



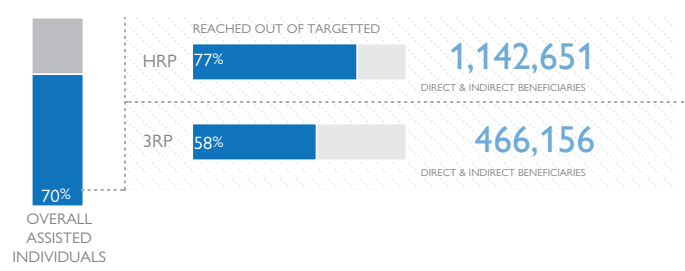
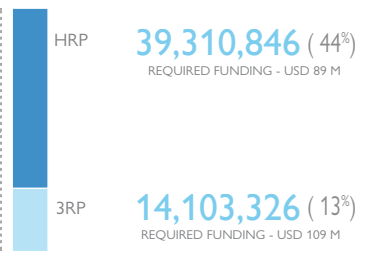
An internally displaced woman washes dishes in front of her tent in an IOM-supported camp in Idlib.

USD 53 M

Funding received of USD 198 M required

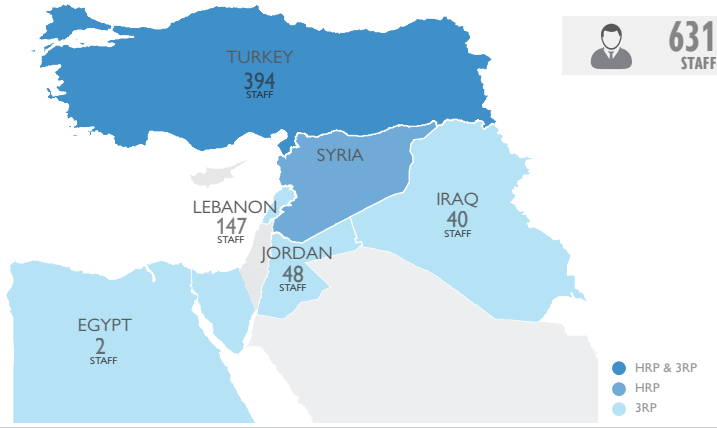
1,608,807

Assisted individuals of 2.3 M targeted

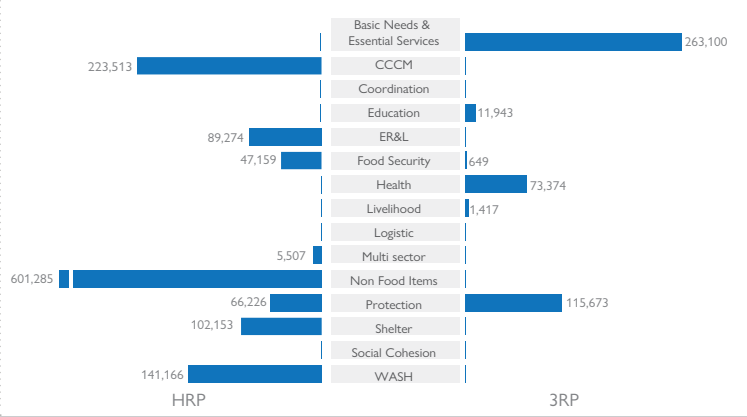


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IOM PRESENCE



NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES & KEY SECTORS OF ASSISTANCE



SITUATION OVERVIEW

Inside Syria

After more than a decade of conflict, humanitarian needs in Syria are at an all-time high. 3.4 million people remain in need in northwest Syria (NWS), with 3.1 million in acute need. Extreme poverty is widespread, affecting 97 per cent of the population in NWS. In August 2021, the humanitarian situation in Syria's southwest deteriorated significantly due to ongoing conflict in Dar'a al Balad. While a ceasefire has been in effect since 31 August, humanitarian needs remain high.

Even though food prices stabilized somewhat across Syria in July, food is still much more expensive than one year ago, and food insecurity continues to affect nearly one in two households. While the government increased its efforts to control market prices and exchange rates, the informal exchange rate weakened between June and July 2021 with the Syrian pound losing further value. As conditions deteriorate, the use of negative coping mechanisms continues to increase, including child labor, early and forced marriages, and recruitment into armed groups.

