

**KEY FIGURES**

**3.5 M**  
People affected

**1.8 M**  
Displaced by floods

**273**  
Dead and missing

**OVERVIEW**

The current El Niño conditions and the positive Indian Ocean Dipole have brought increased rains in most parts of the East and Horn of Africa, causing riverine and flash floods. The most affected countries have been Somalia (1.7 M), Ethiopia (763 K) and Kenya (475 K), with almost 3 million people affected and over 1.5 million displaced in those countries. Torrential rains also affected critical infrastructure, such as roads, bridges, water sources, and health facilities. This is seriously straining the operational capacity of humanitarian actors to provide support to those most in need. Although the above average rainfall may help pastoralist communities recover from the 2020–2023 drought, there are also risks of pasture and livestock disease outbreaks that may trigger food insecurity and waterborne diseases. According to the World Meteorological Organization, El Niño conditions are forecast to continue through at least April 2024, while the positive Indian Ocean Dipole is expected to last until February 2024.

**BURUNDI<sup>1</sup>**

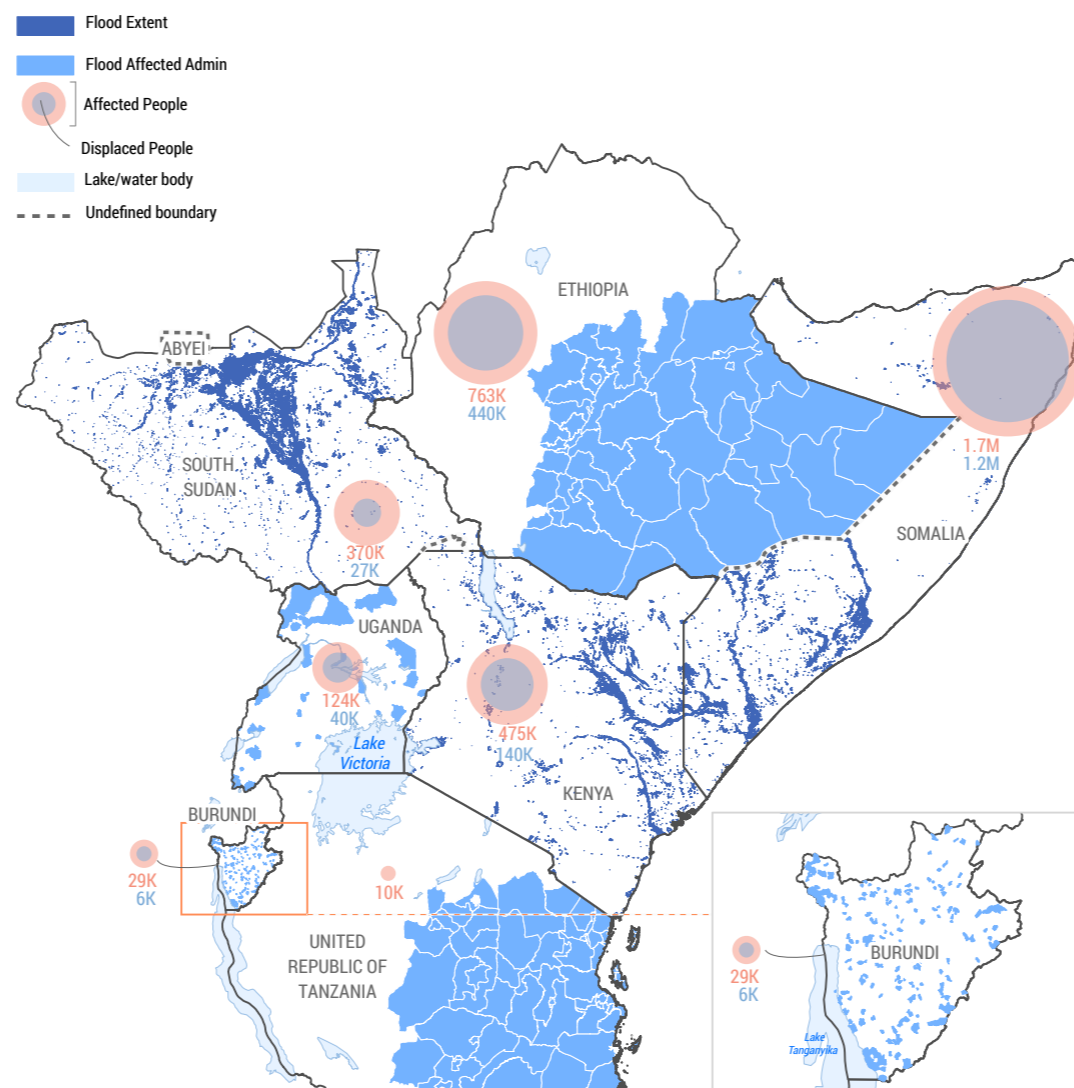
- 2,140 houses severely damaged (1,334) or destroyed (806)
- 21 schools destroyed
- 34 injured and 2 dead

