Lebanon Winter Preparedness & Response Paper – 2025-2026

Building on lessons from previous years, and considering the shifting context for this year, the 2025-2026 winter response leverages established preparedness actions at both household and community levels with a focus on high-altitude areas where winter conditions are most severe. Winter-focused interventions are conducted in North and Akkar, Bekaa and Baalbeck El-Hermel, Beirut and Mount Lebanon, and South and Nabaitieh across the Shelter, WaSH, Food Security and Agriculture, and Social Stability sectors, including cash-based assistance as part of a multi-sectoral response. This paper provides an overview of the preparedness, response, challenges, and recommendations for the Winter 2025-2026 season. The paper is available here and the summary At a Glance is available here.

UNHCR-Supported Voluntary Repatriation of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon – 30 September 2025

This overview was prepared by UNHCR to provide an update on the Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon. Since January 2025, 294,912 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR have been inactivated from UNHCR's database due to confirmed and presumed returns to Syria. By the end of September, a total of 17,291 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR underwent the facilitated VolRep programmes, including completing voluntariness assessments, issuance of Repatriation Forms, and provision of a return cash grant of USD 100 per returning individual. Since July, over 118,764 Syrian individuals have expressed interest in the UNHCR-facilitated VolRep program in general. Since expressions of interest was opened for registration in July, 118,764 Syrian individuals remain pending to be processed for the UNHCR-facilitated VolRep program in general. UNHCR and IOM have also processed the organized return of over 351 Syrian individuals through Masnaa border to Rural Damascus, Damascus, Homs, Hama, and Idlib. A schedule of 10 further organized returns for the remainder of the year has also been announced. The latest update on VolRep is available here.

Water Tensions Note & Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners – 2025

The Tensions Monitoring System in collaboration with the WaSH sector in Lebanon has launched two knowledge products for 2025: the "Water Tensions Note" and the "Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners in Lebanon". The Water Tensions Note aims at supporting sector partners prioritize interventions that can mitigate tensions related to water issues including quality, quantity, and access. The note includes an overview of the tensions landscape, risks and corresponding recommendations, geographical factsheets and a hotspot map. The Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners in Lebanon provides practical sector-specific considerations for partners implementing or planning to implement WaSH activities in the existing landscape. It covers aspects of transparency, localized communication plans and new solutions to old problems. Recommendations aim at informing conflict-sensitive programming and facilitating prioritization. Both products are available on the TMS portal under the Sector Packages here. For additional information, please contact tms.lb@undp.org.

Gender Based Violence (GBV) Services Leaflet and Key Messages – 2025

The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Core Group has developed leaflets on GBV services and key messages to be disseminated widely across the communities. In a user-friendly language, the leaflet explains the different types of gender-based violence, key response services such as case management, and clinical management of rape, legal and psychosocial support and access to safe shelter to accommodate those at high risks and physical protection needs. It also provides guidance on where to find help and how to help someone who has experienced GBV. It also explains what essential information to include and what details to exclude when you call for help, whether for yourself or someone else. The leaflets are available here in seven languages: Arabic; English; Amharic; Bengali; French; Swahili; Tagalog.

Food Security & Agriculture Sector Newsletter #11 – 31 August 2025

The Food Security and Agriculture (FSA) newsletter aims to provide updates to FSA sector partners and stakeholders on the latest developments and products related to the response and coordination. It serves as a tool for sharing key information, ensuring regular communication with our partners, and enhancing collaboration within the sector. This month's newsletter highlights the sector's continued commitment to resilience, coordination, and preparedness for Q4 2025. From scaling up food assistance to expanding agricultural support and enhancing conflict sensitivity, the sector's shared work remains vital in responding to evolving needs. The FSA sector newsletter is available here.

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UNHCR-Supported Voluntary Repatriation of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon – 31 August 2025

This update was prepared by UNHCR to provide an update on the Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon. Since January 2025, 238,120 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR have been inactivated from UNHCRs database due to both confirmed and presumed returns to Syria. Among the total inactivated figure, a total of 6,270 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR completed the VolRep assessment launched on 1 July, were issued a Repatriation Form and provided return cash grant in the amount of USD100 per returning individual. Since July, over 114,996 Syrian individuals have expressed interest in the UNHCR-facilitated VolRep program in general. UNHCR and IOM are also processing the organized return of over 300 Syrian individuals to take place on 11 September with transportation provided from Beirut, crossing through Masnaa border, to drop-off points in Hama, Homs and Idlib governorates in Syria. The latest update on VolRep is available here.

Enhanced Refugee Perceptions and Intentions Survey (ERPIS) – September 2025

To capture refugees' perspectives in this rapidly evolving context, UNHCR and the World Bank launched a joint effort to generate timely, relevant data on refugee perceptions and intentions. The survey comes in the wake of Syria's political transition and captures the perspectives of over 6,300 refugees interviewed between May and July 2025. Findings show that while 80% of Syrian refugees still hope to return one day, only 18% intend to do so within the next year, citing safety, housing, and livelihoods as critical barriers. This evidence is vital for guiding investments inside Syria, particularly in housing, services, and economic opportunities, while also ensuring continued support for refugees and host communities. The report underscores that safe, voluntary, and dignified return will only be possible if structural challenges are addressed both inside Syria and in the region. The ERPIS is available here.

Water Scarcity and Drought Preparedness & Response Paper – 2025

This paper was prepared by the Inter-Sector Coordination Group, with contributions from the WaSH, Food Security & Agriculture, Health, Nutrition, Education, and Social Stability sectors. The paper outlines the drought that Lebanon is facing, with rainfall down by more than 50%, reservoirs at alarmingly low levels, and over 1.85 million people living in areas highly vulnerable to water scarcity. It details urgent humanitarian needs, priority response measures, and long-term resilience strategies, highlighting that USD 100 million is required to prepare for and respond to impacts. This paper serves as both an early warning and a call to action before the situation worsens. The paper is available here and the summary At a Glance is available here.

Early Warning: Waterborne Disease Risk Map for Lebanon – 2025

The Waterborne Disease Risk (WBD) Map for Lebanon was developed by the WaSH sector as Lebanon remains highly vulnerable to waterborne diseases due to deteriorating WaSH conditions, displacement, and severe drought. The 2025 WBD Risk Map integrates the Drought Vulnerability Index with population, water access, surveillance, and sanitation indicators to provide a forward-looking early warning tool. The model identifies 85 highly vulnerable cadasters and shows how drought-driven water scarcity, infrastructure damage, and population pressures increase disease risk. Strategic priorities include institutionalizing early warning, ensuring safe water during drought, targeting high-risk populations, and mobilizing resources for preparedness. The 2025 WBD Advocacy Note is available here.

Challenges to Civil and Legal Documentation Among Communities Displaced by the Recent Conflict in Lebanon – September 2025

This report was developed by the Protection Analysis and Monitoring Task Force (PAMTF) to gain insight into specific legal challenges facing those who continue to be displaced within Lebanon and to inform sectoral response. The report highlights post-ceasefire challenges in accessing legal services, specifically civil and legal documentation, based on Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) conducted by the PAMTF. It also includes recommendations to ensure enhanced access to legal services during the post-conflict phase. The report is available here.

