# Eastern Africa: Drought – Humanitarian Snapshot (as of 24 Jun 2011)



Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) (%)a 1 33.0 Somali refugee camps in

2 30.7 Juba (pastoral), Somalia (Dec 2010)<sup>a</sup>

3 27.5 Mandera, Kenya (Apr 2011)<sup>e</sup>

25.3 Gedo (agro-pastoral), Somalia (Dec 2010)<sup>a</sup>

5 25.0 Bale, Ethiopia (May 2011)<sup>f</sup>

7 15.6 Garbatulla, Kenya (Feb 2011)<sup>a</sup>

8 15.2 Mogadishu,

9 10.5 Borena,

people in need of humanitarian assistance<sup>a</sup>

without IPC data available<sup>c</sup>

Somalia (Apr 2011)9

Ethiopia (Mar 2011)

6 22.8 Wajir, Kenya (Apr 2011)<sup>e</sup>

SOMALIA

2.6 million

Dolo Ado, Ethiopia (Jun 2011)d

Over the past year, the eastern Horn of Africa has experienced two consecutive poor rainy seasons, resulting in one of the driest years since 1950/51 in many pastoral zones. The impacts of the drought have been exacerbated by high local cereal prices, excess livestock mortality, conflict and restricted humanitarian access in some areas.<sup>a</sup>

#### Typical Season<sup>a</sup>

Rains in pastoral areas of Somalia, Kenya, southern Ethiopia and cropping areas of south-eastern Kenya bring pasture regeneration, increase water availability, and support crop development.

Typical lean season in pastoral areas. Main harvest in south-eastern Kenya. Minor harvest in Somalia.

Main rains in southern pastoral and belg-producing Ethiopia, Somalia, and pastoral areas of **Kenya**; secondary rains in south-eastern cropping areas of Kenya.

Main harvest in Somalia (mid-Jun to mid-Aua). Minor harvests in south-eastern Kenya.

#### Drought 2010-2011<sup>a</sup>

Sep 2010

Oct

Nov

Dec

Feb

Mar

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Jan 2011

One of the driest Oct-Dec seasons ever. Second or third consecutive poor season in some pastoral and cropping areas. Very poor livestock production.

Livestock body conditions worsen. Crops fail in all marginal cropping areas of the eastern Horn. Lean season shortages exacerbated.

Late start of rains and erratic distribution over season. Rainfall less than 30% of the 1995-2010 average in some areas. Excess livestock mortality of 15-30% reported in pastoral areas, with mortality levels as high as 40-60% in localized areas, especially for cattle and sheep.

Harvests expected to be delayed and below normal. Crop failure in marginal cropping areas likely. Staple cereal prices approach/exceed record levels.

200 km

### Asmara % below normal precipitation<sup>b</sup> (Jun 2010 - May 2011) 117,000 DJIBOUTI Djibouti **ETHIOPIA** 3.2 million Addis-Ababa 50 30 SUDAN 3 Mogadishu KENYA **UGANDA** 3.2 million DR CONGO Kampala Nairobi Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) (Jul - Sep 2011 projection)<sup>a</sup> **RWANDA** 1: None or Minimal BURUNDI Bujumbura 2: Stressed 3: Crisis UNITED REPUBLIC 4: Emergency 5: Catastrophe/Famine OF TANZANIA Note: No areas are yet in catastrophe/famine phase Area with limited humanitarian accessa Country affected by drought

**ERITREA** 

Estimated number of food

insecure population as of

Jun 2011a

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## Dramatic increases in cereal prices

C	Grain Market <sup>b</sup>	Grain	% price change (May '10- May '1
Е	Baidoa, Somalia	Red Sorghum	+ 240%
J	iiga, Ethiopia	Yellow Maize	+ 117%
Λ	/landera, Kenya	White Maize	+ 58%