

# UNHCR Operation In Somalia Fact Sheet | September 2011

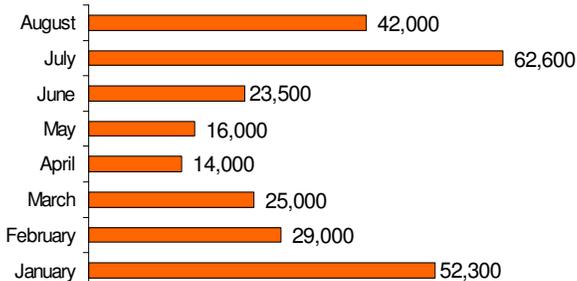
## UNHCR Operational Highlights

- ✓ Somalia is the country generating the highest number of refugees in the world, after Afghanistan and Iraq
- ✓ Somali people are facing one of the worst humanitarian crises in the world today. One in three Somalis is in urgent need of humanitarian assistance and one in every three children living in the South-Central region is malnourished.
- ✓ UNHCR leads humanitarian agencies' protection and emergency relief interventions targeting almost 1.5 million IDPs, in addition to delivering protection and assistance to over 2,000 refugees in Somalia
- ✓ Most of Somalia is in security level 5 (high), with Mogadishu and other areas of South-Central in level 6 (extreme) translating to limited humanitarian access to vulnerable population of concern.

### Population of concern

	IDPs	Asylum Seekers	Refugees	Total
<b>Somaliland</b>	67,000	1,853	1,773	70,626
<b>Puntland</b>	139,000	4,020	328	143,348
<b>South Central</b>	1,253,000	0	0	1,253,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,459,000</b>	<b>5,873</b>	<b>2,101</b>	<b>1,466,974</b>

### Internal Displacement of Somalis in 2011



### UNHCR Somalia Major Donors in 2011

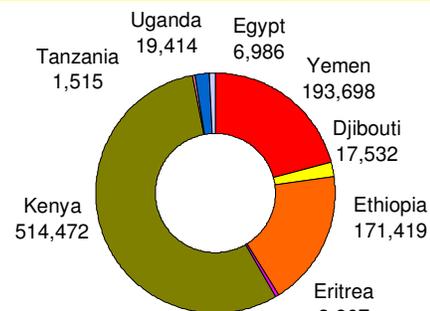
European Commission Humanitarian Office (ECHO), Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF), Brazil, Republic of Korea, France, Sweden, German Private donors, Italy, Switzerland, Canada, Common Humanitarian Fund (CHF), Australian private donors, Peace Building Fund (PBF) and Japan.

### Mixed Migration

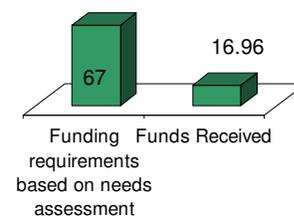
Every year, tens of thousands of people, mainly Ethiopians and Somalis, cross the Gulf of Aden from Somalia, hoping to find a better future in Yemen. Many refugees and asylum seekers die during this journey in search of a better and safer life. UNHCR raises awareness on the dangers and the human rights violations involved in the migration movement, and ensures access to asylum procedures for potential asylum seekers.

Year	Total Departures	Somalis	Non Somalis
2008	50,091	33,019	17,072
2009	77,802	32,988	44,744
2010	53,487	18,873	34,614
2011	<b>60,032</b>	<b>16,098</b>	<b>43,934</b>

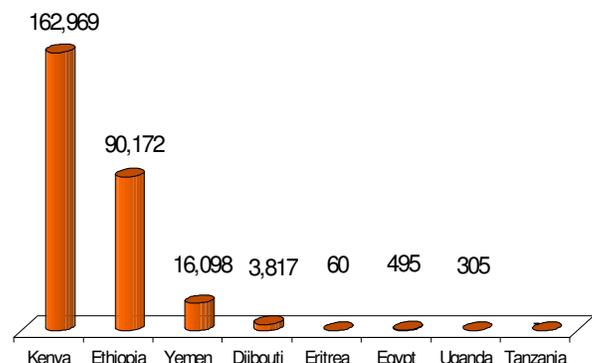
### Somali refugees in the region as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011 Total 928,903



### UNHCR Somalia Funding Situation in million USD as of August 31st 2011



### Somali refugees received in countries of asylum as of end August 2011 Total 273,916

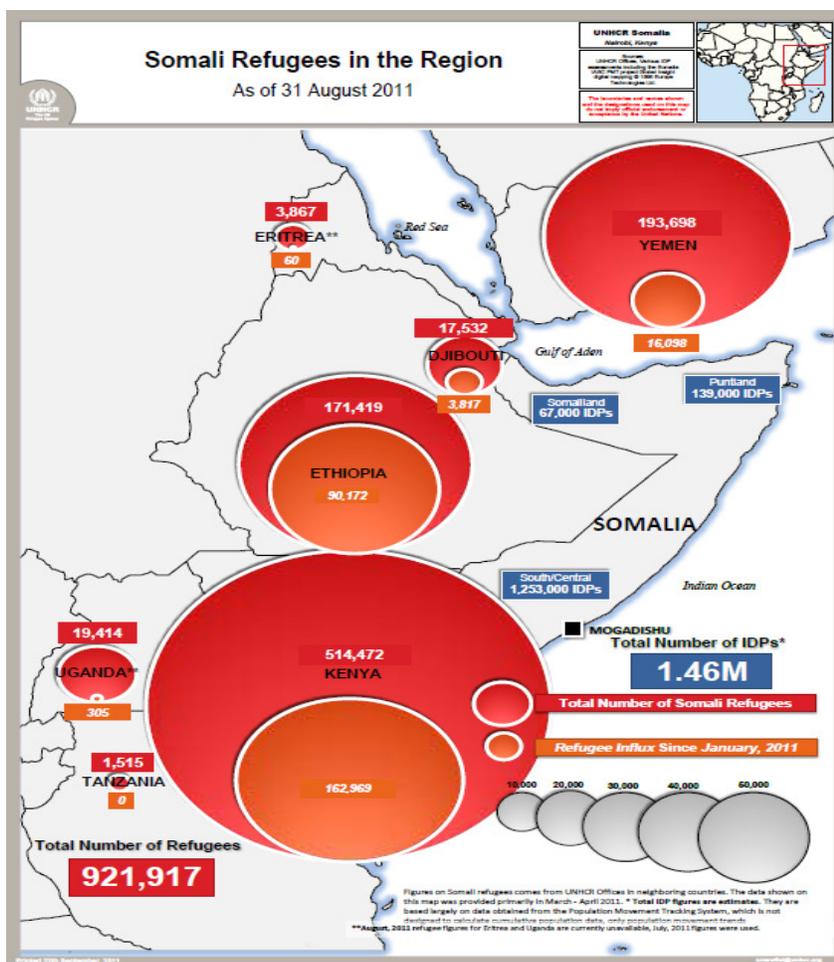


\*Map overleaf does NOT include Egypt figures\*



## Achievements:

- ✓ Since the declaration of the famine on 20 July, over 27,000 emergency assistance packages (EAPs) have been distributed for 174,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Mogadishu and southern Somalia.
- ✓ Nearly 270,000 IDPs in all of Somalia have so far received emergency relief items including blankets, mattresses, jerry cans, plastic sheets, kitchen sets and sanitary materials.
- ✓ 800 IDPs have received livelihood assistance through UNHCR projects in 2011.
- ✓ 39,267 IDP house holds have received emergency shelter kits so far in 2011.
- ✓ 8,330 IDPs, refugees and asylum seekers families have, so far, received protection and education/medical assistance.



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