Protection Monitoring Summary Report: Situation of Internally Displaced Persons (IPDs) in Lebanon, Cross Population – June 2025

This monitoring exercise was coordinated by the Protection Analysis and Monitoring Task Force (PAMTF) under the Protection Working Group. The report summarizes key findings and protection risks identified through Protection Monitoring (PM) of the situation of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and returning IDPs across different affected population groups, including Lebanese, displaced Syrians, Palestinian Refugees from Syria, Palestine Refugees in Lebanon, and Migrants. It also includes cross-sectoral recommendations to enhance access to rights and services for the remaining displaced population. The report, covering the period post-ceasefire, from 1 February to 30 June 2025, is available here.

UNHCR Protection Monitoring Report – Q2 2025

The ongoing protection monitoring report is conducted by UNHCR to analyze trends in the protection environment and risks facing refugees.
This is implemented at the regional and at the national levels by UNHCR's protection monitoring partners.
Partners conduct interviews with refugee households and key informants to gather their feedback on the overall protection environment in Lebanon.
The Protection Monitoring Report for Q2 2025 is available here.

UNRWA Protection Update – Q2 2025

The quarterly protection update by UNRWA is intended to provide information on protection risks and trends impacting Palestinian Refugees from Syria and Palestine Refugees in Lebanon. It reflects key protection concerns arising from UNRWA's protection monitoring and is not intended to be exhaustive. It also features findings from Key Informant Interviews (KIIs). The Protection Update for Q2 2025 is available here.

Gender-Based-Violence (GBV) Information Management System (IMS) Report – Mid-Year 2025

The GBV IMS mid-year report provides analysis on the key GBV risks and trends over the past six months collected by 17 GBV IMS user agencies under the GBV sub-sector. Though the report does not provide information on prevalence of GBV in the country, it gives an indication on risks for survivors and their needs. It also provides an overview of challenges related to service provision as well as a list of key recommendations to close service gaps.The 2025 mid-year GBV IMS Report is available here.

Lebanon Response Plan – 2025

The Lebanon Response Plan 2024-2025 (LRP) is an integrated humanitarian and stabilization response plan co-led by the Government of Lebanon and the United Nations, supported by international and national partners. The plan sets out to respond to challenges in a holistic manner through providing immediate assistance to and ensuring protection of vulnerable populations; supporting service provision through national systems; and supporting Lebanon's economic, social and environmental stability. Based on the needs identified by affected communities, the Government and its partners, the LRP presents a prioritized and evidence-based appeal of $2.99 billion in 2025 to fund partners' coordinated interventions across eleven sectors. The Lebanon Response Plan Document for 2025 is available here.

LRP Sector Dashboards – Mid-Year 2025

The mid-year 2025 sector dashboards summarize progress made by sector partners under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) for the first half of 2025.
Dashboards include reporting on populations reached versus targets set, funding, achievements, challenges, and continuing priorities for the remainder of 2025.
LRP Mid-Year 2025 sector dashboards are available here:
Basic Assistance; Education; Food Security & Agriculture; Health; Nutrition; Livelihoods; Protection; Shelter; Social Stability; WaSH.

LRP Funding Update – Mid-Year 2025

769 million USD was made available by Q2 2025 to partners for interventions under the LRP including funding directly received and carry-over/multi-year funding contributions made previously for 2024. This equates to 26 per cent of the LRP partner appeal that was set for the year (3.006 billion USD). The funding update is developed by analyzing and consolidating the figures shared by the LRP partners through the Lebanon Aid Tracking System at the end of each quarter. The LRP Mid-Year Funding Update for 2025, including a summary per sector is available here.

LRP Overview and Scope – Mid-Year 2025

The LRP overview and scope outlines the population targets, funding status, and strategic objectives of the response.
It provides a comprehensive overview of targeting approaches, prioritization of interventions within sector strategies, geographical coverage.
This document is essential for guiding coordinated humanitarian actions and optimizing resource allocation to meet urgent needs.
The LRP Mid-Year Overview and Scope for 2025 is available here.

LRP Support to Lebanese Dashboard – Mid-Year 2025

The LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard provides examples of assistance to vulnerable Lebanese provided across sectors under the LRP.
The LRP targets 1.7 million vulnerable Lebanese, 1.3 million displaced Syrians, 200,000 Palestine Refugees in Lebanon, 23,026 Palestinian Refugees from Syria, and 175,974 Migrants. In recent years, support to Lebanese has increased across sectors in response to growing needs. The Mid-Year Update on the LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard is available here in Arabic and English.

Water on the Edge: Lebanon's Drought Crisis Demands Immediate International Support – 2025

This WaSH Sector Alert serves as an early warning and advocacy tool in response to Lebanon's most severe drought on record, with rainfall over 50% below average and growing pressure on water infrastructure and services. The alert highlights emerging impacts on public health, agriculture, and access to water, while calling attention to urgent preparedness needs. A national Drought Vulnerability Map - based on a Composite Drought Vulnerability Index (DVI) - identifies 274 cadasters as highly or very highly vulnerable, using indicators such as groundwater quality, aquifer resilience, land use, population pressure, and climatic stress. The document outlines priority actions for emergency response and long-term resilience, and calls for $42.2 million in funding to sustain water access and strengthen Lebanon's climate-resilient WaSH systems. The alert on Lebanon's Drought Crisis is available here.

Housing, Land, and Property Documentation in the South of Lebanon: A Rapid Needs Assessment

This rapid need assessment was conducted by IOM to strengthen the evidence base on the emerging issue of Housing, Land, and Property (HLP) documentation, and to develop an understanding of the needs and vulnerabilities of affected communities. The objective of this assessment is to better understand whether: HLP ownership documentation was lost or destroyed during the recent iteration of conflict; affected populations and stakeholders see the lack of HLP ownership documentation as a challenge to rebuild their lives after displacement; communities and government counterparts believe there is a role for the humanitarian community to address these challenges; affected communities identify any potential risks to social cohesion due to the damage and destruction of property and documentation. The Rapid Needs Assessment on Housing, Land, and Property Documentation in the South of Lebanon is available here.

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Official Endorsement of the 2025 Lebanon Response Plan and 2026 Extension

Under the joint chairmanship of the Deputy Prime Minister and UN Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator for Lebanon, the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) Steering Committee convened on the 24th of July 2025 at the Grand Serail. The Committee reaffirmed its commitment to principled, inclusive, and coordinated assistance, strengthening national institutions, and advancing stabilization and recovery. The 2025 LRP, appealing for $2.99 billion US dollars to support 3.6 million vulnerable people, includes for the first time a standalone chapter on return. The Steering Committee endorsed the LRP 2025 plan and approved a one-year extension of the LRP for 2026 and the timeline for preparation of the framework extension. The press release is available in Arabic and English.

Lebanon Response Plan Return Chapter – 2025

The Government of Lebanon and the international community have jointly developed a standalone Return Chapter under the Lebanon Response Plan 2025. The plan aims to support safe, dignified, and sustainable return for displaced Syrians. The Return Chapter reflects a shared commitment between the Government of Lebanon and the United Nations to uphold human rights while preserving National sovereignty. Return-related activities for 2025 require repurposing of funds and new injections amounting to an estimated range of USD 150 million. The Return Chapter will guide coordinated planning across sectors and resource mobilization for return-related interventions in 2025. The LRP 2025 Return Chapter is available here.

