

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.

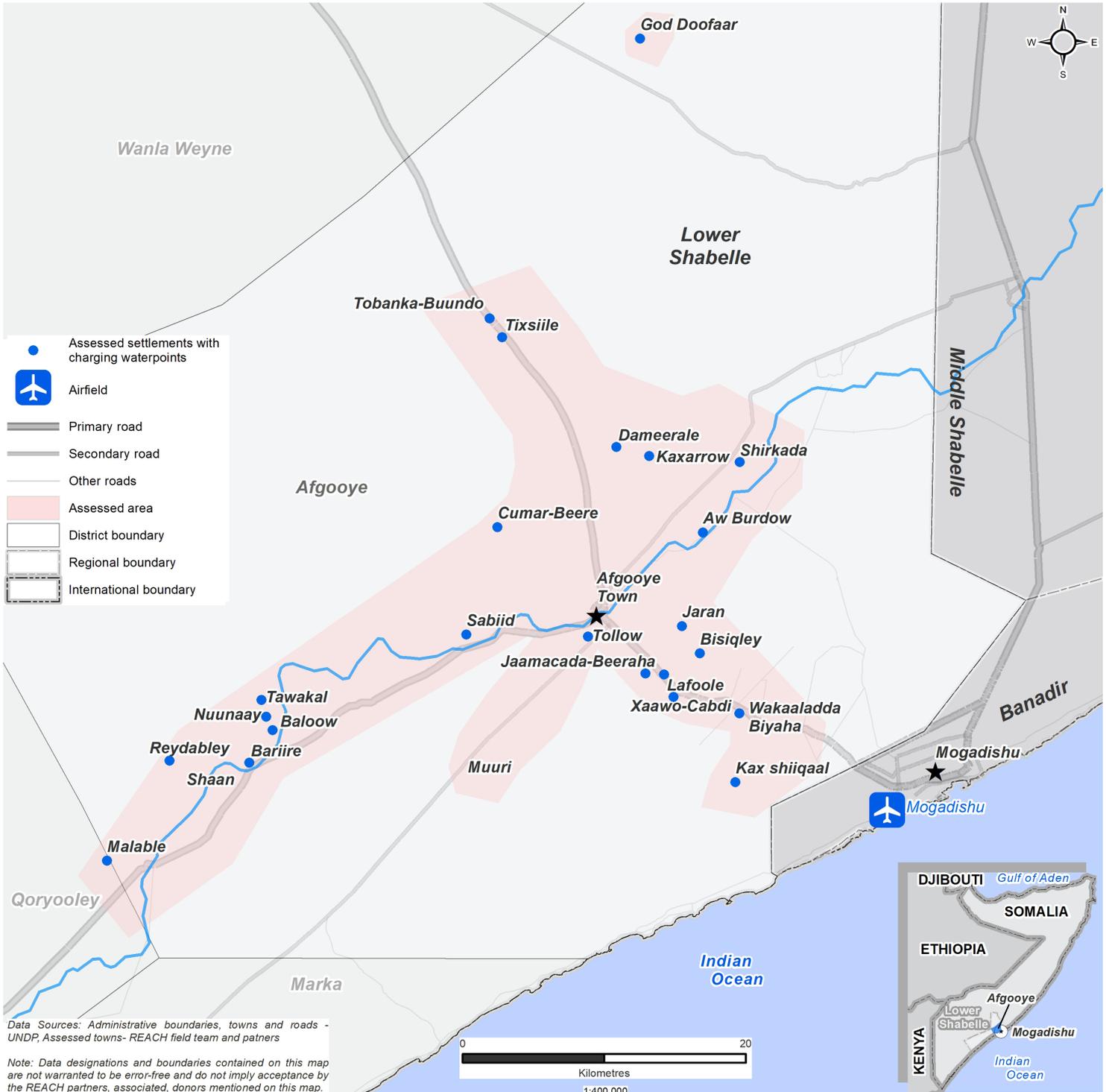
April data collection in Lower Shabelle was conducted through a quantitative survey between 28 - 30 April, focusing only on those water points in the region that are charging for water. The assessment has followed the official district boundaries of the region.

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 Afgooye District, Lower Shabelle Region.
- Prices of water in Lower Shabelle reportedly increased by an average of 4% from March to April.
- The majority (53%) of assessed water points showed no change in price from March to April. Twenty-six percent (26%) showed an increase in price mainly due to an increase in water quality, while 21% showed a decrease in price mainly due to an increase in water supply following ongoing rains.
- The majority (82%) of assessed water points in Lower Shabelle reportedly have their water treated at the distribution point. The majority of these (76%) have it treated though chlorination, while 6% have it treated through aquatabs.

Assessed Water Points



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Number of assessed water points:

March	36
April	34

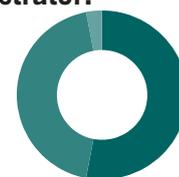
Number of assessed water points, by type:

District	#	%
Borehole	24	71%
Shallow well	10	29%

Water Point Administrator

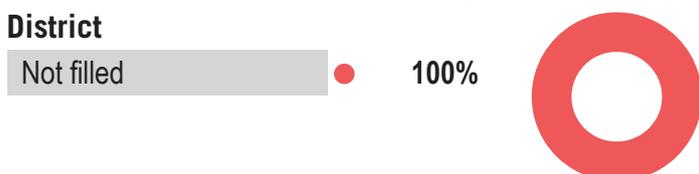
Water points with the following administrator:

District	%
Community	53%
Private	44%
NGO	3%



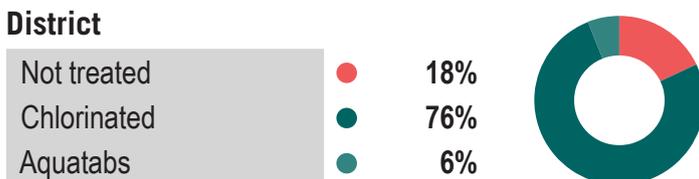
Water Point Filling

Water points that are refilled through the following:



Types of Water Treatment

Water treatment types:



Water Price

Prices are shown in US Cents

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

Average Price:

District	March	April	% Change
Afgooye	25	26	+4%

Median Price:

District	March	April	% Change
Afgooye	20	20	0%

Most Reported Problems

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

District	#	%
No problem	25	73%
Tanks are broken	3	9%
Generator is broken	2	6%
Taps are broken	2	6%
Low quantity	2	6%

Water Price, by Water Point Administrator

Average Price:

District	March	April	% Change
Private	26	32	+23%
Community	25	22	-12%
NGO	20	20	0%

Water Price, by Area

Area 1: Afgooye