**ETHIOPIA<sup>2</sup>**

- 43 dead
- In the Somali Region of Ethiopia
  - 80% of the population affected (611,000)
  - 74% of IDPs due to flood (323,000)
- 1 M people affected projected by early 2024

**KENYA<sup>3</sup>**

- Mandera: 4,000 households displaced
- Homa Bay: 3,700 households displaced
- 120 dead
- 950,000 people reached with food assistance



Note: This map is for illustration purposes only. Names and boundaries on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by IOM. Where available, flood extent is shown in the map, if not, the lowest available administrative level affected by floods was mapped. For Burundi, administrative level 3 (colline) was mapped and for Ethiopia (zone), the United Republic of Tanzania (district), and Uganda (district) administrative level 2 were mapped. Flood extent sources and dates: Kenya 19/11/2023 – 28/11/2023; Somalia 01/11/2023 – 02/12/2023; South Sudan 10/07/2023 – 15/08/2023.

Country	Affected people	Displaced people
Somalia	1,700,000	1,200,000
Ethiopia	763,000	440,000
Kenya	475,000	140,000
South Sudan	370,000	27,000
Uganda	124,000	40,200
Burundi	29,000	6,000
United Republic of Tanzania	10,100	None reported
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,471,100</b>	<b>1,853,200</b>

<sup>1</sup> IOM DTM Emergency Tracking Tool (July - November 2023).  
<sup>2</sup> According to IOM key informants. OCHA, Ethiopia: Floods Flash Update 2 (15 November 2023).  
<sup>3</sup> Floodlist, Kenya: East Africa – Heavy Rains and Floods Take Their Toll in Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya, Burundi and Malawi. OCHA, Kenya: Humanitarian impact of heavy rains and flooding - Flash Update 2 (20 November 2023). Reuters, Death toll from Kenya's El Niño floods jumps to 120. Kenya Red Cross.  
<sup>4</sup> Protection & Return Monitoring Network, Reuters, Death toll from flooding in Somalia climbs to nearly 100. OCHA Somalia: 2023 Deyr Season Floods Situation Report 2 (24 November 2023).  
<sup>5</sup> Jesuit Refugee Service, South Sudan: devastating flooding displaced thousands of people. Radio Tamajuj, Floods displace over 3,000 people in Bor Town. OCHA, South Sudan Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan, 2024.  
<sup>6</sup> ECHO, ECHO Daily Flash of 24 November 2023. OCHA Eastern Africa: El Niño Impact Snapshot (November 2023).  
<sup>7</sup> IOM DTM Disaster Risk Reduction (July - November 2023) and Emergency Tracking Tool (October - November 2023).

**SOMALIA<sup>4</sup>**

- 96 dead
- 67% (800,800) of IDPs in only 3 regions
  - 30% in Gedo (359,000)
  - 19% in Hiiraan (230,000)
  - 18% Mudug (212,000)

**SOUTH SUDAN<sup>5</sup>**

- 54% of affected people in Greater Upper Nile Region
- 7.1 million people will require food assistance in the first half of 2024
- Bor town and its docking affected after dyke broke

**UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA<sup>6</sup>**

- 12 dead
- 548 cases of cholera reported
- 990,00 people are food insecure

**UGANDA<sup>7</sup>**

- 189 people hospitalized
- 2,838 people evacuated
- 78 health facilities affected
- 55 schools affected

**Methodological notes:**  
 The methodology includes direct reporting from countries under the IOM Regional Office in Nairobi. The figures in this snapshot come from multiple data sources, including UN agencies' situation reports, IOM DTM country missions and public media outlets. Sources have been weighed for relevance and accuracy to the best of the RDH knowledge and within the limit of its possibilities. This snapshot is not intended to fully account for all reports related to floods and their impacts in the region, but rather provide an overview of key impacts. Therefore, the content of the snapshot relies on what is available from the sources below with the intention to provide examples and indications of flood impacts. Updates on the incidents and situations reported may subsequently occur without being reported and/or the knowledge of the RDH. The data presented here are time sensitive and, therefore, continuously changing, and given the rapidly evolving nature of the floods, the RDH cannot guarantee its accuracy and can accept no liability for any errors or omissions.