Voluntary Repatriation Dashboard – 14 July 2025

On 1 July 2025, the General Directorate of General Security issued a circular waiving exit fees and fines and re-entry ban stamps for all Syrians and Palestinian refugees from Syria returning to Syria. Following this announcement, UNHCR officially launched its UNHCR-supported Self-Organized Voluntary Repatriation programme. The UNHCR Voluntary Repatriation Dashboard provides an overview of the process flow and an update noting that over 120,000 Syrians known to UNHCR have been inactivated due to verified or presumed return to Syria. In addition, nearly 3,900 families(17,100 individuals) have registered their interest in the facilitated voluntary return programme and received counselling on the process steps and implications. The Voluntary Repatriation Dashboard is available here.

Referral Trends Report – Q2 2025

The referral trends report provides a comprehensive overview of partner referral reporting and aims to identify referral trends and bottlenecks. These results have been produced following rigorous follow-up with partners and thorough data cleaning, ensuring they accurately reflect quarterly reporting findings. Referral trends integrate insights from RAIS, RIMS, and other referral management systems, which are captured and presented in ActivityInfo. The charts are designed for sector presentations to share progress updates, encourage informed discussions among actors, and enhance the overall response to referrals. The Referral Trends Report for Q2 2025 is available here.

Child Protection Analysis Report – 2024

This report was developed by the Child Protection sub-sector in collaboration with the Case Management Task Force, Psychological Support (PSS) Committee, Information Management Focal Points, Child Protection Sub-Sector Core Group, and Field Coordinators. It aims to support partners working to enhance the safety and well-being of children, ensuring their rights are upheld. The comprehensive report highlights the Child Protection response in 2024, common protection issues reported under case management, lessons learned during the emergency context, as well as recommendations for practice. The Child Protection Analysis Report for 2024 is available here.

Protection Monitoring Report – Q1 2025

The ongoing Protection Monitoring Report is conducted by UNHCR to analyze trends in the protection environment and risks facing refugees.
This is implemented at the regional and at the national levels by UNHCR's protection monitoring partners.
Partners conduct interviews with refugee households and key informants to gather their feedback on the overall protection environment in Lebanon.
The Quarter 1 Protection Monitoring Report for 2025 can be found here.

Needs Assessment of Older People in Lebanon after the Israel-Lebanon Cross-Border Escalation of September – November 2024

This report was developed by HelpAge International, IDRAAC and Amel. The purpose of this assessment is to better understand the situation and needs of older people during and after the cross-border escalation that took place between Lebanon and Israel from September to October 2024. It aims to inform the work of the humanitarian sector in Lebanon, supporting humanitarian actors to adapt and implement more inclusive aid interventions tailored to the specific needs of older people. It also serves as a valuable resource for government bodies and donors operating in Lebanon, strengthening advocacy for the rights of older people. The report is available here.

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LRP Overview and Scope – Q1 2025

The LRP Overview and Scope outlines the population targets, funding status, and strategic objectives of the response.
It provides a comprehensive overview of targeting approaches, prioritization of interventions within sector strategies, geographical coverage.
This document is essential for guiding coordinated humanitarian actions and optimizing resource allocation to meet urgent needs.
The LRP Quarter 1 Overview and Scope for 2025 is available here.

LRP Sector Results – 'At a Glance' Summaries – Q1 2025

A reduced version of the quarterly sector dashboards was developed this quarter, summarizing progress made by sector partners under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) for the first quarter of 2025. The 'At a Glance' documents include reporting on populations reached versus targets set, funding, and key achievements. LRP Quarter 1 sector 'At a Glance' for 2025 is available here:
Basic Assistance; Education; Food Security & Agriculture; Health; Nutrition; Livelihoods; Protection; Shelter; Social Stability; WaSH.

LRP Funding Update – Q1 2025

581 million USD was made available by Q1 2025 to partners for interventions under the LRP including funding directly received and carry-over/multi-year funding contributions made previously for 2025.
This equates to 19 per cent of the LRP partner appeal that was set for the year (2.99 billion USD).
The funding update is developed by analyzing and consolidating the figures shared by the LRP partners through the Lebanon Aid Tracking System at the end of each quarter.
The LRP Quarter 1 Funding Update for 2025, including a summary per sector is available here.

Displacement Tracking Matrix: Mobility Snapshot – Round 86

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) conducts daily monitoring of population movements in Lebanon to support preparedness and response efforts. This is done in partnership with the Disaster Risk Management (DRM) Unit, technically supported by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), to triangulate and verify data from IOM's mobility tracking exercise and the Lebanese Red Cross (LRC) household registration exercise. As of 30 April 2025, Mobility Tracking data indicates that 970,470 internally displaced persons (IDPs) have returned to their communities and the total number of IDPs is 90,020. Given the complexity and fluidity of population movements in the country, these observed returns cannot be considered permanent and should be viewed as a snapshot in time, as many people remain on the move. Round 86 of the Mobility Snapshot is available here.

UNHCR Snapshot: Syrian Returns & Movements – 15 May 2025

As of 15 May 2025, UNHCR estimates that 170,078 Syrians have crossed from or via Lebanon into Syria since 8 December 2024. A total of 112,396 Syrian individuals have been inactivated from UNHCR's registration records in Lebanon in 2025 due to verified or presumed return. Notably, 108,344 estimated new arrivals of Syrians into Lebanon have been monitored, with significant concentrations in Bekaa El Hermel, Akkar, and North governorates. In April and May, total entry and exit movements of Syrians at official land crossing points have been steady, with an upward trend in exits expected during the summer, particularly after the school term ends and as organized return programmes roll out. The Snapshot on Syrian Returns and Movements is available here.

Lebanon Humanitarian Fund Annual Report – 2024

The Lebanon Humanitarian Fund (LHF) Annual Report outlines the Fund's strategic and flexible support to address critical humanitarian needs amid Lebanon's most severe crisis since 2006. In response to the escalating hostilities and complex humanitarian situation, the LHF launched three key allocations totaling over $65 million, enabling a timely, localized, and multisectoral response across health, food security, WASH, protection, shelter, and more. Donor contributions reached a record $80.4 million, vastly exceeding the resource mobilization target, and 42 per cent of funding was allocated to national NGOs, reaffirming the LHF's commitment to localization and principled humanitarian action. The LHF Annual Report for 2024 is available here.

Regional Refugee and Resilience Plan (3RP) Annual Report – 2024

The 3RP is a strategic coordination, planning, advocacy, fundraising, and programming platform that brings together around 230 humanitarian and development partners across four countries, Türkiye, Lebanon, Jordan, and Egypt. Since its inception in 2015, the 3RP has channeled over US$ 26 billion toward providing assistance and protection to, and support the resilience of, refugees and host communities. The 3RP adopts a tailored approach to address country-specific needs and priorities, guided by the principle of leaving no one behind. This 2024 report presents an overview of 2024 population figures, achievements across the four strategic directions, updated funding figures, and regional engagements. The 3RP Annual Report for 2024 is available here.

Protection Monitoring Report – Q4 2024

The ongoing Protection Monitoring Report is conducted by UNHCR to analyze trends in the protection environment and risks facing refugees.
This is implemented at the regional and at the national levels by UNHCR's protection monitoring partners.
Partners conduct interviews with refugee households and key informants to gather their feedback on the overall protection environment in Lebanon.
The Quarter 4 Protection Monitoring Report for 2024 can be found here.

