SOMALIA'S LIVESTOCK SECTOR

Somalia's traditional livestock sector is based on nomadic pastoralism with a growing private sector-led export industry. The Horn of Africa nation comes second in global sheep exports after Australia. Its livestock sector dominates the economy, creating about 60 per cent of Somalia's job opportunities and generating about 80

Livestock population

per cent of foreign currency earnings.











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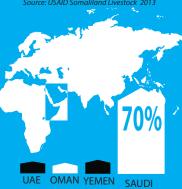
In 2000, Gulf states led by Saudi Arabia imposed a ban on the import of livestock from Somalia to prevent the spread of Rift Valley fever.

Livestock Export Trends since 1999



Source: FAO data 2014.

Leading Livestock Importers



Over 70% of all Somali livestock is exported to Saudi Arabia ahead of Hajj and Edi-Aladha, Ramadan and Eid-Alfitri festivals in the Muslim calendar making it a distinct and highly profitable market for Somalis.

Annual Export Value

Annual export of live nimals through the ports of Berbera, Bosasso and Djibouti across the Gulf of Aden.

In 2009, Saudi Arabia lifted a 9-year ban on the import of livestock from Somalia. This meant that Somalis could start profiting from increased demand for livestock during the Eid al-Aladha festival when Muslims traditionally sacrifice an animal.

\$4.6mln \$30mln unfunded



FAO's Current Interventions







improvements









facilities

vector control











Meat Hygene

campaigns



rehabilitated Constructed

Beekeeping







Livestock Value Chain Improvement

Farming

SOAP











Livestock Exports in Millions

