



United Nations Country Team in Turkey Daily Situation Report on the Situation Pertaining to Syria

Date: August 23, 2012

Latest figures announced by the Government of Turkey on:

August 22, 2012

Official Total Camp Population in Turkey:

74,112

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Unofficial estimated figure:

Source: MFA Kilis, other sources

75,000

Highlights

- There is no new numbers announced by the Government of Turkey today. The latest official figure is 74,112 as of August 22, 2012 however unofficial estimation by the local authorities is more than 75,000 as of August 23, 2012.
- Local authorities in Kilis (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) informed that there are about 5,700 Syrians waiting across the border with Kilis to be admitted. However due to shortage of space in the camps they are admitted in smaller groups when accommodation is arranged. Local authorities informed that they are considering to instal sanitary facilities on the Syrian side in the waiting area while also providing humanitarian assistance (food, water etc) to these people during the admission process. The new arrivals are continued to be diverted to cities where the accommodation can be arranged in schools temporarily.
- On August 23, 2012, reportedly 493 persons voluntarily returned to Syria and about 412 persons have also been registered to return voluntarily.
- According to the information from local officials, 3-4 camps (Kahramanmaraş-1, Nizip and Karkamış, may be Osmaniye) are expected to be operational by end of August 2012 while the other three (Adıyaman, Kahramanmaraş-2 and Birecik) are planned to be ready for end of September 2012.