UNHCR External Report: Lebanon Community Dialogue on Return and "Go and See" Visits – May 2025

Between 4 March and 9 April 2025, UNHCR and partners met with close to 600 women, men, youth, female-headed households, older persons and persons with disabilities covering all governorates in Lebanon. Outreach Volunteers, Disabled People Organizations and other community-based organizations were also consulted. The aim was to seek the community's views on returns and "Go and See" visits in order to inform the design of progammes and activities. The community dialogue is one of the many ways UNHCR ensures that your feedback informs decision-making. The report provides a summary of the feedback provided and concludes with a set of recommendations that community dialogue participants suggested to UNHCR and partners. The report is available here.

LRP Inter-Sector Dashboard – End of Year 2024

Nearly 2,386,971 million vulnerable Lebanese, displaced Syrians, Palestinian refugees, and migrants were reached with assistance and support under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) in 2024. The End of Year Inter-Sector Dashboard provides headlines of the cumulative and sector-specific results under the LRP for 2024. The dashboard includes key achievements, an overview of populations reached as well as funding figures per sector. The End of Year LRP Inter-Sector Dashboard for 2024 is available here.

LRP Sector Dashboards – End of Year 2024

The end of year 2024 sector dashboards summarize progress made by sector partners under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) for 2024. Dashboards include reporting on populations reached versus targets set, funding, achievements, challenges, and continuing priorities for the remainder of 2024. LRP end of year 2024 sector dashboards are available here:
Basic Assistance; Education; Food Security & Agriculture; Health; Nutrition; Livelihoods; Protection; Shelter; Site Management & Coordination; Social Stability; WaSH.

LRP Funding Update – End of Year 2024

1.32 billion USD was made available by Q4 2024 to partners for interventions under the LRP including funding directly received and carry-over/multi-year funding contributions made previously for 2024. This equates to 49 per cent of the LRP partner appeal that was set for the year (2.72 billion USD). The funding update is developed by analyzing and consolidating the figures shared by the LRP partners through the Lebanon Aid Tracking System at the end of each quarter. The LRP End-of-Year Funding Update for 2024, including a summary per sector is available here.

LRP Overview and Scope – End of Year 2024

The LRP overview and scope outlines the population targets, funding status, and strategic objectives of the response.
It provides a comprehensive overview of targeting approaches, prioritization of interventions within sector strategies, geographical coverage.
This document is essential for guiding coordinated humanitarian actions and optimizing resource allocation to meet urgent needs.
The LRP End-of-Year Overview and Scope for 2024 is available here.

LRP Support to Lebanese Dashboard – End of Year 2024

The LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard provides examples of assistance to vulnerable Lebanese provided across sectors under the LRP.
The LRP targets 1.5 million vulnerable Lebanese, 1.3 million displaced Syrians, 145,000 Palestine Refugees in Lebanon, 23,026 Palestinian Refugees from Syria, and 80,551 Migrants. In recent years, support to Lebanese has increased across sectors in response to growing needs.
The End-of-Year Update on the LRP Support to Lebanese dashboard is available here in Arabic and English.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities #61

The cabinet of Prime Minister Nawaf Salam won a vote of confidence from Parliament on 26 February with the backing of three quarters of members of parliament (95 of 128). Among key priorities for the Government identified by the Prime Minister in his statement upon the occasion were implementation of Resolution 1701, ensuring a complete Israeli withdrawal from southern Lebanon, asserting the state's sovereignty over all its territories exclusively through its forces and securing post-conflict reconstruction. Military activities by the Israeli Army continued to be reported during the reporting period, including artillery shelling, airstrikes, and airspace violations affecting areas both to the south and the north of the Litani River. As of 26 February, 98,875 (52 per cent women and 48 per cent men) remain displaced outside their cadaster of origin, while 949,571 people were back in their cadaster of origin, according to IOM's Mobility Snapshot (Round 78). The latest Flash Update #61 is available here.

The Impact of the Conflict in Syria

This report by UNDP issues a stark warning: at current growth rates, Syria's economy will not regain its pre-conflict GDP level before 2080. Annual economic growth must rise six-fold to shorten recovery to ten years, and an ambitious ten-fold rise would be needed over 15 years to bring the economy to where it would have been without conflict. The report estimates that nine out of ten Syrians now live in poverty. The country's GDP has shrunk to less than half of its value since the start of the conflict in 2011, and unemployment has tripled. One in four Syrians are now jobless, and the deterioration of public infrastructure has significantly intensified the conflict's impact. The report argues that recovery requires a clear national vision, in-depth reforms, and effective coordination among institutions. It also states that expanding market access is crucial for Syria's economic recovery. The report on The Impact of the Conflict in Syria is available here.

Lebanon: Building Destruction and Debris Quantities Assessments (post-ceasefire): South, Nabatiyeh, Bekaa and Baalbek-Hermel Governorates

A new remote assessment by UN-Habitat Lebanon, the University of Balamand, and CREEMO (Saint Joseph University) analyzed pre-conflict and post-ceasefire (December 2024/January 2025) satellite imagery to estimate building destruction and debris quantities in South, Nabatiyeh, Bekaa and Baalbek-Hermel governorates. The assessment detected areas with total and partial building destruction, calculating the number of such buildings as well as their percentages out of pre-conflict building counts. It also estimated the number of totally and partially destroyed units in these buildings and the quantity (volume and weight) of debris generated from them. In addition, it presented cadastral-level analysis for these figures. The findings aim to inform future housing rehabilitation and sustainable debris management practices, laying the groundwork for rebuilding impacted communities. The Building Destruction and Debris Quantities Assessments, including methodological details and caveats, are available here: South and Nabatiyeh Governorates; Bekaa Governorate; and Baalbek-Hermel Governorate.

Food Security and Agriculture Cluster: Report on Lessons Learned and Emergency Action After Review

The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster (FSAC) conducted a lesson learned workshop to evaluate the emergency response to the recent escalation of conflict in Lebanon from September to December 2024. Over 120 members attended, including representatives and key staff from UN agencies, international NGOs, national NGOs, and universities. In addition to reflecting on past responses, the workshop aimed to establish priorities and activities for the cluster in 2025, along with the LRP 2025 strategy. The goal was to inform an operational strategic document that could guide the prioritization of planned activities, especially when resources are limited, and to link these to a timeline. By fostering a unified position on immediate and long-term recommendations at both the area and national levels, partners were consulted on themes proposed by the cluster to ensure collective input and alignment moving forward. The FSAC Report on Lessons Learned and Emergency Action After Review is available here.

Mobilizing Mental Health Support to Workplaces during Emergencies

The National Mental Health Programme (NMHP), together with its partners, has developed 2 forms to promote mental health in the workplace. These forms aim to connect entities seeking support with those capable of providing it, while also assessing the overall demand for mental health assistance. This would strengthen the coordination of initiatives that are linked to the emergency and post-emergency response. The first form is for organizations that can provide support to other workplaces: Tracking Form-Mental Health Support in the Workplace as Part of the Emergency Response and the second is for workplaces to request support for mental health: Request for Mental Health Support for Workplaces as Part of the Emergency. The forms can be filled in both Arabic and English. If your organization has content for mental health in the workplace (i.e. training materials, curriculums, social media posts, manuals, etc.), please reach out to mhpss.coordination@nmhp-lb.com.

