

# **Cross-Border Population Movement Kapoeta Road Monitoring**

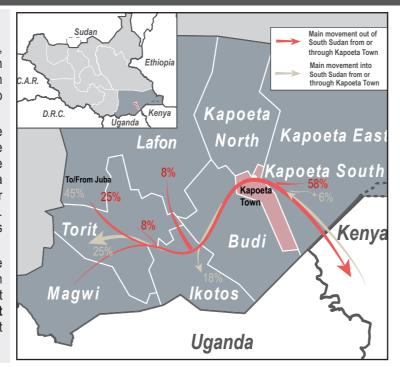
Kapoeta South County, Eastern Equatoria State, South Sudan

#### **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.

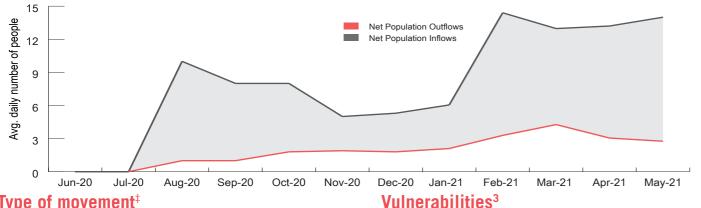
This factsheet provides results from the REACH road monitoring exercise in Kapoeta town. REACH monitors two bus/car parks where travellers are travelling to and from Torit/Juba and Narus/Kakuma, in order to record the arrivals and departures of households (HHs) on a daily basis. Daily data is synthesized 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 3 and 31 May 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 June 2020 to May 2021:1



#### Type of movement<sup>‡</sup>

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

	HHs	Individuals	% <sup>2</sup>
Inbound to South Sudan	80	285	43%
Outbound from South Sudan	12	42	6%
Internal movement within South Sudan	94	215	51%

#### **Self-reported refugees**

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





## 65% of total inbound HHs reported that at least one member of the HH had a vulnerability, including:4



50% of total **outbound HHs** reported that at least one member of the HH had a vulnerability, including:4



## INBOUND TO SOUTH SUDAN

**69%** of total **inbound HHs** reported that they intended to stay in their destination for 6 months or more.

## **Demographics**



79% of inbound households were partial households.5

#### **Previous locations in Kenya**

Primary reported locations from which inbound HHs were leaving:

Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement	56%
Kakuma Refugee Camp	44%

#### Intended destination in South Sudan

Primary reported intended destinations for inbound HHs:

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Juba County	45%	
Torit County	25%	
Ikotos County	18%	

#### **Push factors**

Primary reported push factors for inbound HHs to leave their last location:

Distance from family/home	56%	
Lack of education services	14%	
Lack of food	11%	

## **Reasons for coming to South Sudan**

Primary reported pull factors for inbound HHs, February to May 2021:3

	February 2021	March 2021	April 2021	May 2021
Proximity to family/ home	55%	49%	51%	56%
Presence of education serivces	19%	8%	11%	14%
Perceived availability of food	13%	24%	24%	14%
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## **OUTBOUND FROM SOUTH SUDAN**

92% of total **outbound HHs** reported that they intended to stay in their destination for 6 months or more.

## **Demographics**



83% of outbound households were partial households.5

#### **Previous location in South Sudan**

Primary reported locations from which outbound HHs were leaving:6

Kapoeta South County	58%
Juba County	25%
Lafon County	8%

#### Intended destination in other countries

Primary reported intended destinations for outbound HHs:

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Kakuma Pafugaa Camp	50%	
Kakuma Refugee Camp	30 %	
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Kalobeyei Integrated Settlement	50%	
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#### Pull factors

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

Proximity to family/home	42%	
Presence of education services	42%	
Perceived availability of food	17%	

## **Reasons for leaving South Sudan**

Primary reported push factors for outbound HHs, February to May 2021:3

	February 2021	March 2021	April 2021	May 2021
Distance from family/home	55%	49%	21%	42%
Lack of education	47%	14%	36%	42%
Lack of food	33%	50%	43%	17%

1. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and national border closures, the daily number of individuals inbound from (red) South Sudan with the intention for more than six months recorded in Kapoeta Town dropped to on average zero arrivals and departures in the months of April to July 2020. 2. This percentage represents the percent of households, not the percent of individuals. 3. Unless otherwise specified, these figures reflect trends for all 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, 8% of households also reported leaving from Torit county. ‡. Percentages are rounded to the nearest integer, so responses may not add up to 100% exactly.