Women and adolescent girls, children, the elderly, persons with disabilities and other vulnerable groups with specific needs are disproportionately affected by the protracted humanitarian crisis. The harsh living conditions and experiences of violence and trauma have resulted in a growing mental health crisis in NWS. Critically, resources and capacity for

protection, mental health, and psychosocial support in NWS remain insufficient compared to the scale of need, resulting in persistent service gaps.

Regionally, more than 5.6 million Syrian remain displaced as refugees in neighboring countries where they face increasingly dire living conditions as protracted displacement and limited resources push households further into poverty. While refugee returns to Syria remain low, those who do decide to return often face steep challenges in the form of poor living conditions, resource shortages, and security threats.

As the winter season approaches and humanitarian needs in Syria remain high, it is essential for the humanitarian community to increase efforts to prepare vulnerable populations for the hard winter conditions. This includes maintenance and upgrades of displacement sites, strengthening tents and emergencies shelters (which half of the displaced populations in NWS continue to live in), and multi-purpose cash distributions so households can purchase warm clothing, blankets, and fuel for heating.

Across the region these efforts must be coupled with further investment in refugee and host communities to build resilience and social cohesion.



Flowers are grown by a camp resident in an IOM supported camp in Idlib. Many camp residents grow roses in an attempt to regain a sense of normality and bring hope into their lives.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

The spread of COVID-19 continues to increase among displaced and host communities both inside Syria and neighboring countries. In NWS, the already fragile health system has been pushed to a breaking point as supplies, equipment, and staff are scarce. In thirdwave, confirmed cases have risen sharply and health care facilities report being over capacity since early August 2021.

In **Syria**, IOM partners assisted 27,036 individuals through COVID-19 mitigation measures including the provision of supplementary water trucking, installation of additional handwashing stations, and distribution of hygiene kits. Through IOM's CCCM COVID-19 response, 223 individuals received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, 640 awareness sessions were conducted on COVID-19 prevention and vaccination, and 5,000 COVID-19 vaccination information, education and communication (IEC) materials were printed and distributed.

In **Iraq**, IOM organized 900 awareness sessions, printed and distributed 10,000 IEC materials and distributed 350 hygiene kits. Moreover, IOM screened and triaged more than 24,100 individuals for COVID-19 at supported health clinics and supported 11 health facilities with human resources and technical supplies.

In **Jordan**, 53 government personnel were trained on COVID-19 infection, prevention, and control (IPC) through capacity-building events in Health, Border, and Mobility Management.

In **Turkey**, IOM has provided hygiene kits to 82,500 beneficiaries living in districts close to the Syrian border. Moreover, mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) assistance and informative sessions about the COVID-19 pandemic were offered to Syrian refugees, migrants and host community members.

In **Lebanon**, IOM continues to pre-departure health support to refugees being resettled through partners. In addition, IOM facilitated migrants access to vaccinations by offering them assistance with transportation and registration.

IOM'S REGIONAL RESPONSE TO THE SYRIA CRISIS IN 2021 IS SUPPORTED BY:



IOM WHOLE OF SYRIA RESPONSE (HRP) - AT A GLANCE

HRP - RESPONSE

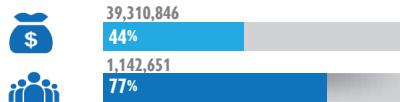


Between July and September of 2021, IOM supported the following activities inside Syria.

CCCM: During the reporting period, IOM's CCCM partners served 22,517 individuals in 11 displacement camps and 3,084 individuals in two reception centers for the provision of multisectoral humanitarian services. Additionally, IOM continued to support 25 informal displacement sites – delivering 13 training sessions on CCCM, Sphere Standards, risk reduction, COVID-19, fire safety, and first aid, as well as a 1-day in-person field training on fire safety which targeted 362 members of local Site Management Committees. IOM also facilitated 352 site assessments for different activities such as incident reporting, vulnerable site identifications, distress calls, and land identification.

Shelter: IOM identified 849 unfinished shelter units for upgrade and rehabilitation and 890 damaged shelter units for repair in NWS. Consequently, over 9,000 individuals will benefit from life sustaining shelter support and one year of free rent.

