



# Cross-Border Population Movement

## Kapoeta Road Monitoring

Kapoeta South County, Eastern Equatoria State, South Sudan

South Sudan Displacement Crisis

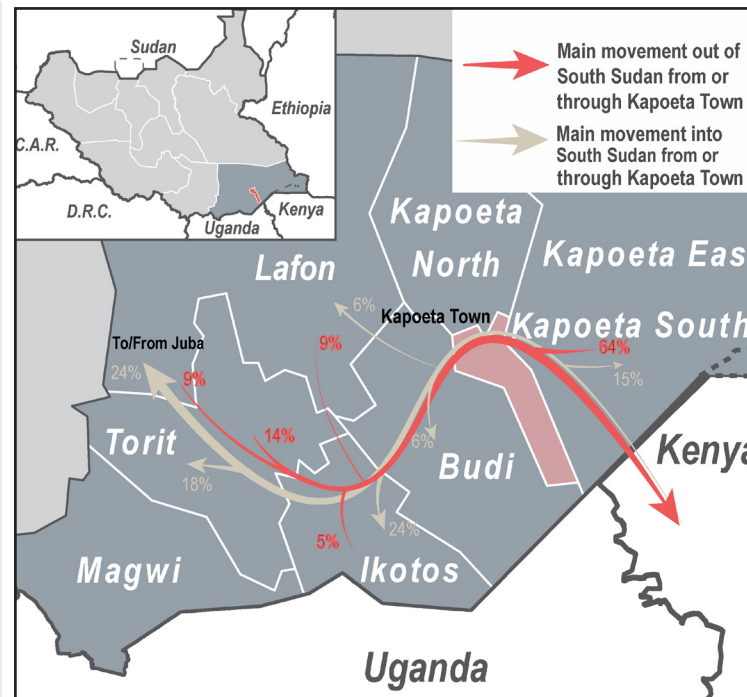
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### CONTEXT AND METHODOLOGY

Kapoeta town is located in Kapoeta South County, Eastern Equatoria State, near South Sudan's border with Kenya. Since the beginning of the crisis in South Sudan in December 2013, Kapoeta town has been a gateway through which many internally displaced persons (IDPs) have passed on their way to refugee camps in Kenya.<sup>1</sup>

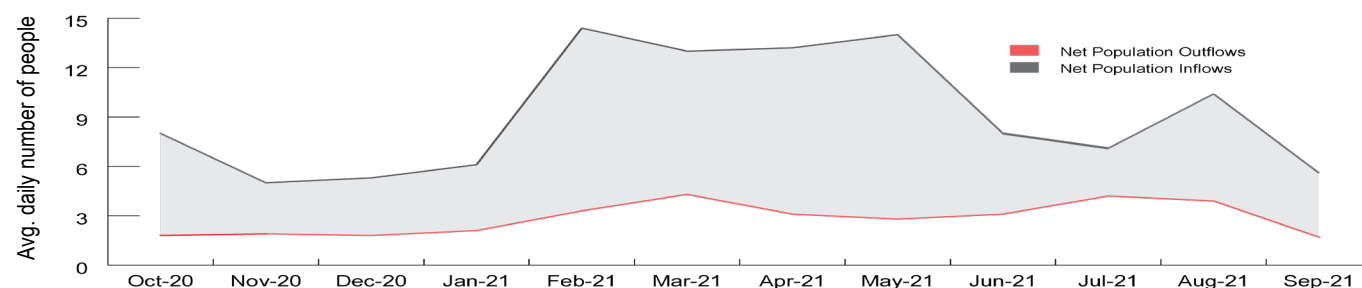
This factsheet provides results from the REACH road monitoring exercise in Kapoeta town. REACH monitors two bus/car parks where travellers are travelling to and from Torit/Juba and Narus/Kakuma, in order to record the arrivals and departures of households (HHs) on a daily basis. Daily data is synthesized into a monthly factsheet to provide an overview of wider movement trends, including push/pull factors, vulnerabilities and intentions. The following findings are based on primary data collected over 14 days between 1 and 30 September 2021.

