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.

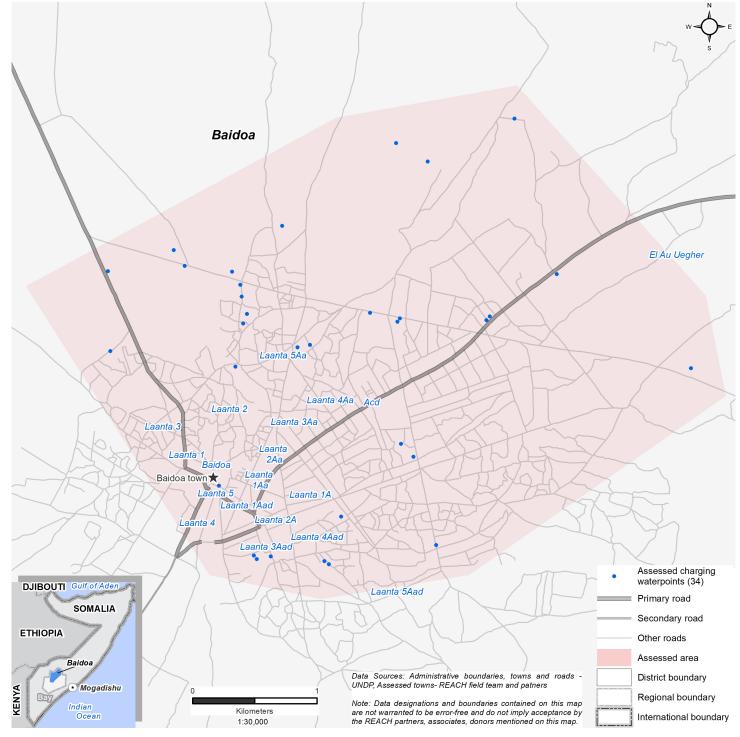
March data collection in Bay was conducted through a quantitative survey between 29 - 31 March, focusing only on those water points in the region that are charging for water. The assessment has followed the official district boundaries of the region.

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 34 water points in Bay Region in March, all located in Baidoa town.
- The majority (79%) of assessed water points showed no price change from February to March. Twelve percent (12%) showed an increase in price mainly due to increased water shortage, while 9% showed a decrease in price mainly due to increased water trucking in the town.
- Just 35% of assessed water points in Baidoa reportedly have their water treated at the distribution point. The majority of these (92%) have it treated through chlorination, while 8% have it treated using aguatabs.

Assessed Water Points





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Number of asssed water points:

February	36
March	34

Number of assessed water points by type:

District	#	%
Burkad	1	3%
Piped	1	3%
Protected well, no pump	11	32%
Protected well, pump	2	6%
Tank tap	11	32%
Trucking distribution	3	9%
Unprotected well	5	15%

Water Point Filling

Water points that are refilled through the following:

District	
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Not filled		65%	
Pipe	•	20%	
Water truck		15%	

Water Point Administrator

Water points with the following administrator:

District

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Private	•	68%	
Company	•	17%	
Community		15%	

Water Price

Prices are shown in US Cents

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

Average Price:

District	February	March	% Change
Baidoa	35	35	0%
Median Price:			
District	February	March	% Change
Baidoa	39	39	0%

Types of Water Treatment

Water treatment types:

District

Not treated	65%	
Chlorinated	32%	
Aquatabs	3%	

Water Price, by Water Point Administrator

Average Price:

District	February	March	% Change
Company	36	39	+8%
Community	35	31	-11%
Private	34	35	+3%

Most Reported Problems

Water points reportedly having the following problems: (Respondents could select multiple options)

District	#	%
No problem	25	73%
Low quantity	5	15%
Poor quality	2	6%
Contaminated	1	3%
Tanks are broken	1	3%





Water Price, by Area Area 1: Baidoa Town