Rapid Gender Analysis: Situation of Displaced Adolescent Girls and Young Women in Lebanon

UNICEF Lebanon coordinated a rapid gender analysis in the South, Beirut, and Mount Lebanon from mid-October to early November 2024 to shed light on the situation of displaced Lebanese and non-Lebanese girls and young women aged between 11 to 24 residing in shelters and outside of shelters, following the escalation of conflict on September 23rd, 2024. Data was collected by Terre des Hommes (TDH) Lausanne and Fe-Male. The report outlines feedback from girls and young women on their access to shelters, protection and privacy concerns, access to basic services, impacts on care work, relationships with family and communities, mental health and knowledge about GBV and PSEA reporting mechanisms. Based on these findings, recommendations to sectors are included at the end of the report. The Rapid Gender Analysis: Situation of Displaced Adolescent Girls and Young Women in Lebanon is available here.

3 Priority Actions for Gender Equality in the Lebanon Humanitarian Response

The Gender in Humanitarian Action (GiHA) Sub-Working Group of Lebanon, currently co-chaired by UN Women and Justice Without Frontiers, has produced this advocacy note to summarize the recommendations to ensure gender equality in the humanitarian response. As the response to recovery and stabilization in Lebanon continues, the GiHA Sub-Working Group calls for specific action to ensure that no one is left behind. This Advocacy Note highlights four priority actions to ensure gender equality principles are consistently mainstreamed during the lifespan of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Wide-System Scale-up and beyond. It promotes gender equality and the empowerment of women, girls, and minority groups in humanitarian efforts, following a conflict-sensitive and Do No Harm approach. The 3 Priority Actions for Gender Equality in the Lebanon Humanitarian Response is available here.

Referral Information Management System (RIMS) Snapshot – Q4 2024

The Q4 2024 Referral Information Management System (RIMS) snapshot has been published by the Danish Refugee Council (DRC).
The RIMS snapshot is produced every quarter to summarize key data of referrals conducted through RIMS in Lebanon.
It is designed to complement the RIMS' analytical reports which contain in-depth analysis of effectiveness and accountability in referral pathways.
This issue covers the period between January to December 2024 and is available here.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 78 is available here.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #22 is available here.
The WFP Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #16 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #19 is available here.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities #56

Nearing the end of the 60-day cessation of hostilities on 26 January 2025, military activities continued to be reported in parts of Lebanon, particularly in areas of southern Lebanon to which the Israeli Army reiterated its restrictions on civilian presence. Insecurity continues to impact civilians, hinder humanitarian access, and complicate return and recovery. As of 23 January 2025, a total of 112,076 people remain displaced within Lebanon according to IOM's Mobility Snapshot (Round 73). During his visit to Lebanon from 16 to 18 January 2025, the UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres called on all parties to ensure that commitments under the cessation of hostilities were met and Security Council Resolution 1701 implemented, as the framework for lasting peace. He emphasized the human impacts of the conflict and the UN's commitment to intensify efforts for recovery and reconstruction. The latest Flash Update #56 is available here and the corresponding At a Glance document is available here.

Referral Trends Report – Q4 2024

The referral trends report provides a comprehensive overview of partner referral reporting and aims to identify referral trends and bottlenecks. These results have been produced following rigorous follow-up with partners and thorough data cleaning, ensuring they accurately reflect quarterly reporting findings. Referral trends integrate insights from RAIS, RIMS, and other referral management systems, which are captured and presented in ActivityInfo. The charts are designed for sector presentations to share progress updates, encourage informed discussions among actors, and enhance the overall response to referrals. The Referral Trends Report for Q4 2024 is available here.

Integrated Food Security Phase Classification Analysis Report – October 2024 to March 2025

The latest Integrated Food Security Phase Classification Analysis Report (IPC) released by Lebanon's Ministry of Agriculture, FAO, and WFP reveals that food insecurity has deepened in Lebanon as a result of the conflict and recovery is expected to be slow due to the prolonged impact on agriculture and the broader economy. Between December 2024 and March 2025, a slight deterioration of the food security situation is expected with about 1.65 million people (30 percent of the analysed population) likely to experience high levels of acute food insecurity (IPC Phase 3 or above). This includes 970,000 Lebanese residents, 594,000 displaced Syrians, and 89,000 Palestinian refugees. These populations require urgent humanitarian action to reduce food gaps, protect and restore livelihoods and prevent acute malnutrition. The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification Analysis Report is available here and the Lebanon IPC Page is available here.

From Crisis to Recovery: Local Authorities Confronting Post-War Realities in Lebanon Rapid Impact Assessment

This report, prepared by UNDP Lebanon, examines the impact of hostilities and the post-escalation conditions of affected municipalities in Lebanon. It focuses on displacement, infrastructure damage, socio-economic conditions, and initial recovery needs. The report draws on data collected from municipalities and their respective unions, with support from the Disaster Risk Management (DRM) Units at the Governorate level. A survey was conducted in 135 affected areas between 5 and 15 December 2024. The data collected covers demographics, education, health, infrastructure, and damage to businesses. In addition to the survey, UNDP conducted focus group discussions and interviews in several areas to provide deeper insights into the human and people-centered impact. The report also analyzes DRM displacement data from December 2024, alongside findings from the UNDP/ARK Regular Perceptions Survey conducted in November 2024. The Rapid Impact Assessment is available here.

Lebanon: Community Conflict Mapping – August 2024

The study was carried out under the "Working for Engagement, Acceptance, and Mediation: A Community-Based Approach to Social Cohesion in Lebanon – WE'AM" project, funded by the European Union and led by Oxfam in partnership with Right to Play, SHiFT, and ALEF, and aiming to foster consensus and social cohesion within those communities. The report outlines the key findings and recommendations from a comprehensive conflict mapping exercise, conducted across 12 local communities in Lebanon: Mashta Hammoud/Mashta Hassan, Fnaidek, Tikrit, Beddawi, Jabal Mohsen/Tebbeneh, Mina, Deir Al-Ahmar, Baalbek, Saida, Barja, Hay el Gharbeh/Ghobeiri, and Chiyah/Ain El Remmeneh. The conflict mapping exercise revealed a complex web of factors driving tension (drivers of tension), while also highlighting the vital role of community efforts in fostering cohesion and addressing those tensions (connectors). The Community Conflict Mapping Report is available here and the summary here.

Lebanon: Humanitarian Situation Monitoring

The Humanitarian Situation Monitoring (HSM) assessment was conducted by REACH in partnership with Solidarités International (SI), covering Baalbek-Hermel and Beqaa governorates in the first round and Baalbek-Hermel, Beqaa, South, and Nabatieh in the second round. The assessment provides insights into the functionality and accessibility of essential services in cadasters affected by conflict at the time of data collection and aims to improve information availability on the needs of affected populations. The findings are based on quantitative Key Informant (KI) interviews conducted between 11 November and 20 November 2024 for the first round, and 10 December and 20 December for the second round. The factsheet from the first round is available here, while the factsheet from the second round (covering South and Nabatieh) is available here. The factsheet for Baalbek-Hermel and Beqaa from the second round will be published next week. Additionally, in February, REACH, in partnership with SI and IOM, will launch the third round of HSM, which will expand to include the Southern Suburbs of Beirut.