NFI and Cash: IOM partners reached over 50,000 individuals with NFI assistance of which most was provided through cash-based interventions. These distributed over \$430,000 to 20,999 people in emergency need. Additionally, IOM programs distributed 1,085 NFI kits, and continued to support other humanitarian actors in NWS with the provision of supply chain management services. Through these partners, IOM reached another 26,500 individuals in need. Since July, IOM supported the transshipment of 65 trucks of humanitarian assistance into NWS.



WASH: During the reporting period, IOM partners reached 79,742 individuals with emergency WASH activities. These activities included water trucking, communal water points, desludging, solid waste management, hygiene kits, construction of latrines, hygiene awareness sessions as well as the care and maintenance of existing latrine units in camps, collective centers, and reception centers in NWS. For site upgrades, IOM partners reached 34,163 individuals with flood mitigation activities.

Capacity Development: During the reporting period, IOM enhanced the capacity of 216 humanitarian staff. This included a Cash-Based Intervention learning exchange workshop targeting 29 staff members of IOM implementing partners from five different clusters. Two workshops were organized together with other humanitarian actors on Humanitarian Access Negotiation in NWS and Gaziantep, Turkey and targeted 100 senior humanitarian staff. Furthermore, IOM trained 87 humanitarian workers on humanitarian in-kind distribution, through an e-learning course that IOM developed and published.

Transitional Recovery and Food Security: IOM through its partners supported 3,967 households (19,467 individuals) with cash-for-food programming and 1,197 households (5,715 individuals) with in-kind food baskets. In coordination with WHO and its implementing partners, 855 of the food baskets were distributed to tuberculosis patients. In addition, IOM partners conducted community assessments and identified market gaps to address through business

support and cash-for-work activities in 23 locations in NWS. Lastly, IOM formed and trained six Community Engagement Teams across NWS – including women, IDPs, host communities, youth, and people with disabilities – to serve as spokespeople for their community and intermediaries with humanitarian agencies.

Protection: IOM expanded its support for specialized protection services, including case management and individual protection assistance in three camps, reaching a total of 6,930 beneficiaries. Moreover, IOM partners provided child protection case management, psychosocial support, protection monitoring, and legal assistance to 656 beneficiaries in NWS, and legal information sessions and individual legal counselling on housing, land and property and civil status documentation to 2,359 individuals. IOM also supported specialized and non-specialized MHPSS and protection services for IDPs and host community members in NWS and helped address immediate and acute protection needs of 14,167 individuals in 69 communities. In addition, 6,731 dignity kits were distributed to displaced women and girls in several IDP sites.

PSEA: During this period, the Protection against Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) program trained a total of 60 humanitarian workers on PSEA, including specialized training for facilitators of protection awareness sessions in NWS. Moreover, the network, in partnership with Hope Revival Organization, launched the PSEA Self-Awareness Raising App which provides self-guided and quality PSEA training from a mobile phone to humanitarian actors in the region.

OVERVIEW

BENEFICIARIES REACHED IN 2021



REACH BY SECTOR (DIRECT BENEFICIARIES)



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GEOGRAPHICAL REACH



SECTOR ICONS



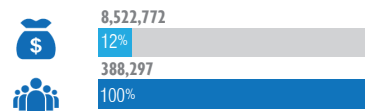
ABBREVIATIONS USED

CCCM - Camp Coordination and Camp Management
ER&L - Early Recovery and Livelihoods
GBV - Gender-based Violence
HRP - Humanitarian Response Plan
IDP - Internally Displaced Persons
MHPSS - Mental Health and Psychosocial Support

SNFI - Shelter and Non-Food Items
PSEA - Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse
WASH - Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
3RP - Regional Refugee Response Plan
NWS - Northwest Syria

IOM SYRIA REGIONAL RESPONSE (3RP) - AT A GLANCE

TURKEY

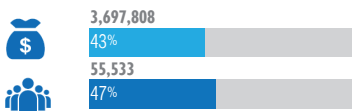


As of September 2021, the number of Syrians under temporary protection in Turkey has risen to 3.7 million. IOM Turkey supports refugees, migrants, and host communities with a wide variety of activities. To support basic needs, 16,794 individuals were provided with NFI and hygiene kits and 9,827 Syrian refugees and host communities received prepaid cards in Southern Turkey.

