NAM) reserve. Contributions towards all pillars are included under Pillar I.