Lebanon Country Page

The Lebanon Country Page on UNHCR's data portal provides up-to-date information and comprehensive insights into the humanitarian situation, including strategic documents and key data. It serves as a central resource for the Government of Lebanon (GoL), donors, UN Agencies, and NGO partners engaged in the humanitarian and stabilization response in Lebanon. The webpage aims to enhance information sharing and foster effective coordination and collaboration across all stakeholders. Key features include the following: Population Data; Dedicated Sector Working Group Pages; Latest Documents; Response Plans; Findings and Key Reports; Interactive Dashboards; and Links to Resources/Websites. The Lebanon Country Page is available here. We're always open to suggestions for improvements, please share your feedback with us at lebbeia@unhcr.org.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 73 is available here.
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers and General Secretariat of the Supreme Defense Council Weekly Situation Report #51 is available here.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #21 is available here.
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Response Situation Report #12 is available here.
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #15 is available here.
The UNICEF Lebanon Humanitarian Situation Report #11 is available here.
The WFP Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #12 is available here.
The IOM Emergency Response Situation Report #7 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #18 is available here.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities #49

One week after the ceasefire agreement was announced on 27 November 2024, Lebanon continues to grapple with an increasingly complex humanitarian situation. Civilians are confronting damaged homes and infrastructure, disrupted services, ongoing insecurity, unexploded ordnance (UXO) risks and access restrictions, including warnings against return to many areas. According to the IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM), as of 4 December, 786,443 people displaced within Lebanon were reported as being back in their cadasters of origin, while 201,820 people remain displaced outside their cadasters of origin. The Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) reported that the conflict has claimed 4,047 lives, including 290 children and 790 women, with 16,638 injured since 8 October 2023. The latest Flash Update #49 is available here and the corresponding At a Glance document is available here.

Lebanon: Building Destruction and Debris Quantities Assessment - South & Nabatiyeh Governorates

A remote assessment by UN-Habitat Lebanon, the University of Balamand, and CREEMO (Saint Joseph University) analyzed satellite imagery to estimate building destruction and debris quantities in seven districts across South and Nabatiyeh governorates, affected by the conflict since October 2023. Using pre-conflict and recent imagery from September 2023 and 5 November 2024, respectively, the study detected areas with total and partial building destruction, calculating the number of such buildings as well as their percentages out of pre-conflict building counts. It also estimated the number of totally and partially destroyed units in these buildings and the quantity of debris generated from them. In addition, it presented cadastral-level analysis for these figures. This assessment is part of similar assessments in different conflict-affected areas in Lebanon, with forthcoming assessments expected for other governorates. The Building Destruction and Debris Quantities Assessment, including its methodological details and caveats, is available here.

Lebanon: Displacement Impact and Rapid Needs Assessment (DIRNA) Factsheet - Mount Lebanon Governorate

The assessment was launched by REACH, and supported by IOM and LHF, to address critical information gaps on the impact of conflict-induced displacement in Lebanon since October 2023. As of November 24, 2024, the IOM reported that over 899,725 internally displaced persons (IDPs) have been affected, with 78% having sought refuge outside government-run collective sites, placing immense pressure on host communities and essential services. Following the ceasefire announced on November 27, some displaced populations have begun to return. However, although the factsheet presents data collected prior to the ceasefire, it remains a relevant resource, offering a comprehensive snapshot of ongoing needs in displacement-affected areas and highlighting persistent service accessibility challenges. The DIRNA Factsheet for the Mount Lebanon Governorate is available here. Additionally, REACH, in collaboration with Solidarité International (SI), will soon publish the findings of the Rapid Humanitarian Situation Monitoring (RHSM).

Thematic Report on Assessment of Damages in Lebanon – Bint Jbeil

The first thematic report in a series assessing damages across Lebanon, with estimates of rehabilitation costs, has been released by the Lebanon Crisis Analytics team (LCAT) at Mercy Corps. This report focuses on Bint Jbeil, a district covering approximately one-third of the area south and east of the Litani River, heavily impacted by ongoing shelling and ground operations. Using satellite imagery analysis and damage estimation models, the report highlights destruction across four towns, identifying civilian infrastructure losses, including schools, municipal buildings, and pharmacies. At least 43.2% of the buildings in the district–spanning approximately 400 square kilometers–have been damaged or destroyed, with reconstruction costs projected at USD 900 million. The Report on Assessment of Damages in Lebanon for Bint Jbeil is available here. The LCAT will be publishing two additional reports covering assessment of damages in the South of Lebanon and then across Lebanon with rehabilitation estimates in December 2024.

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The RCCE Webpage is available here.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 66 is available here.
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers and General Secretariat of the Supreme Defense Council Weekly Situation Report #49 is available here.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #18 is available here.
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Response Situation Report #11 is available here.
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #15 is available here.
The UNICEF Lebanon Humanitarian Situation Report #9 is available here.
The WFP Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #10 is available here.
The IOM Emergency Response Situation Report #4 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #17 is available here.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities #48

In the early hours of 27 November, a ceasefire came into effect at 04:00 local time. It was preceded by devastating Israeli airstrikes across the country, which resulted in nearly 80 fatalities and over 265 injuries according to the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH). The ceasefire agreement includes a 60-day timeline for Israel's withdrawal from southern Lebanon and the deployment of Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) troops along the border. Since 27 November, many displaced families have left collective shelters or other locations where they had sought refuge, to return to their communities. Many families cannot yet return because their homes have been severely damaged or destroyed, as well as due to restrictions imposed by the Israeli Army. The National Disaster Risk Management (DRM) unit and via the Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM), record at least 578,641 people on the move since the ceasefire. The latest Flash Update #48 is available here and the corresponding At a Glance document is available here.

Business Continuity Plan – September 2024 Update

The Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) Business Continuity Plan (BCP), first developed in 2020 through an inter-sectoral process, includes analysis of contextual risks facing the response, alongside prevention and mitigation measures designed to respond. Its primary objective is to ensure the continued functioning of critical LRP operations, with follow-up through sector and inter-sector structures aiming to provide continuous support to partners considering the changing context. The BCP was updated in September 2024 reflecting operational risks associated with the conflict/wider context including outbreaks, protection, social tension, supply gaps, increased demand, access gaps, and operational needs, and will be updated again in the first few months of 2025 to factor in all the latest developments in the context and response. The updated Business Continuity Plan updated in September 2024 is available here.

Coordination Webpage

The Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG) plays a crucial role in coordinating the humanitarian and stabilization response under the LRP, as well as other relevant Inter-Sector Appeals. This section of the web portal provides a centralized space for dashboards, reports, strategies, guidance notes and other key resources for sectors and humanitarian partners working under the LRP. It aims to enhance information sharing and foster effective coordination and collaboration across sectors and stakeholders. The Coordination Webpage is available here.

Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Information Management System (IMS) Report Mid-Year Thematic Report - 2024

The GBV IMS Thematic Report provides an analysis of GBV incidents reported in Lebanon during the first half of 2024. It highlights GBV trends, including increased risks and needs due to conflict, economic crises, and legal barriers, with women and girls being the most affected. It also discusses service provision gaps, challenges in accessing basic needs, shelters, legal assistance, and mental health support, and provides recommendations for improving GBV prevention and response strategies. The GBV IMS Mid-Year Thematic Report for 2024 is available here.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 65 Flash Update is available here.
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers and General Secretariat of the Supreme Defense Council Weekly Situation Report #49 is available here.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #17 is available here.
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Response Situation Report #10 is available here.
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #14 is available here.
The UNICEF Lebanon Humanitarian Situation Report #8 is available here.
The WFP Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #9 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Sector Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #16 is available here.

