

# Syria Crisis Weekly Humanitarian Situation Report Jordan Date: 12 October 2012

## **JORDAN**

#### **Highlights**

- In preparation for winter, all existing WASH units will be upgraded by the addition of roofs and the installation of water heating systems (gas or solar).
- Since UNICEF and MoE opened the first school at Za'atari camp on 1 October, the number of children attending school has steadily increased from 1,700 to 2,400, across grades 1-11.
- On 6 October, UNICEF/Save the Children opened two reception tents at the UNHCR arrival area in Za'atari, to provide 24/7 interim care to unaccompanied, separated and vulnerable children.
- UNICEF now provides 450 fixed showers and 450 latrines to camp residents and has completed the installation of WASH units in the Za'atari school spaces.
- UNICEF/Mercy Corps have begun the drilling the first of two wells within Za'atari camp.

## **Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs:**

stimated Affected Population Estimates calculated based on initial figures from UNHCR Portal on 10 Oct 2012			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	57,092	29,117	27,975
Children Affected (Under 18)	30,259	15,415	14,844
Children Under Five	10,847	5,709	5,138
Children 6 to 23 months	3,996	1,998	1,998
Pregnant women	1,259	N/A	1,259

Some 57,092 Syrians are registered with UNHCR in Jordan, and a further 25,895 are awaiting registration, and thus receiving assistance. More than half of all Syrian refugees in Jordan are children under 18. Bailing out of people from Za'atari camp and transit centres to the community continues on an exceptional basis. The Government of Jordan estimates that over 200,000 Syrians are in the country. According to UNHCR, the current population of Za'atari camp is 29,154 and the number in transit centres is now at 1.441.

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships: UNICEF continues to lead daily WASH coordination meetings and bi-weekly WASH sector meetings, as well as weekly child protection sub-group meetings at Za'atari, bi-weekly child protection, gender-based violence coordination meetings, and bi-monthly education coordination meetings. UNICEF also participates in twice-weekly area coordination meetings at Za'atari, daily health coordination meetings, and bi-weekly taskforce meetings.

#### Programme response:

<u>WASH:</u> Za'atari camp now has 90 functional WASH centres, which amounts to 450 fixed showers and 450 latrines. Mobile latrines have been phased out, except for use by people with a disability and temporarily in the UNICEF/MoE school (until permanent latrines are built). In preparation for winter, all completed WASH centres will have roofs and water heating systems installed.

Increased community involvement in camp cleaning continues, with 261 camp residents now recruited by UNICEF partner ACTED as cleaners and supervisors under a Cash-for-Work scheme. UNICEF/THW/Team Connect evacuated 250 to 350 cubic metres of waste water per day and ACTED removed between 49 and 60 metric tonnes of solid waste each day. A team of 13 hygiene promoters provided awareness-raising activities on water preservation, personal hygiene and preventive measures to avoid waterborne diseases during 527 sessions, which reached some 2,770 people.



Residual chlorine tests are carried out daily at all water points and on the incoming water delivery trucks. Over 1 million litres of water are supplied daily to the camp. Consultations with the Ministry of Water and Irrigation continue, to discuss waste water treatment options and speed up the installation of mobile waste water treatment plants at Za'atari. The drilling of two boreholes within the Za'atari camp perimeter has begun and rehabilitation work on three boreholes in Ramtha and Mafraq continues. Yarmouk Water Company contractors are half-way through the construction of a new pipeline which will deliver 60 m3 per hour to the camp from the Za'atari well-field. Water is expected to flow through the new pipeline in two weeks' time.

	UNICEF & operational partners		Sector			
Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF Target	Cumulativ e results ( #)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target	Cumulativ e results ( #)	% of Target Achieved
Emergency affected population provided with access to drinking and domestic water	174,000	65,457*	38%	250,000	65,457*	26%
Emergency affected population provided with access to soap and other hygiene items	90,000	1,920	2%	155,000	1,920	1%
Emergency affected population with access to appropriately designed toilets and sanitation services	174,000	65,457*	38%	250,000	65,457*	26%
Population having access to hygiene promotion messages	182,000*	24,676	14%	250,000**	24,676	10%
Children access safe water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in their learning environment and in child friendly spaces	40,000	1,200	3%	40,000	1,200	3%
UNICEF Operational partners: ACTED, THW, Mercy Corps.						

<sup>\*</sup>These figures reflect the number of people who have been accommodated at transit facilities and Za'atari camp, as UNICEF is the sole WASH provider.

<u>Child Protection:</u> On 6 October, UNICEF partner Save the Children opened two reception tents at the UNHCR arrival area at Za'atari, to provide 24/7 interim care to unaccompanied, separated and other vulnerable children. On the first two nights, 15 and 13 children respectively spent the night in the tents, awaiting designation of their own tents by UNHCR. Once the children leave the tents to take up residence in the camp, cases are closely followed by Save the Children. UNICEF continues to run 18 Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) at Za'atari, three of which are for youth. Some 2,539 children attended the CFS this week (1,329 girls and 1,210 boys) – the drop in numbers was due to the start of school. Save the Children is ensuring children are aware of activities available to them before/after school.