IOM continues to support municipalities in establishing and operating Municipal Migrant/Community Centers across the country. Since July, these have provided services to 18,498 individuals with an additional 10,332 people benefiting from guidance and counseling activities under the Mobile Guidance Project. Moreover, 500 especially vulnerable migrants, asylum seekers, refugees and host community members received individual assistance from the IOM case management team.

Since July, IOM has provided regular school transportation to 5,394 students and offered Turkish language courses to 551 Syrian refugees and migrants to enhance their employment prospects. Moreover, organized social activities enhanced the social cohesion within the refugee and host community and four psychosocial mobile teams reached 2,720 individuals.

JORDAN



IOM Jordan completed the provision of eight months of multi-purpose cash assistance for Syrian refugees and vulnerable host community members, and in July conducted a second round of post-distribution monitoring in July. Overall, 76 per cent of interviewed households reported an improved ability to meet basic needs.

Supporting women's economic empowerment and gender equality, IOM provided cash grants for home-based businesses to 20 Syrian refugee women who had previously completed livelihoods trainings and developed strong business plans. With these cash grants of up to USD 1,700 each, beneficiaries were able to purchase equipment and invest in marketing to operationalize their businesses.

IOM also continued to provide transportation assistance between camps for family reunification through referrals from UNHCR. During the reporting period, IOM supported 10 Syrian refugees to reunite with their families in camps.

Finally, IOM conducted capacity-building sessions targeting 53 government staff in September. The trainings covered several topics on migration and health, migrant vulnerabilities, human rights, and gender equality.

IRAQ

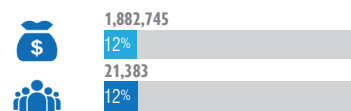


During the reporting period, resettlement programs resumed, thanks in part to the easing of travel restrictions. Consequently, IOM offered resettlement assistance to 294 refugees which includes liaison with the immigration departments of resettlement countries, coordination for visa and travel document issuance, travel arrangement, medical screening prior to departure, follow-up with transit and receiving missions to confirm safe arrival and cultural orientation.

Moreover, IOM continued to work towards revitalizing local economies and creating jobs in Iraq. Individual Livelihoods Assistance was provided to 176 Syrian refugees and 172 people benefitted from IOM's Business Development Support (BDS) program which was successfully finalized during the reporting period.

IOM Iraq further aimed to create job opportunities for Syrian refugees through the Enterprise Development Fund (EDF). To this end, IOM selected 12 small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) which were expected to create 47 new jobs and maintain 59 current jobs, and to receive EDF grants totaling USD 192,310. IOM verified that all selected businesses were successful in achieving their set milestones, and thus completed final payments

LEBANON

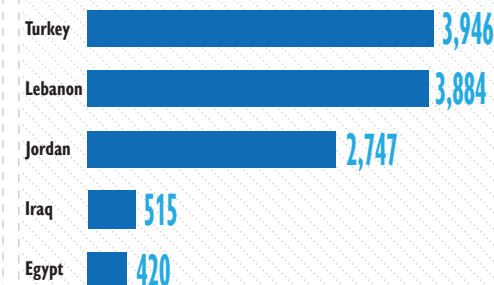


IOM Lebanon continued to arrange the resettlement of Syrian refugees in coordination with host governments, including orientation sessions and predeparture health checks. Since July, IOM has resettled 2,313 individuals, which a peak in September when 1,270 people were resettled.

IOM's focus on community stabilization work continues in the context of rising pressures on host and displaced communities. Through local partners, IOM is providing livelihood opportunities through cash-for-work schemes targeting host and displaced groups equally. Moreover, IOM has restarted livelihood activities, reaching 200 individuals in September, and projects to improve local infrastructure have been initiated to support local communities.

IOM continues to extent vaccine support to migrants, organizing vaccine marathons specifically for migrants, assisting with transport, registration of beneficiaries, as well as organizing the sites in advance through coordination with relevant stakeholders, such as the Ministry of Public Health and medical suppliers such as Médecins Sans Frontières. 3,695 migrants were assisted between July and September to access vaccines.

SYRIAN REFUGEES RESETTLED BY MISSION (DEPARTURE) IN 2021



BENEFICIARIES REACHED IN 2021



REACH BY SECTOR (DIRECT BENEFICIARIES)