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Official Endorsement of Lebanon Response Plan – 2024

The Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) was endorsed in the inaugural meeting of the LRP Steering Committee on 16 October 2024. The meeting was co-chaired by the Prime Minister and UN Resident & Humanitarian Coordinator, and attended by Ministers, Ambassadors, UN and NGO representatives. The LRP is an integrated humanitarian and stabilization response plan co-led by the Government of Lebanon and the United Nations, supported by international and national partners. The plan sets out to respond to challenges arising from multiple crises facing Lebanon in a holistic manner and presents a prioritized and evidence-based appeal of $2.72 billion in 2024 to fund partners' coordinated interventions across ten sectors. It was noted in the meeting that the LRP Appeal has subsequently been complemented by the Lebanon Flash Appeal launched on 1st October. The press release issued by the Government after the LRP Steering Committee is available here and the RC/HC's opening remarks with brief explanatory notes are available here. As the endorsement of the plan has come late in the year amid a dynamic context, the overall document will not be formally published, but the LRP Chapeau and Sector Strategies are available here. The planning process to update plans for 2025 (including emergency response) will begin in November.

LRP Sector Results – 'At a Glance' Summaries – Q3 2024

A reduced version of the quarterly sector dashboards was developed this quarter, summarizing progress made by sector partners under the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) for the third quarter of 2024. The 'At a Glance' documents include reporting on populations reached versus targets set, funding, and key achievements. LRP Q3 2024 sector 'At a Glance' is available here:

Basic Assistance; Education; Food Security & Agriculture; Health; Nutrition; Livelihoods; Protection; Shelter; Social Stability; WaSH.

LRP Funding Update – Q3 2024

972.4 million USD was made available by Q3 2024 to partners for interventions under the LRP including funding directly received and carry-over/multi-year funding contributions made previously for 2024. This equates to 35 per cent of the LRP appeal that was set for the year (2.72 billion USD). The funding update is developed by analyzing and consolidating the figures shared by the LRP partners through the Lebanon Aid Tracking System at the end of each quarter and includes a summary per sector. The LRP Funding Update for Q3 2024, including a summary per sector is available here.

LRP Overview and Scope – Q3 2024

The LRP overview and scope outlines the population targets, funding status, and strategic objectives of the response.
It provides a comprehensive overview of targeting approaches, prioritization of interventions within sector strategies, geographical coverage.
This document is essential for guiding coordinated humanitarian actions and optimizing resource allocation to meet urgent needs.
The LRP Overview and Scope for Q3 2024 is available here.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities #39

The crisis in Lebanon has escalated sharply, with ongoing hostilities resulting in severe casualties, extensive displacement, and a mounting humanitarian toll. Casualty reports by the Minister of Public Health (MoPH) indicate 2,672 deaths and over 12,468 injuries. Journalists are also facing severe risks, with three killed and three others injured in Hasbaya, Nabatieh Governorate, on 25 October 2024. The Humanitarian Coordinator for Lebanon and the Special Coordinator for Lebanon issued statements calling for the protection of civilians, including journalists. The World Health Organization (WHO) reports a sharp increase in the number of casualties among health sector workers, with 99 health workers killed and 82 injured since 8 October 2023. The latest Flash Update #39 is available here and the corresponding At a Glance document is available here.

Lebanon Winter Preparedness & Response Overview – 2024-2025

Building on lessons from previous years and taking emerging needs into account, the 2024-2025 response leverages established preparedness actions at both household and community levels while scaling up assistance for newly displaced populations across all Lebanese governorates with an expanded focus on high-altitude and conflict-affected areas where winter conditions are most severe. Winter-focused interventions are conducted in all regions across the Basic Assistance, Shelter, WASH, Site Management and Coordination, and Social Stability sectors, as part of a multi-sectoral response. A brief paper setting out an overview on Winter 2024-2025 Preparedness & Response is available here.

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The RCCE Webpage is available here.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 58 is available here.
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers General Secretariat of the Supreme Defense Council Situation Report #33 is available here in Arabic and English.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update #9 is available here.
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Response Situation Report #5 is available here.
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #10 is available here.
The UNICEF Lebanon Humanitarian Situation Report #4 is available here.
The WFP Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #5 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Sector Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #14 is available here.

Flash Appeal – October to December 2024

A $426 million Flash Appeal has been launched by the United Nations and the Government of Lebanon (GoL) to mobilize urgent resources for civilians affected by the escalating conflict and resulting humanitarian crisis in Lebanon. The announcement took place at the Serail in Beirut, attended by UN agencies, member states, the international community, and local and international partners. It seeks to assist approximately one million people affected by the conflict by addressing urgent needs in areas such as food, basic assistance, shelter, healthcare, water, and municipal services. Funds will be directed to humanitarian partners collaborating as part of the Government-led emergency response. This Flash Appeal is fully complementary to, and supportive of, the Lebanon Response Plan (LRP) 2024, which remains the primary planning framework in the country supporting an integrated humanitarian and stabilization response, co-led with the Government. The press-release on the Flash Appeal launch is available here and the Flash Appeal is available here.

Flash Update on Escalation of Hostilities in South Lebanon #30

The most intense Israeli strikes since the 2006 war in Lebanon targeted Beirut southern suburbs on 27 September 2024, resulting in the assassination of Hezbollah Secretary-General Hassan Nasrallah along with other prominent party officials, completely leveling dozens of buildings. At least 100 additional airstrikes hit across Lebanon, targeting the South, Baalbeck-El Hermel, Chouf, Jezzine, Nabatieh, Keserwan, Saida, Zahle, and Beirut southern suburbs. 346,209 people are now displaced according to IOM DTM, while Lebanese authorities estimate the total number of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) is over 1 million. According to the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH), the number of casualties stands at 8,408 injured and 1,640 deaths (as of 27 September). The latest Flash Update #30 is available here and the corresponding At a Glance document is available here.

Emergency Rapid Needs Assessment

The ERNA tool has been used to assess Collective Sites (CS) in response to escalation of hostilities in the South will continue to be the multisectoral tool for rapid needs assessment in CS across Lebanon. The tool has been customized considering the escalation of hostilities in the South and the questionnaire has been revised and validated by all sectors at the beginning of the response and reinforced through the subnational Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG). The tool is multi-sectoral and includes a question on whether a specific sectoral assessment is needed. After completing the assessment, the RNA partner will notify the specific sector if a sectoral assessment is needed. If you are an RNA partner, you are kindly requested to activate the ERNA based on the geosplit to collect data in the IDP collective sites in your area of operation. The ERNA User Guide is available here for instructions on downloading and collecting data. The public ERNA Dashboard is available here, please login with the following credentials: Username: LBN_view Password: LBNview321.

