



# Nyal Port Monitoring

Panyijiar County, Unity State, South Sudan

## CONTEXT AND METHODOLOGY

Nyal Town is located in Northern Panyijiar County, Unity State, along the banks of the Sudd, the third largest swamp in the world. Since the beginning of the crisis, Nyal has become a major destination for IDPs fleeing conflict in Unity and Jonglei States.

This factsheet provides results on the REACH port monitoring exercise in Nyal Town, Panyijiar County. Since 1 November 2016, REACH has monitored three ports in Nyal - Gap Port, Nyal Port and Ketieth Port - to record the arrivals and departures of South Sudanese IDPs on a daily basis. Daily data is synthesized into a monthly factsheet which provides evidence for more effective humanitarian intervention planning.

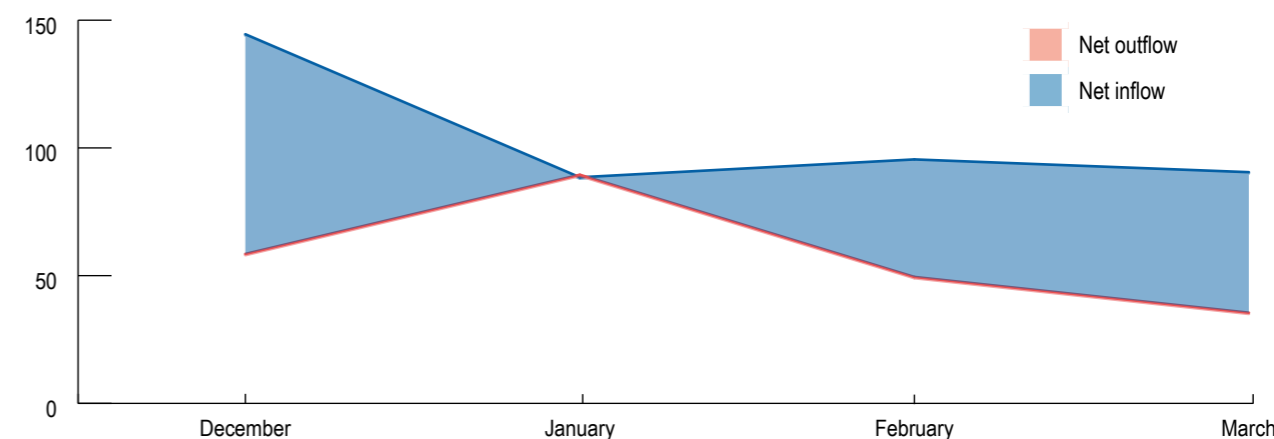
Throughout the month of March, port monitors collected information from 7:30 - 18:30 daily to ensure complete coverage of Nyal's three ports. Please note that the data presented here is not representative, rather indicative of movement trends for the assessed population. Unless specified, the following findings are based on primary data collected between 1 and 31 March 2017, during which 977 departures and 2,520 arrivals were recorded.

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## GENERAL MOVEMENT TRENDS<sup>1</sup>

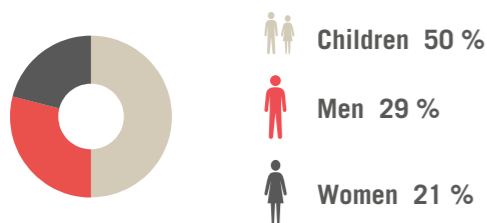
Monthly movement trends of the average daily number of individuals departing (red) and arriving (blue); December 2016 to March 2017.



## DEPARTURES FROM NYAL

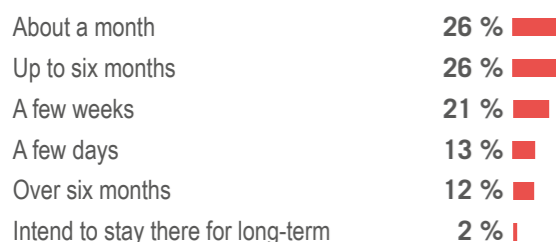
### Demographic<sup>2</sup>

**86%** of the total departing households intended to leave Nyal for less than 6 months.



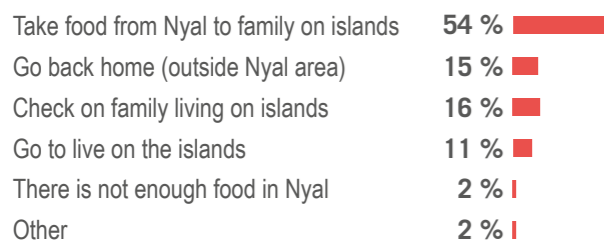
### Intended duration of stay in destination

