Joint Multi-Cluster Needs Assessment: Jowhar District Profile

Middle Shabelle Region, Somalia

September 2017

Background

The ongoing drought has contributed to a rapid deterioration of the humanitarian context in Somalia, with a predicted high risk of famine in 2017. In support of the humanitarian planning response, the Clusters and the Assessment Working Group developed the Joint Multi-Cluster Needs Assessment (JMCNA) with the support of REACH in order to assess needs and access to basic services in Somalia.

The Somalia population was sampled for statistical representativeness at the district level with a confidence level of 90% and a margin of error of +/- 10%, employing a cluster sampling approach using the Population Proportional to Size method with replacement. Data collection was conducted by AAHI, ACF, ACTED, ADESO, Aid Vision, CARE, DBG, DRC, Galmudug MoH, HINNA, INTERSOS, IOM, NRC, PAH, REACH, SADO, SCI, SHARDO and SI.

This factsheet presents an analysis of data collected in Jowhar District between 2 and 8 September 2017 as part of the JMCNA. In total, 119 households were surveyed across Jowhar District.

M Demographics

Household composition, by gender and age:



10% of households reported that they are not from the community they currently reside in.

Food Security

Food Consumption Scores (FCS) of households:

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8% Acceptable13% Borderline79% Poor

Coping Strategies Index (CSI) scores of households³:

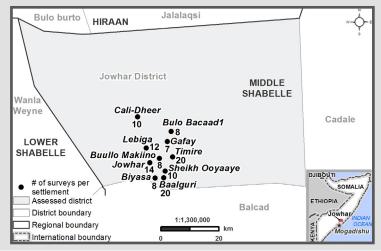
0	Minimum score
13	Average score
45	Maximum score

Reported challenges experienced by households when attempting to access food over the past three months²:

Lack of resources to buy food	76%	
Lack of food items available to purchase	22%	
Lack of cooking utensils	13%	
Lack of cooking fuel	8%	•
None of the above	12%	•

days on average that households' food stocks will reportedly last.

Survey Locations:



Vulnerabilities

% of households reporting the following members:

- **18%** Pregnant or lactating woman
- 8% Sick child
- **4%** Disabled or chronically ill person
- 2% Unaccompanied or separated child

Priority Needs

Top 3 priority needs reported by households¹:

1. Food	76%
2. Water	48%
3. Shelter	46%

🧶 Nutrition

% of children under 5 in assessed households, by Mid-Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) score:



10% Normal
20% At risk of malnutrition
49% Moderately malnourished
21% Severely malnourished

% of households reported access to the following nutrition services²:

None	45%
Outpatient Therapeutic Programmes	19%
Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme	15%
Stabilization Centre	13%
Infant and Young Child Feeding Programme	12%
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of households reported increased difficulty in accessing nutrition services compared to more than 3 months ago.



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43%



Livelihoods

Top 3 primary support sources reported for the past year:

1. Subsistence farming	28%
2. Day labour	19%
3. Contracted job	18%

45% of households reported losing livestock in the last three months.

🏶 Health

Main health problems reported by households in the last month¹:

1. Suspected malaria	58%
2. Suspected measles	38%
3. Eye infection	18%

50% of households reported increased difficulty in accessing health services compared to more than three months ago.

- **11 USD** on average were reportedly spent by households on health care in the past month.
- **50%** of households reported increased spending on health services compared to more than three months ago.

Education

2% of school-aged children (5-17 years) reportedly attend school.

High

Low

Medium

Reported level of priority of education for households:



Communication

Top 3 preferred channels for receiving information reported¹:

1. Radio	72%
2. Telephone (voice)	50%
3. Community meetings	33%

Top 3 reported information needs of households²:

1. Health	57%
2. Food	39%
3. Shelter	31%

💔 Protection

- **13%** of households reported that a household member has experienced violence, threats or intimidation in the past three months.
- **24%** of households reported not being able to move freely in their community and surrounding area.
- **17%** of households reported a theft from their shelter in the past three months.

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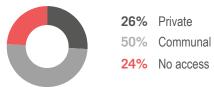
🐂 🛛 Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

Main sources of drinking water reported by households²:

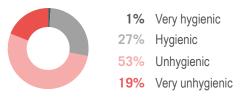
1. Protected well with hand pump	36%
2. River	31%
3. Piped system	17%

18% of households reported a problem of either quantity or quality with their main water source.

Types of latrines reportedly accessible to households:



Reported hygiene status of latrines used by households4:



Shelter

Primary structural materials reportedly used for main shelter, by proportion of households:

- 1. Wood
 64%

 2. Cement
 17%
- 3. Mud

Roof covering materials reportedly used for main shelter, by proportion of households:

8%

15%

- 1. Iron sheet43%2. Vegetation20%
- 3. Plastic sheet
- 36% of households reported damage to their shelter within the past three months.
- **3.6** people on average were reported per shelter.

Endnotes

- 1. Respondents could select up to 3 options.
- 2. Respondents could select multiple options.

3. Higher scores indicate a greater degree of food insecurity, with the maximum possible score being 56. For more information about the CSI, please visit: http:// bit.ly/2vR37Ia

4 This question was only asked to respondents reporting access to a latrine.

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