In host communities, UNICEF partner Zenid is providing psychosocial support for the over 1,200 registered Syrian refugees in Ma'an. To date, Zenid has reached close to 600 parents and caregivers through awareness-raising activities on child protection topics such as violence, child labour and early marriage. Over 258 children have been reached through recreational and psychosocial activities.

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Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children with access psychosocial support services	32,000	13,822	43%	64,969	NA	NA
Separated and unaccompanied children registered in family tracing or receiving family-based or appropriate alternative care	300*	452**	150%	300*	NA	NA

<u>UNICEF Operational Partners</u>: Noor al-Hussein Foundation; International Medical Corps; Zenid; Terre des Hommes–Lausanne; Jordan Red Crescent; Mercy Corps; Save the Children International; Family Guidance and Awareness Centre.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Covered through person to person/group sessions.

<sup>\*\*\*155,000</sup> will be covered through person to person/group sessions and 95,000 through media coverage.

<sup>\*</sup>Not including child protection cases

<sup>\*\*</sup>Identified only



Education: Since UNICEF and MoE opened the Za'atari camp school on 1 October, the number of children attending has increased from 1,700 to 2,400. The temporary learning spaces currently comprise 14 tents (28 classrooms), and classes run in two shifts per day. To meet increasing needs, in the next three weeks UNICEF will add further learning spaces to serve up to 3,000 children. Some 30 Syrian teachers from the camp are working with Jordanian teachers at the school, and are mobilizing the community to ensure a safe learning environment for children at the camp.

The MoE has agreed that all Syrian refugee children in urban settings may attend Jordanian schools free of charge this year (costs covered by UNICEF). In support of overcrowded public schools in host communities, UNICEF has finished installing 15 prefabricated classrooms at schools in Ramtha. The electrical work is ongoing. The number of school-aged Syrian children attending formal schools across Jordan has been revised to 19,400 to exclude children and adolescents benefiting from nonformal and informal education services (see table below).

	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector			
Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF Target As per RRP	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Sector Target As per RRP	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	
School-aged children in affected areas in schools/learning programmes	40,000*	19,400**	49%	42,000*	19,400***	46%	
Children with access to psychosocial support in education programmes	10,000	5,200****	52%	14,500	5,200***	36%	
Children and adolescents benefitting from non-formal and informal educational services	6,000	935	16%	15,100	935***	6%	

UNICEF Operational Partners: MoE/ Ministry of Planning & International Cooperation, Save the Children International, Save the Children Jordan, East Amman Charity, Yarmouq Baq'a Club and Questscope.

<u>Health:</u> To date, 6,382 children from 6 months to 15 years have received vaccinations under the measles, polio and Vitamin A supplementation campaign at Za'atari camp. The campaign continues to provide vaccines to new-comers. The next phase of the campaign will be the vaccination of children in the host communities of Ramtha, Irbid and Mafraq, which is now expected to begin next week.

	<b>UNICEF &amp; oper</b>	ational partn	ers
Estimated #/% coverage	UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Children (boys and girls) vaccinated against measles	88,750	6,382	7%
Children <2 yrs* (boys and girls) fully covered with routine Immunization antigens	50,000	6,382	13%
Children (boys and girls) 6-59 months receiving Vitamin A supplementation	50,000	6,382	13%
UNICEF Operational Partners: N/A			

<sup>\*</sup>Covers children under 15 years of age in Za'atari camp and children under 5 in host communities.

<u>Nutrition:</u> With UNICEF as lead, UN agencies and the Jordanian Government have begun a nutrition assessment for Syrian children under 5 across Jordan. Data collection in host communities is ongoing (to start next week at Za'atari) and analysis will be completed by the first week of November.

<u>Communications for Development (C4D):</u> Save the Children Jordan and UNICEF are conducting awareness-raising activities among Syrian families in urban settings on the importance of registering their children in schools.

<sup>\*</sup>Target includes children enrolled in formal schools and pre-schools only (in both Za'atari camp and host communities).

<sup>\*\*</sup>This includes all Syrian children registered in formal schooling.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> This data may be incomplete as we are still working to establish figures from the working group

<sup>\*\*\*\*4,700</sup> Syrians, 500 Jordanians



<u>Supply and Logistics:</u> The distribution of Non-Food Items (NFI) and the installation of a roof over NFI distribution points, scheduled to start last week, was delayed due to security reasons and will start by the end of this week. In order to avoid further delays in NFI distribution, UNICEF partner THW has temporarily relocated to UNICEF premises, as their own were destroyed during riots last week.

# **Human Resources:**

	Number staff	
Country Office staff (ft)	19	
Temporary staff (on mission from HQ/COs)	2	
Surge (TAs and SSAs)	18	
Standby partners	3	
Under recruitment	11*	
Standby partners: RedR Australia; Canadem; MSB		

<sup>\*</sup>this number includes 1 identified for SBP, 4 candidates identified under TA, 4 candidates to be identified under TA, and 2 to be identified as SBP (the total includes both international and local staff)

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