

## IOM Country profile:

# SOMALIA



WHO 2008: Population: 8445,000  
Number of dentistry personnel: 15  
Dentistry personnel per 10,000 population: <1

### Published literature:

**2000: A Somali health worker in Sheffield found that immigrant Somali infants were subjected to the ritual custom of IOM during visits to relatives, many of whom were living in refugee camps in Ethiopia.**

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**2000: Dental malformations following IOM**

Dental Injuries due to African traditional therapies for diarrhea  
Western Journal of Medicine 2000 Vol 173 135-137  
Graham E A, Domoto P K, Egbert M A.

**2009: Report from Norway of a ten-year old immigrant Somalia girl requiring treatment for dental malformations following IOM in Somalia in infancy.**

Removal of Dental Facilities in African folk medicine (translated from Norwegian)  
Nor Tannlegeforen Tid 2009: 119:294-297  
Espelid E, Agnalt R

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