CONTEXT AND METHODOLOGY

Nyal town is located in Northern Panyijiar County, Unity State, along the banks of the Sudd, one of the largest swamps in the world. Nyal is a key location for people travelling to and from Central and Southern Unity and nearby islands. Since the start of the crisis, internally displaced persons (IDPs) from Unity and Jonglei States have often sought temporary security in Nyal, perceiving Nyal as a safe location with ample resources.

Since 1 November 2016, REACH has monitored the ports of Gap, Nyal and Katieth in Nyal town on a daily basis to determine the demographics, key push and pull factors, transportation routes and vulnerabilities of the newly arrived and departing population, and provide evidence for more effective humanitarian planning.

To ensure wide coverage of Nyal's three ports, the REACH team attempts to interview all arrivals and departures at the HH level between 7:30 am and 6:30 pm (weekdays). This factsheet is based on data on 709 departures (156 HHs), 494 arrivals (162 HHs), and 38 transits (9 HHs), collected over 21 days from 1 - 31 January 2021 2021. Data presented here is not representative, rather **indicative** of movement trends for the assessed population.<sup>1</sup>

# **DEPARTURES FROM NYAL**



Children 44% 28% Women

28%

81% of departing households were partial households<sup>2</sup>

### Vulnerabilities

of departing households reported that at least one member of the household was breastfeeding

Men

- of departing households reported that at least one member of the 13% household was pregnant
- of departing households reported that at least one member of the **9%** household was malnourished

## Push factors

Reported reasons for leaving Nyal:

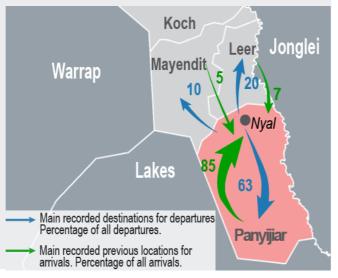
Distance from family/home	61%
Lack of food	14%
Lack of work opportunities	12%

#### Pull factors

#### Reported reasons for travelling to desired location from Nyal:



## MAIN DESTINATIONS



# **Reasons for leaving Nyal**

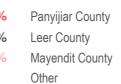
Primary reported push factors for leaving Nyal, October 2020 to January 2021:

	Oct 20	Nov 20	Dec 20	Jan 21	
Distance from family/home	54%	73%	76%	61%	
Lack of food	16%	9%	5%	14%	
Lack of markets/goods	2%	3%	7%	12%	

# **Destination county location**

Reported county to which departing households were going:





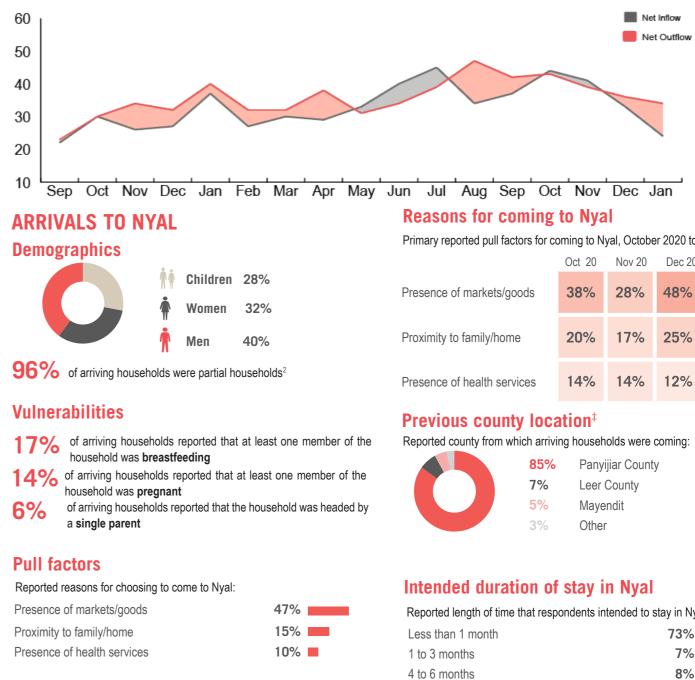
### Intended duration of stay at destination

Reported length of time that respondents intended to stay at destination:

Less than 1 month	4%	1. State 1.
1 to 3 months	36%	
4 to 6 months	4%	1 - C
More than 6 months or permanently	49%	
Do not know or choose not to answer	5%	1 - C

# GENERAL MOVEMENT TRENDS<sup>1</sup>

Average daily number of individuals departing (red) and arriving (grey); September 2019 to January 2021



#### Push factors

Reported reasons for leaving previous location:	
Lack of markets/goods	36%
Lack of food	20%
Distance from family/home	15%

Notes



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Primary reported pull factors for coming to Nyal, October 2020 to January 2021:

	Oct 20	Nov 20	Dec 20	Jan 21	
Presence of markets/goods	38%	28%	<b>48%</b>	47%	
Proximity to family/home	20%	17%	25%	15%	
Presence of health services	14%	14%	12%	10%	

Reported length of time that respondents intended to stay in Nyal:

Less than 1 month	73%
1 to 3 months	7%
4 to 6 months	8%
More than 6 months or permanently	8%
Do not know or choose not to answer	3%

1. Indicative trends; REACH does not record all arrivals and departures.

2. Partial households are those where not all members of the self-identified family unit were reportedly travelling

3. Also 9% of departing households reported that at least one household member was elderly

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