

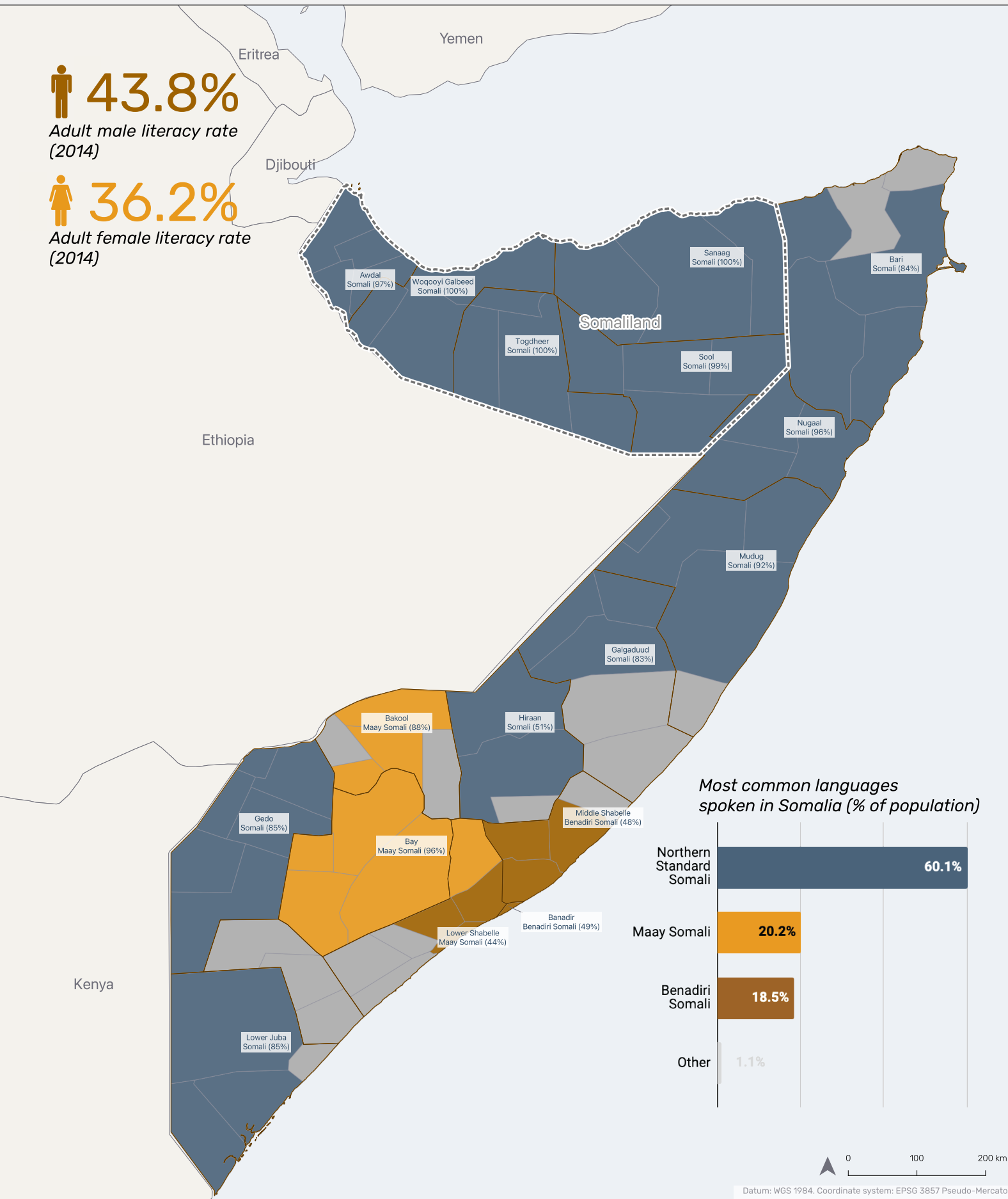
# Language map of Somalia

43.8%

Adult male literacy rate (2014)

36.2%

Adult female literacy rate (2014)



## Most common first language by district

- Northern Standard Somali
- Maay Somali
- Benadiri Somali
- No data

The 2021 Multi-Cluster Needs Assessment in Somalia records 11 languages and dialects spoken in the country. Northern Standard Somali and Arabic have the status of official languages.

As sampling was not random, results are therefore indicative rather than representative. However, the targets for the number of surveys (13,000 households) by population group (IDPs and non-IDPs) and district were based on the JMCNA 2020 methodology, which set the target number of surveys at a 90% confidence level and 10% margin of error. The exercise covered 74 districts across 17 regions in Somalia. General notes and disclaimers on mapping and analysis products can be found on [our website](#).



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Language data from REACH 2021 Somalia Multi-Sector Needs Assessment; Literacy data from UNFPA PESS 2015