

Assessment of Hard to Reach Areas in South Sudan

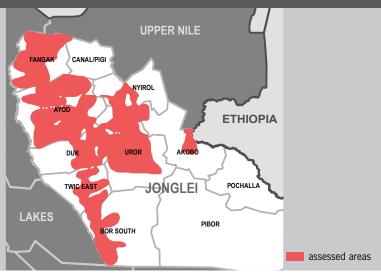
Overview

Conflict in Jonglei State first broke out in late December 2013, only days after fighting began in Juba. Since then, the state has been one of the worst affected by the conflict, and currently hosts the second highest reported numbers of internally displaced persons in the country after Unity State. Many areas in Jonglei are largely inaccessible to humanitarian actors due to insecurity and logistical constraints. As a result only limited information is available on the humanitarian situation outside major displacement sites.

In order to fill such information gaps and facilitate humanitarian planning, in late 2015 REACH piloted its Area of Origin (AoO) approach to collect data in hard-to-reach areas of Unity State. The pilot was expanded to Jonglei State in March 2016. Through AoO, REACH collects data from a network of Key Informants (KIs) who have sector specific knowledge of an area, from regularly traveling to and from the area, direct or indirect contact with

people in the area, or recent displacement from the area. Although current AoO coverage is still limited and its findings not statistically significant, they provide a good indication of the needs and current humanitarian situation in assessed areas of Jonglei State.

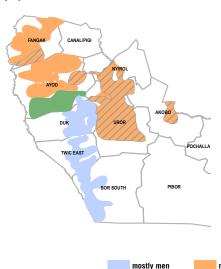
Findings presented in this document are drawn from primary data collected from KIs in November 2016, covering 38 communities across 9 of Jonglei's 11 counties. Data was collected from 1,227 KIs in Juba Protection of Civilians (PoC) sites, Mingkaman, Bor Town, Bor PoC and Akobo, who reported on communities about which they have received up-to-date information in the month prior to data collection. The study focuses on the situation in villages or local communities from which many individuals have already fled, but where some families still remain, Health, shelter, food security, WASH, education and protection sectors are covered. Note that when reporting on level of access to services this refers to the proportion of KIs responding 'yes' with regards to access in November 2016.



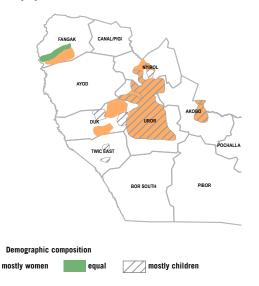
Demographics **



Primary demographic composition of remaining local community (LC) population



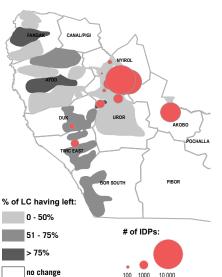
Primary demographic composition of internally displaced persons (IDPs) population



Displacement



Estimated population of IDPs and proportion of local community (LC) having left since the onset of the crisis



Top two reported reasons for leaving their last location, by IDPs1

Insecurity

Lack of food



The area is secure

their current location, by IDPs1

Access to food



Top two reported reasons for not leaving location, by local community1

The area is secure

58% Access to food



¹ Most frequently cited as first and second most important reasons



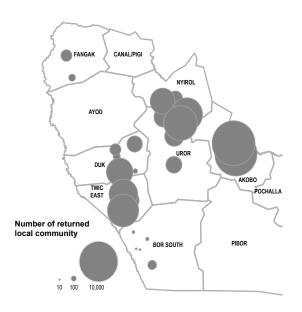






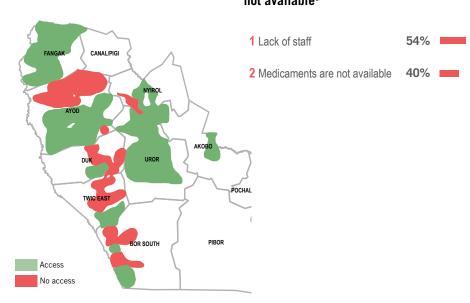
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Communities reporting returned local community¹



Health 🕏

Reported level of access to healthcare Top two reasons why health services are not available³



Living situations

Reported living locations of IDPs

i.	With relatives	54%
	With the local community	43%
/ \ -	Spontaneous settlement	3%

Reported living locations of local community²

Own home	53%
In another village	27%
In a neighbour's home	16%
In the bush (nearby)	4%

Health concerns

Top three reported health concerns³

1	Malaria	90%	
2	Typhus	45%	
3	Diarrhea	42%	

Top three reported most needed items in health care centers³









¹Local community displaced and returned home

²The current location of LCs was asked in order to assess persons who were displaced within their local community