Reported length of time that IDPs intend to stay in the location that they are departing for:



### Reported reasons for leaving<sup>3</sup>

Reasons for leaving Nyal Town:



### Changes in reasons for leaving<sup>3</sup>

Most prevalent reasons for leaving Nyal:

	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017
Take food from Nyal to family living on islands	79 %	78 %	82 %	54 %
Go back home (outside of Nyal area)	15 %	15 %	13 %	15 %
Check on family living on islands	1 %	3 %	4 %	16 %
Go to live on the islands	3 %	3%	0 %	11 %

### Conflict in Mayendit County

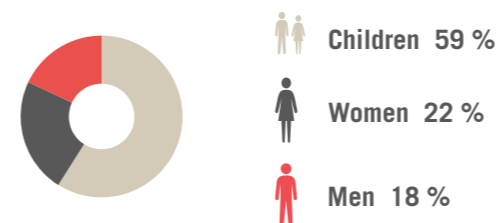
Fighting between state and opposition groups began in Mayendit County, Unity State, on the 1 March. Many people fled the violence over the subsequent days and weeks, initially to the surrounding islands of Mayendit centre, then further south through the swamp to Garbek Town and Nyal Town in Panyijiar.<sup>4</sup> As the journey is physically demanding and dangerous, it is likely that the most vulnerable people were not able to flee at all or have remained at the site of initial displacement within Mayendit County; areas that are very difficult or impossible for humanitarian actors to access.

**In March, 59% of arrivals to Nyal came from Mayendit County, 35% from neighbouring Leer County.**

## ARRIVALS TO NYAL

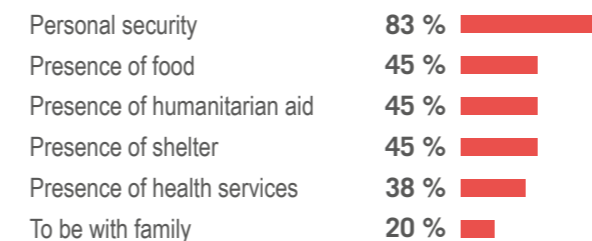
### Demographic<sup>2</sup>

**78%** of the total arriving households expressed the intention to remain in Nyal for less than six months.



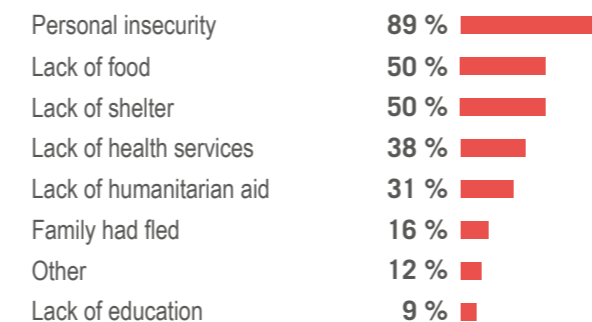
### Reasons for coming to Nyal<sup>3</sup>

Top reported reasons for choosing to come to Nyal after being displaced:



### Reasons for leaving previous location<sup>3</sup>

Top reported reasons for leaving previous location:



### Changes in reasons for coming to Nyal<sup>3</sup>

Most prevalent reasons for coming to Nyal

	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017
Personal security	89 %	94%	77 %	83 %
Food	73 %	73 %	61 %	45 %
Humanitarian services	54 %	55 %	65 %	45 %
Health services	30 %	48 %	37 %	38 %

### Duration of stay in Nyal Town

Reported length of time that respondents intended to stay in Nyal Town:



Note: 1. These are indicative trends; REACH does not record all arrivals and departures. 2. Men, women and children figures presented are percentiles of those departing / arriving. 3. Respondents were asked for their top three reasons, which were then aggregated. 4. Confirmed through focus group discussion.