

OVERVIEW

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) operates a Migration Response Centre (MRC) in the Obock region in Djibouti, to assist migrants who wish to return to their countries of origin after attempts to emigrate or upon return from the Arabian Peninsula.

With the set-up of the MRC in Obock in 2011, a team of staff was trained to provide direct assistance including food, temporary shelter, non-food items (NFI), information, psycho-social and medical care to vulnerable migrants on the move. IOM also provides the possibility of an orderly return under conditions respectful of human dignity to migrants who wish to return voluntarily to their country of origin through its assisted voluntary return and reintegration (AVRR) programme. Following the closure of the Massagara informal site in October 2020, all vulnerable migrants arriving from Yemen and Ethiopia are provided with assistance at the MRC.

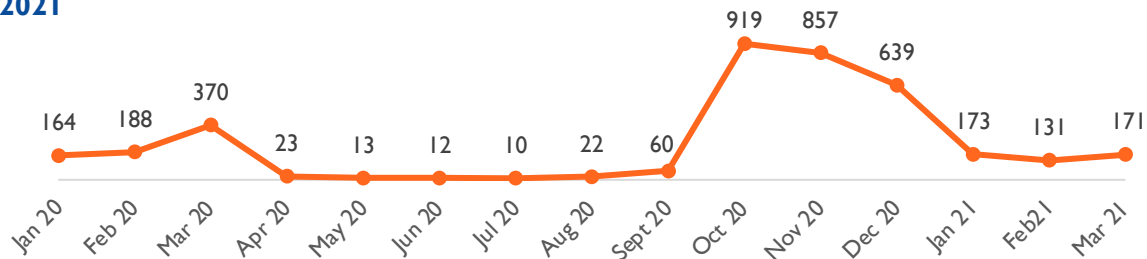
KEY FIGURES



171 Migrants registered in March 2021

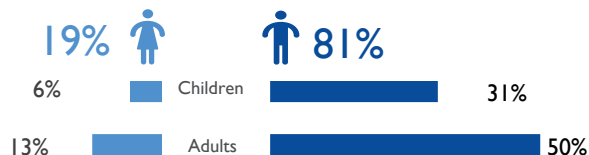
162 Migrants present at the MRC on 31 March 2021

MIGRANTS REGISTERED AT THE MRC BETWEEN JANUARY 2020 AND MARCH 2021



DATA ON NEW ARRIVALS AT THE MRC FROM 1 TO 31 MARCH 2021

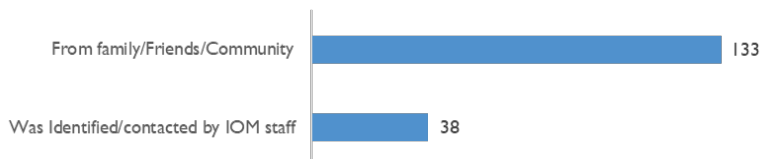
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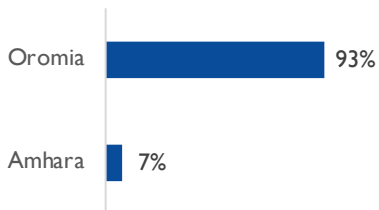
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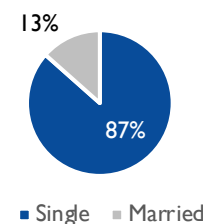
HOW MIGRANTS KNEW ABOUT THE MRC