Collective Sites – Daily Interventions Tool & Dashboard

The Collective Sites - Daily Interventions Tracking Tool on ActivityInfo has been developed by the Inter-Sector in coordination with the Government of Lebanon (GoL) and data is directly linked to the Disaster Risk Management (DRM) database. Access has been granted to all ActivityInfo users for 2024, and additional access can be granted to new partners/users by sector IMs. It is designed to capture daily interventions by partners supporting Internal IDPs across various CSs. Partners providing support across the various CSs are kindly requested to enter the data on a daily basis before 12 PM each day. Sector coordination teams will validate the data and utilize it to develop daily sitreps and to contribute to the statements issued by the GoL every day at 4:00 PM. The Collective Sites - Daily Interventions Dashboard monitors the daily interventions on emergency response activities that are reported on the Collective Sites - Daily Interventions Tracking Tool on ActivityInfo. The Daily Interventions Dashboard is available here and updated list of CSs is available here.

Self-Settled Sites – Tracking Tool

The Self-Settled Sites tracking tool enables partners to report on self-settled locations where IDPs are gathering in public open spaces, privately or publicly owned buildings without proper agreements from owners or authorities. It remains imperative that these people can be relocated to other shelters and safer places. For now, partners are providing short-term, essential assistance only, alongside referrals, and sharing information about available hot lines to check availability of space in GOL sites, to people in these locations. The Self-Settled Sites tracking tool is available here and the corresponding dashboard is available here.

RCCE Emergency Contacts – MoPH Health Hotline, Emergency Shelter Hotlines by Area, MOSA Focal Points for Shelters

The UNICEF Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) team has compiled updated emergency contacts for those affected by the escalation of hostilities in Lebanon. These resources can be accessed as follows: the MoPH Hotline for Emergency Response and the Hotlines for Shelter by Area is available here; the two new lists for emergency shelters from the DRM are available here, please refer to both while DRM monitors occupancy; the official list of shelters, statement number 11, shared by DRM, is available here; the list of focal points (FPs) from the Ministry of Social Affairs (MoSA) is available here, MoSA has announced an upscaled emergency response and has appointed the listed FPs for Social Development Centers (SDCs) and CSs. These FPs are requested to report immediately to their respective centers and actively engage in coordination with local authorities and the DRM response team, reporting back to the MoSA Emergency team.

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Resource Guide: Frontline Worker Support and Self-Care

The Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) resource guide was put together by WHO and the National Mental Health Program at MoPH to support frontline workers by offering self-care tools that address the psychological fatigue, burnout, and emotional stress they face due to working in emergency contexts. It includes a series of self-care videos available here; a self-help podcast offering practical exercises to cope with emotional stress available here; the national emotional support and suicide prevention lifeline in collaboration with Embrace (available 24/7): 1564; the 4Ws platform offering a list of MHPSS services in Lebanon available here; and a confidential and free psychological support program; available via app or website here. Participants receive weekly support over the phone from trained personnel for five weeks. Frontline workers are encouraged to utilize these resources to their fullest extent and distribute them widely among teams and beneficiaries. The MHPS Resource Guide is available here.

Infant and Young Child Feeding Hotline Flyer

The Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Hotline Flyer has been developed through the collaborative efforts of the MoPH and the Nutrition sector, featuring contact numbers for the IYCF hotline. This initiative addresses the current emergency and significant displacement that has disrupted optimal infant and young child feeding practices. The hotline provides free support services for caregivers of young children (0-23 months), focusing on optimal nutrition to promote, protect, and support IYCF practices during emergencies when access to nutritious diets and services is severely impacted. Caregivers, including pregnant and lactating women experiencing breastfeeding challenges, those requesting formula milk, or those struggling to access age-appropriate feeding options, can be referred to the national IYCF hotline. Nutrition sector partners can mobilize IYCF specialists to provide the necessary assistance. The Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Hotline Flyer is available here.

Lebanon Gender Alert

The Gender Alert has been issued by UN Women in light of the escalating conflict in Lebanon and the ongoing humanitarian response. It focuses on the disproportionate impact on women and girls in Lebanon, particularly in vulnerable groups such as women-headed households and women with disabilities. This alert highlights key sectors where women and girls are facing challenges, including Food Security and Agriculture, Shelter, WaSH, Health (incl. mental health), Protection, and Gender-Based Violence (GBV). Based on a combination of data from national surveys, databases, consultations with women, and UN Women's field monitoring, the Gender Alert emphasizes the urgent need for the humanitarian community to uphold the rights of women and girls affected by the humanitarian crisis by prioritizing the most at-risk groups, supporting women-led organizations, and ensuring women's active participation in decision-making for response planning, implementation, and monitoring. The Lebanon Gender Alert is available here.

Gender-Based Violence Key Messages and Services Leaflet

The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Key Messages and Service leaflet has been developed by the GBV Working Group in response to the current emergency. The leaflet includes key GBV awareness messages; names and hotlines of two agreed-upon emergency response GBV partners per area, selected with support from the sub-national GBV coordinators; a QR code linking to all GBV case management agencies listed and validated in the GBV Referral Pathways and across Lebanon; the national level 24/7 hotline operated by Kafa, which serves survivors of GBV and those at risk, covering all areas; and information about the National Call Center (NCC) and the UNHCR Help Page, which offers extensive support functions. Sectors and partners are encouraged to disseminate this information on available GBV services so it can reach women, girls, and others affected by GBV through various programs, including in-kind distributions. The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Key Messages and Service leaflet is available here.

Prevention of Separation Leaflet

The Prevention of Separation Leaflet has been developed by the Child Protection sector to ensure the safety and well-being of families and children in the current emergency context. It emphasizes that humanitarian services and assistance are provided by specialized entities for free, and no one has the right to ask beneficiaries for any compensation to receive these services. The leaflet provides essential tips for guardians, including ensuring that children can identify themselves and their guardians, keeping contact information readily available, and remaining close to trusted adults during displacement. It also includes practical advice for children, guidance on how to act if you find a missing child, and agency contact hotline numbers. By equipping families with these critical tools, the leaflet aims to minimize the risks of separation and enhance the safety of vulnerable individuals. The Prevention of Separation Leaflet is available here.

Conflict Sensitivity and Monitoring & Evaluation Toolbox

The new Conflict Sensitivity and Monitoring & Evaluation Toolbox has been developed by UNDP to provides partners under the Lebanon Response Plan with practical tips for conducting conflict-sensitive M&E within the unique context of Lebanon and guidance on how to monitor and evaluate the application of conflict sensitivity. The Conflict Sensitivity Guidance Note and Toolbox series is produced as part of UNDP's Conflict Sensitivity mainstreaming work in Lebanon. The toolbox has been developed through a consultative process with partners and experts working on M&E and social stability, drawing on real-life examples from Lebanon. As the crisis unfolds in a highly tense environment with existing volatile communal relations, the risk of tensions and incidents grows higher despite emerging acts of solidarity. Within this context, it is important that partners prioritize conflict-sensitive approaches, including integrating conflict-sensitivity considerations in monitoring and evaluation practices. The toolbox is available here in both English and Arabic.

Further Situation Reports & Updates

The IOM DTM Mobility Snapshot Round 49 is available here.
The Presidency of the Council of Ministers General Secretariat of the Supreme Defense Council Situation Report #6 is available here in Arabic and English.
The UNHCR Lebanon Emergency Flash Update 27 September 2024 is available here.
The WHO Lebanon Health Emergency Response Situation Report #1 is available here.
The UNRWA Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #3 is available here.
The UNICEF Lebanon Humanitarian Flash Update #5 is available here.
The Food Security and Agriculture Sector Lebanon Emergency Response Situation Report #7 is available here.

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