Background

The Water Price Monitoring assessment aims to establish a data collection, monitoring and reporting system on water market prices in order to allow humanitarian and development actors to better analyse humanitarian needs in areas particularly affected by drought.

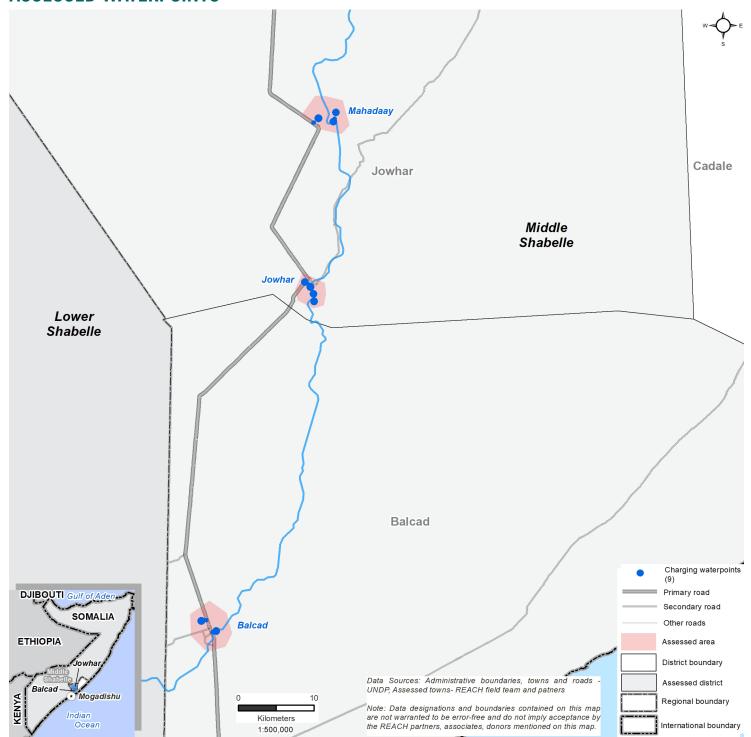
January data collection in Middle Shabelle was conducted through a quantitative survey between 7 - 12 February, focusing only on those waterpoints in the region that are charging for water. The assessment has followed the official district boundaries of the region.

All prices are shown in US Cents for 90L of water. This is the daily amount used by a household of six members, consuming the minimum Sphere standard of 15L water per person per day. Price changes are subject to exchange rate.

Key Findings

- This factsheet presents information collected from seven waterpoints in Jowhar District and two waterpoints in Balcad District in Middle Shabelle Region.
- Prices of water in Middle Shabelle increased by an average of 20% from December 2017 to January 2018.
- The majority (78%) of assessed waterpoints showed no change in price from December 2017 to January 2018. Twenty-two percent (22%) showed an increase in price mainly due to increased water shortage.
- Thirty-three percent (33%) of assessed waterpoints in Middle Shabelle reportedly do not have their water treated at the distribution point. All the waterpoints that have their water treated have it treated through chlorination.

ASSESSED WATERPOINTS







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of Assessed Waterpoints in December: 9
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Types of Assessed Waterpoints

and % of assesed waterpoints:

Region	#	%
Borehole	6	67%
Kiosk	3	33%
Districts		
Jowhar	#	%
Borehole	4	57%
Kiosk	3	43%
Balcad	 #	%
Borehole	2	100%

Most Reported Problems

% of waterpoints reportedly having the following problems: (Respondents could select multiple options)

Region	#	%
No Problem	2	22%
Quality	2	22%
Pump broken	2	22%
No fuel	1	11%
Tanks broken	1	11%
Other	1	11%

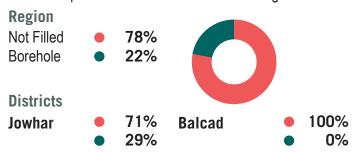
Waterpoint Administrator

% of waterpoints with the following administrator:

Region Company Private	•	78% 22%		
Districts Jowhar	•	100% 0%	Balcad	0%100%

Waterpoint Filling

% of waterpoints that are used as water storage and refilled



WATER PRICE

Prices are shown in US Cents.

1 USD = 23,000 SOS as of January 2018, average exchange rate reported. Price changes were calculated based on the average change across waterpoints.

Average Price

Region Middle Shabelle	December 20	January 24	% Change +20%	
District Jowhar	20	20	0%	
Balcad	20	29	+45%	

Pogion

% of water treatment types:

Types of Water Treatment

Region Not treated Chlorinated Districts	•	33% 67%			
Jowhar	•	14% 86%	Balcad	•	100% 0%

Median Price

Region Middle Shabelle	December 20	January 20	% Change 0%	
District Jowhar	20	20	0%	
Balcad	20	39	+95%	

Price, by Waterpoint Administrator

The average price of water by waterpoint administator:

Region Company Private	December 20 20	January 20 39	% Change 0% +95%
District Jowhar Company Balcad	20	20	0%
Private	20	39	+95%



WATER PRICE, BY AREA

Area 1: Balcad



Area 2: Jowhar

