







# Somalia

1-31 January 2018



Refugees spending leisure time at the Reception Centre in Berbera. © UNHCR/January 2018

## Main achievements

Return assistance		1-31 January 2018	2018
	Number of Yemeni refugees arrived to Somalia	169	169
	Number of persons benefited from core relief items	102	102
	Number of persons enrolled in education	14	14
	Number of persons accessed health care services	1,117	1,117
	Number of persons benefited from subsistence allowance	1,908	1,908
	Number of persons enrolled in livelihood projects	55	55

## Updates on achievements

**UNHCR Somalia supports Yemeni refugees fleeing the ongoing crisis in Yemen** and ensures their access to adequate levels of protection and assistance through support in the following sectors: access to territory; registration and documentation; education; health; livelihood and self-reliance; cash-based interventions and provision of core relief items; legal support; sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) prevention and response; peaceful coexistence and community-based protection.

## New arrivals

**At the onset of the third year of the fighting in Yemen, 6,155 Yemenis fled from war to Somalia.**

- From 1 to 31 January, 169 Yemeni refugees reached Somalia by sea.

### Number of new arrivals recorded per year

Date	2015	2016	2017	1-31 January 2018	Since March 2015
Number of arrivals	3,446	1,526	1,014	169	6,155

## Registration

**As of 31 January, a total of 10,817 refugees and asylum-seekers were registered**, out of that 24 were registered from 1-31 January 2018.<sup>1</sup>

### Registered Yemeni refugees and asylum-seekers per year

Legal status	Before 2015	2015	2016	2017	1-31 January 2018	Since March 2015
Yemeni refugees	140	6,894	2,111	1,573	24	10,742
Yemeni asylum-seekers <sup>2</sup>	22	37	10	6	0	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>6,931</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>1,579</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10,817</b>

The number of registered Yemenis is higher than the number of new arrivals mainly because: Yemenis who came through Djibouti and other ports than Berebra and Bossaso are not captured under new arrivals and a small increase was recorded due to continuous registration of new born babies.

## SGBV

**Yemeni refugees that arrived to Somalia face a challenging protection environment.** UNHCR therefore provides sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) assistance.

- In January, 76 persons were supported with SGBV intervention, 73 were supported with psychosocial counselling and three with material support.

## Legal

**In addition, UNHCR provides legal assistance to refugees in cases where legal counselling, court representation, mediation or referrals to other services are required.**

<sup>1</sup> See monthly report on registered refugees and asylum-seekers in Somalia for the month of January 2018, available at: <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/documents/details/61933>, 6 March 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Yemenis who arrived before the Federal Republic of Somalia granted prima facie status to Yemenis arriving to Somalia.

- During January, 13 persons were provided with legal assistance.

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	Bossaso	Garoowe	Hargeysa	Total
Legal assistance	8	4	1	13

## Education

**UNHCR ensures access to education for Yemeni refugee children.** Under the education assistance, UNHCR supports school fees, and also provides scholastic materials and school uniforms one time per school year. New enrolments usually take place at the start of the new study year around August. However, students can be enrolled also during the ongoing school year.

- In January, UNHCR newly enrolled 14 Yemeni refugees; 10 in primary and four in secondary education.

Location	Primary	Secondary	Total
Mogadishu	14	4	14



Refugee students receiving scholastic materials in Hargeysa. © UNHCR/January 2018

## Cash assistance

**Assistance to Yemeni refugees includes provision of subsistence allowance to support the basic needs of vulnerable households.** The amount of the subsistence allowance depends on the family size of the family and vulnerability of the family: US\$ 100 to the primary applicant, US\$ 20 to each adult applicant after the primary applicant US\$ 10 for each minor applicant and US\$ 20 for each applicant with a severe disability.

- During January, 837 Yemeni refugee households (1,908 persons) were provided with subsistence allowance.

1-31 January 2018		
Location	# of individuals	# of households
Hargeysa	1,822	768
Bossaso	86	69
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,908</b>	<b>837</b>

## Health

Yemeni refugees are also supported with access to primary and secondary health care services. Fleeing from war in Yemen many refugees are in need of health services.

- Throughout January, UNHCR ensured access to health care services for 1,117 Yemeni refugees, 1,103 to primary and 14 referrals to secondary and tertiary health care services.

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Location	Primary	Secondary referrals	Total
Hargeysa	25	10	35
Bossaso	108	-	108
Garoowe	17	-	17
Mogadishu	953	4	957
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,117</b>

## Core relief items

Vulnerable Yemeni refugee households who arrive without personal belongings or items for shelter, health, cooking or sanitation may also receive core relief items.

- In Berbera, UNHCR provided 102 blankets and 102 mats to Yemeni refugees living in Berbera.



Distribution of core relief items to Yemeni refugees living in Berbera. © UNHCR/January 2018

## Community Empowerment and Self-reliance

**UNHCR supports livelihood opportunities to help Yemeni refugees who fled from war to achieve self-reliance.**

- During January, livelihood opportunities were created for 55 Yemeni refugees; 26 were registered in technical and education vocational training (TVET) in Hargeysa and another 29 joined classes in language, computer, literacy and accounting at the Peaceful Co-existence Centre.

Activity	1-31 January 2018	Cumulative
	# of individuals	# of individuals
Technical and educational vocational trainings	26	26
Access to self-employment	29	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>55</b>

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