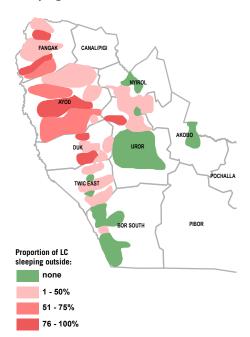
³ Key informants could choose more than one answer



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Shelter/NFI 🕋

Reported proportion of local community sleeping outside



Reported main shelter types1

Top two reported shelter types, by IDPs

1	Tukul	54%	→ 入
2	Improvised shelter	52%	→ /\

Top two reported shelter types, by local community

1	Tukul	84%
2	Rakooba	66%

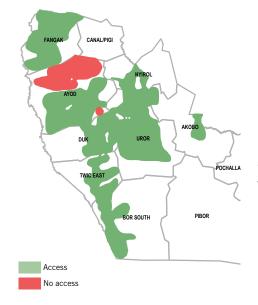
Top two reported shelter types, by returned local community²

l	TUKUI	69%
2	Rakooba	58%

Today

WASH =

Reported level of access to safe drinking water



Reported primary sources of those with access to safe drinking water



For those with access to safe drinking water, reported time of a return trip to the water source



NFIs

Reported uses of new mosquito nets³

Protection from mosquito	100%
Building materials	18%
Crop protection	14%
Fishing	12%
Rope	10%
Clothing	4% I

Reported number of people sharing a shelter

1 to 5 people	72%	
6 to 10 people	22%	
11 to 15 people	5%	1
More than 15 people	1%	1

Water availability and sanitation

Of communities reporting presence of boreholes



64% are reportedly functional

Reported access to primary sanitation facilities



¹ Key informants could choose more than one answer; responses refer to percentage of communities having a reported shelter type, not the percentage of the population living in them





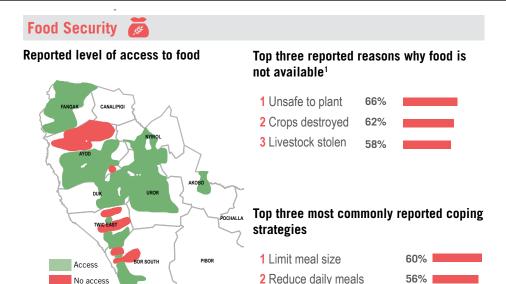


²Local community displaced and returned home

 $^{^3}$ Key informants could choose more than one answer; respondents chose all uses for new mosquito nets in their community



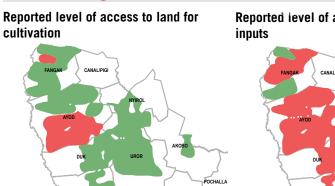
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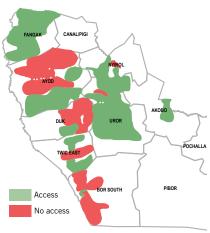
Access

No access



Reported level of access to agricultural inputs FANGAN CANALPIGI NYROL AKOBO DUX POCHALIA

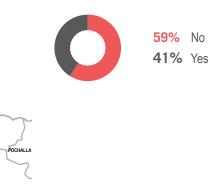
Reported level of access to food distribution



Current access to market

3 Eat less expensive food

55%



Reported current location of the assets of fishermen, drivers, and labourers²

Stolen/looted	35%
Looked after by the owner	23%
Looked after by the immediate family	22%
Hidden in a safe location	9%
Looked after by the community	8%
I don't know	3%

Reported current location of the communities' cattle

Access

Moved to a safe location	37%
Looked after by the community	18%
Stolen/looted	14%
Looked after by immediate family	13%
On seasonal migration	10%
Looked after by the owner	8%







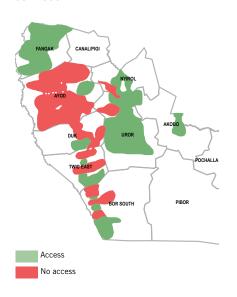
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²Assets included things such as cars, cooking tools, boats, building tools etc.

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Education

Reported level of access to education services



Overall reported level of available education in assessed communities¹

Primary	54%
None	45%
Pre-primary	13%
ALP program ²	6%
Secondary	4%
Vocational	3%

In 20 communities where education is reportedly available, the reported reasons for children not attending school are

No supplies	43%	
Insecurity	26%	
Need to work	23%	
Girls are not allowed	6%	
Other	2%	I .

Reported proportion of boys and girls aged 6-17 attending school





Protection concerns

Primary reported protection concerns for men and women



Community

Relationships between IDPs, returnees and local communities



100% of communities reported relations between these groups were "good"

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²Accelerated learning programs