Not all entry points to Kapoeta town were covered systematically, and some arrivals and departures reportedly took place outside of data collection hours (7:30 am - 5:30 pm). As a result, data presented in this factsheet does not capture all population movements and, **as such, findings are not representative but rather indicative only** of broader population movement trends for the assessed population.



### GENERAL MOVEMENT TRENDS

Average daily number of individuals inbound to (grey) and outbound from (red) South Sudan with the intention to stay in their final destination for more than six months recorded in Kapoeta Town from October 2020 to September 2021:



### Type of movement\*

Total monthly number of HHs and individuals recorded in September 2021:

	HHs	Individuals	% <sup>2</sup>
Inbound to South Sudan	33	123	38%
Outbound from South Sudan	22	62	25%
Internal movement within South Sudan	33	59	37%

### Self-reported refugees

Proportion of inbound (left) and outbound (right) HHs who self-reported having refugee status in another country:



Notes:

1. UNHCR, South Sudan regional refugee response plan, January - December 2018 [link](#). 2. This percentage represents the percent of households, not the percent of individuals. 3. Unless otherwise specified, these figures reflect trends for all HHs interviewed, regardless of the length of time that the HHs are planning to stay at the destination. 4. Respondents were able to select multiple answers. 5 Partial HHs are those where not all members of the self-identified family unit were reportedly travelling. Please note, family units in South Sudan often extend beyond the nuclear family. 6. In addition, 9% of inbound HHs and 14% outbound HHs reported that their travel was motivated by pull factors only, with no specific push factors driving them from their previous location. \*. Percentages are rounded to the nearest integer, so responses may not add up to 100% exactly.

### INBOUND TO SOUTH SUDAN\*

**73%** of total inbound HHs reported that they intended to stay in their destination for **6 months or more**.

### Demographics



**55%** of inbound households were partial households.<sup>5</sup>

### Previous locations in Kenya

Primary reported locations from which inbound HHs were leaving:

Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement	55%
Kakuma Refugee Camp	45%

### Intended destination in South Sudan

Primary reported intended destinations for inbound HHs:

Ikotos County	24%
Juba County	24%
Torit County	18%

### Push factors

Primary reported push factors for inbound HHs to leave their last location:<sup>6</sup>

Distance from family/home	38%
Lack of work opportunities	31%
Lack of markets/goods	15%

### Reasons for coming to South Sudan

Primary reported pull factors for inbound HHs, June to September 2021:<sup>3</sup>

	June 2021	July 2021	August 2021	September 2021
Proximity to family/ home	56%	40%	19%	38%
Presence of work opportunities	2%	8%	4%	31%
Presence of markets/goods	0%	20%	31%	15%

### OUTBOUND FROM SOUTH SUDAN\*

**45%** of total outbound HHs reported that they intended to stay in their destination for **6 months or more**.

### Demographics



**59%** of outbound households were partial households.<sup>5</sup>

### Previous location in South Sudan

Primary reported locations from which outbound HHs were leaving:<sup>6</sup>

Kapoeta South County	64%
Torit County	14%

### Intended destination in Kenya

Primary reported intended destinations for outbound HHs:

Kakuma Refugee Camp	68%
Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement	32%

### Pull factors

Primary reported pull factors for outbound HHs to go to another country:

Proximity to family/home	29%
Presence of health facilities	26%
Presence of markets/goods	16%

### Reasons for leaving South Sudan

Primary reported push factors for outbound HHs, June to September 2021:<sup>3,6</sup>

	June 2021	July 2021	August 2021	September 2021
Distance from family/home	19%	44%	42%	29%
Lack of health facilities	0%	9%	7%	26%
Lack of markets/goods	7%	12%	7%	16%