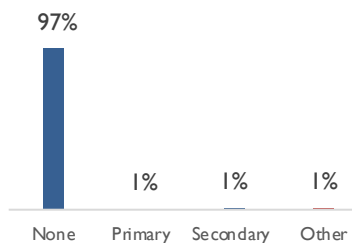
REGION OF DEPARTURE



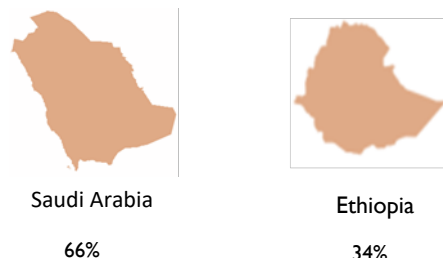
MARITAL STATUS



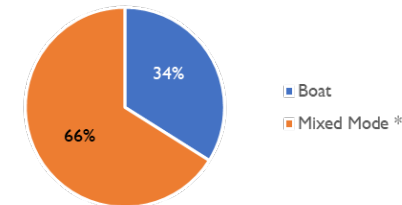
EDUCATION



INTENDED FINAL DESTINATIONS



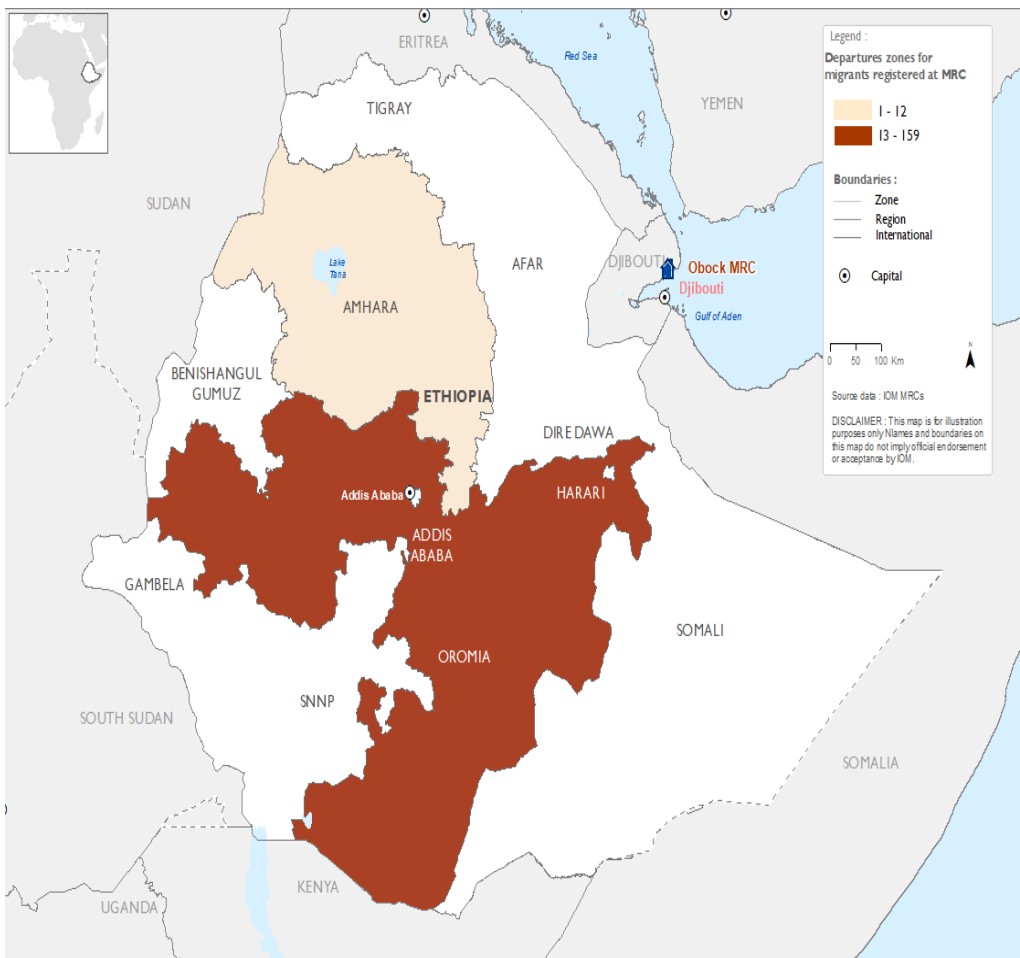
MEANS OF TRANSPORT



*Combination of several modes (foot, car, etc.)

DATA ON ALL MIGRANTS RESIDING AT THE MRC FROM 1 TO 31 MARCH 2021

ORIGIN OF MIGRANTS



AWARENESS RAISING ON THE RISKS OF IRREGULAR MIGRATION

In the Obock region, IOM sensitized 1,427 migrants (1,063 men and 364 women) on the risks of irregular migration and on COVID-19 prevention measures. Sensitization took place in the MRC.

** The same migrant can benefit from several types of assistance. The numbers indicated should therefore be understood as the number of assistance and not as the number of beneficiaries.

*** Through the establishment of its mobile unit in July 2020, migrants in distress arriving on the coasts of the Obock region receive water, food and emergency medical assistance, before being directed to the MRC.

**** Since January 2021, the less vulnerable migrants passing through Obock are provided with food and water in front of the MRC.

MIGRANT ASSISTANCE**

ASSISTED VOLUNTARY RETURN AND REINTEGRATION (AVRR)	Children		Adults		Total
	F	M	F	M	
Sensitization on AVRR programme	14	80	24	123	241
Assistance in obtaining travel documents	5	51	4	51	111
Transportation to country of origin	2	16	-	-	18
Family tracing	6	25	13	8	52
Total	27	172	41	182	422

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT	Children		Adults		Total
	F	M	F	M	
Group discussions	-	-	-	-	-
Individual discussions	-	-	-	-	-
Recreational and sport activities	11	279	23	224	537
Total	11	279	23	224	537

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	Children		Adults		Total
	F	M	F	M	
Consultations	30	80	40	200	350
Medical screening	-	2	7	4	13
Psychosocial assistance and mental health	-	1	1	2	4
Pre-departure medical assistance	5	27	6	16	54
Hospitalization at MRC clinic	1	8	-	14	23
Référencement au Centre Médico-Hospitalier	-	1	5	3	9
Total	36	119	66	239	453

MOBILE UNIT***	Nb
Water and food assistance	1,173
Medical assistance	130

FOOD AND NON-FOOD ASSISTANCE	Nb
Migrants provided with food assistance outside of the MRC (breakfast, lunch and/or dinner)****	1,103
Food (breakfast, lunch, and dinner were provided)	7,951
Non-food items (NFIs)	415

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